

(37) To remove all nuisances and obstructions from the streets, lanes and alleys and from any lots adjoining thereto, or any other places within the limits of the City.

(38) To license and regulate and to establish, obtain by purchase, by lease or by rent, own, construct, operate, and maintain parking lots and other facilities for off-street parking.

(39) To install parking meters on the streets and public places of the City and to prescribe rates and provisions for the use thereof.

(40) To establish and maintain public parks, gardens, playgrounds, and other recreational facilities and programs to promote the health, welfare, and enjoyment of the inhabitants of the City.

(41) To establish, operate and maintain a police force which shall have, within the City all the power and authority of constables in this State. Such police force shall also be authorized to act outside the City to the extent necessary to transport prisoners to or from trial or to or from places of incarceration.

(42) To prohibit, within the City, all vice, gambling, and games of chance; prostitution and solicitation therefor and the keeping of bawdy houses and houses of ill fame; all tramps and vagrants; all disorder, disturbances, annoyances, disorderly conduct, obscenity, public profanity, and drunkenness.

(43) To regulate or prevent the throwing or depositing of sweepings, dust, ashes, offal, garbage, paper, handbills, dirty liquids, or other unwholesome material into any public way or onto any public or private property in the City.

(44) To license, tax and regulate public hackmen, taxicab men, draymen, drivers, cabmen, porters and expressmen, and all other persons pursuing like occupations.

(45) To regulate and license wagons and other vehicles not subject to the licensing powers of the State of Maryland.

(46) To purchase, lease, borrow, install, and maintain voting machines for use in City elections.

(47) In addition to all powers granted to the Council by this Charter or any other provision of law, the Council may exercise any power or perform any function which is not now or hereafter denied to it by the Constitution of Maryland, this Charter, or any applicable law passed by the General Assembly of Maryland. The enumeration of powers and functions in this Charter or elsewhere shall not be deemed to limit the power and authority granted by this paragraph 19(47).

20. To insure the observance of the ordinances of the City, the Council shall have the power to provide that violation thereof shall be a misdemeanor and shall have the power to affix thereto penalties of a fine not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.) or imprisonment for not exceeding ninety (90) days, or both such fine and imprisonment. Any person subjected to any fine, forfeiture, or penalty by virtue of any ordinance or regulation passed under the authority of this Charter shall have the right of appeal within thirty (30) days to the Circuit Court for Montgomery County. The Council may provide that, where the violation is of a continuing nature and is persisted in, a conviction for one violation shall not be a bar to a conviction for a continuation of the offense subsequent to the first or any succeeding conviction.