

all bonds and notes of the City. He shall disburse City funds by check duly signed by him as Treasurer and countersigned by the Mayor, pursuant to a resolution of the Council. He shall submit to the Council at the end of each fiscal year, and at such other times as the Council may require, a complete financial report on the accounts of the City. He shall ascertain that all taxable property within the City is assessed for taxation. He shall collect all taxes, special assessments, license fees, liens, and all other revenues of the City, and all other revenues for whose collection the City is responsible, and receive any funds receivable by the City. He shall invest City funds, in excess of those required for immediate needs, in the best interest of the City. The Treasurer shall also do such other things in relation to the fiscal or financial affairs of the City as the Mayor or the Council may require, or as may be required elsewhere in this Charter.

SECTION 10. GENERAL POWERS.

A. **ORDINANCES.** The Council shall have the power to enact all just and reasonable ordinances, resolutions, and other regulations consistent with the laws of the State of Maryland, to make effective all of the provisions of this Charter, to provide the City with good government, to preserve the public order, and to safeguard the health, morals, and general welfare of the citizens of the City.

B. **ORDINANCES: ADOPTION AND AMENDMENT.** Any proposed ordinance or proposed amendment to an existing ordinance shall be introduced for a first reading at a public meeting of the City Council, and except as herein provided, shall immediately be tabled by the Council and shall not be eligible for adoption until the next regularly scheduled public Council meeting. At a subsequent Council meeting, the proposed ordinance may be introduced for a second reading, after which it may be adopted by a majority vote of the Council. The Council may, by a four-fifths vote, declare any proposed ordinance or any proposed amendment to an ordinance to be an "emergency ordinance" and shall thereupon be authorized to introduce and enact such ordinance or amendment at a single meeting. Every ordinance, unless it is passed as an emergency ordinance, shall become effective at the expiration of twenty (20) calendar days following approval by the Mayor or passage by the Council over the Mayor's veto. An emergency ordinance shall become effective on the date specified in the ordinance, but no ordinance shall become effective until approved by the Mayor or passed over his veto by the Council.

C. **VETO.** All ordinances passed by the Council shall be immediately delivered by the Administrative Officer to the Mayor for his approval or veto. If the Mayor approves any ordinance, he shall sign it. If the Mayor vetoes any ordinance, he shall not sign it. The Mayor shall return all ordinances to the Administrative Officer within seven (7) calendar days after delivery to him with his approval or veto. Any ordinance approved by the Mayor shall be law. An ordinance vetoed by the Mayor shall be returned with a message stating the reasons for his disapproval. Any vetoed ordinance shall not become law unless subsequently passed by a favorable vote of four-fifths of the whole Council within thirty-five calendar days from the time of the return of the ordinance. If the Mayor fails to return any ordinance within seven days of its delivery, it shall be deemed to be approved by the Mayor and shall become law in the same manner as an ordinance signed by him.

D. **ORDINANCES: ENFORCEMENT.** The style of all ordinances enacted by the Council shall be "Be it enacted and ordained by the City Council of New Carrollton," and all suits at law for the violation thereof shall be instituted in the name of the City of New Carrollton, against offending parties, and all fines recovered in such suits at law for the breach of any ordinance of the corporation, and any fine imposed by any judicial officer for violation of such ordinances shall be