

Sec. 21. - Mayor to appoint certain officers and boards.

The mayor may appoint, subject to confirmation by the board of aldermen, the following officers and boards; provided, however, that under section 46D of this charter, administrative orders may replace or modify the titles or assign the functions to any other city agency, unless otherwise provided, for 1 year and until the appointment and qualification of a successor: (i) a city treasurer, who shall also be the collector of taxes and in case of a vacancy, the office shall be filled for the unexpired term by the mayor, subject to confirmation; (ii) a city auditor, for a term of 3 years, from the date of the appointment until the qualification of a successor, and in case of a vacancy, the office shall be filled for the unexpired term by the mayor, subject to like confirmation; (iii) a chief of police, who shall be appointed in the manner provided by ordinance and shall have an employment agreement for a term of not more than 5 years, all other officers and members of the police department, a chief engineer and all other officers and members of the fire department; (iv) a city attorney; (v) a purchasing agent; (vi) a board of health; (vii) a board of trustees of the public library; (viii) a commissioner of public works, who shall serve for the term of the mayor; (ix) a city engineer, who may be the commissioner of public works; (x) a superintendent of the division of public buildings and grounds; (xi) a superintendent of inspectional services; (xii) a superintendent of highways, electric lines and lights; (xiii) a superintendent of water works; (xiv) 1 animal control officer of each public animal control facility in the city; (xv) the number of constables as may be deemed advisable; and (xvi) a 311 director, special police officers and all other officers and boards of the city whose election or appointment is not otherwise provided for in this charter. The executive officers shall hold their respective offices at the pleasure of the mayor and until removed by the mayor and board of aldermen in the same manner in which the officer was appointed or until the offices are otherwise vacated. Nothing in this section shall be construed to conflict with chapter 197 of the acts of 1895.

(Acts 1934, Chapter 294, accepted by voters Nov. 6, 1934; Acts 1934, Chapter 295, accepted by voters Nov. 6, 1934; Acts 1949, Chapter 234, approved April 29, 1949; Acts 1949, Chapter 474, approved July 1, 1949; Acts 1953, Chapter 650, accepted by voters Nov. 3, 1953; Acts 1985, Chapter 486, approved November 12, 1985; Acts 1986, Chapter 368, approved August 6, 1986; Acts 2006, Chapter 183, approved July 27, 2006; Acts 2012, Chapter 400, approved Jan. 3, 2013.)

Sec. 44. - Mayor may appoint, discharge, etc., employees.

The mayor shall appoint, employ, and discharge, at pleasure, all subordinate officers, clerks assistants and laborers in their respective departments, and shall have the immediate direction and control of all executive and administrative business therein. They shall at all times be accountable to the mayor for the proper discharge of their duties.

(Acts 2012, Chapter 400, approved Jan. 3, 2013.)