

Chapter 3. Powers and Duties of Officers

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§7. City Attorney – Appointment – Powers and Duties

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The City Attorney, the City Attorney’s deputies and assistants shall constitute the legal department of the City of Minneapolis, and shall have charge of all legal matters connected with the city government and all the several heads and departments of the same, and of all the ~~several~~ boards of said city which now exist or are hereafter established in connection with the City government.

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The ~~above named~~ boards and departments of the City shall in no case employ, retain or pay any attorney for legal services in their boards or departments, and it is hereby made the duty of said boards and departments each of them, whenever the advice, opinion or services of an attorney are required, to call upon the City Attorney for such advice, opinion or services, and the same shall be given by the City Attorney, a deputy or assistant city attorney or by an assistant designated by the City Attorney or another attorney retained by the City Attorney. Any language in this Charter that is inconsistent with this section is superseded by this section. ~~Provided that the provisions of this section shall not apply to the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Minneapolis.~~

Chapter 16. Parks and Parkways

§1. Park and Recreation Board – Election – Terms of Office

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The Park and Recreation Board shall be authorized to employ and dismiss, subject to the provisions of the Civil Service Chapter of this Charter, such ~~attorneys~~, surveyors, agents and employees as may be necessary . . .

Suggested Ballot Language

The Minneapolis Charter Commission proposes that the Minneapolis City Charter be amended to provide that all legal services for all of the City of Minneapolis' Departments, Boards or Commissions be provided by the Minneapolis City Attorney.