

## Section 404. - VACANCY—APPOINTMENT.

If a vacancy occurs in the office of Mayor, the Vice Mayor shall assume the duties of the office of Mayor until the office shall be filled at the next general municipal election. The assumption of the duties of the Mayor shall not require that the Vice Mayor relinquish his or her seat as a Councilmember elected or appointed from a district. If a vacancy occurs among any other members of the City Council, the remaining members shall within 75 days after such occurrence appoint a qualified resident voter of the unrepresented district who shall hold office until the office is filled at the next general municipal election. If the City Council cannot agree on one person to fill the vacancy, the replacement shall be chosen by lot.

Nothing herein provided shall limit the power of the City Council to provide by ordinance for the continuity of the City Government in the event of war, enemy-caused disaster or common accident in which a majority of the members of the City Council are killed, missing or injured so as to be unable to perform their duties.

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