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The Roles of Council, City Manager and Mayor

ARTICLE III. - LEGISLATIVE

• Sec. 3.01. - Creation, powers and composition of city council.

There shall be a **city council** with all the legislative powers of the city vested therein. The city council may by ordinance or resolution prescribe the manner in which any power of the city shall be exercised. The city council shall consist of seven (7) commissioners; one residing in each of seven (7) election districts, elected at large by the qualified voters of the city. (Charter)

ARTICLE IV. - EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATION

• Sec. 4.01. - Mayor

There shall be a **mayor** who shall be the "head of state" of the City of Belle Isle and shall have such duties and powers as are specified under the charter or as may be required by the City Council.

Sec. 4.07. - City manager

• The city council shall appoint a **city manager** who shall be under the direction and supervision of the city council, and shall hold office at the pleasure of the city council. The city manager shall be chosen solely on the basis of executive and administrative qualifications and need not be a resident of the city or state at the time of appointment. The city manager's salary shall be fixed by the city council. A person who has served as a commissioner or mayor of the city shall be ineligible for appointment to the office of city manager for two years following the end of the term of office.