

quently linked with the "carpet-bagger" regime of former days. During the yellow fever epidemic of 1888, the white portion of the city government only in part remained in Jacksonville, which resulted in a great deal of inconvenience and embarrassment. Finally, with the charge that the existing municipal government had proven itself incapable of the functions necessary for a judicious administration of the City's affairs, and that it was calculated to destroy the standing and credit of Jacksonville as a municipality, the Democrats, supported morally it was said by conservative Republicans, applied to the Legislature for a change of charter designed to correct the evil complained of. The result was a drastic change in the charter, by which the election of all City officials by electors was abolished and the method changed to one of appointment.

1889—Patrick McQuaid (Dem.)

House Bill No. 4 (Chap. 3952) was approved May 16, 1889. It provided for the appointment of the City Council of Jacksonville by the Governor, and when so appointed the Council became the appointing board for all of the other City officers including the Mayor.

Under the provisions of House Bill No. 4, Governor Francis P. Fleming appointed a Council of 18 members, two from each ward as the city was then constituted. Eleven were Democrats and seven were Republicans as indicated in the following list:

Ward 1—B. F. Dillon, (D)†	L. C. Emery (R)
Ward 2—A. W. Cockrell, Jr. (D)†	C. W. Kinne (R)†
Ward 3—Frederick Pasco (D)†	F. W. Mumby (D)
Ward 4—D. U. Fletcher (D)†	C. S. Adams (R)†
Ward 5—T. W. Roby (D)†	O. L. Keene (R)
Ward 6—T. J. Boyd (D)†	J. W. Miller (R)
Ward 7—J. H. Stephens (D)†	W. A. McDuff (R)†
Ward 8—E. E. Belisario (D)†	Oscar Neunert (D)†
Ward 9—C. B. Rogers (D)†	D. T. Gerow (R)

Those marked (†) in the above list met at 3 p. m. June 3d, and organized. D. U. Fletcher was unanimously elected President. Council then adjourned until 9 p. m. At the night session the name of Patrick McQuaid was put in nomination for Mayor; he was unanimously elected to serve for