Powers of Council, Mayor, and Manager: Arizona Charter Cities

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	Appointment of manager	Removal of manager	Appointment of dept heads	Noninterference Clause
Phoenix	Council appoints	2/3 council without cause; majority with cause	manager appoints department heads; council selects magistrates	Yes
Avondale	Council appoints	Council removes by majority vote	manager appoints all, including clerk and finance director; council appoints city attorney	Yes
Bisbee	Council appoints	Council removes by majority vote	manager appoints most. Council appoints city attorney	Yes
Casa Grande	Council appoints	no provision	manager appoints finance director, police and fire chiefs; council appoints magistrates	No
Chandler	Council appoints	Council removes by majority vote	manager appoints most. Council appoints clerk, city attorney, and magistrates	Yes
Douglas	Council appoints	Council removes by 5/7 vote	mayor appoints clerk, treasurer attorney; manager appoints the rest	Yes
Flagstaff	Council-appoints	Council removes by majority vote	manager appoints heads, also clerk and treasurer. Council appoints city attorney	Yes
Glendale	Council appoints	Council removes by majority vote	council appoints clerk, treasurer, city attorney; manager appoints all others	Yes
Goodyear	Council appoints	Council removes by majority vote	council appoints attorney; manager appoints clerk and other dept heads	Yes
Holbrook	Council appoints	Council removes by majority vote	council appoints attorney; manager appoints clerk, treasurer, and other dept heads	Yes
Mesa	Council appoints 2/3 majority	Council removes by 2/3 majority	council appoints city attorney, clerk (with manager advice) and magistrates; rest by manager	Yes
Nogales	Council appoints	Council removes by 5/7 vote with cause	council appoints city attorney, city clerk, judges; rest by manager	N/A
Peoria	Council appoints	Council removes by majority vote	council appoints city attorney, manager all others	Yes
Prescott	Council appoints	Council removes by majority with cause; 5/7 without	council appoints city attorney, clerk; manager all others	Yes
Scottsdale	Council appoints	Council removes by majority vote	council appoints clerk, attorney, treasurer and auditor: manager all others	Yes
Tempe	Council appoints	Council removes by majority vote	council appoints clerk, city attorney, judges; manager all others	Yes
Winslow	Council appoints	Council removes by majority vote	council appoints clerk, city attorney; manager all others	No
Yuma	Council appoints	Council removes by majority vote	manager (city administrator) makes all appointments	Yes