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As of December 1, 1927

Mayor ----- L. ERT. SLACK  
 Secretary to Mayor ----- ANNE CUNNINGHAM  
 City Clerk ----- WILLIAM A. BOYCE, JR.  
 Deputy City Clerk ----- MARGARET M. INMAN

## DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

City Controller ----- STERLING R. HOLT  
 Deputy City Controller ----- A. B. GOOD  
 Deputy Auditor School Board ----- ARTHUR C. THOMAS

## DEPARTMENT OF LAW

Corporation Counsel ----- JOHN W. HOLTZMAN  
 City Attorney ----- JOHN K. RUCKELSHAUS  
 Assistant City Attorney ----- DONALD F. ROBERTS  
 Municipal Court Deputy ----- ARTHUR M. DINSMORE  
 Claim Agent ----- W. W. HYDE  
 Attorney for Park Board ----- TELFORD B. ORBISON  
 Attorney for Health Board ----- CHARLES MENDENHALL  
 Attorney for City Plan Commission ----- LLOYD D. CLAYCOMBE  
 Attorney for Sanitary Board ----- JOSEPH J. DANIELS  
 Attorney for Recreation Department ----- WM. T. QUILLEN

## DEPARTMENT OF CITY CIVIL ENGINEER

City Civil Engineer ----- A. H. MOORE  
 Assistant City Engineer ----- W. L. LACEY  
 Street Department Head ----- M. G. JOHNSON  
 Clerical Department Head ----- BADGER WILLIAMSON  
 Sewer Department Head ----- CHAS. P. CULLEY  
 Flood Prevention Department Head ----- HARVEY CASSADY  
 Inspectors Department Head ----- WILLIAM H. HOLL  
 Asphalt Plant Head ----- ED ROCHET  
 Chemical Laboratory Head ----- C. H. UNDERWOOD  
 Street Lighting Department Head ----- Chas. W. HENSLEY  
 Drafting Department Head ----- SHERMAN HENRICKS  
 Track Elevation Engineer ----- M. N. BEBEE

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Chief of Police ----- CLAUDE WORLEY  
 Chief of Detectives ----- JERRY E. KINNEY  
 Major of Police ----- LEWIS L. JOHNSON  
 Captain of Traffic ----- LESTER E. JONES  
 Secretary ----- JOHN E. AMBUHL

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 FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief ----- JESSE A. HUTSELL  
 First Assistant Chief ----- ERNEST G. HINCHMAN  
 First Assistant Chief ----- ROY C. PHILLIPS  
 Secretary ----- HERBERT R. WALK

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 PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

Purchasing Department ----- JOEL BAKER  
 Assistant Purchasing Agent ----- THURMAN A. WASHBURN  
 Chief Clerk ----- CHARLES S. STEGER  
 Inspector ----- WILLIAM S. WERNER

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 BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Commissioner ----- W. A. OSBON

# MEMBERS OF OFFICIAL BOARDS

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## BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

President ----- OSCAR F. SMITH  
CHARLES L. RIDDLE  
JOHN W. FRIDAY  
Clerk ----- WAYNE EMMELMANN

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## BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY

President ----- FRED W. CONNELL  
IRA HAYMAKER  
ROBERT MILLER  
Executive Secretary ----- CLAUDE C. McCOY

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Commissioner ----- W. E. MENDENHALL  
Commissioner ----- DR. E. E. PADGETT  
Secretary ----- DR. HERMAN G. MORGAN  
Chief Clerk ----- C. TOM JOHNSON  
Superintendent City Hospital ----- DR. CLEON NAFE

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## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS

President ----- JOHN E. MILNOR  
Commissioner ----- MICHAEL FOLEY  
Commissioner ----- MARY E. HOSS  
Commissioner ----- ADOLPH G. EMHARDT  
Superintendent ----- R. WALTER JARVIS  
Assistant Superintendent ----- GEORGE E. MORGAN  
Director of Recreation ----- JESSE P. McCLURE  
Landscape Architect ----- A. W. BRAYTON  
Engineer ----- JAMES E. PERRY  
Secretary ----- CLARENCE MYERS  
Chief Clerk ----- CHARLES M. DAVIDSON  
Auditor ----- CORA E. HARTMAN

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 PUBLIC BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Custodian ----- CHARLES CLARK  
 Police Station ----- GEORGE COX

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 DEPARTMENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Chief Inspector ----- ROBERT H. HATHAWAY  
 Deputy Inspector ----- FLOYD NEWHOUSE  
 Deputy Inspector ----- CLARENCE STEWART  
 Deputy Inspector ----- ROY E. SPILLMAN  
 Deputy Inspector ----- OLA POWERS

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 CITY PLAN COMMISSION

President ----- GUSTAV G. SCHMIDT  
 A. H. MOORE  
 OSCAR F. SMITH  
 AUSTIN H. TODD  
 J. W. ATHERTON  
 MRS. LELIA E. TAYLOR  
 L. J. BORINSTEIN  
 ADOLPH G. EMHARDT  
 DR. FRED W. MAYER  
 TOM DILLON  
 Engineer ----- MACKLIN MACK  
 Assistant Engineer ----- J. RAY MONAGHAN  
 Secretary ----- MARIE VICTOR

# MEMBERS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

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## OFFICERS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

President ..... CLAUDE E. NEGLEY  
President Pro Tem ..... WALTER R. DORSETT  
Clerk ..... WILLIAM A. BOYCE, Jr.  
Secretary of Committees ..... JANE AXTELL  
Sergeant-at-Arms ..... CLAUDE C. McCOY

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## COUNCILMEN-AT-LARGE

First District ..... WALTER R. DORSETT  
Second District ..... CLAUDE E. NEGLEY  
Second District ..... ROBERT E. SPRINGSTEEN  
Third District ..... EDWARD B. RAUB  
Third District ..... O. RAY ALBERTSON  
Fourth District ..... MILLARD W. FERGUSON  
Fourth District ..... AUSTIN H. TODD  
Fifth District ..... OTIS E. BARTHOLOMEW  
Sixth District ..... BOYNTON J. MOORE

Term of Office—From the first Monday in January, 1926, to the first Monday in January, 1930.

# STANDING COMMITTEES

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## FINANCE COMMITTEE

O. Ray Albertson, Chairman; Edward B. Raub, Austin H. Todd,  
Robert E. Springsteen, Otis E. Bartholomew.

## PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Edward B. Raub, Chairman; O. Ray Albertson, Robert E. Spring-  
steen, Austin H. Todd, Boynton J. Moore.

## PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Robert E. Springsteen, Chairman; Austin H. Todd, Millard W.  
Ferguson, O. Ray Albertson, Otis E. Bartholomew.

## PUBLIC HEALTH AND CHARITIES COMMITTEE

Austin H. Todd, Chairman. Millard W. Ferguson, Boynton J. Moore,  
Robert E. Springsteen, Walter R. Dorsett.

## PARKS COMMITTEE

Otis E. Bartholomew, Chairman; Robert E. Springsteen, O. Ray  
Albertson, Edward B. Raub, Austin H. Todd.

## LAW AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Edward B. Raub, Chairman; Otis E. Bartholomew, Millard W.  
Ferguson, Walter R. Dorsett, Boynton J. Moore.

## ELECTIONS

Austin H. Todd, Chairman; Robert E. Springsteen, O. Ray Albertson,  
Edward B. Raub, Walter R. Dorsett.

## CITY WELFARE

O. Ray Albertson, Chairman; Edward B. Raub, Austin H. Todd,  
Millard W. Ferguson, Otis E. Bartholomew.

## ATHLETIC COMMISSION

O. Ray Albertson, Chairman; Edward B. Raub, Otis E. Bartholomew,  
Robert E. Springsteen, Claude E. Negley, Millard W. Ferguson,  
Austin H. Todd.



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	Number of Regular meetings -----	21
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