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OF THE  
**CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA**

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# CITY OFFICIALS AND EXECUTIVE PERSONNEL

As of December 31, 1964

Mayor -----JOHN J. BARTON  
City Clerk -----ANGELINE "PAT" ALLSTATT  
Deputy City Clerk -----M. MAY SEAY

## COMMON COUNCIL OFFICERS

President -----JOSEPH C. WALLACE  
Vice-President -----DANIEL P. MORIARTY  
Clerk -----ANGELINE "PAT" ALLSTATT  
Deputy Clerk -----M. MAY SEAY

## COUNCILMEN

First District -----MAX E. BRYDENTHAL  
First District -----THOMAS C. HASBROOK  
Second District -----JOSEPH C. WALLACE  
Second District -----RUFUS KUYKENDALL  
Third District -----REVEREND JAMES L. CUMMINGS  
Third District -----HAROLD EGENES  
Fourth District -----DANIEL P. MORIARTY  
Fifth District -----R. THOMAS MCGILL  
Sixth District -----ALBERT O. DELUSE

## OFFICE OF MAYOR

Mayor -----JOHN J. BARTON  
Secretary to the Mayor -----MARIAN BARTON

## SERVICE & INFORMATION

Director -----WILLIAM ANDERSON

## PERSONNEL

Consultant -----ALEX J. KERTIS

CIVIL DEFENSE

Director -----CHARLES BRODERICK

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DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

City Controller -----CARL C. BECK  
Deputy City Controller-----DON L. ROBINSON  
Finance Officer -----OPAL KREMER  
Supervisor Barrett Law-----FLORENCE M. KELLEY  
Supervisor Accounting Machines -----VIRGINIA BRATTAIN

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PARKING METER

Administrator -----A. T. (TONY) FLOREANCIG

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PURCHASING

Purchasing Agent -----FRANK H. SCHEIB  
Assistant Purchasing Agent -----FLETCHER HANCOCK

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DEPARTMENT OF LAW  
LEGAL DEPARTMENT

Corporation Counsel -----JAMES W. BEATTY  
City Attorney -----JOHN J. DILLON  
1st Assistant City Attorney -----STANLEY TALESNICK  
2nd Assistant City Attorney -----EDWARD J. ERPELDING  
3rd Assistant City Attorney -----JOHN C. KORBLY  
Office Manager -----BESS SHARKEY

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CITY PROSECUTORS

Chief Deputy -----JOHN F. McCANN, JR.  
Assistant Chief Deputy -----DONALD L. FASIG  
Deputy -----TAYLOR L. BAKER, JR.  
Deputy -----LOUIS A. WHITESELL

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BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS  
ADMINISTRATION

Executive Secretary -----ROSCOE BREDELL  
Finance Officer -----ELLEN "PAT" DEVLIN

ASSESSMENT

Supervisor -----MAYBELLE OLIVER

CIVIL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

City Civil Engineer -----THOMAS C. CONLEY  
Assistant to Engineer -----JOHN A. MASCARI

MUNICIPAL GARAGE

Superintendent -----GLEN ROSE  
Assistant Superintendent -----CECIL MOORE

STREET COMMISSIONER DEPARTMENT

Street Commissioner -----RICHARD L. STERN, JR.  
Assistant Street Commissioner -----JOHN MINARDO

BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
ADMINISTRATION

Executive Secretary -----J. RUSSELL SWISHER  
Safety Director -----FRANK MEECH

AIR POLLUTION

Director-----RAYMOND E. WETZEL

COMMISSIONER OF BUILDINGS

Building Commissioner -----GEORGE C. WRIGHT

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief -----ARNOLD W. PHILLIPS  
Assistant Chief -----RICHARD VANSANT  
Assistant Chief -----WARD L. STORM  
Secretary -----JOSEPH B. LAWRIE  
Assistant Secretary -----CARRIE NIHISER  
Director of Fire Prevention -----CHARLES P. HILL

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief-----NOEL A. JONES  
Deputy Chief—Operations -----DANIEL T. VEZA  
Deputy Chief—Investigation -----ROBERT E. REILLY

TRAFFIC ENGINEERING

Traffic Engineer -----ARTHUR G. WAKE  
Assistant Traffic Engineer -----WILLIAM FEHRIBACH

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WEIGHTS & MEASURES

Director -----W. ROSS COPELAND

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**MEMBERS OF OFFICIAL BOARDS**

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

President -----HUGH G. BAKER  
Vice-President -----GRANT W. HAWKINS  
Member -----JOHN A. SCHUMACHER  
Member -----WAYNE W. WARRICK

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BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY

President -----ARTHUR SULLIVAN  
Member -----MERCER M. MANCE  
Member -----S. D. MURPHY

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BOARD OF AVIATION COMMISSIONERS  
WEIR COOK AIRPORT

Executive Director -----EDWIN G. PETRO  
President -----FRED W. SOMMER  
Vice-President -----PAUL B. HUDSON  
Secretary -----LOUIS SCHWITZER  
Member -----MICHAEL G. SCHAEFER  
Legal Counsel -----CHALMER SCHLOSSER  
Assistant Director -----C. W. BEAMAN  
Comptroller -----JOHN GIBBS  
Operations Manager -----HUSTON POWERS

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BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

Director of Public Parks -----ROBERT C. GOODRICH  
President -----CHARLES T. WATKINS  
Vice-President -----JOHN L. LONGARDNER  
Member -----EARL H. SCHMIDT  
Member -----OMER J. SMITH  
Member -----NICHOLAS SCOLLARD  
Legal Counsel -----JOHN J. KORBLY

BOARD OF SANITARY COMMISSIONERS

President ----- WILLIAM WARREN  
Vice-President ----- DR. RALPH E. HANLEY  
Secretary ----- RALPH F. MOORE  
Executive Secretary ----- FRANK A. MUELLER  
Engineer ----- NAY BENTLEY  
Legal Counsel ----- FRANCIS THOMASON  
Assistant Legal Counsel ----- JOHN TRANBERG

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BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Chairman ----- CHARLES L. FLEETWOOD  
Vice-Chairman ----- CHARLES S. BOEHM  
Member ----- J. EARL OWENS  
Member ----- JOHN F. SULLIVAN  
Member ----- AUGUSTUS W. HAMILTON  
Executive Secretary ----- NOBLE P. HOLLISTER

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BOARD OF FLOOD CONTROL

President ----- THOMAS C. CONLEY  
Vice-President ----- HAZEL B. MILLER  
Secretary ----- HARRY J. FEENEY  
Member ----- JAMES D. BLYTHE  
Member ----- JAMES H. BOOKEDIS  
Engineer ----- JAMES H. FOSTER  
Office Manager ----- MYRON NORTHERN  
Legal Counsel ----- MICHAEL REDDINGTON

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REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Trustees

President ----- W. HENRY ROBERTS  
Vice-President ----- J. RALPH FENSTERMAKER  
Secretary ----- EARL H. SCHMIDT  
Member ----- JAMES ROBB  
Member ----- JOHN J. DUGAN

Commissioners

President ----- RICHARD H. OBERREICH  
Vice-President ----- JOHN R. WELCH  
Secretary ----- J. ALBERT SMITH  
Member ----- CHARLES E. WAGNER

Member -----ARNOLD DAVIS  
Executive Secretary -----JOHN W. COFFMAN

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HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

Executive Secretary -----J. GRIFFIN CRUMP  
Chairman -----MAX KLEZMER  
Member -----DR. LEHMAN ADAMS  
Member -----REV. RAYMOND T. BOSLER  
Member -----WILLIAM BOOK  
Member -----MERRILL K. COHEN  
Member -----MRS. DAVID COOK  
Member -----RABBI MAURICE DAVIS  
Member -----CLAUDE DOWNEY  
Member -----DR. LAURENCE HOSIE  
Member -----LAUNCELOT JONES  
Member -----LOUIS KIRKHOFF  
Member -----MERCER MANCE  
Member -----MRS. PAULINE MORTON-FINNEY  
Member -----REVEREND V. MILLER NEWTON  
Member -----PAUL S. PARTLOW  
Member -----MRS. OSMA SPURLOCK  
Member -----F. JOSEPH VIEHMANN  
Member -----REV. CHARLES T. WATKINS  
Member -----WAYNE FOLCK  
Member -----MRS. VICTORIA PORTER

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POLICE AND FIRE MERIT COMMISSION

Member -----DR. DAVID R. ROBERTS  
Member -----DR. CLAUDE M. OTTEN  
Member -----HAROLD HANSEN  
Member -----CHIEF ARNOLD W. PHILLIPS  
Member -----CHIEF NOEL A. JONES

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OFF-STREET PARKING COMMISSION

President -----DR. WALTER DEAN  
Vice-President -----DONALD JAMESON  
Executive Secretary -----E. ANDREW STEFFEN  
Treasurer -----JAMES P. SCOTT  
Member -----ROY F. CHILES

# COMMON COUNCIL

## STANDING COMMITTEES OF 1964

1. FINANCE COMMITTEE—Daniel P. Moriarty, Chairman; Max E. Brydenthal, Reverend James Cummings, Albert O. Deluse, R. Thomas McGill.
2. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—R. Thomas McGill, Chairman; Max E. Brydenthal, Reverend James Cummings, Thomas C. Hasbrook, Rufus C. Kuykendall.
3. PUBLIC SAFETY & AVIATION COMMITTEE—Albert O. Deluse, Chairman; R. Thomas McGill, Daniel P. Moriarty, Harold J. Egenes, Rufus C. Kuykendall.
4. PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE—Reverend James L. Cummings, Chairman; Albert O. Deluse, R. Thomas McGill, Harold J. Egenes, Thomas C. Hasbrook.
5. PUBLIC PARKS COMMITTEE—Max E. Brydenthal, Chairman; Reverend James Cummings, Daniel P. Moriarty, Thomas C. Hasbrook, Rufus C. Kuykendall.
6. LAW & JUDICIARY COMMITTEE—Rufus C. Kuykendall, Chairman; Max E. Brydenthal, Albert O. Deluse, Daniel P. Moriarty, Harold J. Egenes.
7. CITY WELFARE COMMITTEE—Thomas C. Hasbrook, Chairman; Max E. Brydenthal, Reverend James Cummings, Albert O. Deluse, Harold J. Egenes.
8. ELECTIONS COMMITTEE—Harold J. Egenes, Chairman; Reverend James Cummings, Albert O. Deluse, R. Thomas McGill, Rufus C. Kuykendall.

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## *History of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis*

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Indianapolis was established as a town in 1821. It was at this time that a commission, appointed by the legislature, selected this location as a site for a seat of government of the State of Indiana.

The town of Indianapolis conducted its affairs pursuant to the general laws of the state until 1832. In this year the town was incorporated and was governed by a board of five trustees.

In 1838, pursuant to a special act of the legislature, Indianapolis was re-incorporated and placed in the hands of its first town council composed of a president and six members.

The common council continued in a large measure to control the affairs of Indianapolis as a town and as a city under various so-called charters or grants of the legislature until 1891.

Under a special act of the legislature of 1891 for the city of Indianapolis, a somewhat different form of government was estab-

lished. While the council continued to exercise broad control over the city's affairs, various executive departments of the city were provided, such as Public Works, Public Safety, Public Parks and Public Health, conducted by boards appointed by the Mayor. These boards were granted specific powers and duties concerning the city's business previously exercised by the council through committees subject, however, in some cases to approval of the council in all matters of expenditure of money and appropriation of funds by the council.

For some time prior to 1891 the City of Indianapolis was divided into 25 wards represented by 25 ward councilmen. Their term of office was two years and they were eligible for re-election. At this time there was also a separate body operating in conjunction with the council called the Board of Aldermen, composed of ten Aldermen, representing five Aldermanic districts, two being elected from each district.

Under the 1891 act the Board of Aldermen was abolished and a common council of 21 members was established. Fifteen members were elected to represent 15 wards and six members were elected to represent the city at large.

This form of council continued to exist in Indianapolis under the general cities and towns act of 1905. The act of 1905, while often referred to as the Indianapolis Charter, is very largely a re-enactment of the 1891 Indianapolis charter, modified to make the Indianapolis system applicable to all classes of cities of the state. The 1905 law increased the term of Mayor and councilman to four years and prohibited re-election.

In 1909 a novel councilmanic law for Indianapolis alone was passed by the legislature. This law limits the number of councilmen to nine. The law provides for the nomination by each party of six candidates, one from each of six councilmanic districts. In the election all of the voters of the city may vote for any nine candidates and the nine receiving the highest number of votes are elected. This law insures a minority representation in the Council of at least three members. In 1949 the legislature amended the statutes to permit councilmen to succeed themselves.

## EXECUTIVE HEADS OF CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS UNDER VARIOUS FORMS OF ORGANIZATION

### Presidents of Boards of Trustees

Henderson, Samuel.....	October 12, 1832, to September 30, 1833
Edgar, James (Resigned as Trustee)....	Sept. 30 to December 9, 1833
Blythe, Benjamin I.....	March 7, 1834, to February 14, 1835
Morrison, Alexander F.....	February 14 to October 2, 1835
Palmer, Nathan B.....	October 2, 1835, to April 13, 1836
Lockerbie, George.....	April 13, 1836, to April 4, 1837
Soule, Joshua.....	April 3, 1837, to April 2, 1838

### Presidents of Town Council

Morrison, James.....	1838 to 1839
Palmer, Nathan B.....	1839 to 1840
Coburn, Henry P.....	1840 to 1841
Sullivan, William (Resigned November 12, 1841).....	1841
Culley, David V.....	1841 to 1844; 1850 to 1853
Wilson, Lazarus B.....	1844 to 1845
Levy, Joseph A.....	1845 to 1847
Rooker, Samuel S. (Resigned November 1, 1847).....	1847
Cady, Charles W.....	1847 to 1848

### Mayors

Henderson, Samuel.....	1847 to 1849
Newcomb, Horatio C. (Resigned November 7, 1851).....	1849 to 1851
Scudder, Caleb.....	1851 to 1854
McCready, James.....	1854 to 1856
West, Henry F. (Died November 8, 1856).....	1856
Coulon, Charles (To fill vacancy until November 22, 1856).....	1856
Wallace, William John (Resigned May 3, 1858).....	1856 to 1858
Maxwell, Samuel D.....	1858 to 1863
Caven, John.....	1863 to 1867; to 1881

Macauley, Daniel.....	1867 to 1873
Mitchell, James L.....	1873 to 1875
Grubbs, Daniel W.....	1881 to 1884
McMaster, John L.....	1884 to 1886
Denny, Caleb S.....	1886 to 1890
Sullivan, Thomas L.....	From January 1, 1890 to Oct. 12, 1893
Denny, Caleb S.....	From October 12, 1893 to 1895
Taggart, Thomas.....	From October 10, 1895 to 1901
Bookwalter, Charles A.....	From October 10, 1901 to 1903
Holtzman, John W.....	From October 15, 1903 to 1905
Bookwalter, Charles A.....	1905 to 1909
Shank, Samuel Lewis (Resigned November 28, 1913).....	1910 to 1913
Wallace, Harry R.....	1913
Bell, Joseph E.....	1914 to 1917
Jewett, Charles W.....	1918 to 1921
Shank, Samuel Lewis.....	1922 to 1925
Duvall, John L. (Disqualified September 22, 1927).....	1926 to 1927
Slack, L. Ert.....	1927 to 1929
Sullivan, Reginald H.....	1930 to 1934
Kern, John W. (Resigned September 2, 1937).....	1935 to 1937
Boetcher, Walter C.....	1937 to 1938
Sullivan, Reginald H.....	1939 to 1942
Tyndall, Robert H. (Died July 9, 1947).....	1943 to 1947
Denny, George L.....	1947
Feeney, Al G. (Died November 12, 1950).....	1948 to 1950
Bayt, Phillip L. (Resigned effective November 24, 1951).....	1950 to 1951
Emhardt, Christian J. (November 24, 1951).....	1951
Clark, Alex M. ....	1952 to 1956
Bayt, Phillip L. (resigned Dec. 31, 1958) .....	1956 to 1959
Boswell, Charles H. (resigned August 6, 1962) .....	1959 to 1962
Losche, Albert H. ....	1962 to 1963
Barton, John J. ....	1964 to