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# CITY-COUNTY OFFICIALS AND EXECUTIVE PERSONNEL

As of December 31, 2003

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	Beulah Coughenour
	Suellen Hart
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Second District	Sean Frick
Third District	Scott Schneider
Fifth District	
Sixth District	Elwood C. Black
•	John Bainbridge
	Rozelle Boyd
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	Steve Talley
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2	Bob Cockrum
	Frank T. Short
•	Jackie Nytes
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# CALENDAR OF SESSIONS OF THE CITY-COUNTY COUNCIL

January 13, 2003	May 12, 2003	September 15, 2003
February 03, 2003	June 02, 2003	October 06, 2003
February 24, 2003	June 23, 2003	October 27, 2003
March 17, 2003	July 21, 2003	November 17, 2003
April 14, 2003	August 04, 2003	December 08, 2003
April 28, 2003	August 25, 2003	,

## CITY OFFICIALS

Deputy Mayor	Michael O'Connor
Deputy Mayor	
Deputy Mayor	
Office of Controller	Robert Clifford
Purchasing Division	Deborah Green
Office of Corporation Counsel	
Office of Youth and Family Services	Dr. James T. Beasley, Jr.
Cable Communications Agency	Rick Maultra
Internal Audit	Michael Humphreys
Department of Administration	Brenda Burke
Department of Metropolitan Development	
Department of Parks and Recreation	Joseph Wynns
Department of Public Works	Barbara Lawrence
Department of Public Safety	Robert Turner

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Clerk of the Circuit Court	Sarah Taylor
Community Corrections	Brian Barton
Cooperative Extension Service	
Court Administrator Agency	Mark Renner
County Assessor	Joan Romeril
County Assessor	Marty Womacks
County Commissioner	
County Commissioner	Marty Womacks
County Commissioner	Gregory Jordan
County Coroner	John McGoff, M.D.
County Election Board	Doris Anne Sadler
County Prosecutor	Carl Brizzi
County Recorder	Wanda Martin
County Surveyor	Jack A. Irwin
County Treasurer	Gregory Jordan
County Sheriff	Frank Anderson
Forensic Services Agency	James Hamby
Information Technology	Michael Hineline
Marion County Children's Guardian Home	Rose Butler
Marion County Justice Agency	Melinda Haag
Marion County Public Defender Agency	David Cook
Voters Registration	Sherry Beck, Cathline Mullin

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Center Township Assessor	James P. Maley, Jr.
Decatur Township Assessor	Charles L. Coleman
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Lawrence Township Assessor	Paul Ricketts
Perry Township Assessor	Kathy Price
Pike Township Assessor	Barbara Hurst
Warren Township Assessor	Bill Birkle
Washington Township Assessor	Joline Ohmart
Wayne Township Assessor	

## **COURTS**

Marion County Circuit Court	Ted Sosin
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Superior Court, Criminal, 17	Sheila Carlisle
Superior Court, Criminal, 18	Reuben Hill
Superior Court, Criminal, 19	Becky Pierson Treacy
Superior Court, Criminal Probation	Robert Bingham
Superior Court, Juvenile Division	James W. Payne
Superior Court, Probate Division	Charles J. Deiter
Superior Court, Civil, 1	Steve Frank
Superior Court, Civil, 2	Kenneth H. Johnson
Superior Court, Civil, 3	Patrick L. McCarty
Superior Court, Civil, 4	Cynthia J. Ayers
Superior Court, Civil, 5	Gary Miller
Superior Court, Civil, 6	Thomas Carroll
Superior Court, Civil, 7	Gerald S. Zore
Superior Court, Civil, 10	David Dreyer
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Superior Court, Civil, 13	S.K. Reid

#### MEMBERS OF OFFICIAL BOARDS

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

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 reincorporated 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 established. 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, and were 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. That law limited the number of councilmen to nine. The law provided for the nomination of six candidates by each party, one from each of six councilmanic districts. In the election all of the voters of the city could vote for any nine candidates and the nine receiving the highest number of votes were elected. This law insured a minority representation in the council of at least three members. In 1949 the legislature amended the statutes to permit councilmen to succeed themselves.

#### History of the City-County Council of the City of Indianapolis

In 1969 the legislature enacted a law, popularly known as the "Unigov Act," which consolidated the city and county into one governmental unit. The act further provided for the creation of an interim City-County Council which served as the legislative body for the city and county until the new twenty-nine member council was elected in November 1971 and took office in January of 1972.

The council is composed of twenty-five members elected from single member districts and four members elected to at-large by voters of the entire county.

Unified Government of Indianapolis-Marion County is an attempt to make metropolitan government simpler, more functional and more responsive to citizens' needs. Under the new structure, six major departments replaced the more than sixty which were in existence previously.

# EXECUTIVE HEADS OF THE 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)	
Blythe, Benjamin I.	
Morrison, Alexander F.	
Palmer, Nathan B.	
Lockerbie, George	
Soule, Joshua	April 3, 1837 to April 2, 1838
PRESIDENTS OF TOWN	COUNCIL
TRESIDENTS OF TOWN	COUNCED
Morrison, James	
Palmer, Nathan B.	
Coburn, Henry P	1840 to 1841
Sullivan, William (resigned November 12, 1841)	
Culley, David V	
Wilson, Lazarus B.	
Levy, Joseph A.	
Rooker, Samuel S. (resigned November 1, 1847)	
Cady, Charles W	
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MANODO	
MAYORS	
Henderson, Samuel	1847 to 1849
Newcomb, Horatio C. (resigned November 7, 1851)	1849 to 1851
Scudder, Caleb	1851 to 1854
McCready, James	
West, Henry F. (died November 8, 1856)	
Coulon, Charles (to fill vacancy until November 22, 1856)	
Wallace, William John (resigned May 3, 1858)	
Maxwell, Samuel D.	
Caven, John	
Macauley, Daniel	
Mitchell, James L.	
Grubbs, Daniel W.	
McMaster, John L	
Denny, Caleb S.	
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Sullivan, Thomas L.	* :
Denny, Caleb S.	
Taggart, Thomas	
Bookwalter, Charles A.	
Holtzman, John W.	
Bookwalter, Charles A.	
Shank, Samuel Lewis (resigned November 28, 1913)	
Wallace, Harry R.	
Bell, Joseph E.	
Jewett, Charles W	
Shank, Samuel Lewis	
Duvall, John L. (disqualified September 22, 1927)	
Slack, L. Ert	
Sullivan, Reginald H.	
Kern, John W. (resigned September 2, 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 Nobember 12, 1950)	1948 to 1950
Bayt, Phillip L. (resigned November 24, 1951)	1950 to 1951
Emhardt, Christian J.	
Clark, Alex MBayt, Phillip L. (resigned December 31, 1958)	1952 to 1956
Bayt, Phillip L. (resigned December 31, 1958)	1956 to 1958
Boswell, Charles H. (resigned August 6, 1962)	1959 to 1962
Losche, Albert H.	1962 to 1963
Barton, John J.	1964 to 1968
Lugar, Richard G	1968 to 1975
Lugar, Richard G Hudnut, William H. III	1976 to 1991
Goldsmith, Stephen	1992 to 1999
Peterson, Bart	2000 to present

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