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As of December 31, 1968

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Vice-President	Harold J. Egenes
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Deputy City Clerk	•

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Fifth District	Joe T. Gorham
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Administrator_____Thomas E. Parker, Jr.

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Assistant Pu	urchasing Agent	Hai	old .	J. Wing

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	•		William R.	

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City ProsecutorEdgar	H.	Lamb
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DeputyHarry		
DeputyHager		

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ASSESSMENT

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Inspector	Henry J. Wolff

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WEIGHTS & MEASURES

DirectorW.	Ross	Copeland
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Ja	ıck	Patter	son
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_Wendell	D.	Vandi	vier
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Vice-President	
Member	James C. Clark
Member	
Member	0
Legal Counsel	

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Member	

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Member	James	Kleifgen

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COMMON COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTES OF 1968

- 1. FINANCE COMMITTEE—William A. Leak, Chairman; Harold J. Egenes, Joe T. Gorham, Donald R. McPherson, Rev. Andrew L. Williams.
- 2. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—Donald R. McPherson, Chairman; Jerome Forestal, Joe T. Gorham, Daniel P. Moriarty, Rev. Andrew L. Williams.
- 3. PUBLIC SAFETY & AVIATION COMMITTEE—Harold J. Egenes, Chairman; Lawrence F. Broderick, William A. Leak, Donald R. McPherson, Daniel P. Moriarty.
- 4. PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE—Joe T. Gorham, Chairman; Lawrence F. Broderick, Harold J. Egenes, Donald R. McPherson, Daniel P. Moriarty.
- 5: PARKS COMMITTEE—Rev. Andrew L. Williams, Chairman; Lawrence F. Broderick, Jerome Forestal, Joe T. Gorham, William A. Leak.
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- 7. CITY WELFARE COMMITTEE—Jerome Forestal, Chairman; Harold J. Egenes, Joe T. Gorham, Daniel P. Moriarty, Rev. Andrew L. Williams.
- 8. ELECTIONS COMMITTEE—Daniel P. Moriarty, Chairman; Lawrence F. Broderick, Harold J. Egenes, William A. Leak, Donald R. McPherson.

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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 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 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, 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 councilmen 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 a	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, James1838 to	1839
Palmer, Nathan B1839 to	1840
Coburn, Henry P1840 to	1841
Sullivan, William (Resigned November 12, 1841)	1841
Culley, David V1841 to 1844; 1850 to	1853
Wilson, Lazarus B1844 to	1845
Levy, Joseph A1845 to	1847
Rooker, Samuel S. (Resigned November 1, 1847)	1847
Cady, Charles W1847 to	1848

Mayors

Henderson, Samuel1847	to	1849
Newcomb, Horatio C. (Resigned November 7, 1851)1849	to	1851
Scudder, Caleb1851	to	1854
McCready, James1854	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 D1858 to 1863	
Caven, John1863 to 1867; to 1881	
Macauley, Daniel1867 to 1873	
Mitchell, James L1873 to 1875	
Grubbs, Daniel W1881 to 1884	
McMaster, John L1884 to 1886	
Denny, Caleb S1886 to 1890	
Sullivan, Thomas LFrom January 1, 1890 to Oct. 12, 1893	
Denny, Caleb SFrom October 12, 1893 to 1895	
Taggart, ThomasFrom October 10, 1895 to 1901	
Bookwalter, Charles AFrom October 10, 1901 to 1903	
Holtzman, John WFrom October 15, 1903 to 1905	
Bookwalter, Charles A1905 to 1909	
Shank, Samuel Lewis (Resigned November 28, 1913)1910 to 1913	
Wallace, Harry R 1913	
Bell, Joseph E1914 to 1917	
Jewett, Charles W1918 to 1921	
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Duvall, John L. (Disqualified September 22, 1927)1926 to 1927	
Slack, L. Ert1927 to 1929	
Sullivan, Reginald H1930 to 1934	
Kern, John W. (Resigned September 2, 1937)1935 to 1937	
Boetcher, Walter C1937 to 1938	
Sullivan, Reginald H1939 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 M1952 to 1956	
Bayt, Phillip L. (Resigned Dec. 31, 1958)1956 to 1959	
Boswell, Charles H. (Resigned August 6, 1962)1959 to 1962	
Losche, Albert H1962 to 1963	
Barton, John J1964 to 1968	
Lugar, Richard G1968 to 1972	

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