

Battle Creek City Commissioners

Master List

Name	Council/ Commission Term(s)	Election wins	# of terms	Mayoral Term(s)	Vice Mayoral Term(s)	Ward/D ivision
Elijah Pendill				1859 - 1861; 1864		
S. D. Dibble	1859 - 1861	1859	1			1
Frederick M. Sanderson	1859 - 1862; 1866 -	1859 1860 1866				1
Edward Cox	1859 - 1863; 1865 -	1859 1861 1865		1873 - 1874		2
Samual S. Stuart	1859 - 1860	1859	1			2
Erastus Hussey	1859 - 1863; 1870 Feb -	1859 1861		1867		3
Charles Mason	1859 - 1860	1859	1			3
Victory P. Collier	1859 - 1863	1859 1861	2			4
William W. Skinnner	1859 - 1860	1859	1			4
Leander Etheridge	1860 - 1862	1860	1			2
Chester Buckley	1860 - 1862	1860	1			3
Benjamin F. Hinman	1860 -	1860				4
Henry Cantino	1861 - 1862	1861	1			1
Alonzo Noble				1862		
Henry G. Andrews	1862 -	1862				1
William Brown	1862 - 1863; 1872 -	1862 1872	1			1
Alexander C. Hamblin	1862 -	1862 1864 1872				2
Charles S. Gray	1862 -	1862				3
Darwin D. Buck	1862 - 1863 Nov; 1868 -	1862 1868				4
Chester Buckley				1863		
Tolman W. Hall	1863 -	1863		1865		1
Theodore Wakelee	1863 -	1863				2

	1863 - ; 1974		
Joseph G. Hoyt	Jan -	1863 1869	3
Chandler Ford	1863 -	1863	4
Clement Wakelee	1863 Nov -		4
James S. Upton	1864 -	1864 1868	1
Gideon F. Smith	1864 -	1864	3
Horace A. Stone	1864 -	1864	4
	1865 - 1865		
Samuel G. Mason	Dec	1865 <1	1
James W. Oakley	1865 -	1865	3
Joseph M. Ward	1865 -	1865	4
	1865 Dec - ; 1873 - 1874		
David Shepard	May	1873	1
Theron Tracy		1866	
Lyman Pittee	1866 -	1866	1
	1866 - 1867		
William G. Saunders	Oct	1866	2
	1866 - 1870		
Walter W. Woolnough	Feb	1866 1868	3
Horatio T. Woodworth	1866 -	1866	4
Nelson E. Sherman	1867 -	1867	1
	1867 - 1868		
J.W. Aldrich	Oct	1867	2
Willard Jefts	1867 -	1867	3
A. B. Powell	1867 -	1867	4
Henry F. Hall	1867 Oct -		2
William Wallace		1868	
L. Gould	1868 -	1868	2
Thomas M. McCord	1868 Oct -		2
	1869 - 1870		
Thomas Hart			
John Meachum	1869 -	1869	1
Charles M. Rash	1869 -	1869	2
John F. Moulton	1869 -	1869	4
Henry Potter	1870 -	1870	1
Henry H. Brown	1870 -	1870	2
George H. Rowell	1870 -	1870	3
Edwin C. Nichols	1870 -	1870	4
Nelson Eldred		1871	
Clement F. Miller	1871 -	1871	1
	1871 - 1874		
Charles E. Thomas	Nov	1871 1873 2	2
Woolsey	1871 -	1871	3

S. S. Livingston	1871 -	1871	4
George Wakefield		1872	
William H. Mason	1872	1872	3
Thomas B. Skinner	1872 -	1872	4
James A. Halbert	1873 -	1873	3
Albert Geddes	1873 -	1873	4
Clement R. Thompson	1874 -	1874	1
William Halladay	1874 -	1874	2
Charles F. Bock	1874 -	1874	3
James L. Whitcomb	1874 -	1874	1878
Edward S. Miller	1874 May -		1
Charles Syman	1874 Dec -		2
Victor Collier		1875	
Adams	1875 -	1875	1,2,3,4
Austin	1875 -	1875	1,2,3,4
Mason	1875 -	1875	1,2,3,4
		1876 -	
Charles Austin		1877	
C.R. Thompson		1879	
Edwin Nichols		1880	
George E. Howes		1881	
William Gage		1882	
		1883 -	
Simeon French		1884	
Frank Rathbun		1885	
		1886 -	
Henry C. Hall		1888	
James Green		1889	
John W. Bailey		1890	
Fred M. Wadleigh		1891	
Joseph L. Cox		1892	
		1893 -	
Austin S. Parker		1894	
John Mykins		1895	
Frank Turner		1896	
C.R. Thompson	1896 -1897		
L. Moblo	1896 -1897		1
O.B. Frisbie	1896 -1897		1
C.E. Sisson	1896 -1897		2
B.C. McBeth	1896 -1897		2
L. McCoy	1896 -1897		3

Harmon Lindsay	1896 -1897		3
Geo. S. Barnes	1896 -1897		4
E.W. Moore	1896 -1897		4
V.E. Spaulding	1896 -1897		5
Fred H. Webb	1896 -1897		5
Abraham Metcalf		1897	
Miles Curtis		1898	
E.W. Moore		1899	
		1900 -	
L.M. Gillette		1901	
		1902 -	
Fred Webb		1903	
	1903& - 1904		
John J. Lumm	Dec	1903	1
	1903& - 1903		
Victor C. Bailey	May	1903	2
Geo. H. Crandall	1903&	1903	3
Burton S. Roberts	1903&	1903	4
Newton E. Retallick	1903&	1903	5
		1903 1904	
Franklin H. Starkey	1903 May -	1906 1908	2
Frank Clapp		1904	
Russell W. Snyder	1904&	1904	1
	1904& - 1904		
Hiram Whitcomb	Apr	1904	2
	1904& - 1908		
Bernard J. Onen	Jan	1904 1906	3
James W. Gordon	1904&	1904 1906	4
Fred C. Wakeham	1904&	1904 1906	5
	1904 Apr -		
Alonzo E. McBeth	1908 Sept	1905 1907 2	2
D. C. Salisbury	1904 Dec -		1
		1905 -	
George Barnes		1906	
Francis A. Kulp	1905 -	1905	1
George E. Crandall	1905 -	1905	3
Thomas Morgan	1905 -	1905	4
	1905 - 1906		
Joseph Henry	May	1905	5
Sid A. Erwin	1906 -	1906	1

Henry Nichols	1906 May -		5	
				1907 -
Charles Green				1909 Jan
William C. Klawiter	1907	1907	1	
Levant D. Hobbs	1907 -	1907 1909	3	
Samual A. Howes	1907 -	1907 1909	4	
				1909 Jan -
L. Gilbert Nichols	1907 -	1907	5	1909
Charles F. McKenzie	1908 Jan -	1908	3	
Frank A. Kulp	1908 -	1908	1	
M. C. Kelly	1908 -	1908	4	
George L. Brott	1908 -	1908	5	
Charles H. Gillis	1908 Oct -	1909	2	
				1909 -
John W. Bailey				1911
Robert G. Rae	1909 -	1909	1	
Melvin J. Jones	1909 -	1909	5	
Ralph R. Erskine	1910	1910	1	
Herbert A. Powers	1910 -	1910	2	
Thomas C. Hunt	1910 -	1910	3	
Frank E. Strong	1910 -	1910	4	
John Cotter	1910 -	1910	5	
				1911 -
Thomas Zelinsky				1913
				1913 -
John W. Bailey	1913 - 1915			1915
L.W. Underwood	1913			Public Works
Howard Kneeland	1913			Public Safety
W.H. Mason	1913			Finance
John B. MacGregor	1913			Buildings
				1915 -
James W. Marsh				1917
				1917 -
Charles Wilson				1919
				1919 -
Charles Ryan				1921

			1921 -
Charles C. Green			1927
			1927 -
John W. Bailey			1929
			1929 -
William Penty			1933
			1933 -
J. WM. Murphy			1937
			1937 -
R.J. Hamilton			1939
			1939 -
Floyd Barry			1943
			1943 -
Bernard E. Godde			1947
			1947 -
William V. Bailey			1953
Orville DeBolt	1952 - 1954		
Frank L. Murray	1952 - 1956		
			1953 -
Frank C. Wagner	1952 - 1957		1957
			1957 -
Russell V. Worgess	1952 - 1959		1959
Geo. W. Johnson	1953 - 1955		
Thomas MacCalla	1954 - 1960	3	
Donald J. Battjes	1955 - 1957	1	
	1956 - 1960 ;		
Jack K. Wilson	1961 - 1963	3	
William R. Penty	1957 - 1959	1	
	1957 - 1957		
William A. Skidmore	Dec	<1	
	1958 Jan -		
Rudolph Habermann	1958	<1	
Robert H. Holmes	1958 - 1961	1	
			1959 -
Raymond Turner	1959 - 1963	2	1962
Chase Black	1959 - 1961	1	
Robert H. Kirschman Jr.	1960 - 1962	1	
			1965 -
Harry Wilklow Jr.	1960 - 1967	4	1967
			1962 -
Millard Vandervoort	1961 - 1965	2	1965
Bernard E. Godde	1961 - 1962	1	
Aaron J. Pearlman	1961 - 1964	2	

Stanley L. Brock	1961 - 1963	1		
Donald B. Morrison	1962 - 1964	1		
Ellsworth C. Ogden	1962 - 1968	3		
Floyd J. Skidmore	1963 - 1967	2		
Clark M. Valentine	1963 - 1977	8	1968 - 1969	
Laurence W. Love	1964 - 1966	1		
Dale H. Schoonard	1964 - 1965	1		
Frederick J. Melges	1965 - 1969	2		
Louis E. Gordon	1965 - 1967	2		
	1966 - 1969		1967 -	
Preston J. Kool	Sept.	2	1969 Sept.	
John F. Reynolds	1967 - 1970	2		
Robert D. Thomson	1967 - 1971	2		
			1969 -	
Frederick R. Brydges	1967 - 1979	6	1979	
Jacob B. Freed	1968 - 1971	2		
Earl J. Brutsche Jr.	1969 - 1972	2	1969 - 1971	
	1969 Sept -			
Donald R. Matrone	1973	3		
			1979 -	1971 - 1976 ;
Donald Sherrod	1970 - 1982	6	1981	1978 - 1979
Henry L. Finney	1971 - 1974	2		
Mary T. Short	1971 - 1973	2		
			1981 -	
Floyd C. Oglesby	1972 - 1984	6	1984	1979 - 1981
Betsy D. Unrue	1973 - 1977	2	1976 - 1977	
	1973 - 1974			
Richard A. Corey	Nov	<1		
	1974 Nov -			
	1974 ; 1975 -			
	1979 ; 1987			
Harley G. Simmons	Jan - 1987	4	1987: At- Large	
Charles H. Bridges	1974 - 1978	3	1977 - 1978	
	1977 - 1984			
Ronald R. White	Dec	4	1981 - 1984	
Barbara Finney	1977 - 1981	3		
	1978 - 1979			
James O. Cleaver	Sept	<1		

John J. H. Schwarz	1979 - 1987	1985 - 1987	1985: At-large
John V. Harper	1979 - 1982		
Herbert Fuld Sr.	1979 Oct - 1983; Jan1985 - 1985		
Kenneth L. Bell	1981 - 1988 Sept	1984 - 1985; 1987	1985: Ward 3
Maude Bristol	1982 - 1987	1984 - 1985 1987 Jan - 1987	1982: At-Large 1985: At-Large
Clifton Bullock	1982 - 1988		1985: Ward 2
Dale F. Snyder	1983 Jan - 1985		
Donna L. Kauffman	1983 Jan - 1983 Mar	<1	
Richard H. Wentworth	1983 Jan - 1986		1985: Ward 4
Janet E. Watson	1983 Jan - 1985		
Ralph A. Midcalf	1983 Jan - 1985 ; 1987 - 1993	1991 - 1992	
Albert Bobrofsky	1983 - 1990	1987 - 1990	1985: Ward 5
Stanley E. Canfield	1983 - 1985		
Preston Kool	1983 - 1985		
Charles Seifert	1984 - 1989 Nov	1987	1985 - 1986; 1988 -1989 1985: At-Large
Bruce Brevitz	1984 - 1985		
Shirley McFee	1985 - 1991	1990 - 1991	1989 Nov - 1990 At-Large
C. William Wentworth	1985 - 1986		1985: Ward 4
Marilyn Carstens	1985 - 1986		1
Robert Holderbaum	1986 - 1989		1
Phil Allwardt	1986 - 1990		4

Ralph Midcalf	1987 - 1992	1991 - 1992	At-large
Thomas Kolassa	1987 - 1993	1991 - 1993	At-large
William E. Boards, Jr.	1988 - 1995	1993 - 1995	2
Ralph L. Cates	1988 Oct - 1992 Oct		3
John Gallagher	1989 Dec - 1995	1993 - 1995	At-large
Annette Rowan	1990 Jan - 1990		1
Peter M. Bilbia	1990 - 2005	1995 - 2001	1
Mathew S. Albert	1990 - 1991 July		4
Charles A. Bartha	1990 - 1992 June		5
John Griffin	1991 Aug - 1997 ; 2017 - 2020		4 ; 2017: 1
Mark A. Behnke	1991 - 2007 ; 2011 - 2024	2000 - 2001; 2007 - 2009: 2017 - 2024	At-large
Douglas D. Riggs	1992 July - 1994 June		5
Joan M. Dillman	1992 Nov - 1997		3
Bonnie S. Garbrecht	1993 - 1997		At-large
Ted Dearing	1993 - 2000 Nov	1995 - 2000	At-Large
Mark H. Schauer	1994 - 1996 Dec		5
Daniel D. Downing	1995 - 1999		At-Large
Tony Walker	1995 - 2009	2003 - 2009	2
Gary A Reimer	1997 Jan - 1997		5
Dale Geminder	1997 - 2001		At-Large
Brian K. Kirkham	1997 - 2003	2001 - 2003	5
Ronald K. Darlington	1997 - 1999		4

Gerardyne Drozdowski	1997 - 2001			3
Rebecca Squires	1999 - 2003	2001 - 2003		At-Large
	1999 - 2009 ;			
John K. Godfrey	2017 Sept - 2017	2003 - 2007		4
	2000 Dec -			
Tyrone Baines	2002 Nov			At-Large
Nancy Macfarlane	2001 - 2007			At-Large
	2001 - 2003			
Kennet Santana	May			3
	2002 - 2004			
Franky L. Johnson	Feb			At-Large
	2003 June -			
Deborah Ensign	2003			3
Steve Franklin	2003 - 2007			3
	2003 - 2010			5; 2005
Ryan Hersha	Aug			At-Large
		2009 -		
Susan Baldwin	2003 - 2020	2013	2015 - 2020	At-Large
	2004 Apr -			
Samuel H. Bullock III	2004			At-Large
	2005 - 2007 ;	2014 -		
Deborah Owens	2013 - 2017	2015	2013 - 2014	1
Andrew Yankama	2005 - 2011			5
Diane Thompson	2007 - 2011			At-Large
	2007 - 2011 ;			
	2017 - 2020;			1 ;
Chris Simmons	2022 - 2024	2009 - 2011		2017: 4
	2007 - 2009 ;			
	2011 - 2013 ;			3 ;
	2017 - 2020:	8/2019 -		2017: At-
Sherry Sofia	2022 - 2024	11/2026		Large
Bill Morris	2009 - 2011			At-Large
	2009 - 2020			
	and 7/22-			
Lynn Ward Gray	11/22	2014 - 2015		2
Laurie Sullivan	2009 - 2011			3
Elizabeth Fulton	2009 - 2013	2011 - 2013		4

Dave A. Walters	2010 Sept - 7/2018	2013 - 2014; 2015 - 2018	11/2017 - 7/2018	At- Large; 2015 Ward 5
Andy Helmboldt	2011 - 2017			At-Large
Mary Lou Ramon	2011 - 2013			1
Jeffrey Domenico	2011 - 2015			5
Dean Newsome	2013 - 2015			3
Michael Sherzer	2013 - 2017 Sept			4
Kate Flores	2015 - 2020			3
Kaytee Faris	2015 - 2022			At-Large
James Lance	7/2018 - 11/2020			5
Carla Reynolds	11/2020 - 11/2022		7/22/2024	At-Large
Jenasia Morris	11/2020 - 11/2022			2
Boonikka Herring	11/2020 - 11/2022			3
Kristin Blood	11/2020 - 11/2022			1
Kathy Szenda Wilson	11/2020 - 11/2022			4
Roger Ballard	11/2022 - 11/2024			1
Patrick O'Donnell	11/2022 - 11/2024			3
Jake Smith	11/2022 - 11/2024			AL
Katsarsky-Smith	11/2024 - 11/2026			AL
Jessica LaCosse	11/2024 - 11/2026			1