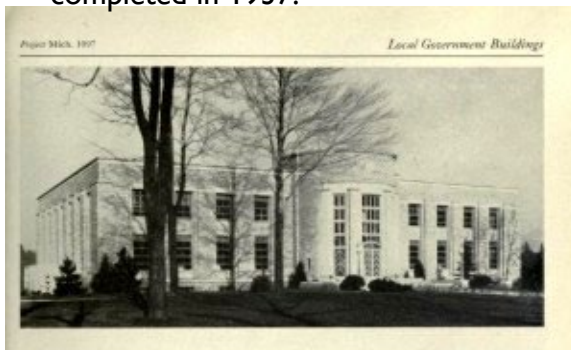


## History

- The first recorded European visitor was Father Henri Nouvel in 1675, a Jesuit Priest from St. Ignace.
- From 1675-1819, the original residents of the Saginaw area consisted of the Sauk and Chippewa Indian tribes, as well as European fur trappers and traders.
- In 1819, a permanent settlement was established, families began to arrive in Saginaw, and a treaty was signed.
- In 1863, Saginaw had its first school, Central School, located on Court Street.
- In 1893, the first City Hall was built at Washington Ave. and Holland Ave.; unfortunately, this (73,000 square ft.) building was destroyed from a fierce fire on April 9, 1933. Various government bodies, with the assistance of the Public Works Admin., reconstructed City Hall into a fireproof (43,000 ft.) structure, in November 1937 at a cost of \$312,526. The photo below shows City Hall completed in 1937.



The City of Saginaw is a culturally diverse community that 50,000 people call home. Located off the I-75 corridor in the heart of Mid-Michigan's Great Lakes Bay Region, our city offers a beautiful riverfront, with many parks and recreational opportunities. Saginaw is also experiencing economic growth in its riverfront district that includes new urban housing, businesses, and a college of medicine.



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## The City of Saginaw

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**Annie Boensch, Mayor Pro Tem**

**Michael D. Balls**

**George Copeland, Jr.**

**Michael Flores**

**Priscilla Ann Garcia**

**Monique Lamar-Silvia**

**Bill Ostash**

**Reggie Williams II**



## Management Team

**Tim Morales, City Manager**



**Yolanda M. Bland**, Director of the Office of Management and Budget

**Kristine Bolzman**, City Clerk

**Lori Brown**, Finance Director

**Grace DeLeon**, Human Resources Director

**Mike Grenier**, Water & Wastewater Director

**Brandon Hausbeck**, Interim Fire Chief

**Phillip Karwat**, Public Services Director

**Jeff Klopchic**, Technical Services Director

**Amy Lusk**, City Attorney

**Robert Ruth**, Police Chief

**Cassi Zimmerman**, Director of Planning and Economic Development

## City Charter

A City Charter is a basic law formulating the government for a city that, within the limitations of the state constitution and legislative enactments, established the framework of government, defines powers and duties and identifies responsibilities of a city in fulfilling the needs of its citizens.

The City of Saginaw operates under a Council-Manager form of government. In Saginaw, the City Council is composed of nine members elected at-large in nonpartisan elections for four-year, overlapping terms. The Council represents all the citizens of Saginaw and has responsibilities for setting all municipal policies such as adopting ordinances, resolutions, fee schedules, voting appropriations, approving the budget and determining the tax rate. The Mayor is a member of City Council, who serves as its chairperson as well as fulfilling various ceremonial functions. The Mayor is elected by the Council.

The City Council appoints the City Manager to assist them directly. The City Manager is chosen solely on the basis of executive and administrative qualifications and experience in municipal affairs. The City Manager serves as the Chief Executive Officer of the City.