

Structural Proposal II

Name

Consolidated Municipality of Mundel, or whatever.

Governing Body

Nine members, including the municipal executive, who presides and votes. The other eight members will be elected from compact districts created as closely as possible from all-urban or all-rural areas. Elections could be nonpartisan.

Executive

Municipal executive, elected at large for a four-year term. Municipal elections would be held as they are now, in the year before the presidential election, to avoid the influence of state and national campaigns. Election could be nonpartisan.

Municipal administrator, appointed by and answerable to the municipal executive.

Qualifications for the municipal administrator will be established by ordinance adopted by the legislative body.

Departments

- I. The following departments, which involve line functions of the municipality, will report to the municipal executive through the municipal administrator.
 - A. Public Works
 1. Transportation
 2. County Surveyor
 3. Sanitary Districts
 4. Building Maintenance
 - B. Safety Services
 1. Sheriff - Jail and Judicial Duties
 2. Law Enforcement Patrols
 3. Fire Services
 4. Coroner
 5. EMA/EMS/911
 6. Health Department
 7. Animal Control

C. Parks, Land and Recreation

1. Parks
2. Beech Grove Cemetery
3. Fairgrounds
4. Other land and facilities

D. Regulatory Agencies

1. Building and Permitting
2. Code Enforcement

II. The following departments, which comprise traditional “staff” functions, will report directly to the municipal executive.

A. Financial Services

1. Auditor - with expanded duties
2. Treasurer - with expanded duties
3. Recorder
4. Assessor

B. Legal Services

1. Municipal Attorney
2. Human Rights Department
3. Human Resources/Personnel

C. Municipal Development & Planning

1. Plan Commission
2. Board of Zoning Appeals
3. Existing City Community Development Office
4. Economic Development
5. Tourism and Conventions
6. Municipal Engineer

D. Insurance and Risk Management

E. Purchasing

III. Courts will function as they function now, supported by the separately elected County Clerk, who will assume the duties of the City Clerk.

V. Effects on existing governments.

- A. The City of Muncie, and the County of Delaware, would be eliminated as separate governmental entities. All of their present governmental functions would be subsooned under the new "Municipality of Mundel."
- B. Streams of revenue dedicated to a particular function will follow that function. Only those citizens who receive the benefit of a governmental function will be taxed for that benefit.

