



ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, August 9, 2022 – Thursday, August 11, 2022

Hotel Carmichael
Cole Porter Ballroom
1 Carmichael Square
Carmel, Indiana

AGENDA

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9

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| 12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. | Registration |
| 12:30 p.m. – 12:45 p.m. | Welcome and Introductions
Mayor Alan Weiss, City of Greendale, ICOM President
Mayor Jim Brainard, City of Carmel |
| 12:45 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. | ICOM Business Meeting
<i>Mayors Only</i> |
| 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | WORKSHOP: Impact of Solar in Indiana

The Indiana Municipal Power Agency (IMPA) has been working towards adding over 40 solar parks throughout Indiana. IMPA will discuss these efforts |

along with their involvement in solar purchase power agreements. The workshop won't conclude until the benefits, limitations, cost, and supply chain challenges of solar are reviewed.

Presenters:

Bryan Brackemyre, Vice President of Member Services,
Indiana Municipal Power Agency

Chris Sanders, Vice President of Generation, Indiana
Municipal Power Agency

2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Break

2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

WORKSHOP: The Role of Women in Making Relocation Decisions

Join us as Amanda Weinstein and Michael Hicks present recent research on quality of life. Dr. Weinstein examines the role of gender in household location choice and preferences for amenities in metropolitan areas in the United States. This work lends crucial insight into the decision-making process as families consider municipalities around Indiana. Dr. Hicks provides an analysis of the American Legislative Exchange Council's "Rich States, Poor States" rankings, evaluating ALEC rankings growth predictions against alternative explanations for regional economic growth. These rankings have dominated policy choices in Indiana since they were first published in 2007.

Presenter:

Amanda Weinstein, Associate Professor, Economics,
Department of Economics, University of Akron

3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Break

4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

WORKSHOP: Where We’ve Been, Where We Are, and Where We’re Going

Learn where Carmel was, where Carmel is today, where the city plans to be in the future. This session includes a tour of Carmel to see the story.

Presenters:
City of Carmel

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Dinner

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Registration and Breakfast

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

WORKSHOP: Future of Policing Task Force – Bloomington

All Indiana cities are struggling with various aspects of public safety hiring, retention, and execution. In Bloomington, they undertook a year long process of reviewing law enforcement in the city, resulting in recommendations in the areas of salaries, community policing, intercultural/interpersonal communications, staffing levels, and much more. This workshop will review Bloomington’s work and discuss any elements other Hoosier municipalities can use address their own law enforcement challenges.

Presenters:
Beverly Calendar–Anderson, Director of Community and Family Resources, City of Bloomington
Mike Diekhoff, Police Chief, City of Bloomington

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Break

10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

WORKSHOP: Lead Service Line Project Development Process

The presentation will address a Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) program’s approach to working on the public and private sides of the water services. The development of the program will be discussed, detailing the bidding approach, customer notifications/interaction, water service installation, site restoration and commissioning /testing. Specifically highlighting methods used to successfully address individual customer concerns related to private property access and performing work in residential basements.

Presenters:

Casey Erwin, Project Manager, DLZ Indiana LLC

Samantha Smerika, Civil Engineer, DLZ Indiana LLC

11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Lunch Discussion with Matt Greller and IEDC’s David Rosenberg

Grab your lunch and take a seat! Let’s use this unstructured time to have a roundtable style discussion regarding hot topics and recent happenings.

12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

WORKSHOP: Helping your Utilities Protect your Community

This presentation is focused on the current state of the utility industry with respect to qualified operators. Utilities are taken for granted in most instances as they provide reliable service that is depended on daily by everyone. However, due to an aging workforce and reduced interest in this field as a career, the utility industry faces a significant challenge

and may pose risk to communities if this is not addressed.

Presenters:

Jaimie Foreman, Drinking Water Regulatory Compliance Supervisor, Indiana Section American Water Works Association

Connie Stevens, Executive Director, Alliance of Indiana Rural Water

Kurt Wanninger, Senior Engineering Project Manager, Wessler Engineering

1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Break

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

WORKSHOP: Avoiding and Responding to Lawsuits

Public entities are more prone to litigation when compared to other business operations. In this workshop we will discuss the reasons for the number of lawsuits and their true cost, and measures you can take to mitigate their impact. We are all aware of the costs incurred by lawsuits but there are other costs that must be calculated. The expanded use of social media platforms is something additional that you should be careful with and become cognizant of the potential for lawsuits from their use.

Presenters:

Scott Lage, Vice President of Claims, Bliss McKnight, Inc.

Frank Pinson, Vice President of Sales, Bliss McKnight, Inc.

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Break

3:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

WORKSHOP: Walking Tour to Midtown

Discussion on the latest developments in Carmel, especially along the Monon Greenway. Get out and about and see how our Greenway has transformed into an award winning trail for all to enjoy.

Presenters:

City of Carmel

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Dinner

Sun King Brewery Carmel Distillery
Spirits Hall and Patio
351 Monon Boulevard
Carmel, Indiana

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Breakfast

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

WORKSHOP: Build–Operate–Transfer (BOT) Statute

The Indiana Build–Operate–Transfer Statute has been largely used for social infrastructure such as parking assets, courthouses and justice centers, police and fire stations, and similar government facilities. On July 1, 2022, the law changed to expand the applicability of this project delivery method to specifically include authority for local governments to use it for roads, bridges, tunnels, and other transportation infrastructure investments. This session will outline the additional tools under the statute and will discuss creative approaches can facilitate horizontal infrastructure investment.

Presenters:

Tom John, Partner, Ice Miller, LLP, Co-Director of P3/Public Infrastructure

J. Sebastian Smelko, Partner, Ice Miller LLP, Co-Director of P3/Public Infrastructure

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

WORKSHOP: Residential Tax Increment Finance

Realtor data across our State conveys a consistent message. We have a housing shortage in Indiana. The State addressed this shortage through a program allowing Redevelopment Commissions to capture 1% residential property. In this presentation, we will dive into the ways our municipalities can capture residential 1% assessment growth and subsequently use this growth to incentive housing development projects.

Presenters:

Heather James, Partner, Ice Miller LLP

Gary Smith, CPA, Reedy Financial Group, PC

10:30 a.m.

Adjourn