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State Comptroller Nieshalla Establishes Advisory Council

Solicits feedback from local leaders to improve statewide services

STATEHOUSE - Indiana State Comptroller Elise Nieshalla gathered a 14-member council to the Statehouse today to launch her first State Comptroller Advisory Council. Nieshalla, a former local official, understands the importance of the relationship between state, county and local government, and reinstated the Advisory Council, hosted by former Auditor Connie Nass (1999-2007).

Comprised of local government officials from around the state, the appointed council members will serve a two-year term with the purpose of providing feedback to enhance the local government services provided by the office.

“With these leaders’ local government expertise, we can better understand the challenges they are facing and how our office can best be at their service,” said State Comptroller Elise Nieshalla. “I am excited to collaborate with each council member, hear their perspectives and incorporate the insights we receive.”

One of the key responsibilities of the State Comptroller’s Office includes the disbursement of tax revenues to local units of government. Creating an advisory council will further relationships between the Comptroller’s Office and local units statewide, in addition to providing input on future goals related to continuous improvement efforts on the effective and efficient delivery of service.

The members are as follows:

- *Anton Neff, County Council, Owen County*
- *Kellie Streeter, County Commissioner, Knox County*
- *Greg Wright, Controller, City of Greenwood*

- *Carrie Mugford, Clerk-Treasurer, Town of North Manchester*
- *Tiffany Griffith, Treasurer, Grant County*
- *Heather Laffoon, Treasurer, Montgomery County*
- *Christina Sriver, Auditor, Fulton County*
- *Rachel Oesterreich, Auditor, Starke County*
- *Debra Carnes, Auditor, Hancock County*
- *Jennifer Welsh, Auditor, Daviess County*
- *Susan Sleeper, Auditor, DeKalb County*
- *Kristinia Hammack, Auditor, Perry County*
- *Angie Birchmeier, Auditor, Marshall County*
- *Mike Watkins, Auditor, Gibson County*



Picture: State Comptroller Advisory Council members along with Comptroller Nieshalla and a few of her team members after today's meeting.

Members include the officers of their respective associations or individuals recommended by their association (Indiana County Auditors, Commissioners, Councils, Treasurers Associations and Accelerate Indiana Municipalities).

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accurate accounting and reporting of state funds, disbursement of tax revenues to local units of government, payment of Indiana's employees and vendors, administration of the state's deferred compensation plan and delivering financial information through the [Indiana Transparency Portal](#).

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