

Salt Lake County Archives

The mission of the Salt Lake County Archives is to preserve and provide access to county records of long-term value for current and future use



Who We Are...

The County Archives is in West Valley City and currently holds over 38,000 records (or 31,000 cubic feet) in our inventory.

39% are in the custody of the Archives.

The Archives started out as a six-month internship in 1986 to inventory county records and develop a long-term plan for records management.

In 1992, the County passed a local ordinance to comply with state records laws that provide the framework for the Records Management and Archives Division.









The Archives serves both the public and County agencies. We have a public reference room for patrons to visit and conduct research. We serve a wide variety of patrons from lawyers, genealogists, authors, students, and even state agencies such as UDOT.

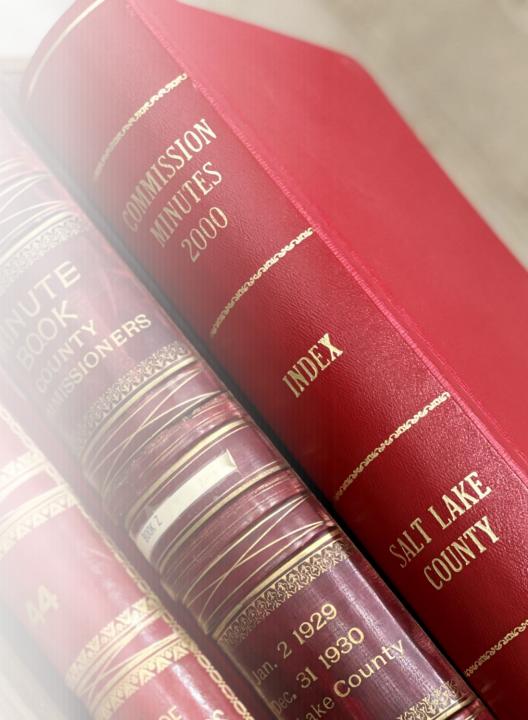
Salt Lake County Commission

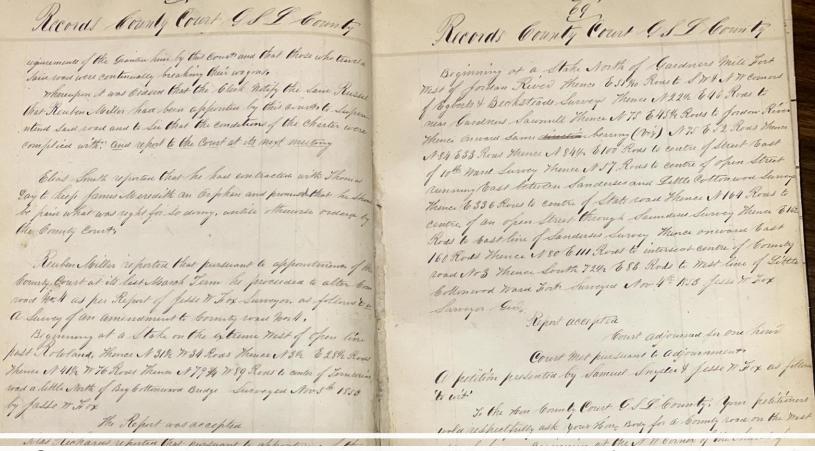
The first formal Salt Lake County meeting was held in March of 1852, which was 18 months after the Utah Territory was established by Congress.

In 1896, the County Commission was established and began providing social services to its residents.

As the County grew, so did the functions of the Commission, hearing numerous types of individuals regarding planning and zoning and property tax adjustments.

The Commission continued until 2000, when the new Mayor/Council form of government was chosen by voters.





The Commission Minutes are an invaluable resource for both researchers, genealogists, and county agencies. They document, record, and describe the structural, economic, and social foundations and development of the county. These minutes outline the business mode, ethics, philosophies, and decisions of the county.

County Commission Record Series: 1852-2000; 1852-1972 (microfilm), 1973-2000 (volumes)



Preservation and Access

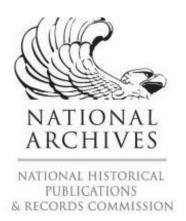
The Archives maintains and provides public access to the Salt Lake County Commission Minutes and Indices, 1852-2000.

Currently, the records are contained in volumes and partly on microfilm, and the public must research these records through the staff or by physically visiting our reading room.

In Spring of 2021, the County Archives was awarded the USRAB grant to pursue their preservation efforts and provide transparency and public access to the Commission Minutes.



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Utah State Historical Records Advisory Board (USHRAB)

The Utah State Historical Records Advisory Board is administered by the Utah Division of Archives and Records Service.

USHRAB assists public and private non-profits, as well as non-Federal government entities throughout the State of Utah in the preservation and use of historical records.

The grant program is funded by a State Board Programming Grant from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission at the National Archives.



USHRAB awarded Salt Lake County Archives \$2,240.00 to digitize County Commission Minutes from 1852-1972.

Once this project is complete, they will be available to access via the Archives website.

Future plans are to purchase a large format camera to begin digitizing Commission Minutes from 1973-2000.

Minute Book, Board of County Commissioners, Salt Lake County.

DATE

WEDN, ESDAY, DECEMBER 4th, 1918.

The Clerk was directed to send communication to R.E.L.Collier, County Surveyor, reque him to survey tract of land located on 33rd South near the Salt Lake Pressed Brick Yard belo to Fritz L.Johnson and wife, as the Board is contemplating the purchase or lease of said lan

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Dr. T. J. Howells appeared before the Board and presented the following communication

" As there has been reported to our office during the month of November one thousand cases of influenza with forty-eight deaths, and as these reports we believe are incomplete a great many of the cases having never been reported, we feel that the condition is very stand deserving of more drastic measures for the prevention of the spread of this disease by County Board of Health.

Indications are that at this time, we are but in the center of a severe epidemic and the end is not in sight. So far we have observed all the rules and regulations governing prevention and the quarantine of the influenza as given to us by the Secretary of the State Board of Health.

Townsof Eingham and Murray have already inaugurated the compulsory use of the mask i public places and in order that these regulations may be more effective we recommend that y Hon. Eady pass resolutions or an ordinance requiring the wearing of gauze masks in public I uniformily throughout the County.

We recommend that gaize masks be worn by all employees of stores, banks and other pl of business throughout the County. We recommend that people visiting all places of busin stores, banks, etc. be requested to wear masks.

We recommend that persons riding upon street cars or upon stages or public vehicles any kind operating in Salt Lake County be required to wear masks.

We recommend that people living in homes or boarding houses where cases of influenza are present be required to wear gauze masks upon the streets and in all public places.

We recommend that employees of factories, mining companies, etc. where two or more pare congregated together within doors be required to wear a many at work.

Very respectfully, T.J. Howells, County Physician.

Upon motion of Commissioner Lindsay the matter was referred to Ass't County Att'y. D. A. Skeen, who was xxxxx directed to draw up the proper resolution to cover the matter. Roll Call: Hughes, "Aye": Lindsay, "Aye"; Stillman, "Aye".

Updm:motion of Commissioner Hughes, concurred in by the Board the following Insurance Policies were accepted and approved:

Niagara Fire Ins. Co. (Karl A. Scheid Co.) " " Bidgs. " National Union Fire Ins. Co. (Tracy Loan & Trust Co.) " " Contents " Phoenix Assurance Co. (Thomas Ins. & Inv. Co.) " " Bidgs. "
Phoenix Assurance Co. (Thomas Ins. & Inv. Co.) "Bldgs."
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SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

DECEMBER 29TH, 1915.

LEGAL DEPARTMENT

Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Salt Lake County, Salt Lake City, Utah.

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Thank you!