

**Dietz announces resignation from Monroe County - Herald-Times (Bloomington, IN) - October 8, 2015**  
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From being chosen to fill the vacancy left by Sam Allison and being sworn into office at the end of 2011 to helping pass four county budgets to proposing and passing increased funding for social services grants to authoring the council's resolution opposing the state's Religious Freedom Restoration Act, Rick Dietz has been a steady presence on the Monroe County Council for the last four years.

But on Thursday, Dietz sent friends and colleagues an email announcing that he will resign from his seat representing District 4.

His resignation is effective Oct. 16, as he plans to stay long enough to help his fellow councilors pass next year's budget, which the council will adopt on Tuesday.

The former county Democratic Party chairman said his decision to resign comes as his family moves to a different part of the county that isn't in District 4.

"Despite this being in the best interest of my family, I do regret leaving the Monroe County Council – I enjoyed serving immensely! – but I leave having served four years and having accomplished many things I am proud of," Dietz wrote in the email. "I have tried to serve with collegiality, thoughtfulness, compassion and good humor. I will continue to be involved in public life and I look forward to serving my community should the opportunity arise in the future."

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