



City Council

January 31, 2023
Packet Addendum #1

From: [Andy Johnson](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Clerks Office](#)
Subject: Letter in Support of Barbara Hamlington - Ward 3 Council Position
Date: Thursday, January 26, 2023 3:32:30 PM
Attachments: [Letter of Support Barbara Hamlington.pdf](#)

Dear Mr. Mayor and Council Members,

I am writing to offer my support for Ward III City Council candidate Barbara Hamlington. I have had the pleasure of working with and knowing Barbara since 2016, first as an architecture client and then as a neighbor on Lincoln Ave. The Hamlington's came to me after purchasing their home at 625 Lincoln Ave, and we began to work together on a combined historic preservation and remodel/addition project. Together we applied for a Landmark designation, grant funding, and an alteration certificate allowing us to bring the home back to its original character and to add a 1000 sf addition to the rear of the structure. All pursuits were successfully completed and recently the Hamlington's purchased the home to the north at the corner of Pine & Lincoln. I was hired to conduct a historic structure assessment in order for them to determine their course of action with respect to that home.

Building a new home is no small feat for anyone to take on, much less a complicated historic preservation project that includes marrying an old home to a new addition. Barbara consistently impressed me with her level-headed approach to decision making, even when under pressure, after learning something planned wasn't going to work out and a new course of action was necessary. She has the unique ability to consider all the opportunities with an equal and careful approach despite the influences of a highly emotional environment, like building one's own dream home.

Through my experience of working closely with Barbara, I believe that she will offer the City an intelligent, balanced, and ego-free leadership style that is both open and collaborative. It is important that the makeup of our Council best represents the interests of Louisville. As a working professional and a mother, Barbara brings to Council an energetic voice that is relevant, community-minded, and Louisville-centric. I believe that Barbara will contribute significantly to issues such as land use, Marshall Fire recovery, business development and support, safe connections, and preserving our "Small Town" feel while allowing Louisville to continue to make its own mark in time.

I strongly encourage you to consider Barbara Hamlington to fill the open Ward III council position. Please contact me if you have any questions. Thank you!

Warm Regards,

Andy

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Andy Johnson, AIA

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January 16, 2023

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RE: WARD III CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATE SUPPORT

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I strongly encourage you to consider Barbara Hamlington to fill the open Ward III council position.

Andy Johnson

From: [Andrea Johnson](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Support Letter for Katie Zoss
Date: Friday, January 27, 2023 12:47:38 PM

Hello,

I wanted to write to express my support for Katie Zoss for the council position. Katie is my next door neighbor and I was delighted to see her name on the list. She didn't ask me to write this letter (and doesn't know I'm writing it now) but I wanted to express my support as I think she would be a wonderful addition to the city council. I see firsthand every day her kindness, patience, and community engagement. She's a wonderful neighbor and a smart, thoughtful community member. I think she would do an amazing job as a council member and her diverse community-focused background makes her a perfect fit for the role.

Andrea Johnson
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From: [Shira Nathan](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Ward 3 Applicants
Date: Saturday, January 28, 2023 10:28:51 PM

Dear City Council,

I'm writing to you regarding the Ward 3 applicants for Council.

As a young person, it is very important to me that our council members understand and act upon the gravity of the climate crisis, and demonstrate intentions/ plans to improve the resiliency and sustainability of the City of Louisville. In that action, it is essential that marginalized voices and communities are centered and uplifted to allow for a just transition to a green community.

The candidates that I believe reflect these ideals most thoroughly (based on the applications posted on the city website) are Sherry Sommer and Justin Solomon.

In her application, Sommer discusses sustainability thoroughly, and lists it as the city's top priority. In my opinion, this properly reflects the state of emergency the world is facing. I also appreciate her ideas on affordable housing, Marshall Fire recovery, and Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI). These are issues that young citizens especially care deeply about, and that matter a lot to the community at large. It is heartening to see these issues listed as top priorities for Sommer. In addition, Sommer's diverse background would add a unique and much-needed perspective to the City Council. It is imperative that our council reflects who we are as a community; a diverse community requires a diverse council.

Solomon also stood out, for similar reasons. His vision for the city really hit home for me. It was optimistic, but not unattainable. I appreciated that he recognized that climate change *will* affect us (and it already is), but the question of how much is determined by our collective actions. I also appreciated the mention of diversity in all aspects (racial, cultural, economic, etc.). Solomon's bachelor degree in environmental science could serve well in advising on issues of sustainability as well.

Either candidate would be an ideal council member, and I hope you take sustainability, diversity, and climate justice into serious consideration in your selection.

Thank you for your time.

Warmly,
Shira Nathan
17 year old student at Centaurus High School

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From: [Lisa Hughes](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Ward 3 vacancy appointment
Date: Sunday, January 29, 2023 10:00:58 AM

Hello Council members,

I am writing to ask you consider Dietrich Hoefner to fill the ward 3 vacancy.

While not a ward 3 resident, I am a fire survivor and resident of Louisville for 20 years. He seems to have the interest of fire survivors in mind while also interested in working on mitigation and resiliency as well as climate change and the economic vitality of the city. All very important issue for the city in the coming years.

Thank you.

Lisa Hughes

Formerly of 887 Larkspur Court ward 2

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From: [Jeff Youngstrom](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: New Council member ward III
Date: Monday, January 30, 2023 1:52:25 PM

Hi Council Members,

Thank you for your time and commitment to our City. I live in Ward III and understand that there will be some changes to our council with Mayor Stoltzmann moving into a new County Commissioner role.

I'm writing to recommend Justin Solomon who I have known for over 15 years. He and his family are long time Louisville residents who are committed to our town. Justin is thoughtful, gracious, great at analyzing information to create positive outcomes, knowledgeable around sustainability and housing and a halfway decent basketball coach. I think he should have thrown his hat in the ring years ago but I'm glad to see him take the step now. He would be an excellent addition to our council and we'd be fortunate to add his leadership.

Thank you!

Jeff Youngstrom
HomeSmart
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From: [Dennis ORourke](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Justin Solomon
Date: Tuesday, January 31, 2023 7:01:50 AM

I am endorsing Justin for the open seat on city council. I'm a neighbor of his and he has been active in the community for a number of years now, helping with petitions, coaching his sons sports teams. In talking with Justin he has a very balanced approach to the importance issue facing Louisville. He would be a great representative of our ward!!

Dennis ORourke

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From: [Tiffany Boyd](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Ward 3 Council openings
Date: Tuesday, January 31, 2023 6:51:33 AM

Dear Louisville City Council members,

After carefully reading the applications for the Ward 3 openings, I would like to respectfully ask that you consider Justin Solomon and Barbara Hamlington to fill the temporary spots.

Both applicants expressed their commitment to a balanced view of our local issues and both are focused on the ongoing work of supporting our families who lost their homes in the Marshall Fire.

As our city heads into the important work outlined in the 2023 Work Plan, we need leaders who will prioritize making good on our affordable housing commitments; centering equity, diversity, and inclusion as we work with a new City EDI coordinator; and continuing our city's decarbonization efforts.

Both Justin and Barbara's application reflected the focus we need in our community at the intersection of making sure all stakeholder voices are heard, and continuing to take bold climate action.

Thank you for considering Justin Solomon and Barbara Hamlington for the current Ward 3 openings.

Sincerely,
Tiffany Boyd
550 Grant Ave.
Ward 3

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From: [Amy Youngstrom](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Justin Solomon
Date: Monday, January 30, 2023 10:20:04 PM

Hello Council Members~

I wanted to write in support of Justin Solomon being considered for the Ward 3 vacancy as a result of Mayor Stoltmzn moving into the County Commissioner position. I have known Justin for around 15 years and appreciate the values that he and his family represent. He is committed to this town and to his neighbors. He is thoughtful, inquisitive, and one of the most genuine people I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. He is especially knowledgeable in sustainability and issues of climate. I served on the LES PTO Board with him and our board was better for him being there.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and for your consideration of Justin for this role!

~Amy

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From: [Barry Greene](#)
To: [City Council](#); [Tessa Greene](#)
Subject: Recommendation on filling council seat vacancy - Justin Solomon
Date: Monday, January 30, 2023 8:54:42 PM

Hello, I am writing to recommend Justin Solomon to fill the vacant seat for Ward 3. I have known Justin for seven years as a friend and colleague. I have coached rec league and YMCA sports teams alongside him for multiple seasons. I have seen his passion for this community, and I believe he is dedicated to this town and the well-being of everyone here. I know he would engage with community members, listen to concerns inclusively, and collaborate to solve problems. Even in his role as head coach, he always had genuine interest in my input.

Finally, I believe Justin would take responsibility for his actions and hold himself accountable to his commitments.

Thank you for your time.

My name is Barry Greene.
720-365-4592
1300 Lincoln Ave, Louisville, CO 80027

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From: [Lindsay Hiatt](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Recommendation of Justin Solomon for Ward 3 Vacancy
Date: Monday, January 30, 2023 4:42:19 PM
Attachments: [JustinSolomonLetterofRec.pdf](#)

Dear Mayor Maloney and City Council,

Attached you will find a brief letter of recommendation in support of Justin Solomon. I feel Justin would be a tremendous asset to the City Council, Ward 3 and all of the citizens of Louisville. Fee free to contact me with any further questions.

All the best,
Lindsay Hiatt
Ward 3 Constituent
Louisville, CO

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January 30, 2023

Louisville City Council
749 Main St.
Louisville, CO 80027

Subject: Letter of Support for Ward 3 vacancy applicant, Justin Solomon

Dear City Council,

I confidently and enthusiastically recommend Justin Solomon for the current Ward 3 vacancy with the City of Louisville, City Council.

My name is Lindsay Hiatt and I am currently a paraeducator at one of our local schools, Louisville Elementary. I've known Justin Solomon and his family for the past six years and originally moved to Louisville myself, in 2003. Over the past twenty years I've seen a large number of changes within Louisville, but one constant has been the ability to meet and learn from exemplary citizens such as Justin.

It isn't a place or a thing which makes this town so unique. While there are many of these jewels within the City boundaries, to me (just your average citizen) it's people like Justin who make this community great. Justin is one of those exemplary folks that not only say Louisville is great but who actively ensure that Louisville will continue to be the city so many of us love today and help it thrive and evolve for the future.

Justin's expertise, care and concern for Louisville and its citizens extends well beyond the boundaries of Ward 3. As an invested community member, Justin has been active in City Council meetings, building relationships with city businesses and taking on the task of leading and guiding our youngest citizens through his volunteer coaching and work within Louisville Elementary School.

Justin's knowledge, his calm demeanor, ability to lead, guide and his willingness to listen and appreciate the views of others have been evident throughout his professional career. When faced with the task of bringing kids with varied energies, mindsets, abilities, and skills together through volunteering in the schools or coaching, Justin models the skills and temperament that is needed in a City Council environment. He analyzes situations, listens to the players and all entities (players, coaches, City Staff) involved and communicates effectively to help the team achieve their goals. It is no small task to take a group of unknown and energetic kiddos and transform them into a collective team who believes and learns from each other. If you have any doubt of this significance, I urge you to become a volunteer coach for the City as it is an

enormously challenging and rewarding experience. His adaptability in varied situations and his underlying reasons (wanting to help others and wanting to ensure greatness in and for the community) is evident whether it is through volunteering, listening, or being an active community member.

I am confident that Justin Solomon would serve the citizens of Ward 3 with intelligence, integrity, calmness and inclusiveness. Justin would be a phenomenal asset to City Council just as he already has been to the City of Louisville for so many years.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or would like me to further elaborate on Justin's talents and achievements.

Sincerely,

Lindsay Hiatt
655 Dahlia Way
Louisville, CO

From: [Brian Peterson](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Sally Peterson](#)
Subject: Ward 3 - City Council - Recommendation for Justin Solomon
Date: Monday, January 30, 2023 3:53:30 PM

Dear Council Members,

I am writing this email/letter to highly recommend Justin Solomon for the vacant seat on City Council in Ward 3. As a parent of two children who have been coached by Justin at the Louisville Recreation Center for the past 6 years, I can attest to his unwavering commitment to the community and its youth.

Justin is a person of great character and care, who has consistently demonstrated his dedication to the Louisville community through the countless hours he has devoted to its youth. He truly cares about the well-being of this city and its people, and I know that my wife and I, along with many other parents, would be thrilled to have him serve on City Council.

I would like to emphasize that this recommendation comes from the highest regards and I believe Justin would be an excellent addition to the Council. I hope my recommendation is of value to you as you make your decision.

Sincerely,

Brian Peterson

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From: [Laura Page](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [justin solomon](#)
Subject: Candidate for Ward III appointment
Date: Monday, January 30, 2023 2:41:24 PM

Dear Council,

As a resident of Ward III, I heartily endorse Mr. Justin Solomon to fill the council position vacated by Mr. Maloney. Mr. Solomon is highly intelligent, articulate, considerate, hard working, and a visionary. His hopes for ensuring a better future for our children, despite the sacrifices necessary by our own generation, are aligned with my own. Mr. Solomon has already demonstrated a commitment to civic engagement, and, I believe, is in the mold of recent Ward III candidates who have received the majority vote from constituents. I encourage you to support his application.

Laura Page
920 Rex Street

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From: [Anna Carlson](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Ward 3 Council Opening
Date: Tuesday, January 31, 2023 1:35:40 PM

Hello Louisville City Council,
My name is Anna Carlson and I am a senior high school student. I live in downtown Louisville at 929 LaFarge Ave.

I urge you to consider Justin Solomon and Barbara Hamlington to fill the temporary ward 3 openings in council. In their applications for council, both individuals expressed the importance of affordable housing commitments and environmental concerns in the 2023 workplan. Although they will only be in council for a short period of time, I believe that their voices would help push Louisville towards an even better future.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Anna Carlson

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From: [H M](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [H M](#); [Gaylynn Potemkin](#)
Subject: Appointment of experienced & committed EDI champion
Date: Tuesday, January 31, 2023 10:48:03 AM

Dear City Council members,

Please take this opportunity today to put into practice the recommendations and goals in our EDI plan. Ask all of the candidates to speak to their vision and specific goals for establishing equity, inclusion and diversity in Louisville, in particular please ask them to talk about their experience in this work, it is not enough to just talk the talk. How have they pursued these goals in their lives and previous work?

In the future,

Please add questions to the city council and the board and commission applications to ask the candidate about their view and experience in ensuring that minority groups and marginalized communities are represented, addressing and changing institutionalized oppression, and creating inclusive cultures and opportunities. Please ask them to provide specific examples.

We'll be logging in to the interviews tonight and look forward to your efforts to champion EDI in Louisville. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,
Helen Moshak
493 Eisenhower Drive
Louisville, Co

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