

City Council Special Meeting Ward I Applicant Interviews

**Tuesday, January 30, 2024
City Hall, Spruce Room
749 Main Street
6:00 PM**

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Anyone may also email comments to the Council prior to the meeting at Council@LouisvilleCO.gov.

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Tim Bierman

Dear Members of the City Council,

Subject: Letter of Interest in Serving on the Louisville City Council, Ward 1

I am writing to express my interest in the vacant position for the Ward 1 seat on the Louisville City Council. As a proud resident of Louisville for the past 6 plus years, I am deeply committed to contributing to our city's growth, embracing diversity and inclusion, and enhancing our reputation as a business-friendly community.

With an undergraduate degree from Georgetown University and a Law degree from George Washington University, I bring a blend of critical thinking and legal acumen. My extensive experience in sales and customer service has honed my skills in listening, problem-solving, and fostering consensus among diverse groups.

Living in Louisville has been a joy for my family and me. It's a town that resonates with our values and aspirations. I have watched closely the developments and challenges facing our city, and I believe now is the opportune moment for me to step forward and contribute more actively.

What I bring to the table is not just my professional expertise but also personal attributes essential for effective governance. My energy and enthusiasm are balanced by integrity and a solid character. I believe that humor and open-mindedness are key to collaborative work environments. I am someone who thrives in connecting people and building consensus.

My approach to decision-making is informed and educated, always considering the input from various stakeholders, including residents, city staff, business owners, and fellow council members. I am committed to listening to different views and working towards solutions that are beneficial for all.

Louisville is at a crucial juncture, and I am excited about the prospect of contributing to its journey towards economic prosperity, sustainability, and an inclusive community spirit. I am eager to bring my experiences and skills to the City Council and work collaboratively towards the betterment of our beloved city.

Enclosed is my resume, which further details my qualifications and accomplishments. I look forward to the opportunity to discuss how I can contribute to the City Council and the future of Louisville.

Thank you for considering my application. I am enthusiastic about the possibility of serving our community in this new capacity.

Sincerely,

Tim Bierman

2024 Application for Ward 1 City Council Appointment

To serve as a Ward I City Council member you must meet the following requirements:

- Have resided in the current boundaries of Ward 1 for a minimum of 12 months ([Link to Ward Map](#)).
- Be a citizen of the United States
- Be at least 18 years of age
- Be a registered elector

Applicant Information	
Name: Timothy (Tim) Bierman	
Home Address: [REDACTED]	Louisville CO 80027
Email Address: [REDACTED]	Phone Number: [REDACTED]
Occupation: Software Sales	Employer: Security Innovation, Inc.
Education: Graduate Degree (JD)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Check this box if you self-identify as a member of a historically underrepresented community in Louisville.	

Application Process:

1) Statement of Interest:
Please attach a letter or statement briefly describing your interest in serving on the City Council. Feel free to indicate any areas of expertise, background, concerns and/or general information that may be applicable. You may also attach a resume or other information you feel may be relevant to your application.

2) Supplemental Questions:
Supplemental questions are below for you to answer as a part of your application.

How long have you lived in the City of Louisville? 6.5 years
How long have you lived within the current boundaries of Ward 1? 4.5 years
Are you currently serving, or have you previously served, on a City board or commission: <input type="radio"/> yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> no
If yes, which board or commission:
<i>If you are currently serving and are appointed to this position, you shall be deemed to have resigned as a member of that board on the date of taking the oath of office for the City Council. (Per City Charter Section 3-3(f)).</i>

Disclosures:

Have you ever been convicted of a felony offense, embezzlement, bribery, perjury, solicitation of bribery, or subordination of perjury? YES NO

If yes, list for each case: (1) date of offense; (2) charge; (3) jurisdiction; (4) court name and (5) disposition:

Per the City Charter Sections 3-3 (c) & (d) any person who seeks election or appointment to the office of Councilmember, and who has been convicted of any of these offenses, shall disclose the same in writing under penalty of perjury.

A conviction includes being found guilty of, a plea of guilty to, a plea of no contest or nolo contendere to, or the receipt of a deferred judgment or deferred sentence for, any of the offenses listed above, but does not include any conviction for which the records have been ordered expunged or sealed.

Do you or a company you work for or own do business with the City of Louisville?
 YES NO If Yes, please explain below:

Certification and signature:

I certify the information in this application is true and complete. I understand false statements, misrepresentations or omissions of information in this application may result in rejection of this application. The City is expressly authorized to investigate all statements contained in this application.

In the event that I am selected to serve on the City Council, I agree to comply with all of its ordinances, rules, and regulations.

I grant full permission to use any photographs, videotapes, recordings or any other record of my participation as a City Council member.

By checking this box, I am confirming my typed name is my legal name and serves as my signature.

Timothy Bierman

January 8, 2024

Signature

Date

Please note:

- It is the policy of the City Council to make appointments to the citizen boards, commissions, committees, and task forces based on the needs of the City as well as the interests and qualifications of each applicant without discrimination based on race, color, national origin or ancestry, gender, religious convictions, disability, age, or sexual orientation.
- All information on this application is public record and will be released for public review.
- If appointed, City Council attendance rules state members may miss no more than six (6) regular meetings in any twelve (12) month period.
- This appointment will expire in November 2024. The appointee will be eligible to run in the November 2024 election for a one-year term.
- Interviews are scheduled for the evening of January 30 from 5 – 9 pm. You may need to be available that evening for an in person interview with the City Council.
- Please contact Meredyth Muth (MeredythM@louisvilleco.gov or 303.335.4536) if you have questions or need assistance or other accommodations.
- Please submit this application **with** your letter of interest by email to MeredythM@LouisvilleCO.gov or deliver it to City Hall, 749 Main Street. City Hall is open Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 4 pm.
- **Applications are due by January 16, 2024.**

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Supplemental Questions

1) *In your view, what is:*

- *The role of the City Council as a governmental body?*
- *The most important responsibilities you would have as a Councilmember if appointed?*

The City Council, in my view, serves as the cornerstone of local governance, playing a pivotal role in shaping the future of our community. At its core, the Council's role is to establish a clear and forward-looking vision for the city, one that reflects the aspirations and needs of its residents. This vision serves as a guiding light for all city endeavors, ensuring that every initiative aligns with our collective goals and values.

Equally important is the Council's responsibility to develop and implement a strategic roadmap that transforms this vision into reality. This involves crafting policies, ordinances, and regulations that govern the city's operations and growth, ensuring that we move steadily towards our envisioned future.

City Council acts as an empowering body for the city staff. By providing clear directives, adequate resources, and continuous support, the Council enables city staff to execute plans efficiently and effectively. This empowerment is crucial, as the staff's day-to-day operations and their alignment with the Council's vision significantly impact the city's progress. In addition, City Council must engage in active fiscal stewardship, ensuring that the city's resources are allocated and managed responsibly. This includes overseeing the city budget, funding allocations, and financial planning, all of which are fundamental to sustaining the city's economic health and growth.

City Council serves as a vital link between the citizens and their government. It's imperative that the Council maintains an open, transparent, and responsive relationship with the community, actively seeking input, addressing concerns, and ensuring that the diverse voices of Louisville are heard and considered in decision-making processes.

The role of the City Council extends beyond mere governance; it is about nurturing and leading a community, driving progress while safeguarding the interests and well-being of all its members. If granted the opportunity, I am committed to embracing these responsibilities with dedication and integrity, working collaboratively to steer Louisville towards a thriving and inclusive future.

If appointed as a Councilmember, my responsibilities would include the following:

1. **Engaging with Constituents and Stakeholders:** Regularly meeting with residents, business owners, city employees, vendors, and representatives from neighboring jurisdictions with the goal of gathering diverse perspectives, feedback, and input, which will inform future council priorities and decisions.
2. **Policy Development and Legislation:** Crafting and implementing policies and ordinances that are responsive to the needs of our community. It is critical that the Council truly understand the underlying issues that are preventing the City from reaching our collective goals. This involves balancing the interests of various stakeholders while staying true to the city's overarching priorities.
3. **Fiscal Oversight:** Prudently managing the city's financial resources and ensuring that budgetary decisions support community needs and contribute to the city's sustainable growth.
4. **Community Representation:** Acting as a liaison between the City Council and the residents of Ward 1, ensuring their voices are heard and their concerns are addressed in council deliberations.
5. **Collaborative Governance:** Working in concert with other Council members, city staff, and external agencies to make decisions that are well-informed and reflect the collective interest of the community.
6. **Transparent Communication:** Maintaining open lines of communication with the public, ensuring transparency in council operations and decisions, and fostering a culture of trust and engagement within the community.

In embracing these responsibilities, I am committed to a participatory and inclusive approach, ensuring that our community's diverse voices are heard to help shape Louisville's future.

2) *In your view, what are the most important issues facing:*

- *Louisville as a city and community and what strategies do you believe will be most effective in addressing them?*
- *Ward I and what strategies do you believe will be most effective in addressing them?*

Louisville faces several critical issues, namely affordable housing, transit, sustainability, and economic vitality, each requiring focused strategies for resolution.

1. Affordable Housing and Transit: The city's limited affordable housing and transit options are interconnected challenges. The strategy here involves revisiting and updating our outdated zoning policies to promote mixed-use and higher density developments incorporating affordable housing units, while maintaining the charming historic character of our city. We need to create housing for those in serious need and those embedded within the middle-income bracket. A focus on transit-oriented communities can help to improve the overall quality of life in (and maybe existing) developments by reducing traffic and promoting more sustainable transportation.

2. Sustainability: Our commitment to sustainability should be evident in every city initiative. This means investing in renewable energy, sustainable building practices, and community-wide recycling and waste reduction programs. Integrating sustainability into all city planning ensures long-term environmental health and resilience.

3. Economic Vitality: In recent years, Louisville has faced the departure of retail and commercial businesses, creating a perception of being non-business-friendly. To counter this, we must adopt a more proactive approach to retain and attract businesses. This involves the ability to carefully, yet more easily, move new and existing commercial business applicants through the process of approving their investment in our community, offering financial incentives such as sales tax exemption to attract new investment, and actively market Louisville as an attractive location for diverse enterprises. Regular dialogue with business leaders and entrepreneurs will also help identify barriers to business growth and opportunities for city support.

In addressing these issues, a collaborative, inclusive approach is crucial. Engaging with all stakeholders - residents, business owners, city staff, and external experts - ensures that our solutions are well-rounded and effectively address the diverse interests of our community.

Ward I faces unique challenges, particularly in attracting and retaining retail and commercial businesses and altering the perception of decline due to empty storefronts along Main Street.

1. Attracting and Retaining Businesses: A primary strategy to revitalize Ward I is to actively attract and retain both retail and commercial businesses. This can be achieved by simplifying the land use application process to make it easier for businesses to invest in better and more appropriate architecture that supports modern businesses. Additionally, continuing to offer tax relief incentives for new and incoming businesses would make the ward more financially appealing to entrepreneurs and business owners, encouraging them to set up shop in our iconic Downtown.

2. Filling Empty Storefronts: To address the issue of empty storefronts, a multi-pronged approach is necessary. First, we need to make it easier for businesses to invest in Louisville by simplifying and making the land use application process more transparent and friendly. Second, offering financial incentives like tax breaks or reduced lease rates that will ultimately result in increased city revenue streams created by vibrant retail, office and restaurant businesses.

3. Changing Perceptions: The perception of Louisville, and particularly Ward I, as a city with a diminished reputation needs to be urgently addressed. This involves not just filling empty storefronts but also improving the overall aesthetic and appeal of Main Street. Beautification projects, community events, and enhancing local amenities can all contribute to a more vibrant and appealing image. We also need better connectivity on foot and bike to our communities with safe crossing at major roads (South Boulder road, Highway 42). Consistent positive communication about the developments and successes within the ward is also crucial in changing this narrative.

In implementing these strategies, collaboration with local business owners, residents, and other stakeholders is key. Their insights and participation are invaluable in developing effective solutions tailored to the unique needs of Ward I.

- 3) *As a Councilmember, how would you view your relationships and interactions with each of these groups and how would you hope to be perceived by each of them?*
- a. *Residents*
 - b. *City staff*
 - c. *Fellow City Councilmembers*

As a Councilmember, I understand that the nature and effectiveness of my relationships with different groups are pivotal to my role. Here's how I view these relationships:

My relationship with the residents of Louisville is foundational. I see myself as their representative, advocate, and listener. My interactions would be characterized by openness, accessibility, and responsiveness. I aim to be perceived by the residents as approachable, empathetic, and genuinely committed to addressing their concerns and incorporating their feedback into city governance.

With City staff, I see a collaborative and respectful relationship. Recognizing their expertise and experience, my interactions would be based on mutual respect, support, and clear communication. I hope to be seen by City staff as a supportive ally, someone who values their insights and contributions, and works well alongside them to achieve the best outcomes for the city.

My relationship with fellow Councilmembers would be one of cooperation and mutual respect, regardless of differing viewpoints. I believe in the importance of collaborative problem-solving and constructive debate. My goal is to be seen as a team player who is open-minded, fair, and dedicated to finding common ground for the benefit of the entire community.

In all these relationships, I would strive to be seen as someone who is integrity-driven, solution-focused, and deeply committed to the well-being and progress of Louisville.

4) Please review carefully the [City Code of Ethics found in Sections 5-6 to 5-17 of the Louisville City Charter](#). Is there any reason why you would not be able to serve as a Councilmember and abide by the Code of Ethics? (If there is such a reason, please explain.)

There is no reason why I would not be able to serve as a Councilmember and abide by the Code of Ethics.

5) How can the City Council contribute to diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility in the community? What practices do you believe would promote equity in Louisville?

City Council plays a crucial role in fostering diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility within the Louisville community. Below are ways in which Council can promote these values:

1. Policy Development and Implementation: Council can develop and implement policies that actively promote diversity and inclusion. This includes anti-discrimination policies, equal opportunity employment, and inclusive city services that cater to the diverse needs of our community.
2. Community Engagement and Representation: Ensuring that all community voices are heard and considered in city decisions. This can be achieved through regular community consultations, town hall meetings, and the formation of diverse advisory committees.
3. Accessibility in Public Spaces and Services: Prioritizing accessibility in all public spaces and city services. This means adhering to and exceeding ADA standards, ensuring that all residents, regardless of physical ability, have equal access to city amenities and services.
4. Equitable Resource Allocation: The Council must ensure equitable distribution of city resources. This involves assessing the unique needs of different community sectors and allocating funds and resources in a manner that addresses disparities and supports underprivileged areas.
5. Education and Awareness Programs: Implementing programs that educate residents and city staff on diversity, equity, and inclusion. This can help in building a more empathetic and understanding community.
6. Support for Minority and Small Businesses: Encouraging and supporting the growth of minority-owned and small businesses through grants, training, and other forms of support. This dovetails naturally with a general initiative of attracting new businesses.

As a Councilmember, I believe that actively promoting these practices and embedding them in the fabric of our city governance is key to building a Louisville that is equitable, inclusive, and welcoming for all.

6) *What's your vision for our community in ten years' time? How might the upcoming Comprehensive Plan influence that?*

In ten years, I envision our community as a vibrant and sustainable locale, where economic prosperity blends seamlessly with a rich quality of life. Central to this vision is a thriving downtown and McCaslin corridor, bustling with a diverse mix of retail and commercial businesses. These areas will not only serve as economic hubs but also as centers for community gathering and engagement.

Our community will be characterized by its diversity, not just in its people but also in the available housing options. We will have a mix of diverse socio-economic housing, catering to different income levels and lifestyles, thus fostering an inclusive community spirit. This housing strategy will be complemented by ample local job opportunities, encouraging residents to work within the community and thereby reducing commute times and enhancing work-life balance.

Recreational amenities will be a cornerstone of our community's appeal. Expanded open spaces, tennis courts, pickleball courts, and multi-use fields will cater to a variety of recreational needs, promoting an active and healthy lifestyle for all ages.

The upcoming Comprehensive Plan will play a crucial role in realizing this vision. It will serve as a strategic blueprint, guiding development and investment in a way that aligns with our goals of diversity, sustainability, and economic vitality. The Plan will provide a framework for smart growth, ensuring that development is balanced with the preservation of open spaces and the enhancement of our recreational amenities.

Furthermore, the Comprehensive Plan will be instrumental in fostering a thriving business environment. By identifying opportunities for growth and development, and addressing potential barriers, the Plan will help attract and retain businesses, contributing to a robust local economy.

In ten years, I see Louisville as a model community that balances growth with sustainability, economic diversity with inclusivity, and urban development with the preservation of natural beauty and recreational resources.

7) *The City has limited resources, time, and funding. Given that, in what order would you prioritize the following issues for the City Council to address? What other priorities would you add?*

- *Implementation of the Citywide Decarbonization Plan*
- *Filling empty store fronts/office spaces*
- *Wildfire Mitigation*
- *Traffic/bicycle/pedestrian safety*
- *Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion*
- *Greenhouse Gas Reduction (eliminating gas-powered lawn equipment/electrification infrastructure, etc.)*
- *Affordable Housing*
- *Workforce Housing*
- *Open Space Purchases*
- *Recreational Amenities*
- *Open Space/Trail/Park Maintenance*

1. Economic Vitality - Filling empty store fronts/office spaces
2. Land Use/Zoning Revisions
3. Affordable House/Workforce Housing
4. Traffic/bicycle/pedestrian safety
5. Implementation of the Citywide Decarbonization Plan
6. Greenhouse Gas Reduction
7. Wildfire Mitigation
8. Open Space/Trail/Park Maintenance
9. Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion
10. Recreational Amenities
11. Open Space Purchases

TIMOTHY R. BIERMAN

Louisville, CO



PROFILE

SaaS Business Development Executive

Senior Account Executive & Channel Partner Manager with award winning record of consistent breakthrough revenue growth and top tier customer satisfaction. Seasoned professional in managing complex challenges across multi disciplines. Superior record of exceeding sales targets. Multiple experiences in introducing innovative, complex products, software, and solutions. Expert ability to communicate and persuade at the highest levels of Client Management.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

SECURITY INNOVATION, Louisville, CO

2023 - Present

Leading Cybersecurity Training Platform

Director of Strategic Accounts

- Partner with Fortune 500 organizations to create cyber conscious individuals through hands on, engaging, cyber security training

PERFORCE, Louisville, CO

2020-2023

\$440+ million DevOps Software Portfolio Company

Channel Partner Manager, OpenLogic

- 2022 OpenLogic Sales Executive of the Year
- 2022 President's Club Winner,
- Closed the largest OpenLogic deal in history of IBM Partnership - over \$4MM
- Grew overall IBM Channel Partner revenue - over 20% YOY

Senior Account Manager, Klocwork

2018-2020

- Managed \$6,000,000 in license renewals
- Exceeded 2019 Expansion revenue goal by over 60%; Exceeded 2019 Renewal quota by over 5%
- 2019 President's Club - Top Sales Revenue Producer

GATEFEED, Chicago, IL & Boulder, CO

2015-2018

Leading Contractor Management & Compliance SaaS Platform

Vice President, Sales & Marketing

- Sold SaaS based Safety Training platform to Fortune 500 Manufacturing & Industrial companies
- Expanded existing partner revenue by 15% YOY
- Increased revenues by over 26% YOY

MILLENNIAL MEDIA Chicago, IL

2013-2015

\$285 million revenue Mobile Advertising Platform. Millennial acquired Jumptap in 2013

Account Director

- Managed team responsible for developing, closing and executing custom mobile advertising campaigns
- Increased mobile advertising revenue by over 70% YOY
- Grew Target into highest billing client for 2014; 150% YOY revenue growth
- Two-Time "Millennial Masters MVP". Peer nominated Award recognizes top revenue producers

JUMPTAP Chicago, IL
\$232 million global Mobile Advertising Network

2012-2013

Senior Account Executive

- Developed, negotiated, and closed mobile specific advertising programs to key strategic accounts including Target, Allstate, KraftHeinz, ConAgra, Kohl's and Buffalo Wild Wings
- Earned 2013 MVP Platinum Award from peer nominations for acknowledgement of top performance
- Generated over \$4,000,000 of mobile advertising revenue for 2013 exceeding sales goal by over 65%

UNRULY MEDIA Chicago, IL
\$176 million global Social Video Distribution Platform

2012

Midwest Sales Director

- Recruited to open & managed the Midwest Sales Office where duties included developing strategic sales plans; managing two Account Executives; introducing a new Social Video competitor to the marketplace
- Under my leadership, region closed over \$1,000,000 of revenue accounting for 25% of US revenues

MICROSOFT ADVERTISING Chicago, IL

2010-2012

Video Sales Specialist

- Promoted to Specialist role to support the development, negotiation and closing of custom online video advertising programs and sponsorships to Fortune 100 companies & advertising agencies
- Generated over \$10,000,000 of Video advertising revenue; exceeding sales goal by over 50%
- Demonstrated exceptional performance, leadership, and commitment earning 2011 Gold Star

Senior Account Executive

2006-2010

- Generated over \$10,000,000 of sales revenue; exceeded sales goal by over 37%
- Exceeded Sales Quota goals for 16 consecutive quarters
- "JACK" Award winner. Awarded to top Account Executives who demonstrate JACK attributes (Judgment, Accountability, Customer Focus, Know-How) and deliver breakthrough revenue
- CLIQ Award Winner. Award honors Top Microsoft Advertising Executives globally

EDUCATION

GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL Washington, DC
Juris Doctor, **passed New York & Massachusetts State Bar Examinations in first sitting**

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY Washington, DC
Bachelor of Arts, ***magna cum laude***

KING'S COLLEGE LONDON, University of London

COMMUNITY & VOLUNTEER INVOLVEMENT

- B Strong Cancer Ride – Fundraiser & Rider
- Member of Finance Committee & Communion Server at Christ the Servant
- Louisville Middle School – Parent Volunteer
- "Honor Flight Chicago" Veteran Guardian
- University of Colorado Boulder - Buffalo Bicycle Classic Fundraiser & Rider
- One Step at a Time Children's Cancer Camp Counselor
- Children's Hospital of Chicago – Heartlight Bereavement Volunteer
- Avid Road Cyclist & Skier
- Traveled extensively throughout New Zealand, Australia, Southeast Asia & Europe
- Georgetown University Rugby Team – Three Year Starter

January 11, 2024



Attention: **Louisville City Council**

Subject: **Letter of Recommendation for Tim Bierman to City Council – Ward 1**

My name is Michael Boyd and my family and I moved to Louisville six months ago after spending fifteen years in Phoenix, Arizona. My wife and I grew up in a small town outside of Boston and wanted our four-year-old daughter to grow up with some of the same values and benefits that come with small town living (excluding the miserable east coast winters). Moving from a retirement community in the desert, we were looking for a family-oriented town; where kids had all the seasonal activities at their fingertips, if you forgot to lock your door, your neighbors would have an eye on your place and an area where access to different education curriculums were all a short drive away. After countless hours of research, we determined Louisville was where we needed to be.

We packed up our family, our dog and a 53' moving truck and moved sight unseen to a house in old town Louisville. To say we were nervous would be an understatement. We knew nobody, we had only been to the town once and our desire to settle down in our final spot to raise our family was growing. In Arizona, we knew a couple of our neighbors, but being a retirement community, most people tended to keep to themselves. We were hoping this new community would be different and after a short time, it quickly exceeded all of our expectations. Enter Tim.

Tim Bierman, along with his wife Kim and son Grady were the first neighbors we met. Tim came right over to introduce himself and give us his phone number in case we had any questions or needed anything. He introduced us to all our neighbors and within a couple weeks, we felt like we were part of the community, it felt like home. When I say Tim introduced us to our neighbors, I'm not referencing the house on each side of us. It was more he introduced us to the entire block. As an example, I was trying to trim a large tree on the side of our yard one of the first weeks we were here, but all my tools were buried in boxes. He must have seen me struggling when he was out walking the dog because when he came back, he was with three of our other neighbors and all of their tools.

He informed us of everything we needed to know about the town, the schools, the parks, the stores, the restaurants, activities for the kids, etc. It was amazing and he was truly pivotal to our seamless transition to Colorado.

Tim Bierman is one of the most passionate, kind and loving people we've met since moving to Louisville. His desire to develop Louisville into a thriving business friendly town where family values are at the core are unparalleled. As small business owners and parents, we couldn't be happier to recommend Tim to the role of City Council – Ward 1.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this recommendation further, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Michael Boyd

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Ashley Boyd

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12-28-2023

Dear Louisville City Council,

I am writing to enthusiastically recommend Tim Bierman for the Ward 1 City Council position. We have been neighbors since Tim and his family moved to Louisville. I can confidently attest to his exceptional dedication, leadership skills, and unwavering commitment to the betterment of Louisville.

Tim possesses excellent communication skills, both in articulating his ideas and actively engaging with people. His willingness to listen make him approachable and responsive to the needs of the community.

I am confident that Tim Bierman will bring a fresh perspective, dedication, and a strong work ethic to the Ward 1 position. His passion for our city makes him an ideal candidate to contribute to the continued growth and prosperity of our community.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Elizabeth Ryterski

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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PRINCIPAL



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January 12, 2024

Re: Support for Tim Bierman as Ward 1 Councilmember

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my support for Tim Bierman's consideration to represent Ward 1 on the City Council in Louisville, CO. As a real estate developer who actively participates in council meetings throughout the state, I have had the pleasure of interacting with numerous council members, and I can confidently say that Tim stands out as an exemplary candidate for this role.

Critical thinking, attentive listening, and proactive initiative are essential qualities in a council member, and Tim has consistently demonstrated these attributes. Three years ago, when my family and I moved to Louisville, Tim was the first person to extend a warm welcome, dropping by our front yard to greet us. He then became a reliable friend.

Tim goes above and beyond to serve as an ambassador for Louisville, generously giving his time to community initiatives. His occasional lighthearted approach, such as dressing as a pirate at the local middle school, demonstrates his approachableness and willingness to engage.

During our conversations, I have been impressed by Tim's deep understanding of local politics, the economy, and the various opportunities and challenges that Louisville faces. He continuously directs the conversation to the matters at hand: economic vitality, housing that's more attainable and real sustainability solutions. His passion for the community, coupled with his acumen, positions him as a valuable asset to the City Council. Tim's commitment to staying informed and actively engaging with the issues at hand showcases his readiness to contribute meaningfully to the city's development.

I wholeheartedly believe that Tim Bierman has the qualities necessary to be an effective and dedicated City Council member. His unique combination of community spirit, critical thinking, and local knowledge make him an ideal candidate for the position. I am confident that Tim will approach this role with the same enthusiasm and dedication that he has consistently demonstrated in our interactions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Walker Thrash". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "W" and a long, sweeping tail.

Walker Thrash

STATEMENT OF INTEREST

Joshua H. Cooperman

I never envisioned myself becoming involved in government: from a very young age I set my heart on being a scientist, and for some thirty-five years I pursued this aim. Yet this past autumn I found myself campaigning to become Louisville’s next mayor. After three years of mounting involvement in Louisville’s governance, observing the positive impact that I could effect as an engaged citizen, I decided that I could—and should—amplify my impact by becoming a member of Louisville’s government. My journey to running for mayor—and now applying to be appointed a City Council member—started shortly after my family and I moved to Louisville.

We selected Louisville on two bases: my wife’s one-evening visit while interviewing for her job and our subsequent online research into the community. Our decision was felicitous: we love living in Louisville. We love Louisville for its welcoming residents, walkable old town, bikeable streets, accessible small businesses, seasonal farmers’ market, neighborhood parks, extensive open spaces, system of paths and trails, communal amenities, excellent public schools, and responsible governance. Moreover, we chose to reside in ward 1 so that we could access these features without driving our family car. While Louisville is already a wonderful city, I want to make Louisville an even better place to live, grow, work, recreate, visit, and simply enjoy.

Ever since my childhood I have been interested in, concerned with, and committed to environmental sustainability. While I have long strived to live sustainably and supported environmental organizations, I had never engaged in environmental activism—or activism of any sort. Once my family and I settled in Louisville, I became a much more active champion of environmental sustainability. Three reasons principally motivated this change. First, with my family making Louisville our permanent home, I finally feel fully invested in the community in which I live. Second, as the father of two young girls, I am personally responsible for ensuring that my daughters have a healthy, safe environment in which to not only live, but also thrive. Third, decades of insufficient action to tackle global warming have left us in the midst of a climate crisis. Mitigating climate change had become a personal call to action.

As my involvement in Louisville’s governance grew, from an occasional public comment to membership in the Sustainability Advisory Board to regular attendance at City Council meetings, I expanded the scope of my advocacy, activism, and service. Still rooted in environmental sustainability, I began to engage with affordable housing development, diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives, and gun regulation. I increasingly realized the multitude of issues with which I could help our community, virtually all ultimately resting on the bedrock of environmental sustainability.

Campaigning for mayor reinforced this perception. I knocked as many doors as time permitted, prompting a great many conversations with Louisville residents (and some Louisville business owners). After briefly introducing myself and my priorities, I always inquired after residents’ thoughts about, concerns with, and ideas for the City. I listened attentively and respectfully, learning about Louisville’s colorful history and diverse perspectives. I came away from many conversations contemplating new ways in which I could work to improve Louisville—as mayor, as a City Council member, or just as an engaged resident.

I could step up my efforts as an engaged resident, continuing to work largely outside of Louisville’s government, but the present moment—owing to local, regional, and global circumstances—is a critical juncture for my joining City Council. First and foremost, humanity must urgently work to mitigate climate change at all levels. Second, Louisville is now well-situated to make significant progress on creating affordable housing, the City’s consultants having all but completed a housing study, the City’s staff having applied for eligibility to receive funds through Proposition 123, and Boulder County residents having approved a shift of sales tax revenue to support such housing. Third, Louisville still has important work to do in recovering from the Marshall fire: beyond welcoming back residents and stitching back together their neighborhoods, Louisville must robustly and responsibly address its wildfire risks. Last, but most certainly not least, Louisville has embarked on the process of updating its Comprehensive Plan, the City’s principal guiding document and testament to the community’s shared values and vision.

I want to serve now as a City Council member so that I can move Louisville forward at this important time. While I particularly want to lead Louisville’s response to the climate crisis, I am fully committed to addressing the City’s other priorities: for instance, developing more affordable housing, revitalizing our business sector, safeguarding against wildfires, improving multimodal transportation, and creating a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive community. Indeed, as all of these priorities are interconnected, our actions to mitigate climate change can and must go hand-in-hand with our actions to address these other priorities. I am ready to assume the responsibility and meet the challenge of representing Louisville’s first ward as a City Council member.

2024 Application for Ward 1 City Council Appointment

To serve as a Ward I City Council member you must meet the following requirements:

- Have resided in the current boundaries of Ward 1 for a minimum of 12 months ([Link to Ward Map](#)).
- Be a citizen of the United States
- Be at least 18 years of age
- Be a registered elector

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Education: PhD and MSci in physics (UC Davis), MPhil in history and philosophy of science (Cambridge University), BA in physics (Williams College)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Check this box if you self-identify as a member of a historically underrepresented community in Louisville.	

Application Process:
<p>1) Statement of Interest:</p> <p>Please attach a letter or statement briefly describing your interest in serving on the City Council. Feel free to indicate any areas of expertise, background, concerns and/or general information that may be applicable. You may also attach a resume or other information you feel may be relevant to your application.</p> <p>2) Supplemental Questions:</p> <p>Supplemental questions are below for you to answer as a part of your application.</p>

How long have you lived in the City of Louisville? 4 years
How long have you lived within the current boundaries of Ward 1? 4 years
Are you currently serving, or have you previously served, on a City board or commission: <input checked="" type="radio"/> yes <input type="radio"/> no
If yes, which board or commission: Sustainability Advisory Board
<i>If you are currently serving and are appointed to this position, you shall be deemed to have resigned as a member of that board on the date of taking the oath of office for the City Council. (Per City Charter Section 3-3(f)).</i>

Disclosures:

Have you ever been convicted of a felony offense, embezzlement, bribery, perjury, solicitation of bribery, or subordination of perjury? YES NO

If yes, list for each case: (1) date of offense; (2) charge; (3) jurisdiction; (4) court name and (5) disposition:

Per the City Charter Sections 3-3 (c) & (d) any person who seeks election or appointment to the office of Councilmember, and who has been convicted of any of these offenses, shall disclose the same in writing under penalty of perjury.

A conviction includes being found guilty of, a plea of guilty to, a plea of no contest or nolo contendere to, or the receipt of a deferred judgment or deferred sentence for, any of the offenses listed above, but does not include any conviction for which the records have been ordered expunged or sealed.

Do you or a company you work for or own do business with the City of Louisville?
 YES NO If Yes, please explain below:

Certification and signature:

I certify the information in this application is true and complete. I understand false statements, misrepresentations or omissions of information in this application may result in rejection of this application. The City is expressly authorized to investigate all statements contained in this application.

In the event that I am selected to serve on the City Council, I agree to comply with all of its ordinances, rules, and regulations.

I grant full permission to use any photographs, videotapes, recordings or any other record of my participation as a City Council member.

By checking this box, I am confirming my typed name is my legal name and serves as my signature.

Joshua H. Cooperman

16 January 2024

Signature

Date

Please note:

- It is the policy of the City Council to make appointments to the citizen boards, commissions, committees, and task forces based on the needs of the City as well as the interests and qualifications of each applicant without discrimination based on race, color, national origin or ancestry, gender, religious convictions, disability, age, or sexual orientation.
- All information on this application is public record and will be released for public review.
- If appointed, City Council attendance rules state members may miss no more than six (6) regular meetings in any twelve (12) month period.
- This appointment will expire in November 2024. The appointee will be eligible to run in the November 2024 election for a one-year term.
- Interviews are scheduled for the evening of January 30 from 5 – 9 pm. You may need to be available that evening for an in person interview with the City Council.
- Please contact Meredyth Muth (MeredythM@louisvilleco.gov or 303.335.4536) if you have questions or need assistance or other accommodations.
- Please submit this application **with** your letter of interest by email to MeredythM@LouisvilleCO.gov or deliver it to City Hall, 749 Main Street. City Hall is open Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 4 pm.
- **Applications are due by January 16, 2024.**

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Supplemental Questions

1) *In your view, what is:*

- *The role of the City Council as a governmental body?*
- *The most important responsibilities you would have as a Councilmember if appointed?*

City Council's role as a governmental body intimately interconnects with City Council members' responsibilities. City Council's primary role is to make decisions on behalf of the City. City Council does not make all decisions for the City: the City's residents democratically elect the City Council members (imbuing the City Council with its decision-making powers), the City's boards and commissions make decisions in certain prescribed circumstances, and, of course, City staff make the vast majority of day-to-day decisions. But, aside from such elections (except in the case of temporary appointments), City Council makes all high-level decisions for City. These decisions—ranging from policy to development to planning—inform the decisions made by the City's residents (for instance, in subsequent elections), the City's boards and commissions, and City staff.

In making decisions City Council members have a great many responsibilities. First and foremost, City Council members have the responsibility of representing their constituents, primarily of their respective wards and secondarily of the whole City. Such representation requires attentive and respectful listening to constituents' concerns, ideas, and perspectives. City Council members also have the responsibility of representing business owners and visitors, again primarily in their respective wards. Equally importantly, City Council members have the responsibility of working towards the City's mission, developed by the City's residents to advance the City's best interests, and planning for the City's future, envisioned in the City's Comprehensive Plan. As part and parcel of such work, City Council members have the responsibility of ensuring that City staff ably and responsibly run the City, most especially, proficiently providing the services on which residents, business owners, and visitors rely. City Council must ultimately ensure that the City runs within its own means, respecting financial, staffing, and other constraints. In all decision making City Council members also have the joint responsibilities of upholding local, state, and federal law and respecting the rights of all relevant individuals and groups. City Council members should also consider regional, national, and global constraints and necessities, historical and socioeconomic contexts, and the wellbeing of the natural world. To ensure equitable and inclusive their decision making, City Council members should be consciously open-minded, thoughtful, and deliberative.

Through its role as a decision-making body, City Council also has the role of overseeing the City's management. City Council members are most certainly not responsible for the City's day-to-day operations, a responsibility that falls to the City manager and staff, but City Council members have the responsibilities of appointing and reviewing the City manager (as well as a few other staff members), providing vision to the City manager, and providing direction to City staff.

City Council has a further role in serving the community—residents, business owners, and visitors—beyond representing them in making decisions: City Council members should assist community members in their interactions with the City. In this role City Council members have the responsibility of acting as impartial intermediaries between community members and City staff, helping both parties to understand their respective positions.

City Council members, especially the mayor, serve one final role: representing the City—its residents, business owners, visitors, and staff—in certain formal and official capacities. In this role City Council members have the responsibilities of comporting themselves with civility and decorum and of accurately and resolutely advocating the City's positions.

2) *In your view, what are the most important issues facing:*

- *Louisville as a city and community and what strategies do you believe will be most effective in addressing them?*
- *Ward I and what strategies do you believe will be most effective in addressing them?*

Louisville faces a variety of important issues including (but not limited to) mitigating and adapting to climate change, creating more affordable housing, revitalizing segments of the commercial sector, continuing to recover from the Marshall fire, mitigating wildfire risks, balancing development with the community's character and expectations, maintain Louisville's high quality of living, and making Louisville a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive community. Within these admittedly broad issues lie more specific issues: for instance, improving multimodal transportation infrastructure and service as part of Louisville's climate change mitigation and high level of service. To limit the length of my response, I briefly address two issues. I touch upon a few of the other issues in the context of ward 1 and in my responses to questions 5, 6, and 7. Furthermore, all of these issues are intimately interconnected not only in their impacts on Louisville, but also in the City's strategies for addressing them. For instance, the Marshall fire, very likely exacerbated by climate change, did not merely displace residents and fracture our community, but also impacted businesses (especially along McCaslin Boulevard), drove increases in rental housing rates, and inequitably affected those rebuilding. While I discuss issues in relative isolation, the City should not address the above issues in isolation.

Climate change is not only an existential threat, but also an immediate threat, and the present moment is the most critical time for mitigation. While climate change is a global issue, its mitigation requires action at all levels: international, national, state, regional, and local. Fortunately, to address climate change in a city like Louisville, mitigation strategies are largely well-established: we must stop emitting greenhouse gases by electrifying all processes that produce such emissions and powering these processes with renewably-generated electricity. Almost all such processes in Louisville—from heating to transportation to manufacturing—can be electrified with current or near-future technologies; accordingly, the crux of climate change mitigation in Louisville is implementation. The City must strive to make implementation as easy as possible for its residents and businesses through education, outreach, and incentives followed in time by regulations and requirements.

Like many municipalities across Colorado and the nation, Louisville desperately needs more affordable housing. In conversations with residents, I have heard a variety of concerns about Louisville's need: some residents are concerned about their ability to remain in Louisville; some residents are concerned about their children's ability to move back to Louisville; some residents are concerned about their ability to downsize in retirement in Louisville; some residents are concerned about the loss of historic homes in old town Louisville; and some residents are concerned about the diminishing diversity amongst their Louisville neighbors. Moreover, some businesses are concerned about their ability to hire and retain employees as many people who work in Louisville, including City staff and public school teachers, cannot afford to live in the community that they serve. Several years ago the City joined a Boulder County-wide effort to increase the County's percentage of affordable housing units to 12% by 2035. Louisville should not only meet, but also embrace its commitment. More affordable housing would benefit Louisville: by addressing the concerns of residents listed above; by making Louisville a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive community; by supporting Louisville's businesses with a larger customer base and employees; and by reducing the environmental impact of people commuting to Louisville. The City should pursue a variety of strategies to create affordable housing, most of which are identified in the City's housing study and many of which are listed on City Council's 2024 work plan. As a basis for creating affordable housing, the City should proactively rezone occupied and vacant commercial zones to mixed-use and residential zones, upzone residential zones to allow accessory dwelling units and multiplexes, and adopt incentive packages for housing developers. To the greatest extent possible, the City should leverage funding available through Proposition 123 and Boulder County Ballot Issue 1B.

Ward 1 faces a variety of its own important issues including (but not limited to) the economic vitality of downtown (and nearby commercial centers), the City's connectedness for pedestrians and bicyclists, and development consistent with the ward's historic and social characters. I briefly address these three issues, touching on some of the City-wide issues mentioned above.

The economic vitality of downtown Louisville, which largely falls within ward 1, has waned in recent years, perhaps most visibly in the several vacant storefronts on Main Street. There are also some nearby vacancies along South Boulder Road, both east and west of Highway 42. A variety of strategies would help to revitalize downtown; I focus on two. First, to generate more foot traffic to support existing and attract future businesses, the City has multiple means at its disposal: encouraging and supporting denser residential development in and near downtown; encouraging bicycle trips to downtown through improved connections, expanded bicycle parking, and electric bicycle charging stations; strategically locating electric vehicle charging stations to attract passing visitors; assisting to reinvigorate the downtown arts scene; and pedestrianizing parts of Main Street. Second, to spur development and redevelopment, the City again has multiple means at its disposal: revising its planning processes to ensure consistency, predictability, and expediency; reexamining its tax incentives and disincentives for existing, renovated, and new properties; activating underutilized properties (like the grain elevator) for new and creative uses; and expanding financial incentives to businesses (contingent on budgetary allowances especially from the Urban Renewal District).

While the portions of ward 1 and ward 3 adjacent to downtown are well-connected for pedestrians and bicyclists, the portions of ward 1 to the north and the other portions of wards 2 and 3 are not so well-connected. South Boulder Road and Highway 42, two of the City's busiest roads run through (and intersect within) ward 1, and Via Appia forms (most of) the western boundary of ward 1. These thoroughfares (and others in wards 2 and 3) create issues for the connectivity of our City, particularly for pedestrians and bicyclists. A well-connected City allows residents to easily visit one another, shop at commercial centers, commute to work or school, and access amenities, all preferably by foot or bike. The City has engaged and continues to engage with improving connectivity across South Boulder Road, Highway 42, and Via Appia, but, despite a few notable exceptions like the underpass just north of Kestrel, the City has not implemented sufficient connections for pedestrians and bicyclists.

While underpasses at the intersections of Via Appia, Main Street, and Highway 42 with South Boulder Road and of South Street with Highway 42 represent the best strategies for addressing this issue, there are more immediate, less costly intersection upgrades that would help to improve connections. The City's recent intersection improvements along South Boulder Road have helped to some extent, but further improvements are warranted. For instance, the intersection of Main Street with South Boulder Road would benefit from an expanded sidewalk on the north, a better bicyclist connection to Steel Street, and a dedicated pedestrian cycle, allowing direct crossing from the north to the southeast or southwest. Marked bicycle lanes—simple, buffered, or advisory—along some of ward 1's busier residential roads (like Main Street, Lafayette Street, Pine Street, and parts of Jefferson Avenue) would also improve connectivity. The plans for Highway 42, which include underpasses, represent a considerable improvement for that roadway (and for crossing that roadway), but the timeline for implementation is relatively long.

Ward 1 is home to many of the Louisville's historic buildings and sites, imbuing this part of our City with a unique character treasured by our community. The interplay between development, especially redevelopment, and historic preservation is thus a key issue for ward 1 (as it has been for quite some years). The City has admirably navigated this interplay, particularly through its historic preservation programs, but the City must remain ever vigilant to preserve its history, tangible and intangible. Many residents favor further preservation, particularly of smaller, older homes and of downtown's character, yet some degree redevelopment is integral to ward 1's economic vitality. To balance these potentially competing interests, the City must maintain its thoughtful navigation, perhaps with strategies like the following two. First, the City should continue to diversify and expand its historic preservation policies and programs, crafting these policies and programs for progress on related issues. For instance, to further disincentivize the destruction of historic buildings, the City could pilot a deconstruction program requiring recycling (rather than allowing demolition and landfilling) of any building meeting certain criteria. Second, the City should consider expanding development opportunities in downtown, especially for housing, while keeping such development more consistent with downtown's historic character, presumably through an updated Old Town Overlay.

3) *As a Councilmember, how would you view your relationships and interactions with each of these groups and how would you hope to be perceived by each of them?*

- a. *Residents*
- b. *City staff*
- c. *Fellow City Councilmembers*

My primary relationship with residents would be serving as their representative on City Council, principally but not exclusively for residents of ward 1. As their representative I would make decisions attempting to integrate their diverse perspectives while upholding local, state, and federal law and protecting the rights of all relevant individual and groups. I would be communicative about City business and responsive to their inquiries. In so serving as their representative, I would hope that residents perceive me as receptive to their ideas and feedback, as an advocate for their preferences, and as constantly working to improve our City.

I would interact with residents individually, for instance, when emailing or meeting with a resident, in small groups, for instance, when Council Dickinson and I host ward 1 forums, and more formally, for instance, when a resident speaks at a City Council meeting. I would also interact with residents as an intermediary between them and City staff. In all of these interactions, I would hope that residents perceive me as being available, accessible, attentive, concerned, nonjudgmental, open-minded, respectful, responsive, and trustworthy. Ultimately, I would hope that residents consider me a valued neighbor and friend.

My primary relationship with City staff would be serving as an advisor in guiding their work. My fellow City Council members and I would primarily advise the City manager, who is charged with conveying this advice to other City staff. Within the established structures of City Council meetings, my fellow City Council members and I would also advise other City staff present. Beyond more formal interactions at City Council meetings, I would interact with City staff at City Council committee meetings and scheduled individual meetings. In serving as an advisor, I would hope that City staff perceive me as engaged with, grateful for, supportive of, and constructively critical of their work, that City staff consider me respectful of their expertise and not overly managerial or supervisory, and that City staff find my feedback, ideas, and questions useful in their work. I would moreover hope to further develop my friendly relationships with City staff.

My primary relationship with fellow City Council members would be serving as their partner in leading the City of Louisville. In this partnership I would hope that our mutual relationships are cordial, collegial, collaborative, open, truthful, respectful, trusting, and productive. I would interact with my fellow City Council members more formally at City Council meetings, less formally at City Council committee meetings, and informally outside of such meetings to progress between meetings and prepare for future meetings (of course, respecting open government rules). In all of these interactions, I would hope that my fellow City Council members perceive me as invested in our community, dedicated to my constituents, clearly communicative, consistently hardworking, supportive of their efforts, constructively critical of their ideas, and principled in my approach, yet willing to compromise.

4) Please review carefully the [City Code of Ethics found in Sections 5-6 to 5-17 of the Louisville City Charter](#). Is there any reason why you would not be able to serve as a Councilmember and abide by the Code of Ethics? (If there is such a reason, please explain.)

No, there is no reason for which I would not be able to serve as a City Council member and abide by the Code of Ethics.

5) How can the City Council contribute to diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility in the community? What practices do you believe would promote equity in Louisville?

Louisville is a wonderful community. Our community could further enrich itself in becoming more diverse, equitable, inclusive, and accessible. In a more diverse Louisville residents would reflect a broader range of cultural, social, and economic backgrounds and experiences, more representative of Colorado's population as a whole. In a more equitable Louisville residents would be able to achieve similar ends no matter their backgrounds and experiences. In a more inclusive Louisville residents of all backgrounds and experiences would be welcomed, valued, respected, and celebrated. In a more accessible Louisville residents would not be limited in their choices, engagement, and movement by their diversity of abilities.

The City can—and should—work to so enrich Louisville. City Council took a significant step towards this aim through its Task Force on diversity, equity, and inclusion. Through meetings over the course of a year, this Task Force developed a set of recommended actions: create a safer and more welcoming environment for all, accommodate non-English-speaking populations more thoroughly, provide equitable accommodations and services to all, create a housing market serving people of all socioeconomic situations, engage young residents more effectively, and improve access to public healthcare for all. As recommendations from an engaged and informed resident group, these actions represent the best starting points for City initiatives. The City has indeed begun to implement these recommendations, and as a City Council member I would prioritize further implementation.

Creating more affordable housing likely ranks as one of the most achievable and impactful means for making Louisville a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive community. By overly restricting the City's housing stock and the diversity of this housing stock, Louisville has largely excluded certain socioeconomic segments. By moderately increasing the City's housing stock, especially with a diversity of affordable and attainable units, and by ensuring that some of this housing incorporates accessibility features for certain populations (like seniors), Louisville would become an even more welcoming community. As I mention in my statement of interest and response to question 2, the City is poised to make significant progress on this front.

City Council has other means to make Louisville more diverse, equitable, inclusive, and accessible. First, as the City's EDI manager has begun to advocate, City Council could formally incorporate consideration of diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility into its decision-making processes. The Boulder City Council has implemented such procedures. Second, City Council could promote more diverse, equitable, inclusive, and accessible civic engagement by having City communications and materials translated into Spanish. While the City has expanded such translations, and I can only presume that the City intends to further these efforts, City meeting agendas and packets are not translated (as far as I am aware). Translating packets would require significant work, but translating agendas seems an eminently reasonable goal. Such access would serve to better include Spanish-speaking residents in local governance, enabling such residents to advocate for and effect change. Third, City Council could make serving on City Council, boards, and commissions more accessible to a greater diversity of residents through targeted community outreach, availability of childcare, and increased monetary compensation (in the case of City Council). Fourth, City Council could promote socioeconomic equity by making City fees, rates, and fines more progressive and by progressively investing revenues from regressive City taxes. Fifth, City Council could promote equity in and accessibility of transportation by elevating infrastructure and policy for all users to that enjoyed by motorists. Sixth, City Council could leverage the Youth Advisory Board to raise civic awareness and engagement among a greater diversity of young residents. Finally, City Council could enshrine the enrichment of our community through diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility as an underlying principle of the City's updated Comprehensive Plan.

6) *What's your vision for our community in ten years' time? How might the upcoming Comprehensive Plan influence that?*

Judging from conversations with residents while campaigning for mayor, almost uniformly, residents are highly satisfied with the current characteristics of the Louisville community. Residents certainly want to see some alterations and improvements and some progress on certain issues, but these changes do not entail marked departures from the community's current character. Over the next decade we should clearly strive to maintain the community's character to a great extent. I firmly believe that Louisville can make significant progress, as envisioned below, while remaining a treasure of a small city. Achieving such ends will require the thoughtfulness that has long characterized our City's governance. As a City Council member I will work to address the issues that our community currently faces while retaining the character that our community so loves. My vision for the next decade entails the progress on a baker's dozen of these issues briefly described below.

First, I envision a reduction in the City's annual carbon footprint of at least 50% and hopefully 75% (compared to the City's highest historical level of annual greenhouse gas emissions). This progress need not—and should not—significantly alter Louisville's existing character: most decarbonization strategies result in replacement of existing technologies with alternatives that achieve the same ends without emitting greenhouse gases and other pollutants.

Second, I envision 10% of the City's housing stock being deed-restricted affordable. Unless Louisville achieves this goal solely by conversion of existing housing—an extremely unlikely prospect—the City's population will increase. While some residents would prefer Louisville not to grow, a measured amount of growth seems completely reasonable and indeed beneficial in many respects; moreover, with careful and thoughtful planning and development, the City can partially mitigate the downsides of growth like increased vehicular traffic.

Third, I envision a revitalized downtown Louisville with filled storefronts, bustling foot traffic, a vibrant arts scene, and an expanded treescape. I foresee some new development, augmenting downtown's historic character through an updated Old Town Overlay's governance and bringing commercial spaces, entertainment venues, and upstairs apartments. I foresee extensive bicycle parking and electric vehicle charging, co-located electric bicycle parking and charging, and the beginnings of commuter rail service, all enabling sustainable transport to and from downtown.

Fourth, I envision the McCaslin corridor reimaged and revitalized as a pedestrian- and bicyclist-friendly mixed-use center. I foresee infrastructure alterations and improvements to vastly improve connectivity for such transportation and new housing on both sides of McCaslin Boulevard occupying existing parking lots and vacant commercial buildings and lots. Beyond downtown and the McCaslin corridor, I even envision satellite commercial centers along South Boulder Road near Annette Brand Park and along 88th Street near the Monarch campus.

Fifth, I envision a Louisville fully recovered from the Marshall fire: all families wishing to rebuild in their new homes, all affected neighborhoods stitched back together, and all of the City well prepared for future emergencies.

Sixth, I envision significant steps towards adapting Louisville to the effects of climate change. Of present and particular concern are Louisville's wildfire risks, heightened by climate change. I foresee the City having implemented well-established wildfire mitigation routines on open spaces, parks, and other landscapes and adopted tailored wildland-urban interface building codes for at-risk properties. I foresee reduction of the City's heat island effect through an appropriately expanded tree canopy, removal of unnecessary and shading of necessary hardscapes, and building and landscaping design alterations. Informed by continuing regional discussions of the Colorado River watershed, I foresee the City planning for and implementing robust water conservation measures.

Seventh, I envision significant improvements to and expansion of Louisville's pedestrian and bicyclist infrastructure, including pedestrian crossings, sidewalk and trail connections, bicycle lanes, bicycle parking, electric bicycle parking and charging, and underpasses, all forming the basis for a substantial increase in the share of trips taken by foot and bike. More specifically, I envision significant progress on Louisville and Lafayette's plans for Highway 42, public transit serving Louisville more extensively, particularly the Colorado Technology Center, Monarch campus, AdventHealth Avista Hospital, and Phillips 66 Rural Special District, and the beginnings of commuter rail service to downtown.

Eighth, I envision significant steps towards better conserving Louisville's native wildlife: expanded restoration of open spaces through programs like the City's pocket prairies; strategic open spaces purchases to preserve high-quality habitat and to extend and establish wildlife corridors; adoption of policies to protect prairie dogs and other wildlife; and large-scale transformation of commercial and residential landscaping to create wildlife habitat throughout the City.

Ninth, I envision a doubling of Louisville's waste diversion rates coupled with a reduction in Louisville's waste production effected by various means: education and outreach, like waste audits at residences and businesses; incentives and policies, like deconstruction in place of demolition; and commercial and regional collaborations, like County-level composting facilities.

Tenth, I envision a Louisville with several of its own multiuse playing fields, several more pickleball courts, its own bike park, and, depending on the degree and location of housing development, plans for a satellite recreational center.

Eleventh, I envision a Louisville that has preserved more of its historic buildings, established a new Old Town Overlay guiding development consistent with its historic character, and reflected more deeply upon its history and prehistory.

Twelfth, I envision a more civically-engaged Louisville. I foresee City Council, boards, commissions, and staff being more diverse and inclusive, City Council and staff leveraging its boards and commissions to accomplish more significant ends, and the City establishing a network for neighborhood outreach modeled on its Marshall fire recovery efforts.

Thirteenth, I envision Louisville developing and adopting modern planning, land-use, and design codes, guidelines, and processes, all emphasizing environmental sustainability, user facility, and transparency.

The City's Comprehensive Plan serves as a guide to the City's development for the decade following its update. The recently-begun process for updating the Comprehensive Plan is thus intimately tied to my vision for our community in ten years' time. As a City Council member I will help to integrate the community's input into an updated Comprehensive Plan that puts forth a vision calling for the progress outlined above.

7) *The City has limited resources, time, and funding. Given that, in what order would you prioritize the following issues for the City Council to address? What other priorities would you add?*

- *Implementation of the Citywide Decarbonization Plan*
- *Filling empty store fronts/office spaces*
- *Wildfire Mitigation*
- *Traffic/bicycle/pedestrian safety*
- *Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion*
- *Greenhouse Gas Reduction (eliminating gas-powered lawn equipment/electrification infrastructure, etc.)*
- *Affordable Housing*
- *Workforce Housing*
- *Open Space Purchases*
- *Recreational Amenities*
- *Open Space/Trail/Park Maintenance*

I would prioritize the above issues as follows. I provide a few brief explanations of my prioritization.

1. Greenhouse gas emissions reduction
2. Implementation of the City-wide decarbonization plan
3. Affordable housing creation

I discuss the importance of mitigating climate change and creating affordable housing in my statement of interest and response to question 2.

4. Filling empty storefronts and office spaces
5. Wildfire mitigation
6. Pedestrian, bicyclist, and traffic safety

7. Equity, diversity, and inclusion

The City should consider equity, diversity, and inclusion in all of its actions; in particular, City Council should consider equity, diversity, and inclusion in all of its decision making. The City's EDI manager has begun to advocate for such consideration, and the City has begun to implement the recommendations of the EDI Task Force. Given this progress the issues just above warrant higher prioritization; moreover, addressing some of the above issues, especially affordable housing, will make Louisville more equitable, diverse, and inclusive. City Council can—and should—be ever vigilante in consideration of equity, diversity, and inclusion even without a formal basis for such consideration.

8. Open space, trail, and park maintenance

The City does and should perform adequate maintenance of its open spaces, trails, and parks on a regular basis; such services are a high priority for most residents. The City could improve upon its maintenance, and such improvements could complement the City's approach to issues just above, but the current status of maintenance does not warrant a higher prioritization.

9. Workforce housing

I actively dislike the term 'workforce housing': housing is most fundamentally about providing adequate shelter and more humanistically about creating homes. Most people work in one capacity or another, aside from children and retirees, and all of these people need housing. 'Workforce housing' usually refers, however, to housing for those occupying only certain types of jobs, typically, jobs with compensation inadequate to pay for non-'workforce housing'. I am uncomfortable differentiating homes for people on the basis of their occupations. Nonetheless, I very much support the development of housing in Louisville that allows people who currently work but do not live in Louisville to make Louisville their home.

10. Recreational amenities

While the City has many high-quality recreational amenities, the City would greatly benefit from more of its own multiuse playing fields, more pickleball courts, and a bicycle park. There is particular demand among residents for the first two amenities. As the City's recreational amenities largely meet demand, perhaps with the exception of pickleball courts, developing new recreational amenities does not warrant a higher prioritization.

11. Open space purchases

While I wholeheartedly support future purchases of open space, most especially for the purpose of preserving habitat to stem our epoch's biodiversity losses, I would treat such purchases on the basis of seizing promising opportunities when they arise. The City's expanded open space and parks sales tax will provide a dedicated funding source for such acquisitions; the City, through its Open Space Advisory Board, should keep watch for such opportunities.

I would add to the above list the following issues, which I prioritize with half integers.

- 2.5. Climate change adaptation (tree planting, turf replacement, hardscape removal and shading, water conservation, building and landscaping design codes, etc.)
- 5.5. Adoption of wildland-urban interface building codes
- 6.5. Improved and expanded multimodal transportation infrastructure and service
- 8.5. Senior housing

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EDUCATION

PhD in physics. University of California, Davis. 2013.
MS in physics. University of California, Davis. 2009.
MPhil in history and philosophy of science. University of Cambridge. 2007.
Mathematical Tripos Part II. University of Cambridge. 2006.
BA with honors in physics. Magna cum laude. Williams College. 2005.
Lower Merion High School. Salutatorian. 2001.

EMPLOYMENT

Tutor in physics. Wyzant, College Choice Tutors, and by appointment. October 2020—present.
Visiting assistant professor. Department of Physics and Astronomy. Bucknell University. August 2018—December 2019.
Postdoctoral fellow. Physics Program. Bard College. September 2015—August 2017.
Postdoctoral fellow. Institute for Mathematics, Astrophysics, and Particle Physics. Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen. September 2013—August 2015.

SERVICE

Member of the Louisville Sustainability Advisory Board. Louisville, Colorado. January 2021—present.
Member of the Louisville Bee City USA Committee. Louisville, Colorado. March 2023—present.
Author of the blog Sustainable Louisville Colorado. August 2022—present.
Volunteer at Louisville Elementary School. Louisville, Colorado. Autumn 2021—present.
Volunteer for the Yes on 2C campaign (Open Space and Parks Sales Tax Extension). Louisville, Colorado. Autumn 2023.
Petitioner on the Citizen Initiative to Prohibit New Gasoline Stations. Louisville, Colorado. Autumn 2022—Spring 2023.
Facilitator for SNAP and D-SNAP at the Louisville and Erie Farmers' Markets. Louisville and Erie, Colorado. Starting May 2022.
Volunteer for the Citizens for a Vibrant Sustainable Louisville campaign (No on Redtail Ridge). Louisville, Colorado. Spring 2022.
Volunteer for the Yes on 2A campaign (Underpasses for Safe and Sustainable Connections). Louisville, Colorado. Autumn 2021.
Peer reviewer for *Classical and Quantum Gravity*, *Foundations of Physics*, and *Journal of Physics Communications*.
Graduate School Advisor. Department of Physics and Astronomy. Bucknell University. August 2018—December 2019.
Advisor for undergraduate physics journal club. Bard College. October 2016—May 2017.
Organizer of the Gravity Journal Club. Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen. September 2013—August 2015.
Member of the Departmental Colloquium Committee. Department of Physics. University of California, Davis. October 2010—June 2013.
Founder and Organizer of the Quantum Foundations Reading Group. University of California, Davis. October 2008—December 2013.

TEACHING

Fall 2019 at Bucknell University

Quantum Mechanics (Physics 332).

Two problem sessions of Classical and Modern Physics I (Physics 211).

Two lab sections of Classical and Modern Physics I (Physics 211).

Spring 2019 at Bucknell University

It's About Time! (Physics 143).

Lab section of It's About Time! (Physics 143).

Three lab sections of Classical and Modern Physics II (Physics 212).

Fall 2018 at Bucknell University

Quantum Mechanics (Physics 332).

Two problem sessions of Classical and Modern Physics I (Physics 211).

Two lab sections of Classical and Modern Physics I (Physics 211).

Bard College

Quantum Mechanics (Physics 321). Spring 2017.

Lab section of Introduction to Physics I (Physics 141). Fall 2016.

Mathematical Methods of Physics II (Physics 222). Spring 2016.

Introduction to Physics I (Physics 141). Fall 2015.

University of California, Davis

Discussion-lab sections of General Undergraduate Physics (Physics 7). Ten quarters. 2007—2013.

ADVISING

Undergraduate summer research

I. Briefer (Bucknell University). Bucknell Program for Undergraduate Research. 2019.

W. Chen (Bucknell University). Bucknell Program for Undergraduate Research. 2019.

M. Dorghabekov (Bard College, American University of Central Asia). Bard Summer Research Institute. 2017.

A. Eissar (Berea College). Berea College Internship. 2016.

K. Lee (Chapman University, PhD at C. N. Yang Institute for Theoretical Physics, now postdoctoral fellow at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory). Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship. 2013.

J. Miller (University of Colorado, Boulder, PhD at Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics, now staff researcher at Los Alamos National Laboratory). Research Experience for Undergraduates. 2012.

C. Anderson (Harvard University). Research Experience for Undergraduates. 2011.

Undergraduate senior projects and theses

K. Morton (Bucknell University). August 2019—December 2019.

N. Schwink-Zanella (Bard College). January 2017—May 2017.

D. Gagne (Bard College, MS in physics at RWTH Aachen University). September 2015—May 2016.

W. Houthoff (Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen, MS in physics at Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen). October 2014—June 2015.

RECOGNITIONS

Jocelyn Bell Burnell Prize. Pacific Coast Gravity Meeting. 30 March 2013.

Graduate Program Fellowship. Department of Physics. University of California, Davis. Winter 2012. Summer 2012. Winter 2013. Spring 2013.

Ray and Constance Chandler Fellowship. Department of Physics. University of California, Davis. Fall 2007.

Dr. Herchel Smith Fellowship. Emmanuel College. University of Cambridge. October 2005—July 2007.

Sigma Xi. Williams College. June 2005.

Phi Beta Kappa. Williams College. May 2004.

PUBLICATIONS (Boldface denotes an undergraduate advisee.)

Peer-reviewed papers

J. H. Cooperman and **M. Dorghabekov**. “Setting the physical scale of dimensional reduction in causal dynamical triangulations.” *Physical Review D* 100 (2019) 026014. arXiv:1812.09331.

J. H. Cooperman. “Scaling analyses of the spectral dimension in 3-dimensional causal dynamical triangulations.” *Classical and Quantum Gravity* 35 (2018) 105004. arXiv: 1711.02685.

J. H. Cooperman, **K. Lee**, and **J. M. Miller**. “A second look at transition amplitudes in $(2 + 1)$ -dimensional causal dynamical triangulations.” *Classical and Quantum Gravity* 34 (2017) 115008. arXiv:1610.02408.

J. H. Cooperman. “On a renormalization group scheme for causal dynamical triangulations.” *General Relativity and Gravitation* 48 (2016) 1. arXiv:1406.4531.

J. H. Cooperman. “Making the case for causal dynamical triangulations.” *Foundations of Physics* 45 (2015) 1. arXiv:1410.0670.

J. H. Cooperman. “Scale-dependent homogeneity measures for causal dynamical triangulations.” *Physical Review D* 90 (2014) 124053. arXiv:1410.0632

J. H. Cooperman and M. A. Luty. “Renormalization of entanglement entropy and the gravitational effective action.” *Journal of High Energy Physics* 12 (2014) 045. arXiv:1302.1878.

J. H. Cooperman and **J. M. Miller**. “A first look at transition amplitudes in $(2 + 1)$ -dimensional causal dynamical triangulations.” *Classical and Quantum Gravity* 31 (2014) 035012. arXiv:1305.2932.

C. Anderson, S. Carlip, J. H. Cooperman, P. Hořava, R. K. Kommu, and P. Zulkowski. “Quantizing Hořava-Lifshitz gravity via causal dynamical triangulations.” *Physical Review D* 85 (2012) 049904. arXiv:1111.6634.

J. H. Cooperman. “Rescuing the Born rule for quantum cosmology.” *Journal of Cosmology and Astroparticle Physics* 2 (2011) 14. arXiv:1010.3395.

Preprints

J. H. Cooperman. “Comments on “Searching for a continuum limit in CDT quantum gravity”.” arXiv:1604.01798.

J. H. Cooperman. “Renormalization of lattice-regularized quantum gravity models I. General considerations.” arXiv:1410.0026.

J. H. Cooperman. “A Theory of the Universe from Contemporary Physics: Evaluating Smolin’s Argument for the Elimination of ‘Ideal Elements’.” PhilSci Archive 00003894.

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks

“Destinations and diversions on the road to a continuum limit of causal dynamical triangulations.” Quantum Geometry and Quantum Gravity. Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen. 31 October 2019.

“Visualizing quantum gravity: A pictorial introduction to causal dynamical triangulations.” Colloquium. Department of Physics and Engineering. West Chester University. 13 September 2018.

- “Visualizing quantum gravity: A pictorial introduction to causal dynamical triangulations.” Colloquium. Department of Physics and Astronomy. Bucknell University. 23 April 2018.
- “Visualizing quantum gravity: A pictorial introduction to causal dynamical triangulations.” Colloquium. Physics Program. Bard College. 10 March 2017.
- “The quest for a continuum limit of causal dynamical triangulations.” Quantum Gravity in Paris. Centre de Physique Théorique Orsay. Université Paris Sud. 7 April 2015.
- “What is the large-scale effective action of $(2+1)$ -dimensional causal dynamical triangulations?” Probing the Fundamental Nature of Spacetime with the Renormalization Group. Nordita. 24 March 2015.
- “A perspective on causal dynamical triangulations in $3+1$ vignettes.” Quantum Gravity Seminar. Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics.” 4 December 2014.
- “Renormalization of Entanglement Entropy and the Gravitational Effective Action.” Renormalization Group Approaches to Quantum Gravity. Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics. 25 April 2014.
- “Renormalization of Entanglement Entropy and the Gravitational Effective Action.” High Energy Physics Seminar. Institute for Mathematics, Astrophysics, and Particle Physics. Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen. 9 September 2013.
- “Renormalization of Entanglement Entropy and the Gravitational Effective Action.” High Energy and Gravity Seminar. Department of Physics. University of California, Santa Barbara. 14 February 2013.
- “Renormalization of Entanglement Entropy and the Gravitational Effective Action.” Joint Theory Seminar. Department of Physics. University of California, Davis. 4 February 2013.
- “Where has causal dynamically triangulated Hořava-Lifshitz gravity led us?” The Search for Quantum Gravity: Causal Dynamical Triangulations and Friends. Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen. 13 December 2012.
- “The Causal Dynamical Triangulations of Hořava-Lifshitz Gravity: First Results and New Tools.” Quantum Gravity Seminar. Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics. 4 December 2012.
- “Exploring quantum Hořava-Lifshitz gravity with causal dynamical triangulations.” String Theory Seminar. Department of Mathematics. University of California, Davis. 17 April 2012.
- “Quantizing Hořava-Lifshitz Gravity *via* Causal Dynamical Triangulations.” Workshop on Novel Numerical Methods in Quantum Field Theory and Quantum Gravity. Kavli Institute for Theoretical Physics. University of California, Santa Barbara. 10 February 2012.
- “Causal Dynamical Triangulations: How to Simulate Quantum Gravity on Your Laptop.” Colloquium. Department of Physics. Williams College. 16 September 2011.

Contributed Talks

- “Setting the physical scale of dimensional reduction in causal dynamical triangulations.” Loops ‘19 Pennsylvania State University. 21 June 2019.
- “Setting the physical scale of dimensional reduction in causal dynamical triangulations.” Eastern Gravity Meeting. Long Island University, Brooklyn. 25 May 2018.
- “Cosmic inhomogeneity from quantum gravity.” Eastern Gravity Meeting. University of New Hampshire. 27 May 2016.
- “Scale-dependent homogeneity measures for causal dynamical triangulations.” Conceptual and Technical Challenges for Quantum Gravity. Università di Roma La Sapienza. 8 September 2014.
- “On the renormalization group flow of the cosmological constant in causal dynamical triangulations.” Loops ‘13. Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics. 23 July 2013.
- “Transition Amplitudes in Causal Dynamical Triangulations, Part 1.” Pacific Coast Gravity Meeting. University of California, Davis. 30 March 2013.
- “An Update on Causal Dynamically Triangulated Hořava-Lifshitz Gravity.” Pacific Coast Gravity Meeting. University of California, Santa Barbara. 23 March 2012.
- “Setting the Scale of Dimensional Reduction in Causal Dynamical Triangulations.” American Physical

Society April Meeting. 30 April 2011.

“Scales and Scaling in Causal Dynamical Triangulations.” Pacific Coast Gravity Meeting. California Institute of Technology. 18 March 2011.

Posters

“Towards tracing renormalization group trajectories with the spectral dimension in causal dynamical triangulations.” Quantum Spacetime and the Renormalization Group. Physikzentrum, Bad Honnef. 18 June 2018.

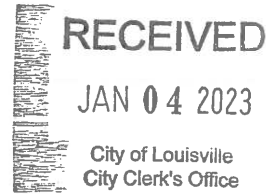
“A finite-size scaling analysis of the spectral dimension in causal dynamical triangulations.” General Relativity and Gravitation 21. Columbia University. 14 July 2016.

AFFILIATIONS

American Physical Society. November 1998—present.

American Physical Society’s Division of Gravitational Physics. November 2007—present.

American Association for the Advancement of Science. February 2008—present.



January 3, 2024, 2023

To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to apply for appointment to the currently vacant Ward 1 city council seat.

I was born and raised in Louisville and have lived here for 62 of my 69 years. I have been a resident of Ward 1 for over 38 years now. I own multiple properties in Louisville, and I am very familiar with city affairs.

I have over 40 years of experience in municipal, county, state, and federal affairs, and I am very familiar with ordinances, municipal codes, state, and federal statutes, and how these agencies interact with our city.

I am retired and have the necessary time and willingness to devote to council.

I am quite familiar with the history of Louisville. My father, Anthony "Joe" Madonna, helped make Louisville what it is today through his endless research, dedication, time, and boundless energy to include but not limited to forming the Chamber of Commerce and serving as the Secretary for numerous years, creating and then chairing the Louisville Planning Commission, obtaining Louisville's water rights, initiating the city's storm water system, the design standards for our streets and the subsequent paving of our streets. In addition to obtaining our city's self-governing charter, construction of Highway 42, and of the McCaslin and US 36 interchange. And last but not least the purchase of agricultural land, the design and subsequent building of Belle Vista.

I will continue my father's dedicated, hard work in ensuring Louisville continues to thrive for many years to come.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gordon Madonna".

Gordon Madonna

Appointment

To serve as a Ward 1 City Council member you must meet the following requirements:

- Have resided in the current boundaries of Ward 1 for a minimum of 12 months ([Link to Ward Map](#)).
- Be a citizen of the United States
- Be at least 18 years of age
- Be a registered elector

Applicant Information	
Name: Gordon Madonna	
Home Address: [REDACTED]	
Email Address: [REDACTED]	Phone Number: [REDACTED]
Occupation: Retired Police Officer	Employer: N/A
Education: Associate degree +	
<p>Check this box if you self-identify as a member of a historically underrepresented community in Louisville.</p>	

<p>Application Process:</p> <p>1) Statement of Interest: Please attach a letter or statement briefly describing your interest in serving on the City Council. Feel free to indicate any areas of expertise, background, concerns and/or general information that may be applicable. You may also attach a resume or other information you feel may be relevant to your application.</p> <p>2) Supplemental Questions: Supplemental questions are below for you to answer as a part of your application.</p>
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How long have you lived in the City of Louisville?
Native of Louisville 62 of 69 years!

How long have you lived within the current boundaries of Ward 1?
38 years

Are you currently serving, or have you previously served, on a City board or commission: (YES)

If yes, which board or commission:
Historical Museum Advisory Board

If you are currently serving and are appointed to this position, you shall be deemed to have resigned as a member of that board on the date of taking the oath of office for the City Council. (Per City Charter Section 3-3(f)).

Disclosures:

Have you ever been convicted of a felony offense, embezzlement, bribery, perjury, solicitation of bribery, or subordination of perjury? (NO)

If yes, list for each case: (1) date of offense; (2) charge; (3) jurisdiction; (4) court name and (5) disposition:

Per the City Charter Sections 3-3 (c) & (d) any person who seeks election or appointment to the office of Councilmember, and who has been convicted of any of these offenses, shall disclose the same in writing under penalty of perjury.

A conviction includes being found guilty of, a plea of guilty to, a plea of no contest or nolo contendere to, or the receipt of a deferred judgment or deferred sentence for, any of the offenses listed above, but does not include any conviction for which the records have been ordered expunged or sealed.

Do you or a company you work for or own do business with the City of Louisville?
(NO)

If Yes, please explain below:

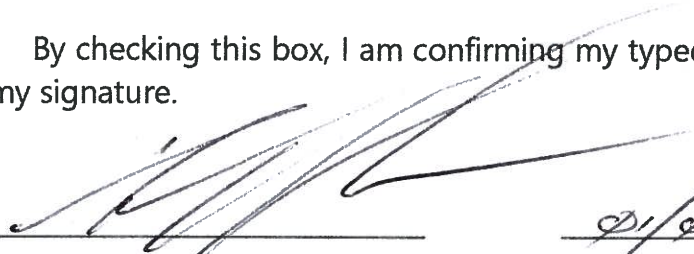
Certification and signature:

I certify the information in this application is true and complete. I understand false statements, misrepresentations or omissions of information in this application may result in rejection of this application. The city is expressly authorized to investigate all statements contained in this application.

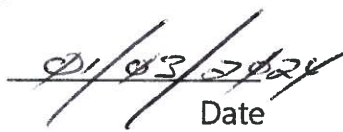
In the event that I am selected to serve on the City Council, I agree to comply with all of its ordinances, rules, and regulations.

I grant full permission to use any photographs, videotapes, recordings or any other record of my participation as a City Council member.

By checking this box, I am confirming my typed name is my legal name and serves as my signature.



Signature



Date

Please note:

- It is the policy of the City Council to make appointments to the citizen boards, commissions, committees, and task forces based on the needs of the City as well as the interests and qualifications of each applicant without discrimination based on race, color, national origin or ancestry, gender, religious convictions, disability, age, or sexual orientation.
- All information on this application is public record and will be released for public review.
- If appointed, City Council attendance rules state members may miss no more than six (6) regular meetings in any twelve (12) month period.
- This appointment will expire in November 2024. The appointee will be eligible to run in the November 2024 election for a one-year term.
- Interviews are scheduled for the evening of January 30 from 5 – 9 pm. You may need to be available that evening for an in-person interview with the City Council.
- Please contact Meredyth Muth (MeredythM@louisvilleco.gov or 303.335.4536) if you have questions or need assistance or other accommodations.
- Please submit this application **with** your letter of interest by email to MeredythM@LouisvilleCO.gov or deliver it to City Hall, 749 Main Street. City Hall is open Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 4 pm.
- **Applications are due by January 16, 2024.**

If you need this information translated, please contact the City Clerk's Office (303.335.4536 or 303.335.4574) or ClerksOffice@LouisvilleCO.gov.

Si requiere una copia en español de esta publicación, por favor llame a la Ciudad al 303.335.4536 o 303.335.4574 o email ClerksOffice@LouisvilleCO.gov.

Supplemental Questions

1) *In your view, what is:*

- *The role of the City Council as a governmental body?*
- *The most important responsibilities you would have as a Councilmember if appointed?*

The role of the City Council as a governmental body?

City Council sets the policies for the operation of the city government by providing direction to the city manager, holds public hearings, passes ordinances that become law in the City Code and approving resolutions that could include contracts, intergovernmental agreements, or other city business.

The most important responsibilities you would have as a Councilmember if appointed?

The need to engage and listen to our citizens and business owners to help make the best decisions possible for the future of Louisville.

Be able to provide the time, dedication, historical knowledge of this city and the professionalism required of the responsibilities of office.

Be able to communicate with various interests of the community and work with businesses to promote and enhance the city.

I have the knowledge of where we have been as a city, for more years than anyone currently on council.

I will continue my father's dedicated, hard work in ensuring Louisville continues to thrive for many years to come. (Anthony "Joe" Madonna)

2) In your view, what are the most important issues facing:

- *Louisville as a city and community and what strategies do you believe will be most effective in addressing them?*
- *Ward I and what strategies do you believe will be most effective in addressing them?*

Louisville as a city and community and what strategies do you believe will be most effective in addressing them?

We must complete the reconstruction of our community that was destroyed in the Marshall fire. We need to continue to enable our citizens to rebuild. We must provide the assistance necessary to enable them to overcome the insurance bureaucracy without hindrance.

We must rebuild our business and tax base to ensure that current and future levels of services can be delivered, as promised, without overburdening our current homeowners and businesses through increased taxes.

Louisville was a self-sustaining city for decades. Our forefathers chose not to see Louisville as a bedroom community, but as a self-sustaining economy. Just as they did, we need to invest the time and resources necessary to grow our existing businesses and attract new ones to rebuild our tax base. It needs to be a comprehensive approach. Adding housing alone does not pay for the required city services necessary to sustain our city and its development.

We can do this by providing the support, tools and encouragement to our current business owners. Businesses in our core city center are struggling to keep their doors open.

We need to continue to provide the tax incentives, as well as seek the coordination of the Chamber of Commerce and DBA to engage our existing business community to help ensure their viability. Louisville needs to increase our efforts to provide and market a "pro" business atmosphere.

We need to reconsider the whole McCaslin corridor and make the proper adjustments to the components needed to return its economic viability.

We need to focus on improving our business tax base and explore and invest in work force housing.

Ward I and what strategies do you believe will be most effective in addressing them?

Downtown Louisville needs more parking and I have a viable idea to provide more parking.

Louisville businesses need the undivided attention from council, as well as city staff, by ensuring a painless, efficient, and friendly means of conducting business.

We need to bring the community together, as much of as possible, to ensure a very economically viable, aesthetically pleasing development of the former Storage Technology area. We need to balance property rights with open space to achieve the best outcome.

Avista needs room to grow in a more accessible location to ensure they remain a large viable employer in our community. We can accommodate them as well as other clean bio engineering support businesses in a way that enhances our city. This is one of two major gateways of US 36.

We need to be in front of the development as involved partners, instead of waiting for the developers to come to us with what they think will pass muster.

We need to encourage our city staff to think of new ways to assist in multi-model transportation, in a way that supports our established and changing communities.

We need to push, whenever possible, to get RTD to bring to fruition the commuter rail connection and BRT station as promised to Louisville. With the latest interest in promoting a Pueblo to Fort Collins rail passenger line, we need to ensure Louisville encourages the line be routed via the current freight line through Louisville, Boulder, and Longmont.

3) As a Councilmember, how would you view your relationships and interactions with each of these groups and how would you hope to be perceived by each of them? a. Residents
b. City staff
c. Fellow City Councilmembers

I bring a lot of knowledge, expertise of city services, and the ability to communicate with all residents, city staff and especially fellow council members with mutual respect and understanding.

I have known most of the past council members and have been able to work with them as well as present members.

I enjoy a positive working relationship with many of our city staff and look forward to assisting them in the future. We have dedicated staff that deserves our full attention and support.

Also, I have a good relationship with the Police Department and have expertise in their operations and their abilities to provide services to our community. In other words, I can talk and understand the needs and abilities of our city departments and staff.

4) Please review carefully the [City Code of Ethics found in Sections 5-6 to 5-17 of the Louisville City Charter](#). Is there any reason why you would not be able to serve as a Councilmember and abide by the Code of Ethics? (If there is such a reason, please explain.)

No

5) How can the City Council contribute to diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility in the community? What practices do you believe would promote equity in Louisville?

Louisville has always been a diverse community and will continue to do so. It began generations ago with coal miners of diverse descent being reliant upon each other to come home alive. Often times men were paired with those who did not share the same language. The Italians, Germans, Latinos, Irish, French, Polish and Slavs shared foods and family culture from their lunch pails. This forged a bond and unity that was lived above the ground as well, at home and within the unity of our community.

We need to celebrate this history and carry these values forward. I think it comes down to council being involved in the everyday activities of our community as much as possible. We can continue to emphasize diversity amongst our businesses and residents via a supportive council and staff.

6) *What's your vision for our community in ten years' time? How might the upcoming Comprehensive Plan influence that?*

A very viable, independent, diverse, and self-sufficient community. Independent of others, but also working together for a mutual benefit.

A city with adequate transportation resources and means of accommodating all forms of transportation, whether it be pedestrian, auto, truck, bike, or passenger rail, without discouraging one over the other.

7) *The city has limited resources, time, and funding. Given that, in what order would you prioritize the following issues for the City Council to address? What other priorities would you add?*

- *Implementation of the Citywide Decarbonization Plan*
- *Filling empty store fronts/office spaces*
- *Wildfire Mitigation*
- *Traffic/bicycle/pedestrian safety*
- *Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion*
- *Greenhouse Gas Reduction (eliminating gas-powered lawn equipment/electrification infrastructure, etc.)*
- *Affordable Housing*
- *Workforce Housing*
- *Open Space Purchases*
- *Recreational Amenities*
- *Open Space/Trail/Park Maintenance*

- Filling empty store fronts, office spaces, businesses
- Open Space/Trail/ Park Maintenance to include effective Wildfire Mitigation
- New open Space Purchases whenever feasible and possible
- Maintenance of open space to help ensure we do not have a repeat of the Marshall fire.
- Adjustment of property taxes for the citizens and businesses of this city. Due to the repeal of the Gallagher amendment, we need to ensure the city is adjusting the mil levy to meet our prior budgets.
- Based upon the limited resources that the city has, ensuring that we focus our resources on the above priorities.
- Louisville is currently an expensive city to live in based upon the current cost of housing. We need to find ways of acquiring affordable housing without impacting our current housing or businesses. ADU's should be given consideration.
- We need to prioritize what is required, what is needed, and what is wishful when it comes to spending our taxpayer's money.
- We need to complete the undergrounding of utility lines as promised our citizens.
- We also need to obtain reliable working high speed Internet to all areas of the city as promised.
- We need to work with cell phone providers to ensure better coverage throughout the city in a way that is pleasing to the landscape and buildings.
- We need to provide a safe, well-maintained, well-run city to our taxpayers at a reasonable cost.

Meredyth Muth

From: Antonie Stroeve
Sent: Wednesday, December 13, 2023 12:11 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Joshua Cooperman

My wife and I support Joshua Cooperman's Becoming a council person in Ward 1 We need someone young with fresh ideas To represent our council in important issues like climate change affordable housing for our younger people and to grow our business community and public safety Tony and Mary Anne Stroeve Sent from my iPhone

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From: [Megan O.](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Support for Josh Cooperman - City Council Ward 1
Date: Wednesday, December 13, 2023 6:16:49 AM

Dear City Council Members,

I'm writing in support for Josh Cooperman to fill the open City Council seat in Ward 1. Josh's involvement on the Louisville Sustainability Advisory Board (LSAB) and frequent attendance at other board and City Council meetings has shown his commitment to learning about the issues that both challenge and matter to Louisville. Josh has also been a key member on LSAB, helping LSAB members learn about and take positions on key sustainability issues in the city. Josh's thoughtful and collaborative nature will be an asset to City Council as it works to make Louisville a great place to live and work.

Sincerely,

Megan Ottesen

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From: [Annie Parnell](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: empty Ward 1 council seat
Date: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 3:53:34 PM

I think Josh Cooperman would make an excellent council member. He has continuously demonstrated his attachment and commitment to our community. We need people like Josh on council.

Regards,
Channah Horst
136 Hoover Ave

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From: [Nicole Henderson](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Joshua Cooperman for City Council Ward 1
Date: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 10:56:23 AM

Hello,

I would like to express my support for Josh Cooperman for the City Council seat in Ward 1. I believe he better represents my views and will be a compassionate voice in city council matters.

I appreciate your time and consideration.

Kind regards,

Nicole Henderson

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From: [Rajagopal Krishnamoorthy](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Date: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 10:37:40 AM

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I support Josh Cooperman for the ward 1 city council seat vacated by Chris Leh. I feel he will be a great addition to the city government, especially with his logical thinking and knowledge of global climate change.

Rajagopal Krishnamoorthy
778 Club Circle
Louisville, CO 80027

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From: [Katie Doyle Myers](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Support for Josh Cooperman
Date: Wednesday, December 13, 2023 7:59:41 PM

Dear Louisville City Council:

Thank you for all of your hard work, especially as you worked to stay attentive to your responsibilities during an important campaign season. I am writing today to express my support for Josh Cooperman to be selected as the new City Council person for the Ward 1 seat that was vacated when Chris Leh became Mayor (congrats, Mayor Leh, and thank you for your service!).

I know Josh via my involvement in the Louisville Climate Justice Coalition and as a co-parent at Louisville Elementary School. I recognize him as a committed community member who brings a strong scientific and analytical background to his work. I know he will work diligently to learn all perspectives of issues that the Council is attending to, be it downtown revitalization, affordable housing, sustainability, economic development, or the safety of our children. I see him as a citizen who will carefully take into account the voices of community members, who will take the time necessary to study, participate in critical discussion, and take his role in developing and implementing policy and practices very seriously.

I at once respect and trust Josh and believe he would be a fantastic asset to this City Council group. I will stay attentive to an opportunity to share this and more with you in person later in January. Thank you once again for your attention.

Sincerely,

Katie Doyle Myers

425 Grouse Court, Louisville CO 80027

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From: [Angele Sjong](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Support for Joshua Cooperman for Ward 1 City Council
Date: Thursday, December 14, 2023 12:48:07 PM

Hello,
I am writing in support of Joshua Cooperman for the Ward 1 seat on City Council. I believe that Joshua would be an excellent addition to the City Council. He is very hard-working, responsive, has good judgment and has been intimately involved with and attuned to the needs of the community.

Regards,
Angele Sjong
601 Dahlia Way
Louisville

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From: [John Darcy](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Supporting Joshua Cooperman for City Council
Date: Monday, December 18, 2023 5:18:18 PM

Hello,

I'm writing this email to express my support for Joshua Cooperman for the City Council seat vacated by Chris Leh. Louisville needs someone like Josh, who values sustainability, science, and our youth.

Your neighbor,

-John L. Darcy, PhD

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From: [Anna Carlson](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Support For Josh Cooperman
Date: Wednesday, December 20, 2023 11:02:57 AM

Dear City Council of Louisville,

My name is Anna Carlson, I am 18 years old, and I live at 929 LaFarge Avenue. I am writing today to voice my support for Josh Cooperman as a Ward One council member. Over the last three years, Josh has been highly engaged in the Louisville government, by attending council and board meetings and serving on the Sustainability Advisory Board. I appreciate how much Josh highlights decarbonization and affordable housing initiatives in Louisville. With his brain on the city council, I believe we can move towards a more equitable and sustainable future.

Josh has also volunteered extensively on initiatives such as the Yes on 2A campaign, the Citizens for a Vibrant Sustainable Louisville Campaign, and the Yes on 2C campaign. His time serving this community reflects his dedication and love for the town.

I strongly encourage the council members to appoint Josh Cooperman as a Ward One council member. I believe his dedication, values, and engagement with Louisville will be an asset to the council and strengthen Louisville's future.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration,

Anna Carlson

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From: [Genny Kline](#)
To: [Meredyth Muth](#)
Subject: FW: Supporting Joshua Cooperman for City Council
Date: Wednesday, December 27, 2023 9:36:34 AM

Genny Kline (she/her/hers)
Deputy City Clerk
City Clerk's Office

303.335.4574 (office)
720.762.2459 (cell)
GKline@LouisvilleCO.gov

-----Original Message-----

From: John Darcy
Sent: Monday, December 18, 2023 5:18 PM
To: City Council <Council@louisvilleco.gov>
Subject: Supporting Joshua Cooperman for City Council

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From: [Genny Kline](#)
To: [Meredyth Muth](#)
Subject: FW: Support For Josh Cooperman
Date: Wednesday, December 27, 2023 9:36:11 AM

Genny Kline (*she/her/hers*)

Deputy City Clerk
City Clerk's Office

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GKline@LouisvilleCO.gov

From: Anna Carlson
Sent: Wednesday, December 20, 2023 11:03 AM
To: City Council <Council@louisvilleco.gov>
Subject: Support For Josh Cooperman

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Anna Carlson

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From: [Genny Kline](#)
To: [Meredyth Muth](#)
Subject: FW: Josh Cooperman for Council in Ward 1
Date: Wednesday, December 27, 2023 9:34:48 AM

Genny Kline (*she/her/hers*)

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From: Myhra Hill **Sent:** Saturday, December 23, 2023 6:11 PM **To:** City Council
<Council@louisvilleco.gov> **Subject:** Josh Cooperman for Council in Ward 1

Dear Louisville City Council,

My name is Myhra Hill, I am 90 years old, and I live in Louisville in Ward 1. In November, I cast my vote for Josh Cooperman for mayor and was thrilled to hear that he is applying to serve on council for Ward 1.

As an older member of our town, I have been most impressed with the forward thinking of Josh. Josh will be a council member who has future generations of Louisvillians in mind. This is important to me because I want our council to make the tough decisions today that will ensure that we have a liveable future here in our town. Josh understands the intersection of affordable housing, economic growth, and climate action. These are all issues that are extremely important to our community and Josh is dedicated to researching and guiding our town towards a future that includes these important elements. He is a father of two young kids, and wants what is best for his kids, and all kids.

Josh facilitated the availability of SNAP and D-SNAP at Louisville's Farmers' Market and has also been involved in supporting YES on 2A, No on Redtail Ridge, and Yes on 2C, which are all issues that are very important for the vitality and sustainability of our community.

Josh is a committed and engaged citizen and has volunteered hundreds of hours to help shape our community into a thriving place that is preparing for the present and future impacts of climate change.

We need councilmembers like Josh Cooperman and I hope you consider him for the open position for Ward 1.

Thank you,
Myhra Hill
1331 Hecla Drive

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From: [Seth Adams](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Vacant City Council seat in ward 1
Date: Tuesday, January 2, 2024 9:10:06 AM

Good Morning,

I would like to express my support for Joshua Cooperman's application for the open Ward 1 council spot.

I live in ward 1 and have worked with Josh on the Sustainability Advisory board. Josh would be a great addition to the City Council.

Seth Adams
1604 Longs Peak Dr, Louisville, CO 80027

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From: [Bobby Brown](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Josh Cooperman
Date: Tuesday, January 2, 2024 2:44:15 PM

To whom it may concern:

I recommend Josh Cooperman be considered for a position on Louisville City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobby Brown

144 Fairfield Ln, Louisville, CO 80027

Louisville CO

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From: [Chris Gabriel](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Josh Cooperman for Ward 1
Date: Monday, January 8, 2024 7:30:23 AM

Hello
I'm writing in support of Josh Cooperman on the city council.
Thanks
Chris Gabriel

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From: [Ted Krichels](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Josh Cooperman
Date: Sunday, January 7, 2024 5:38:22 PM

Dear Council,

I am writing to urge your consideration of Josh Cooperman to fill the Ward 1 vacancy. I believe Josh has demonstrated key traits that would serve our town well. He is well-informed on many of the issues facing Louisville including affordable housing, climate change, growth, open space, and diversity. Perhaps most important in these often-polarized times is Josh's civility and decency. I watched his participation in the recent mayoral race. He was soft-spoken, well informed but never adversarial. If I were assembling a team or task force, he would be an essential ingredient to the mix.

My family and I lived in Louisville during the 90s and returned a few years ago. The town has grown but is still a unique and great place to live. I credit the town's leadership for its vision and thoughtfulness over those years. I know many challenges lay ahead. I believe Josh's quiet leadership would contribute to your efforts.

Thank you.

Ted Krichels
544 Grant Avenue
Louisville

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From: [Tess Weltzin](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: I support Josh Cooperman for Mayor
Date: Sunday, January 7, 2024 10:30:40 AM

Dear Louisville City Council,

I hope you are all having a great start to the New Year!

I am writing in regards to sharing my support for Josh Cooperman in the opening for Ward 1 for City Council.

As a youth growing up in this climate crisis, I am calling upon leaders to step up and take the necessary action to mitigate the changes of our warming planet. Every time I have worked with Josh, I noticed something. He listens. He listens to each and every one of our voices, and cares about what we have to say.

I can confidently say that Josh represents hope for me and my generation, and I can't think of a better person for this position.

Right now, we need an educated, determined, and hopeful leader who will help Louisville with its many endeavors.

Josh's care for the town, for the youth, for every single person in the community is unmatched.

Thank you for everything that you do, and I really hope that you select Josh Cooperman to join you in Ward 1.

Sincerely,
Tess Weltzin
2869 Shoshone Trl.

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From: [Cameron Schaefer](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Endorsement for Tim Bierman
Date: Sunday, January 7, 2024 8:02:38 AM

Happy New Year!

I'm writing to send my official endorsement for Tim Bierman to be selected to fill the Ward 1 City Council seat. I have known Tim for several years now, ever since he and his wonderful family moved to Louisville. He is world-class.

I am confident that he will have an incredibly positive impact on the city in this role and that he'll be a valuable member of the City Council.

I hope the City Council quickly approves his nomination as I believe we will all be better off for it!

Cam

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Cameron Schaefer

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From: [Tiffany Boyd](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: I support Josh Cooperman for City Council
Date: Saturday, January 6, 2024 6:53:19 PM

Dear Council,

Happy New Year!

Thank you so much for your ongoing service to our community. Your willingness to tirelessly show up and make important decisions for our town is VERY much appreciated!

This is exactly why I support Josh Cooperman for the Ward 1 opening for City Council. Josh shows up! **And even more importantly, he shows up with an informed and researched position.** Josh wants to be on council to celebrate our community, to help our businesses and citizens thrive, to help it be more inclusive, to help us be climate resilient, and to create a better future for all of the kids growing up here.

I have lived in Louisville for 30 years and have had the privilege of working with lots of amazing fellow citizens on dozens of community initiatives. In those 30 years, Josh stands out. Josh is thoughtful, deliberate, and very methodical in his research of a topic. He understands the importance of engaging many stakeholders when making decisions, and he has proven his commitment to local governance and civic engagement.

When a citizen who cares as much as Josh does about the health, safety, and future of our town comes along, we would be foolish not to invite his steady guidance onto our council.

Once again, thanks for all you do and please select Josh Cooperman to join you on council in Ward 1.

Onward,
Tiffany Boyd
550 Grant Ave.

From: [Terry Barr](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Ward 1 election
Date: Saturday, January 6, 2024 1:56:38 PM

Dear Mayor and Council members,
I live in Ward 1 and would like to encourage you to elect Tim Bierman to the Ward 1 vacancy created by Mayor Leh's recent electoral win. (congratulations Mayor Leh).

Tim is a man of excellent character, and most importantly can add positively to the diversity of skills on the Council. He is an ardent supporter of a vibrant Louisville and I expect that his election will be wholeheartedly supported by the Ward 1 electors, which I assume will be tested in 12 months time.

As a side note I trust that the Council will not select for this vacancy, a mayoral candidate from the last election, those candidates were tested and failed and therefore the electors of Ward 1 have already spoken through that ballot.

regards
Terry Barr
724 Lincoln Ave, Louisville, CO 80027

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From: [Scott Wilson](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Ward 1 City Council Seat
Date: Saturday, January 6, 2024 1:19:04 PM

Good Afternoon-

I am writing you this email to highly encourage & endorse the council to consider Tim Bierman for the Ward 1 City Council Seat.

My family and I live on Spruce St. and absolutely love our city and where we live. We often frequent the many restaurants and establishments that Louisville has to offer and enjoy the festivities that the city organizes.

Although, we tend to stay “local” for restaurants, we often visit downtown Lafayette because of the many new & authentic restaurants Lafayette has to offer. As a family, we would prefer to hit Louisville for lunch or dinner but enjoy the variety in Lafayette. We would welcome new & higher end restaurants in our town and firmly believe they would thrive.

Having known Tim Bierman and his family for many years, I strongly believe he is the right person to occupy the empty seat within Ward 1. Tim’s enthusiasm, out-going personality, whits and his overall dedication & love for Louisville cannot be matched. Tim is that person who will succeed in making Louisville thrive and attract the restaurants & businesses it needs.

Tim Bierman has our families support and we know he’s the right guy for the job

If you would like to chat about Tim, please feel free to reach out to me

Thank you for your consideration

Scott Wilson
720-346-4954

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From: [laurie barr](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Ward 1 Council appointment
Date: Saturday, January 6, 2024 1:03:27 PM

Dear Mayor and Council members,

I live in Ward 1 and would like to encourage you to elect Tim Bierman to the Ward 1 vacancy created by Mayor Leh's recent win as Mayor. (congratulations Mayor Leh).

Tim is a man of excellent character, and most importantly can add positively to the diversity of skills on the Council. He is an ardent supporter of a vibrant Louisville and I expect that his election will be wholeheartedly supported by the Ward 1 electors when it will be tested in 12 months time.

As a side note I trust that the Council will not select for this vacancy, a mayoral candidate from the last election. Those candidates were tested and failed and therefore the electors of Ward 1 have already spoken through that ballot.

Regards,
Laurie Barr
724 Lincoln Avenue

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From: [Andy Wagner](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: In support of Tim Bierman
Date: Saturday, January 6, 2024 12:31:28 PM

Major Ley and City Council Members-

We are writing in support of Tim Bierman for the vacant city council seat. As a neighbor of Tim's in Ward 1, we can think of no other person who has the dedication and love for our wonderful community.

Emily Ward and Andy Wagner
300 Spruce St

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From: [Melissa Brasington](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman
Date: Saturday, January 6, 2024 12:02:13 PM

Please consider appointing Tim Bierman to the open Louisville Council spot in Ward 1. Tim, his wife Kim and their son Grady are an outstanding family in our community.

We had the pleasure of being neighbors and then friends with the Biermans. Tim not only loves Louisville and the people who live here, he brings a positivity to everyone around him. Tim truly cares about the people of Louisville and our town. These traits, combined with his intelligence and his go-gettedness will make him an extraordinary city councilman.

Undoubtedly, Tim will work with his fellow council to bring added vibrancy and business to Louisville.

Thank you for your consideration.

Missy Brasington
Louisville Resident
970.309.3447
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From: [Alli Bowdey](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Ward 1 seat
Date: Saturday, January 6, 2024 11:54:43 AM

Just a note to council that though I am a Ward 3 resident I fully support Tim Bierman being appointed to the vacant seat. He loves Louisville and has a great relationship with many of the residents here. I trust he will listen to residents and businesses in a fair manner and evaluate city issues with an open mind.

Thanks
Alli Bowdey
Ward 3

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From: [Daniel Possley](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman
Date: Saturday, January 6, 2024 11:17:39 AM

I want to send an email to show my full support for Tim Bierman and the ward 1 council seat. I think he will represent our community, especially those in our age demographic most appropriately.

Dan Possley

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From: [Shannon Thackray](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman for Ward 1 City Council
Date: Saturday, January 6, 2024 10:10:30 AM

Dear City Council,

I am writing to share my support for Tim Bierman for City Council. I have known Tim since he and his wife, Kim, and son, Grady, moved to Louisville. He is a positive community member, thoughtful and kind, and has a passion for service.

In addition to Tim's interest in serving our community, Kim and Grady have shown this interest as well. As a member of the Boulder Chapter of Young Men's Service League (a mother and high school aged son volunteer organization), I recently sponsored Kim and Grady to become members based upon their interest in supporting local philanthropic organizations.

Thank you,
Shannon Thackray
684 Manorwood Court, Louisville
President - Coal Creek Ranch Homeowners Association

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From: [Lisa Swift](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman for Ward 1
Date: Saturday, January 6, 2024 9:24:57 AM

Hello council members,

I live in Ward 1 and strongly support Tim Bierman for the vacant Louisville city council seat. Tim is a highly ethical and educated individual who I know will make thoughtful decisions for the town of Louisville and its residents. Thank you!

Warmly,
Lisa Swift

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From: [Meredith Varney](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman | Ward 1
Date: Saturday, January 6, 2024 9:13:34 AM

Council,

I would like to send my support for Tim Bierman for Ward 1. He provides such a positive energy to any situation and would assist the current council with making tough decisions to continue to improve our precious town. Please appoint him to the open position.

Thank you,
Meredith Varney
720.839.4408
1115 Main St
Louisville

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From: [Laura Levesque-Catalano](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Please invite Josh Cooperman to serve with you on Council
Date: Monday, January 8, 2024 9:57:52 AM

Dear Louisville City Council,

Happy New Year to you all! I am always appreciative of your service, thank you!

I encourage you to appoint Josh Cooperman as a Ward 1 Councilmember. I served with Josh on Louisville's Sustainability Advisory Board when I was the Chair. I can attest to Josh's preparedness, attentiveness, and contributions during our LSAB discussions.

Josh has become highly engaged in multiple other activities pertaining to local government. He has already proven his commitment and wide-spread knowledge on a variety of topics in your workplan.

Josh is primed and ready to contribute to Council on day 1. Please invite him to serve with you on Council.

Thank you,
Laura Levesque
642 West St.

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From: [Ken Wilson](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Joshua Cooperman for Ward 1 vacancy
Date: Monday, January 8, 2024 11:51:54 AM

I hope you will appoint Josh Cooperman to fill the Ward 1 city council vacancy. Over the past year I spoke frequently with Dr. Cooperman and was impressed with his thoughtfulness, knowledge of the issues facing our town, commitment to sustainability and housing affordability, and, importantly, his civility and willingness to listen to others' perspectives. Cooperman's experience as a scientist, father of young children, and campaigner for mayor who recently interacted with numerous town residents would be valuable to the council.

Thank you for considering Josh Cooperman to represent us on council.

Ken Wilson
Ward 1 resident
261 Short Place

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From: [Patricia Howard](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Josh Cooperman Ward I Opening
Date: Monday, January 8, 2024 1:27:29 PM

Dear City Council of Louisville,

I am writing in support of Josh Cooperman for the Ward I opening for City Council. During the recent mayoral election, I was impressed with Josh's knowledge of issues which are important to our community. He is informed and passionate in his beliefs surrounding affordable housing, climate change, growth, open space and diversity. He is thoughtful in his approach and a team player. During the election process, he took the time to meet with my husband and I, as well as neighbors, at our home to discuss Louisville and current issues. He listened to our concerns and responded with his own careful thoughts.

Josh is a person who will serve Louisville's residents well and work collaboratively with other city council members towards something we all care about — the future of our community.

Best,

Pat Howard
544 Grant Ave.
Louisville, CO. 80027

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From: [Apyrlisa Snyder](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Josh Cooperman: Support for City Council Letter
Date: Monday, January 8, 2024 4:18:50 PM

As we move into the future our Louisville community continues to need great ideas for economic revitalization, affordable housing and a more inclusive, diverse, and prosperous community.

These are essential, normal areas to address in any city no matter how small or large.

And climate change and its challenges is also “the new normal.” There is no sign changing weather, environmental threats and their economic impacts are going to magically go away, even if we decide it’s “not a priority”

I support Josh Cooperman for City Council because he has the skill, knowledge, commitment and passion for integrating sustainable climate actions into the web other community needs. We need a proactive council that can respond to all of our challenges with well thought-out, implementable plans. Josh has the vision, experience and deep desire to serve our community in this capacity.

Thank you for appointing him to a seat on the council based I his already proven track record of service to the community he has shown dedication to creating a solid, prosperous and sustainable future for all of us in our beloved Louisville.

Apyrlisa Snyder

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From: [Spong, Tim](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Ward 1 City Council Vacancy
Date: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 9:19:56 AM
Attachments: [Outlook-kstiaj2n.png](#)
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[Outlook-izjm20cq.png](#)
[Outlook-odjascpv.png](#)

Hi -

I'm writing to recommend to you to consider appointing Tim Bierman to the vacant Ward 1 city council seat. I live at 423 West Spruce Street and have been a Louisville resident for 30 years. I'm overall very pleased with the way this fine town has been run and would commend the members of the city council for their diligent efforts and good governance.

Tim is enthusiastic about serving this community and he is passionate about making Louisville even better, while preserving what makes this community such a great place to live. I had occasion to discuss his plans for Louisville at a social event recently and was impressed with his terrific sense of humor and his dedication to our town.

Please accept this recommendation of Tim for this important position.

Cordially,



Tim Spong
REALTOR®, Coldwell Banker Realty

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From: [Erin Buckley](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman - Ward 1 City Council Seat
Date: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 1:09:12 PM

Mayor Leh and Council Members,

I would like to voice my support for Tim Bierman for the Council Seat in ward 1. Tim is a neighbor and friend of mine, and I believe his balance of business skills, enthusiasm, connectivity and love for Louisville would make him a win for our town. Tim is highly engaged, both with people and with the "going's on" in the town, and is never hesitant to help out or support his neighbors or his town. When his son was a student at LMS, Tim could be found volunteering as a greeter in the mornings. However, he went above and beyond the normal requirements of greeting the students, and letting them inside the building before the bell when needed. He dressed up a pirate, the LMS mascot, which brought a smile to the face of all the kids as they started their day (which is no small feat when talking about middle schoolers). This kind of spirit and love of community is why I support Tim for this seat. Please let me know if there are additional ways I can support Tim in this endeavor as you make your decision.

Many Thanks,
Erin Buckley
836 Lincoln Ave

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From: [daniel mellish](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: I support Josh Cooperman for Ward 1 council seat
Date: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 8:48:57 PM

Dear City Councilors and Mr Mayor,

Josh is a true champion for the city of Louisville. While serving on the sustainability board with him for the last 3 years, I witnessed his passion and commitment to working for a better and brighter community. He's level headed and does his research before arriving at an educated conclusion.

Josh leads with a sustainability lens but knows that a healthy environment and a thriving economy are not mutually exclusive; indeed they can and will need to complement each other in the future.

He's no stranger to attending and participating in council meetings and is well versed on the issues that Louisville faces.

Josh is the kind of person and leader that we need to represent the Louisville community.

Sincerely,
Dan Mellish

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From: [Stephanie Lord](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman for Ward 1
Date: Wednesday, January 10, 2024 9:41:06 AM

Dear Louisville City Council,

I am writing to share my support for appointing Tim Bierman to represent Ward 1 on the City Council. I have known Tim for the past 6 years as the pastor of the church he attends here in Louisville. Tim is invested in community and has shared his gifts by assisting with worship, serving on our Finance Team, and helping to welcome new members to our community. He is energetic, a good listener, and values the input of others. He would be an asset to the Louisville City Council and Ward 1 leadership.

Thank you.

Pastor Stephanie Lord
(she/her)

Christ the Servant Lutheran Church
506 Via Appia Way
Louisville, CO 80027
303.666.4655 (office)
720.234.5366 (cell)

Please note that I am off on Fridays and slower to respond to email on the weekends.

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From: [Brad Mastrine](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman
Date: Wednesday, January 10, 2024 10:03:44 AM

To whom it may concern,
I wanted to state my support for Tim Bierman's application for the Ward 1 City Council seat. Our sons have played sports together in Louisville and I've known Tim for several years. He's extremely bright, passionate and loves our community. He's just a good guy all the way through.

While I reside in Ward 2, I've lived in Louisville for 22 years and raised (and continue to raise) my family in our beautiful town. Tim would be a great addition to the City Council.

Thanks,
brad

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From: [Eveline Grady](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Peter Grady](#)
Subject: endorsing Tim Bierman for the Ward 1 Louisville City Council
Date: Wednesday, January 10, 2024 2:34:16 PM

Esteemed Louisville Council and Mayor,

We believe that our existing five council members as well as our mayor Chris Leh will appoint the new councilperson for Ward 1. As residents of Ward 1 (302 W Spruce Street), we would like to share that we strongly endorse and support Tim Bierman for this position.

We moved to Louisville 3 years ago and since then have gotten to know Tim and his family very well. The city of Louisville would be so very fortunate to have him join our council:

- Tim loves our city and has a heightened level of concern and care for our community and its sustained vitality.
- Tim is an accomplished professional with an impressive educational background. We believe his qualifications and expertise would be an incredible asset to our city.
- He is a servant leader, volunteering at his church and giving back to our community whenever he can.
- Tim is a connector and easy to work and communicate with, sharp, respectful and experienced, characteristics which would expedite the onboarding process and be an incredible value add.
- Tim brings with him a positive 'can-do' attitude and energetic enthusiasm, qualities that will strengthen your team.

Lastly, it is our understanding that Tim's focus is on promoting and actively supporting our city's economic vitality and sustainability as well as ensuring affordable housing - all areas that are critically important to the health and growth of our city.

Thank you for considering Tim Bierman for this important position and thank you all for all the work you do to make Louisville an incredible place to work & live in.

Sincerely,

Eveline Grady
Peter Grady
George Grady

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From: [Keith Reis](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Open Council Seat
Date: Wednesday, January 10, 2024 2:52:03 PM

Dear City Council,

I would like to voice support for Tim Bierman for the Ward 1 seat that is open.

I have known Tim for many years now and I have always found him to be well informed on events and issues facing Louisville.

In addition, I know he is passionate about having a thriving community for all our stake holders.

While I do not reside in Ward 1, I think the City would benefit from having Tim's voice on the Council.

Thank you for considering this.

Keith Reis
2377 Hecla Drive
Louisville, CO
303-204-3100

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From: [Christy Dinges](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman - Ward 1 Council Position
Date: Wednesday, January 10, 2024 5:14:49 PM

To whom it may concern,

I am submitting an email in support of Tim Bierman to fill the open Ward 1 Council Seat. I have had the opportunity to work with Tim professionally in two various Software Companies in addition to knowing Tim socially.

From my roles as Chief People Officer, I can speak directly to Tim's character both professionally and personally. Further, his ability to succeed in difficult sales environments, interact collaboratively with many diverse personalities as well as care and contribute greatly to the culture and people around him, are all traits I believe all would be great attributes to the Ward 1 Seat.

In addition to the above traits, Tim's passion for our great town of Louisville is exactly what is needed to help continue to propel Louisville forward.

Please feel free to reach out with any follow up questions. I am happy to assist in anyway.

All my best,
Christy Dinges
Sent from my iPad

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From: [Sal Silvester](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Support for Tim Bierman
Date: Thursday, January 11, 2024 8:14:51 AM

Hello Council!

My name is Sal Silvester. I am a Louisville resident in Ward 1 (I live on Spruce street with my wife and two boys).

I am writing to share my support for Tim Bierman joining the City Council. I've known Tim for 5+ years as a resident and can attest to his deep character - integrity, sincerity, enthusiasm and connection all come to mind for me.

Over the years, we've also spoken extensively about the future of Louisville and I believe that Tim has a vision for Louisville that is in the best interest of our residents. He believes in an inclusive, economically viable and vibrant culture to build on what Louisville has already created. We've shared concerns about our downtown and the need to fill empty retail space and keep our small business owners in business.

As an executive coach, I've personally worked with other City Councils, government agencies and executive teams. My assessment is that Tim will be a great fit!

Thanks for your consideration. And, I'd be happy to get on a call if that would be helpful.

Sal Silvester
Sent from my iPad

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From: [Andrew Ramsey](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Support/Endorsement for Tim Bierman - Ward 1
Date: Thursday, January 11, 2024 1:11:01 PM

Dear Council,

I live in Ward 1 (701 Walnut St) and I am writing to support and endorse Tim Bierman to represent our Ward on the Council.

I met Tim on the sidewalk in front of my home on one of the first days that he, Kim, and Grady moved to Louisville. Although that was years ago, I remember it vividly because of how immediately engaging Tim was. As neighbors in the years since our first meeting, I've come to learn how invested, committed, and engaged Tim is in our community. No matter what event you attend in Louisville, you are more likely than not to see Tim (and usually Kim too) engaging with tons of people. Now, many people are engaging and have big social networks in Louisville, but Tim is different. He's different in that he doesn't just chat sports and stocks (although he usually knows what's going on with those too), he's curious and collaborative about the things that are happening on our doorstep. He asks others' opinions, helps provide information, and genuinely cares about the changes happening in our community. He's a fantastic listener and a compassionate friend, and I couldn't think of anyone else in our Ward who would be a better representative on the Council.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions at 719-930-0563.

Best,
Andrew

Andrew Ramsey
(719) 930-0563



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From: [Stephanie Hempen](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman
Date: Thursday, January 11, 2024 3:17:48 PM

I am supportive of Tim for Ward 1.

Thank you
Stephanie Hempen
Sent from my iPhone

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From: [Alison Freeman](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman endorsement
Date: Thursday, January 11, 2024 2:56:36 PM
Attachments: [FBA1870BCC9D41AEA726F76E0CB750F8.png](#)

To the Louisville City Council,

I am writing to offer my heartfelt endorsement of Tim Bierman for the vacant Ward 1 city council seat.

We've known Tim since he and Kim first moved to Louisville, and I can attest that he is a person with incredible integrity and a true love of our town. His vivacious nature is contagious and he is a natural networker and connector of people. I think that his thoughtful approach to problem solving and his pragmatic perspective on the city's economic vitality, housing affordability, and sustainability concerns will be a huge asset to the city council.

I hope that you strongly consider him for the position.

Alison Freeman
688 Tamarisk Ct
Louisville, CO

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From: [Joe Manning](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Support for Tim Bierman for ward 1 representative
Date: Thursday, January 11, 2024 11:02:11 PM

I am writing to express my support for Tim Bierman to join the City Council for Ward 1.

I have known Tim for nearly 30 years. Tim has a tireless work ethic, an infectious enthusiasm and a genuine care for people that is unmatched and makes him the right person to join the Council.

Tim deeply loves Louisville and his passion for the city helped persuade us to move to Louisville 7 years ago.

Tim has been a leader in the community; he builds relationships everywhere he goes; he is dedicated to helping Louisville continue to an amazing city; and he will be a tremendous asset on the Council.

Thank you for your consideration.

Joe

Joe Manning
206-349-1518
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From: [Molly Pieper](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman!!
Date: Monday, January 15, 2024 4:52:14 PM

Dear Louisville City Council,

As a Louisville resident for the past 24 years, I have witnessed our wonderful City's growth, changes, challenges, devastation and, thankfully, the hope that drives our Community to be giving, kind and supportive of our neighbors!!

I have known Tim Bierman for over thirty years, when we first met in Chicago through Children's Hospital where we volunteered together for years. When his family showed interest in moving to Colorado we were thrilled to introduce him to our special town! Thankfully, they fell in love with Louisville and decided to make our sweet Community their home.

From the moment his family arrived in Louisville his enthusiasm has been unwavering! When he decides to focus his energy into something he believes in his commitment is unstoppable. He is smart, kind, passionate, fun and has a following of loyal friends and Louisville fans.

He would be a great addition to our City Council and has been interested in being more involved with the vitality and future of Louisville since he moved his family here. I believe that his energetic personality, business experience and love of our Community will make him a great asset to the City Council and Ward 1!

Sincerely,

Molly Pieper
817 Trail Ridge Drive

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From: [Mark Hickey](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Recommendation for Tim Bierman for vacant Ward 1 City Council Seat
Date: Monday, January 15, 2024 3:33:46 PM

Dear Members of the Louisville City Council,

I am writing to you as a committed resident of Louisville for the past six years to extend my wholehearted recommendation for Mr. Tim Bierman for the Ward 1 City Council Seat. My friendship with Tim began serendipitously at the Community Park in 2018, while our kids played at the pond. Over the years I have been struck by the consistency with which Tim embodies a friendly and positive demeanor, attributes that I believe are essential for effective community leadership.

Throughout my friendship with Tim, his deep-seated commitment to the wellbeing of our Louisville community has been unmistakably evident. He possesses a remarkable ability to foster connections, a skill that I have personally witnessed in action. His extensive network within Louisville is a testament to his genuine rapport with residents and his dedication to community engagement.

Tim's academic achievements further bolster his suitability for the council seat. As magna cum laude graduate from Georgetown University and an alum of George Washington Law School, his educational background is not only impressive but also indicative of his ability to grasp complex issues and contribute meaningfully to legislative discussions.

Perhaps most importantly, Tim's integrity and enthusiasm stand out as his most commendable qualities. His energy is not only infectious but also inspires a sense of optimism and progress, which I firmly believe will be invaluable to the City Council. His ethical standards and commitment to his principles are unwavering, qualities that resonate deeply in all his interactions.

I can say without hesitation, based on my personal experiences and observations, I am confident in Tim's abilities and potential as a City Council member. His unique blend of interpersonal skills, academic achievement, and a genuine passion for Louisville make him an exemplary candidate for this position.

Sincerely,

Mark Hickey, M.D.

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From: [Krissy Melvin](#)
To: [City Council](#); [Chris Melvin](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman, Ward 1
Date: Sunday, January 14, 2024 7:41:47 PM

January 14th, 2024

Dear Louisville City Council,

It is with honor that we write this letter endorsing Tim Bierman, potential Ward 1 councilperson. We currently live in Ward 1 and have for just shy of 17 years. Chris was also born and raised in our town, nearly 50 years ago. We have a deep investment in our community and feel our city council should as well.

We have known Tim for over 6 years as a neighbor and as a friend. Tim shares a heightened level of care for our community and we are excited at the thought of him representing Louisville. Graduating magna cum laude, completing law school and currently working for a successful sales company Tim is well rounded. He exemplifies honesty, fairness and thoughtfulness and his integrity and character are unmatched.

Tim is currently serving his community through his Church thriving with his ability to connect and bring people together. He volunteers and serves on the church finance committee lending him honest, trustworthy and committed to others.

We believe that Tim would be an incredible asset and recommend him without reservation.

Krissy and Chris Melvin
904 Lincoln Ave.
Louisville CO, 80027
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From: [Jessica Spanarella](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: _____
Subject: Ward 1 Council Position | Tim Bierman
Date: Sunday, January 14, 2024 3:55:23 PM
Attachments: [Tim Bierman Letter.docx](#)

Dear Council Members,

Please see the attached letter in support of Tim Bierman for the Ward 1 Council Position.

Thank you!
Jessica Spanarella

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Louisville City Council
RE: Tim Bierman vacant Ward 1 City County seat

January 14, 2023

Dear Council Members,

We are writing to support Tim Bierman in filling the vacant Ward 1 City Council seat. We met Tim in 2019 and developed a close relationship with him after moving to town with his family. He quickly became a member of the community, and we quickly noticed his love and passion for this town. Since we've met him, Tim has become our dear friend. As longtime Louisville residents, we believe that Tim is a part of the fabric of our community and is invested in its long-term success.

He's participated in events like the LES home tour and Old Town Supper Club. He has shown a genuine interest in local issues, such as the economic vitality of the downtown area and sustainability initiatives related to the city's growth. Just by talking with him, you can tell he has a passion for our local community and truly cares about our town's success and well-being.

Jessica grew up in this town and has known many of our council members throughout the years. Many of them have been family, and Tim carries the same enthusiasm as they did for local issues. One of his many strengths is his ability to connect with people. He would be an extraordinary advocate for our community; he respects the feelings and perspectives of everyone he engages with and will always listen to the voices of his constituents.

Thank you for your time, and we hope you will consider Tim Bierman for the vacant Ward 1 Council Seat.

With gratitude,
Joe and Jessica Spanarella
1515 Main Street

From: [Christine Dahm](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc:
Subject: Recommendation for Ward 1 City Council Candidate Tim Bierman
Date: Sunday, January 14, 2024 3:49:48 PM

Dear Louisville City Council,

I am writing to wholeheartedly recommend Tim Bierman for your consideration as a valuable addition to the City Council for Ward 1. Having had the privilege of knowing Tim personally since he moved to Louisville, I can confidently attest to his exceptional qualities and dedication to the community.

Tim is a man of unwavering integrity, community spirit, and genuine care for the well-being of others. His commitment to making a positive impact on the city of Louisville is evident through his active involvement in various community initiatives and charitable endeavors. Tim consistently demonstrates a strong sense of responsibility and reliability in all his undertakings.

A few of Tim's key aspirations are to contribute to the improvement of Louisville's economic vitality and the affordability of housing for its residents. His vision aligns with the pressing needs of our community, and his thoughtful approach to problem-solving reflects a deep understanding of the challenges faced by our city. Tim possesses a unique ability to bring people together, fostering collaboration and unity for the greater good.

In addition to his community-oriented mindset, Tim brings a wealth of professional experience and business expertise that will undoubtedly benefit the City Council. I am confident that Tim's dedication and passion for our town will lead to positive and impactful outcomes.

I wholeheartedly endorse Tim Bierman as a candidate for the City Council, and I believe that his values, skills, and commitment make him an outstanding choice. I am confident that he will serve with distinction, working tirelessly to enhance our community.

Sincerely,

Christine Dahm
Ward 1 resident
768 Hoover Avenue
Louisville, CO 80027

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From: [Kelly Majure](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Support for Tim Bierman - Ward 1
Date: Sunday, January 14, 2024 10:15:09 AM

Dear City Council,

I am writing in support of Tim Bierman for the empty council seat in Ward 1. I am not a Ward 1 resident but am a resident of Louisville. I helped Tim and his wife Kim and son Grady relocate from Chicago and find and build their dream home in Old Town. Tim is incredibly engaging, smart and kind-hearted. He asks good questions, is very collaborative and does not come with an agenda, except to continue building on successes that Louisville has had as a City and explore new opportunities to keep it thriving. He will do this by giving consideration to all residents and looking at new opportunities from all angles. Tim is a connector and people person and will be an incredible steward of the council by engaging the community for their support on City issues.

I highly recommend Tim Bierman for Ward 1.

Sincerely,
Kelly Majure
303-709-8613

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From: [MARK PERSICHETTI](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Please select Joshua Cooperman for Ward-1 Representative
Date: Sunday, January 14, 2024 10:05:42 AM

Hello Mr Mayor and City Council Members,

I'm sending this email to all of you to encourage you to select Joshua Cooperman as the new Ward-1 representative to City Council.

I served as a member of Louisville's Sustainability Advisory Board (LSAB) from 2003 through 2021, when my last term expired. For the last two years of that time, Josh and I served on that board together, and during that time Josh was regularly engaged in whatever topics came before LSAB. And more often than most other members, he would present to us issues which he felt LSAB could pursue, along with outlines of how LSAB could act.

For example, in a mid-May-2021 email to LSAB members, his observations and proposals for what could be done with the City's comprehensive plan and proposals-to-date for the Redtail Ridge development were well thought out and detailed. That showed me how willing and capable he is to study local issues, and how he can provide well-considered and detailed solutions for local issues and problems.

Also, since the end of my term on LSAB, I've received further correspondence from Josh, regarding his proposals to update Commercial building codes, his proposals for limiting the number of gasoline service stations in Louisville, and phasing out gasoline-powered landscaping equipment within our city. Each of those messages from him were well detailed: he recognized problems within our community, and offered detailed proposals to reduce/remove those problems. And in the summer of 2022, he helped create a blog for Sustainable Louisville Colorado (<https://www.sustainablelouisvillecolorado.com/>), with close to two-dozen listed topics so far. These are examples that show me that Josh is fully engaged within our local community, and has regularly been working actively to take care of problem-solving for our residents.

From the time we moved to our current residence in 1978 we had been within Ward-1, until our street address was only recently "transferred" into Ward-2. If I were still within Ward-1's boundaries, I'd be glad to have Josh as one of our two Council representatives. And so I encourage all of you to select him to fill the currently vacant seat for a Ward-1 Council representative. He will serve that Ward's residents – and all our City's residents – in an exemplary manner!

Mark Persichetti
1402 Taft Place, Louisville

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From: [Comcast](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman Ward 1
Date: Saturday, January 13, 2024 5:38:39 PM

Hi!

I'm writing on behalf of my support to have Tim Bierman take the Ward 1 open position!

He is a kind, community advocate. He loves Louisville and would do a great job to support our needs!

If you need anything else for considering him. Please feel free to reach out to me.

Thank you!

Shelli

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From: [Levi Sheppard](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: In Support of Tim Bierman's Candidacy for City Council
Date: Saturday, January 13, 2024 3:39:29 PM

Dear Members of the City Council and Mayor Chris Leh,

I am writing to wholeheartedly endorse Tim Bierman for the Ward 1 City Council seat. Tim's dedication to our community's growth is evident in his steadfast commitment to economic vitality and sustainability. His professional background and academic achievements provide him with a unique perspective and the expertise needed to effectively address these critical issues.

What truly sets Tim apart is his character. He possesses a natural ability to connect people, an invaluable skill for collaborative and impactful leadership. His integrity and vibrant enthusiasm make him an outstanding candidate. His active role in church and community initiatives reflects his deep commitment to supporting our town's well-being.

I am confident that with Tim representing Ward 1, our community will continue to flourish and receive the support it deserves.

Thank you for considering my endorsement. Tim Bierman is the kind of leader our community deserves – someone with the vision, qualities, and genuine enthusiasm to foster a thriving and connected community.

Sincerely,
Levi Sheppard
Louisville, CO

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From: [Walker Thrash](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Support for Tim Bierman to represent Ward 1
Date: Saturday, January 13, 2024 8:45:39 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

I am writing to express my support for Tim Bierman's consideration to represent Ward 1 on the City Council in Louisville, CO. As a real estate developer who actively participates in council meetings throughout the state, I have had the pleasure of interacting with numerous council members, and I can confidently say that Tim stands out as an exemplary candidate for this role.

Critical thinking, attentive listening, and proactive initiative are essential qualities in a council member, and Tim has consistently demonstrated these attributes. Three years ago, when my family and I moved to Louisville, Tim was the first person to extend a warm welcome, dropping by our front yard to greet us. He then became a reliable friend.

Tim goes above and beyond to serve as an ambassador for Louisville, generously giving his time to community initiatives. His occasional lighthearted approach, such as dressing as a pirate at the local middle school, demonstrates his approachableness and willingness to engage.

During our conversations, I have been impressed by Tim's deep understanding of local politics, the economy, and the various opportunities and challenges that Louisville faces. He continuously directs the conversation to the matters at hand: economic vitality, housing that's more attainable and real sustainability solutions. His passion for the community, coupled with his acumen, positions him as a valuable asset to the City Council. Tim's commitment to staying informed and actively engaging with the issues at hand showcases his readiness to contribute meaningfully to the city's development.

I wholeheartedly believe that Tim Bierman has the qualities necessary to be an effective and dedicated City Council member. His unique combination of community spirit, critical thinking, and local knowledge make him an ideal candidate for the position. I am confident that Tim will approach this role with the same enthusiasm and dedication that he has consistently demonstrated in our interactions.

Thank you,

Walker Thrash
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From: [katie thrash](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman
Date: Saturday, January 13, 2024 8:27:14 AM

Hi! This email is in support of electing Tim to City Council. I've known Tim for 2.5 years since moving to Louisville. His commitment and admiration to our community is remarkable. An active citizen, you can find Tim at most social functions with his family. As a teacher at LMS, he volunteered as student greeter (dressed as a pirate) every Thursday last year, and continues to be on the sub list at school despite needing to move his son to Watershed for academic support purposes. Tim is passionate about economic growth and sustainability, and will go the extra mile to see success. We would be lucky to have him lead our town!

Sincerely,
Katie Thrash

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From: [outlook](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Council Seat Candidate Tim Bierman Friday,
Date: January 12, 2024 4:58:21 PM

Council Members,

As a 15-year Louisville resident, I am writing to indicate my strong support of appointing Tim Bierman to fill the vacant Ward 1 council vacancy. As someone who has been interacting with our city government for many years, highlighted by my 9 years on the Open Space Advisory Board (OSAB), I understand what it takes to successfully serve our dynamic community.

I have known Tim for approximately 10 years and having worked with him on various charitable efforts, I've always found him to be someone who is bright, diligent and a person who can bring people together for a greater good. I know he is someone who wants to find a way to ensure Louisville meets the challenges of providing for a greater diversity of housing stock and economic vitality while continuing to move towards a more sustainable future. I am confident that Tim would bring the kind of new energy we need at this critical time in the development of our city.

Best Regards, Mike Schantz

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From: [Joshua Sroge](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Ward 1 Open Council Seat - Email Endorsement for Tim Bierman
Date: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 8:04:40 AM

Hello Louisville City Council,

We are emailing our support, as Ward 1 residents, for Tim Bierman as he applies to fill the vacant Council seat.

We have known Tim for many years and his passion for our City and contributions to the community make him an ideal candidate for the Council. We'd be well positioned with Tim in the seat, as his thoughtfulness, focus on solutions, balancing of stakeholder interests, and "drive for better" in both his personal and work life would be brought to the Council and the City and will elevate all of our lives.

Thanks for your time and consideration,

Joshua & Cappra Sroge
215 W Spruce Street

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From: [Jodi Blanchard](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Ward 1 vacant city Council seat
Date: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 9:10:04 AM

I am sending this email as a letter of support for Time Bierman, applicant for the Ward 1 City Council Seat.

I met Tim recently for coffee to discuss the state of Louisville as it is today and as it was for the 40 years prior to our present state of affairs.

Tim is an open minded candidate who has Louisvilles best interest in mind.

Tim recognizes the need for a strong tax base in our community.

Tim is concerned about and has some positive ideas for rejuvenating our historic downtown and making it a destination town to visit as it was in the past. The need to bring restaurants and shopping to our town and keeping our tax dollars in our town.

Tim also feels strongly about the need for alternative, affordable housing(not subsidized) for seniors and future homeowners.

Tim shows to me that he is a man of integrity. Most importantly Tim has LOUISVILLES BEST INTEREST IN MIND NOT HIS OWN AGENDA.

I am a 40 year resident of Louisville, have raised my family here and am lucky enough to have 2 of my 3 children living in Louisville. We would like to be able to stay in Louisville as we age into alternative housing.

Please appoint Tim to the Ward 1 City Council seat.

Respectfully,
Jodi Blanchard

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From: [Katie Lacz](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Josh Cooperman for Ward 1
Date: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 12:35:23 PM

Hello,

I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for Josh Cooperman to fill the vacant city council seat in Ward 1. I had the pleasure to get to know Josh when our kids went to the same preschool, and we connected over our shared concern for addressing issues including climate action and gun safety in our local community. I also supported him in his run for mayor, and believe he is an extremely competent, intelligent, and thoughtful advocate for the community. His efforts around the climate crisis are timely and necessary, and I believe represent the concerns of those who would be his constituents.

Josh has a proven record of advocating for the needs of our community with skill and compassion. I cannot recommend him highly enough to be our next city council member. Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,

Katie Lacz

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From: [Sylvia Quesada](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman for Ward 1 council seat
Date: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 5:24:55 PM

Hi -

My husband Brent Miley and I live on Garfield Ave in Ward 1, near the Biermans. I'm writing in support of Tim's bid for Chris Leh's vacant seat on the council. We've known the Biermans socially since 2020 and think he'd be a valuable and hard-working representative for our ward. He's business-oriented, loves this town and has a ton of positive energy!

Sincerely,

Sylvia Quesada
944 Garfield Ave

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From: [Roger Greene](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Support for Tim Bierman for City Council Ward 1
Date: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 4:37:07 PM

Dear City Council,

I hope this note finds you warm and well as the sun finally comes out and temperatures warm up. I recently learned that Tim Bierman is seeking Ward 1's position on City Council. While our family lives just across the street in Ward 2, we care very much about Louisville and our leadership and want to express our support for Tim.

Upon hearing of Tim's interest in the position, I reached out for a conversation to better understand his candidacy. Tim has a very clear and balanced set of priorities - economic vitality, affordable housing, and sustainability - which we are aligned with. Supporting business and providing more housing options will help diversify and buttress our tax base to help fund vital services, enrichment opportunities, and sustainability.

Please accept our support for Tim and let me know if you have any questions.

All the best,

Roger Greene
601 Lincoln Ave

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From: [cal_horn](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: In Support of Tim Bierman Ward 1 Council Seat
Date: Wednesday, January 17, 2024 8:51:12 AM

Good morning,

I would like to express my support of Tim for the vacant ward 1 council seat. We met Tim through our sons when they attended LES and have gotten to know Kim and Tim quite well since then. Tim has a great personality and demeanor which would make him a perfect fit on the council.

Thank you,

Cal Horn
289 Jackson Cir

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From: [Matt Dahm](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Tim Bierman](#)
Subject: Support for Tim Bierman for Ward #1 Council Seat
Date: Wednesday, January 17, 2024 8:12:11 PM

Dear Louisville City Council,

I'm emailing you to strongly endorse Tim Bierman for the vacant seat on the city council. I've known Tim, and his wife Kim, for over 4 years and I know that Tim would be the ideal person to represent ward #1. He is intelligent, passionate, and he would bring both an impressive business background and Legal education to the position.

Tim takes great pride in the city of Louisville and its residents. He wants to see our city thrive by being business friendly to help us compete alongside our neighboring towns such as Lafayette and Broomfield. Tim is also an advocate for affordable housing in our town particularly now that housing prices have appreciated so quickly. His skills as a consensus builder and a strong communicator will serve him well on the city council. Those of us that know Tim would be quick to point out that he has endless energy and enthusiasm and I can't wait to see the improvements that he will drive for Louisville. Tim is someone that I would want on my team no matter what the task or challenge.

Sincerely,
Matt Dahm

Ward #1 resident
768 Hoover Ave.
Louisville, CO 80027

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From: [Elizabeth Ryterski](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman
Date: Wednesday, January 17, 2024 5:22:53 PM

Dear Louisville City Council,

I am writing to enthusiastically recommend Tim Bierman for the Ward 1 City Council position. We have been neighbors since Tim and his family moved to Louisville. I can confidently attest to his exceptional dedication, leadership skills, and unwavering commitment to the betterment of Louisville.

Tim possesses excellent communication skills, both in articulating his ideas and actively engaging with people. His willingness to listen make him approachable and responsive to the needs of the community.

I am confident that Tim Bierman will bring a fresh perspective, dedication, and a strong work ethic to the Ward 1 position. His passion for our city makes him an ideal candidate to contribute to the continued growth and prosperity of our community.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Elizabeth Ryterski
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From: [Todd Rowan](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Ward 1 Council Seat - Support for Tim Bierman
Date: Wednesday, January 17, 2024 4:24:43 PM

Hello City Council,

I am a Louisville resident in Ward 1. When Chris Leh became Mayor I was curious to know who would represent Ward 1. I now understand Tim Bierman has raised his hand and is willing to serve. I am writing to express my full support of Mr. Bierman as the appointed Ward 1 replacement.

Tim's focus on economic vitality is exactly what, in my opinion, Louisville needs. Economics are the lifeblood of any successful city and provide the juice for other important initiatives to succeed. Tim's interest in other things like affordable housing are admirable, but if we can help businesses thrive in our city it makes funding of other important programs more realistic.

On a personal level, I find Tim to be a reasonable person that listens well. I think both qualities are important for local governance.

I wholeheartedly support Tim Bierman for the vacant Louisville Ward 1 city council seat.

Todd Rowan

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From: [Fry, Joel](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman - Vacant Ward 1 City Council Seat
Date: Thursday, January 18, 2024 2:51:25 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)

Dear Louisville City Council:

I am writing to convey my strong support for Tim Bierman to be appointed to fill the vacant Ward 1 City Council seat. I have known Tim for over five years and have always been impressed with his character, enthusiasm and energy. I know that Tim would work tirelessly for Louisville as a councilman.

Regards,

Joel

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From: [Chris Zwolfer](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman for City Council
Date: Thursday, January 18, 2024 5:25:46 PM

Hi,

I am writing in support of Tim for city council. I have just recently met Tim and was impressed by his friendly and energetic personality! After talking with him about his desires for Louisville I was hoping that he would run for the council. We need people that want to focus on the businesses of historic downtown. I have watched our downtown become almost a “ghost town” with businesses leaving and nothing coming in. It is important to have people on the council that are there to support the businesses and the revitalization of our town. His energy, experience, and positivity would be refreshing on the Louisville council!

Chris Zwolfer, MA, CCC-SLP

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From: [Mary Van Zale](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Josh Cooperman for city council vacancy
Date: Friday, January 19, 2024 11:53:03 AM

I am writing to express my support of Josh Cooperman to fill the vacant Ward 1 City Council seat. I am a resident of Ward 1. I know Josh as a member of the Louisville Elementary School community. Josh is a deep thinker with strong communication skills. He is an incredible listener, with the remarkable skill of forming and asking thoughtful questions to ensure and expand his understanding. I appreciate that Josh is interested in lending his time and intellect as a leader in our community.

Thank you,
Mary Van Zale
633 McKinley Ave
Louisville, CO 80027

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From: [Annie Parnell](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Josh Cooperman
Date: Friday, January 19, 2024 10:59:12 AM

This is my second letter supporting Josh's appointment to council. I realize many factors will influence your choice I think integrity and commitment should be at the top of the list.

He has proven his dedication to our town. Things are changing and we need people who can help our community move with courage and purpose into our future.

Regards,
Channah Horst
136 Hoover Ave
Resident since August 2000

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From: [Kevin Givens](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Support Tim Bierman for the Vacant City Council Seat
Date: Friday, January 19, 2024 12:55:25 PM

Dear Members of the Louisville City Council,

I hope you're all having a great start to the new year!

I am writing to you today to express my wholehearted support for Tim Bierman to fill the vacant seat on our City Council.

In light of the upcoming Red Tail Ridge vote and Comp Plan, the need for a balanced, insightful, and community-focused individual is more important than ever. And I firmly believe Tim stands out as the best choice.

One of my favorite things about Tim is that he's a connector. He has the unique ability to bring people together and make them feel heard and important.

Tim loves our community and he's passionate about strengthening it. He understands the importance of creating a business-friendly environment while maintaining the unique charm and character of our city. He's also passionate about helping the city develop affordable housing solutions.

His educational background in law, and his professional experience in sales, speak volumes about his capability.

So I urge you to consider Tim for the vacant city council seat. His enthusiasm, expertise, and commitment to Louisville make him an ideal candidate.

All the best,

Kevin Givens

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From: [Jarrod Buckley](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman Recommendation
Date: Sunday, January 21, 2024 8:52:26 PM

Dear Council,

I wanted to recommend Tim for an appointment to the Louisville City Council. When we initially moved into this community several years ago Tim was the first to walk over and welcome us not only as neighbors but to the Louisville community and I have seen him do that with new neighbors since then. Tim largely does this by nature but I also believe it is his pride in the Louisville Community, and his desire to keep the warm, welcoming, and embractive community thriving that drives him to welcome folks with open arms. He has also taken pride in our schools such as playing a volunteer role in welcoming kids into LMS many mornings. Given these reasons and because I believe Tim can help the community's business efforts, I would recommend him for the vacant Ward 1 City Council seat.

Thank you,

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From: [Laura Shaffer](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman for City Council Ward 1
Date: Sunday, January 21, 2024 9:39:22 PM

Dear City Council,

I am writing this letter to wholeheartedly endorse Tim Bierman for the Ward 1 City Council seat. Just after he built his home in Old Town, I met Tim and the Bierman family when they graciously offered to have their home featured on the 2019 Louisville Home Tour, a significant and well-attended fundraiser that I helped organize for the Louisville Elementary PTA. Having the privilege of getting to know Tim personally over these last 5 years and observing his dedication to our community, I am confident that he would be a valuable asset to the City Council.

Tim's commitment to the betterment of our town is evident through his active involvement in various community initiatives and events. Tim's collaborative approach to problem-solving and his open-mindedness make him an ideal candidate to represent the diverse interests of our community on the City Council. Furthermore, Tim's professional background in sales and customer service equips him with the skills necessary to make informed decisions that will positively impact our town's future and contribute to our City's journey towards economic prosperity, sustainability, and inclusivity.

In conclusion, I believe that Tim Bierman is the right choice for City Council. His integrity, community spirit, and leadership qualities make him an outstanding candidate who will work tirelessly for the betterment of our town. I urge you to consider Tim for this important position.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Laura Shaffer

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From: [Richard Ebbers](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Louisville City Council
Date: Monday, January 22, 2024 7:30:18 AM

My wife and I have lived in Ward One for over 14 years.
City Council now has an opportunity to improve our ward and the city of Louisville by placing Tim Bierman on the City Council.
Tim is well deserving of this position and will be our only choice to improve the city of Louisville.
Thank you.

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From: [Andy Johnson](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Ward 1 Candidates
Date: Monday, January 22, 2024 7:55:00 AM

Dear Mr. Mayor and Council Members,

In review of the Ward 1 council member candidates, I would like to provide feedback on the three individuals and the Ward 1 council member seat. 2024-2025 is an important time period for the City of Louisville, and in many respects could be viewed through the lens of it being a make-or-break time period. For decades, the City has delayed on important policy decisions in order to better shape our City for the present and the future. It seems this council is poised and ready to help make progressive change for the betterment of our community.

Gordon Madonna

I have lived in Louisville for a period of time far less than Mr. Madonna, and have a deep respect for his family's rich history within the fabric of Louisville. I frequently read about the Madonnas in the social history reports generated to support historic preservation efforts throughout Old Town, and it's impressive the reach the family has had within our community.

Despite, my 20 years of residency in Old Town and my 25 years of living in the area, I feel as though I am still a young resident and new by comparison to the families that have a strong multi-generational legacy with impacts on the policies adopted by our City. That said, I do not believe that history entitles one to immediate or inherent respect nor does it assume a greater understanding of current conditions, especially if that history was not actually realized by the individual. That was then and this is now. The world has changed significantly in the last 30-40 years, and it has even changed in the last decade since our current Comp Plan was adopted.

I am concerned that Mr. Madonna is not connected to the current state of affairs in the City (and broader world) and the possible solutions to help make the City a more welcoming and thriving place for businesses and (new and old) residents alike.

Josh Cooperman

Being somewhat of a frequent participant at City Council and commission meetings, it has been a pleasure to watch Mr. Cooperman grow into an articulate proponent of policy issues that range beyond his primary focus of global warming. I fervently support and appreciate his focus on the dire need to address our number one global issue that has far reaches into all the aspects of life we take for granted. I have witnessed Mr. Cooperman broaden his focus to a number of policy issues, and I have been impressed by how he can see and appreciate the interconnectedness of these issues as they influence how we live, work, and play in our community.

His intelligence is nearly unparalleled, his understanding of the issues is broad and comprehensive, and I have confidence that his kind, even demeanor would be a welcome asset to City Council.

Tim Bierman

Mr. Bierman is a relative new-comer to the discussion of City policy. I know Mr. Bierman personally and can attest to his ability to effectively communicate ideas, be a keen listener, and warm, welcoming personality. There are many things a person can demonstrate through knowledge of City policy issues as it relates to the broader context of our place within our state, region, and world to show their potential as an effective leader; however, one must possess a

balance of intelligence, patience, and strong, unbiased personal skills to relate to the broader community about the important issues that effect our community. Mr. Bierman brings somewhat of a “clean slate” as a candidate for Council with a willingness to listen, learn, and lead. I believe he is aware of today’s issues, and would come to Council eager to learn more, listen to the community’s concerns, collaborate with fellow Council members and staff, and find reasonable and effective solutions to the issues at hand.

As always, thank you very much for your time and service on Louisville’s city council, and please feel free to reach out if there any questions.

Warm regards,

Andy

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Andy Johnson, AIA

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From: [Ross Cowan](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Ward 1 Support Letter for Tim Bierman - Council Seat
Date: Monday, January 22, 2024 10:48:51 AM
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Dear Fellow Louisville Residents on City Council,

My name is Richmund Ross Cowan, I live in Ward 1 with my family, and I'm a native Boulder County resident. This letter is in support of Tim Bierman occupying the currently vacant Ward 1 council seat.

Tim is a brilliant individual with a diverse set of skills and a strong commitment to community and service. His educational background, including graduating magna cum laude from Georgetown University and completing law school at George Washington Law School, reflects a solid foundation of not only high academic achievement but also a consistently strong work ethic. It's interesting to note that he chose a career in sales despite his legal qualifications, showcasing the importance of following one's passion and his ability to communicate across a diverse spectrum of society.

His active involvement in the community, such as serving on the finance committee at his Church, also demonstrates a genuine dedication to making a positive impact. Tim's integrity, character, and reliability, along with his ability to quickly grasp and retain information, make him an asset to any community or organization. As our City continues to grow and embrace change it's very important that the Council has people like Tim representing Ward 1 to address economic vitality of our business community as well as continue to evolve our local solution to affordable housing.

It's clear that Tim's enthusiasm plays a significant role in his interactions with people and likely contributes to his success in sales and community involvement. Overall, I believe Tim to be the well-rounded and dynamic individual who can bring people together, contributing to the vitality of the community.

Should you want to contact me directly, I'm just down the street and open to any support I can provide for our great City.

Respectfully,



Ross Cowan

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From: [John Cowley](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Letter of Recommendation for Josh Cooperman for Ward 1 representative
Date: Monday, January 22, 2024 1:37:51 PM

January 22, 2024

To the Louisville City Council:

I am writing to strongly recommend that applicant Josh Cooperman be selected to fill the vacant seat for Ward 1 on Louisville's City Council.

For a number of years, Josh has been attentive to, and concerned about, maintaining the high quality of Louisville's city governance. He has attended many City Council meetings, and Board and Commission meetings, to understand the issues affecting Louisville. He has spoken often at these meetings to promote actions that would enhance the City's accomplishments. Among his concerns are the sustainability of our resources and assurances that the needs of our less-fortunate residents are incorporated into the City's decisions. His extensive understanding of how Louisville is governed, from his viewpoint as a concerned resident, is a major asset that Josh could bring to the City Council.

As you know, Josh's recent campaign for mayor of Louisville showed his dedicated interest in the well-being of our city. He conversed in person with many hundreds of residents in Ward 1 and elsewhere throughout Louisville. Through that effort, as an excellent listener, he increased his awareness of the range of issues important to our diverse citizenry. His efforts were rewarded by the over 1,300 voters who chose Josh as their preferred candidate for mayor.

Josh has thoughtful visions for many aspects of Louisville's path forward. He wants to see efforts to develop more local housing at prices that his children's teachers could afford. As a member of Louisville's Sustainability Advisory Board, he wants to see decisive

programs to reduce our residential and commercial carbon footprints and our inefficient uses of water. He wants to see the City's recent Internal Decarbonization Plan implemented quickly, to achieve the Plan's admirable goals of carbon-free solar electricity for City buildings, as well as a reduced reliance on natural gas for heating them. Looking to the future, he envisions our government promoting and supporting similar carbon-reduction improvements throughout the city.

In summary, it's clear that Josh has many abilities that would bring fresh insights and energy to Louisville's City Council. It would be a very positive choice to have Josh, with his skills and commitment, be given this opportunity to broaden the City's potential.

These are many of the reasons I heartily recommend that Josh Cooperman be appointed to fill the vacant seat for Ward 1 on Louisville's City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

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From: [Cynthia Corne](#)
To: [City Council](#); [Jeff Durbin](#)
Subject: Ward 1 Council Seat. Josh Cooperman.
Date: Monday, January 22, 2024 12:40:44 PM

Dear Council members and City Manager Durbin,

The open Ward 1 Council Seat is an important decision. The pendulums have been swinging widely here in Louisville, where, “Bad Ozone” is still bad (recently spoke with a NOAA scientist re: this fact), our air quality is in Severe status by the EPA (scientifically based), and voters passed the Open Space and Parks tax by almost 70%. These realities, along with recovering from the Marshall Fire and placing more emphasis on Economic Vitality require balance, not more pendulum swings. The list of priorities can be long while maintaining and proceeding for our beautiful large town and community.

I read the applications for the 3 Ward 1 Council applicants. 2 wrote solid applications, 2 are qualified. They aren't the same 2.

The one who did write a solid application, and is qualified (checks both boxes), with significant service to Louisville, is Josh Cooperman.

Having a scientist, volunteer, and parent who actively follows and participates with Council activities sets him far above the other 2 candidates. He is ready to serve and well-informed. He knows the importance of the Comprehensive plan, LRC, Sustainability, livability, listening and learning first, and considering community input. And taking thoughtful, timely, balanced action.

The largest issues for our City and Community can be solved. For Council members Hamlington and Hoefner (I live in Ward 3), and Mayor Leh and Mayor Pro Team Dickinson (I own a rental in Ward I where we have gotten to know our neighbors over the past decade), I sincerely hope you will vote for Josh Cooperman - he is the best candidate to balance the needs of City, Economy, Planet, and Community.

Thank you, all, for your significant service to Louisville and Colorado.

Sincerely,
Cynthia Corne
Resident: Louisville

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From: [George Colbert](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Ward 1 appointee
Date: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 2:05:57 PM

Dear Council,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to express my strong support for the appointment of Tim Bierman to the vacant seat in Ward 1. Tim has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to our community, and I believe he possesses the qualities necessary to serve our ward effectively.

Having known Tim personally for several years, I have witnessed his dedication to civic engagement. Tim's passion for addressing the needs of our community is evident in every interaction, conversation, event, etc...

Tim brings a wealth of experience and expertise to the table. His education and professional background uniquely positions him to contribute valuable insights to the decision-making processes of the City Council. I am confident that Tim's commitment to transparency, inclusivity, and effective governance will greatly benefit Ward 1 and our city as a whole.

Furthermore, Tim's ability to listen to diverse perspectives and work collaboratively with others will contribute to a more unified and cohesive City Council. In times when collaboration and consensus are crucial, Tim's leadership style aligns with the values that our community holds dear. I urge you to consider Tim Bierman as the ideal candidate for the vacant seat in Ward 1.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I trust that, with Tim Bierman's appointment, we can continue to build a stronger, more vibrant community for all residents.

George Colbert (Ward 2)

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From: [Betsy Dunn, OTR](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Josh Cooperman
Date: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 7:33:23 AM

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in support of Josh Cooperman being on the City Council. I have known Josh for several years and think he would be a great addition to city council. He is thoughtful, patient, and fair. He has Louisville's best interests in mind in ways that I fully support. I have been an active member of this community for over twenty years, and I have two kids at Louisville Elementary. I like the vision he carries for Louisville's future.

Please welcome Josh onto the council.

Thank
Betsy Dunn

you!

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From: [Diane Ebbers](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Tim Bierman
Date: Monday, January 22, 2024 9:13:55 PM

I live in Ward 1 and would love to have Tim Bierman on the City Council. I believe he cares deeply about our city and would make a great council person.
Diane Ebbers

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From: [Kevin Lombardo](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Josh Cooperman for Ward I
Date: Wednesday, January 24, 2024 11:16:29 AM

Hello Council!

I wanted to write in hopes that you are strongly considering Josh Cooperman for the vacant Ward I council seat. Josh's application clearly describes his commitment to a sustainable Louisville and his passion for our town. While I am not a resident of Ward I, it has become so important to have as many representatives as possible focused on climate action. I recently heard Josh say that he wished for sustainability and combating climate change to be underlying core values in everything the city did, and he's absolutely right to want that. We should all want that. It would seem that not a week goes by where we get some new, damning report on the state of the environment. It's clear we need leadership that's going to move the needle on improving that state and Josh is the best applicant for Ward I poised to make that happen.

Given all the City initiatives coming up (Comprehensive Plan update, Decarbonization Plan, etc.) we have many opportunities to make our small town a big example, but we have to have the right people driving toward that. Josh is one of those right people, and I hope you see that too!

Thank you for all that you do!

Kevin Lombardo
947 Sunflower St. (Rebuilding)

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