



City Council

January 30, 2024
Packet Addendum #1

From: [Laura Pederson](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Please Appoint Josh Cooperman to Louisville City Council
Date: Monday, January 29, 2024 8:02:20 AM

Hello,

I believe that Josh Cooperman will be an excellent addition to the Louisville City Council. He has worked tirelessly over the last several years to preserve and improve the quality of life in the town that we all cherish.

His accomplishments include working on the Sustainability Advisory Board and the and the Bee City USA Committee. Josh facilitated the availability of SNAP and D-SNAP at the Louisville Farmers' Market. He authors the blog Sustainable Louisville Colorado.

Josh's priorities include environmental sustainability, affordable housing, reducing the City's carbon footprint, revitalizing downtown Louisville and the McCaslin corridor, and making Louisville more diverse, equitable, and inclusive.

As a regular attendee at the local City Council, Board and Commission meetings, he is already very familiar with the role that he will be assuming as a City Council member, and will be able to add valuable contributions with a minimal learning curve.

We are lucky to have such a talented, dedicated candidate for City Council, and his commitment will help to ensure Louisville's bright future for generations to come.

Thanks and Regards,

[Laura Parks-Pederson](#)

[2297 Cliffrose Lane](#)

[Louisville, Co. 80027](#)

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From: [Cathern H Smith](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Please Appoint Josh Cooperman to Represent Ward 1
Date: Sunday, January 28, 2024 6:35:49 PM

Dear Mayor Leh and Members of City Council,

Joshua Cooperman is the best candidate for the vacant City Council position. He is a pragmatic, progressive leader focused on the key issues of our time, sustainability and climate action.

I have worked alongside Josh on issues of importance and am consistently impressed by his collegiality. In addition to knowing how to present complex information in accessible ways, he has the rare gift of listening carefully to find the point of consensus.

Josh has a remarkable ability to see both the forest and the trees. Most importantly, he instinctively knows when to toggle between these two viewpoints. Josh brings a nuanced and thoughtful approach to complex issues that can only be an asset to City Council as it tackles wildfire risk management, redevelopment of the McCaslin corridor, community decarbonization, affordable housing, and other current issues of complexity.

Josh has demonstrated his interest in governance and commitment to Louisville, by running for mayor, working for passage of important taxes (e.g., 2021 Ballot issue 2A re underpasses for safe and sustainable connections; 2023 ballot issue 2C re extending the existing open space and parks sales and increasing the open space tax), and since 2021 serving on Louisville's Sustainability Advisory Board. He is not anti-business or anti-growth.

His values align with the values of Louisville's voters. I can think of no one better to strike the right balance between today's needs and the needs of future generations.

Please appoint Josh Cooperman to represent Ward I.
Best,

Cathern Smith
Ward III

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From: [Ethan Hunter](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Recommending Josh Cooperman for Ward 1
Date: Sunday, January 28, 2024 5:14:59 PM

To City Council,

I am writing in support of Josh Cooperman for the open Ward 1 council seat. Of the candidates for appointment, he is the one I would vote for if there was an election.

Thank you,
Ethan Hunter
Ward 1 Resident

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From: [sbasker](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Josh Cooperman - Support for City Council
Date: Sunday, January 28, 2024 12:47:15 PM

Dear City Council,

Please select Josh Cooperman to be the next new Louisville City Council member. Josh is the best candidate for the position. He has already made such a tremendous difference for Louisville with his volunteering, campaigning, participating in Council and Board meetings, knowledge and hard work. We need him on Council to continue and expand his work to build a sustainable Louisville for everyone - families, workers, business owners, young people, unrepresented people and seniors. He has a holistic approach to enriching and promoting our entire environment including our education, business, non-profit and government sectors and the natural environment including our open space, parks and ecological systems. You have my unqualified support to choose Josh to be our newest Council member. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Scott Baskerville

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From: [H M](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Letter of Support for Josh Cooperman
Date: Sunday, January 28, 2024 12:17:37 PM

Dear City Council Members,

Hello. This is my letter of support for Josh Cooperman to be our newest City Council member. Josh is already an outstanding community leader - throughout his many efforts in local Louisville civic volunteering and his mayoral campaign, he has demonstrated a tremendous set of relevant skills, knowledge, ability and passion to engage with the community and advocate for a comprehensive vision for Louisville including supporting a vital business community, protecting the environment and integrating sustainability, equity and inclusion into how we live, work, play and govern in Louisville.

Josh has talked with and listened to thousands of neighbors across town, volunteered for boards, committees and community events, campaigned for the overwhelmingly successful approval of Ballot Measure 2C, and championed initiatives that do and will make Louisville an even better place to live. Please select Josh Cooperman to be our next new City of Louisville Council member. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,
Helen Moshak
Louisville Resident

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From: [tamar krantz](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Please do not consider Gordon Madonna's application for city council.
Date: Saturday, January 27, 2024 2:28:42 PM

Dear City Council,

I see that along with Rocky Mountain Gun Owners, Gordon Madonna is a plaintiff in the lawsuit against the City of Louisville for our gun control ordinance. I cannot personally verify that this plaintiff is the person with the same name applying for city council, but I hope that you will do so.

I hope that you will include a question to the candidates about upholding our Louisville municipal code, specifically [Title 9, Section 8, Weapons](#)

We need a candidate who will be able to take the oath for office,

Thanks for considering this,

Tamar Krantz
Ward 3.

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From: [tamar krantz](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Please Appoint Josh Cooperman to City Council
Date: Saturday, January 27, 2024 1:59:54 PM

Dear City Council members,

We need Josh Cooperman on our city council! He understands how our city functions and I trust that he would make his first priority listening to and representing his constituency.

Please take the time to read his application carefully. When I look at the applicants written responses side by side, his application shows that he has already put much more thought into Louisville's future than the other candidates. It is clear that he far surpasses the other candidates in experience and understanding of our local issues.

His run for mayor connected him with thousands of folks and gave him insight into what people like about our city. He is the only candidate that has regularly attended city council meetings, read the packets, and provided valuable input. He has proven that he understands our city codes and the role of city council. He is a great collaborator, a good listener, and is willing to look at all sides of issues.

Please appoint Josh for city council!

Tamar Krantz
Ward 3

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From: [Beth McQuie](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Support for Josh Cooperman for City Council
Date: Saturday, January 27, 2024 9:01:06 AM

Dear Louisville City Council,

I am writing to recommend Josh Cooperman for the Ward 1 City Council position.

Josh Cooperman has a proven commitment to Louisville. For years, I have watched him speak at City Council meetings, presenting knowledgeable and important viewpoints. He has served on the Sustainability Advisory Board. In addition, he has been involved in a number of local issues and campaigns.

Josh knows how the Louisville city government and City Council work. His passion about making Louisville even better is clear. He is articulate and well-informed. He has a deep understanding of Louisville and some excellent ideas about priorities in coming years.

Please select Josh Cooperman for the Ward I City Council position.

Beth McQuie

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From: [Charles Danforth](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Josh Cooperman
Date: Friday, January 26, 2024 11:41:28 AM

Dear Council,

I am writing to support Josh Cooperman for the empty Ward 1 seat on Council. I've known Josh for a few years and he is a thoughtful and dedicated person who deeply cares about Louisville yet has a rational and logic-based outlook. He would be a great person to tackle the complicated 21st century issues facing our city.

Charles Danforth
Ward 3

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From: [Yan Chun Su](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: re. Ward 1 Council
Date: Monday, January 29, 2024 10:54:54 AM

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Dear Louisville City Council:

I would like to express my support for Josh Cooperman as Ward 1 council. Even though Josh and I share the same street address, the reason for my support goes far beyond the fact that he is a good neighbor and good person. Looking through all the candidate applications, it is apparent to me that Josh is the only candidate with the intellectual capacity and willingness to **listen** to his constituents. I do not agree with everything Josh stated in his application, but I know Josh will not be the kind of local politicians who pride themselves in stamping their wills on others, bending over to corporate interests at the expense of Louisville residents, and even worst, blinded by their ideology, resorting to extreme tactics to achieve their own goal. With extreme polarization of national politics, it is utmost important that our local government consists of people who are intelligent, well-informed, with basic understanding of local history, not solely from the lens of one's own upbringing, but through the point of view of all Louisville residents, not backed by business interests, but with the heart and the mind to actually **serve** people and to work with others on the council productively.

Once again, Josh Cooperman is my choice for Ward 1 and I sincerely hope he will be yours too.

Thank you for listening.

Yan Chun Su
190 Griffith St

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From: [Kristen McDermott](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: In Favor of Josh Cooperman
Date: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 8:24:19 AM

Dear Council members, I am a resident of Louisville and a Science teacher at Centaurus High. I believe that Josh Cooperman would make a terrific addition to our city council. He is very involved in the community and works tirelessly to preserve our environment for future generations. Josh has served on the Sustainability Advisory board, ran for Mayor, and continuously works to lower the carbon footprint for Louisville. Josh is also focused on creating more affordable housing within the city while also seeking ways to revitalize our downtown area. Please consider adding this dynamic and passionate community member to your team. I appreciate you reading this email. Please contact me if you have any questions. Sincerely, Kristen McDermott

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From: [Michiko Christiansen](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: COOPERMAN for city council
Date: Monday, January 29, 2024 9:49:27 PM
Attachments: [Doc1.docx](#)

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Dear City Council members,

I am writing this to let you know from reading three applicants for the Ward 1 council seat.

The one stands out is Josh Cooperman. Here are my reasonings:

He is very methodical in his research of any topic. Receiving any current news relating to any issues, he studies them and hopefully he will bring this new frontier ideas that will keep our town being minimalist and simplicity. He has a simple voice yet very forward and clear thoughts. He has the integrity and compassion for this City of Louisville.

He attends to all the council meetings and LSAB. This proves that how dedicated he is, and he will be.

He is young and fresh blood which the City of Louisville needed.

Please select Josh as a Ward 1 council member and I am looking forward seeing what Josh will bring into this new and exciting times.

Now this is important to me to see this process to be fair and non-bias.

After reading three future candidates' applicant for Ward 1 seat on the council, I was imagining how what type of questions that I will interview them.

I only will ask questions that are ethically and appropriate, here are couple of examples:

- How do you resolve issues that the City of Louisville continues to face?
- What are your experiences working with the community?
- Fact checking is important, how do you determine the true facts?
- There are new forward ideas involving climate change, sustainability, housing, socioeconomics, EDI, and the list goes on. Will/how are you able to incorporate them into comprehensive plans?

Thank you for your time and considerations.

M. Christiansen

From: [sherry sommer](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Ward one council appointment
Date: Monday, January 29, 2024 9:11:15 PM

Members of Council,

I would like to recommend Josh Cooperman be appointed to fill the Ward one vacancy. I consider Josh a friend but I am recommending his appointment because he is the most qualified applicant for the position.

Josh has been engaged as an LSAB member and active participant in at city meetings.

Council members are representatives, and Josh is the only applicant who has recently campaigned for public office, getting 1,347 votes. We were competitors during the campaign and Josh always conducted himself in a respectful and gracious way. I believe he and I attracted voters with similar values in the mayoral campaign--and together, we got 42.19% of the vote. He would represent values of many residents.

For these reasons, I hope you will appoint Josh to this council seat.

Sherry Sommer

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From: [RJ Harrington](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Josh Cooperman](#)
Subject: Josh Cooperman Ward 1
Date: Monday, January 29, 2024 8:04:26 PM
Attachments: [20240129 Josh Cooperman Ward 1.pdf](#)

Dear Neighbors,

Please read the attached and support Josh to be appointed for the vacant seat in Ward 1. Although we reside in Ward 3, the Harringtons understand that Council represents the entire community.

Thank you for your service,
RJ

RJ Harrington, Jr.
457 E Raintree Ct
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Josh Cooperman - Ward 1 Appointment

Our family has been privileged to reside in Louisville since 2004. We have witnessed our community change and be changed by both internal and external forces.

A focus of this community that has finally gotten attention by elected officials is the devastating impact of the climate crisis. Sadly, it took the Marshall Fire and its horrific impact on our communities to elevate the crisis to priority status.

As a trained scientist, Josh Cooperman has been attentive to how our community can effectively address our greenhouse gas emissions in a meaningful manner.

As a business owner, I appreciate how Josh as a council member, will address the intersection of emissions reduction and how a resilient environment will have a positive economic impact on bottom lines.

The solutions are at our fingertips and it will take a leader like Josh to continue the community on the path to decarbonization.

From: [Susan McEachern](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Josh Cooperman for city council
Date: Monday, January 29, 2024 7:07:43 PM

Dear City Council,

I am writing to support the appointment of Josh Cooperman for the vacant Ward I seat. He is a knowledgeable and responsible citizen who cares deeply about a sustainable future for Louisville. I have admired his deeply thoughtful engagement during city council meetings and as a fellow member of the Bee City USA committee. As a member of the sustainability board and as a former mayoral candidate, he will add a collegial and informed voice to city council.

Regards,
Susan McEachern
Chair, Open Space Advisory Board
Vice-Chair, Louisville Bee City USA Committee
Coordinator of the Volunteer Weed Whacker Program

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From: [17beevo](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Josh Cooperman for Ward 1
Date: Monday, January 29, 2024 7:01:08 PM

I am writing this brief note in support of Josh for this vacant seat. He has consistently demonstrated his interest and energy in working for the welfare of our city.

...sincerely, Stephen Garretson

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From: [David Blankinship](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Josh Cooperman for City Council ward 1 appointment
Date: Monday, January 29, 2024 5:59:11 PM

Dear City Council,

I am writing to express my support for the appointment of Josh Cooperman to the vacant ward 1 seat on City Council. In my six years on the City of Louisville open advisory board, I have had the opportunity to work with Josh as a board member and as a member of the public on a variety of issues related to open space, parks, transportation, and sustainability. Sometimes we agree, sometimes we disagree, but I can always count on Josh to listen intently and offer sage advice. In this day and age where most people talk way more than they listen and disagreements are often vicious and attack-filled, Josh offers a refreshing change and would provide a valuable voice on Council. He is also obviously very passionate about making the city better as witnessed by his meticulous involvement in city proceedings such as speaking at many Council meetings as well as running for mayor last fall. So, even though I have met Tim Bierman before and think that he could serve very effectively on Council, I just think that the time is right to appoint Josh and having his perspective on Council can only improve discourse and ultimately lead to better governing.

Sincerely,
David Blankinship
Louisville, CO

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From: [Amy Austin](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Joshua Cooperman endorsement
Date: Monday, January 29, 2024 4:28:40 PM

Hello,

I am writing in support of choosing Joshua Cooperman as a City Council member. Josh is a committed citizen of Louisville, is well educated and well informed, and has background in many of the issues facing Louisville in the coming years.

Thank you for considering him for City Council.

Sincerely,

Amy Austin
1123 W. Enclave Circle
Louisville, CO 80027

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