

[External] Application for City Council Member – Ward 2 [#23]

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How long have you been a resident in Longmont? *	Since 2006
Current occupation: *	Voice over IP engineer for Intrado
Why are you interested in serving as a City Council Member? *	I frequently watch the TV-aired city council meetings and often I have questions about items that are raised during these meetings. I suspect that if I have questions, others might as well. Now that 50% of my kids are in college I have a bit more time to dedicate to the city issues and would like to serve.

Briefly explain what you believe are the two most important issues facing City Council and how do you believe those issues should be addressed? *

1. Being aware of the issues important to the citizens of Longmont.
To this end, the city asks citizens to reply to a survey of local interests. Skip using "new technologies" to get a higher response rate. It would be more effective to include the survey in the mailed/on-line utility billing mechanisms and offer a line-item \$5 rebate the related utility bills for replying. Will it cost? Yes, but if you want data, it always costs and the utility bill is about a 100% accurate match to Longmont citizens.
2. To find innovative solutions to augment the info available to the city employees.
For example, we should offer a standing grant to leverage Front Range Computer Science students to study traffic patterns related to development projects.

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Signature *	Andrew Couch
Date *	Wednesday, January 8, 2025

Letter of interest:

My name is Andrew Couch. I have been a resident of Longmont for 18 years. My wife and I moved here while she completed her MBA at CU in 2006. I work in telecommunications as a voice over IP engineer. I work for the local Intrado company that specializes in 911 call delivery. My 2 children have attended both private and public schools in Longmont; one is currently in college and the other is a freshman at Silver Creek HS.

I have no local government experience, but over the last 2 decades I've done volunteer work in several fields. I've run a cycling club in Boulder. I've organized a Boulder to Eldora Ski station cycling race for several years. I do volunteer work for a local archery club. I have coached local youth soccer teams. Before my time in Colorado, I did some substitute teaching in the Austin TX ISD and some teaching at a private college in Japan. My work requirements involve circuit configuration and testing and live site troubleshooting. I believe that my multi-faceted background provides me with adequate communication and logical skills to dissect issues related to city level issues.

I have been following the City Council meetings on TV for the past several years. I have an interest in reasonable development, traffic flow and support of schools. I have no particular golden fleece social goals but see myself as a "run of the mill citizen" who is an interested party with a view to acting as a question and clarification agent.

I'd like to be considered for the open Ward 2 position on Longmont City Council.

Thanks

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