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Appendix IIWritten Comments/Suggestions

City of Loveland

Question 7: General Comments and Suggestions

(327 total)

General Comments and Suggestions:

City Council is doing an awesome job. Thank you. Also thanks to our city employees.

LOVE LIVING HERE!!

I am grateful I live in Loveland. It is one of the best cities to live in in the world!! Thank you!

The City Council is NOT AVAILABLE for us!!!

Keep up the great job. It's a nice, safe, beautiful place to live.

Loveland is a great community to live in.

We love Loveland!

We believe Loveland offers many opportunities for families and this is one of the reasons we chose to live in this community.

Don't like being tagged the gay/pot state.

I hope this survey doesn't give them a reason to raise taxes, because we're on a fixed income. By the way, nix on Agenda 21.

"No" to fracking!

Too much waste in developments (402) and others. Get out of the loan business. Make Rialto self-paying. No more general funds!

I have recently started to Attend City Council meetings. It has been an interesting experience.

Very concerned about water quality and sustainability with increase in oil and gas drilling. Needs to be a very strong oversight and limited gas drilling near water table.

I have applied in many places for work and I come to discover that there is too much RACISM in Loveland!

I love Loveland, Colorado. The arts, weather, landscape, wildlife, culture suits me perfectly.

I have lived here for 33 years. Loveland is still a racist community.

I do read the City Update that comes with my utility bill every month. I appreciate the information it contains.

We love living here, with the smaller-town feel, but still able to enjoy the benefits of city shopping.

I was not aware of being able to view City Council meetings on Channel 16 or City's website. I may consider now that I know.

We moved here from Long Beach, Calif., over a year ago and we feel very lucky to have found such a lovely town like Loveland to live in.

I would like a ban on fracking in Loveland and Larimer Country.

New resident. Love it in Loveland!

Loveland is a great place to live. I moved here 40 years ago. I've seen lots of changes, some good some bad, but I would not want to be anywhere else.

I've lived in Loveland for 33 years. Nice town.

I moved back to Loveland 3 times so I feel like this is my home. I'm from Nebraska.

Love living in this town of Loveland, Colorado.

Great place to have lived for 30 years!

Born here.

Love this town! Looking forward to continuing to be a part of the community!

I love living here. Thank you, city people, for making the city wonderful! Thank you for the quality library, recreation, the Feed and Grain and inspiring events like concerts at the fountain amphitheater and Night on the Town.

I keep up on city happenings in the Reporter-Herald.

I have lived all over Colorado for the past 35 years as a home builder. Loveland is my favorite place! Cost of living/quality of life. You're doing a good job.

Newsletter is helpful, but often leaves off phone number to call if there are questions. Website information isn't usually directed to area of subject matter. Still have to search and search.

We're new here. We love this town, though:)

CIty Council are crooks.

I keep up with what is going on in Loveland though the Reporter-Herald newspaper.

We love the recycling and newsletters in with the utility bills.

Just wish this town didn't close up so early at night. Wish businesses stayed open later.

Moved here in 1983. Loved it. Now too big. Like it.

I absolutely LOVE Loveland after 35 years.

I wasn't aware that the City Council meetings were broadcast live.

I depend on the Reporter Herald for Council news. I am astonished that the Council would send a communication to the Governor, endorsing the gun ban. WHY? Necessary? Speak for all of us? I don't recall a similar action in the past 40 years. We are losing business downtown with so many agencies (police, health, etc.) taking their employees elsewhere, along with their shopping. We need a shoe store, etc.

Been here since 1943. Things have sure changed!

Replace the City Council.

We raised our children here over the last 17 years and are thankful for the community. Loveland is a GREAT place to live at any age.

I would like to see government issues submitted to Loveland residents for their response and their input to issues pertaining to Loveland's welfare especially health issues for the elderly, employment/ training for the underemployed and unemployed.

Get most of our news from The Reporter-Herald.

Poor air quality.

I attend city council meetings but usually find them dictatorial and unresponsive to citizen input to the point

of recklessness.

Love living here!

Only certain people have a voice in Loveland government.

The failure of certain members of City Council who continue to ignore the contribution of the arts to the livelihood of Loveland is very disappointing and frustrating.

I am concerned about fracking.

I appreciate the services provided including parks, trails, the Chilson rec center, reliable water, sewer and utilities. It's a nice clean town with a beautiful mountain view. I love living here! Thank You!

Used to watch Council and Planning Commission meetings. Almost drove me crazy. Much talk about nothing with what seemed very little decision or progress. This was 10 years ago. Too many people like the sound of their own voices.

Loveland is a wonderful city!

I know city has no control over the rough RR crossings but I'm tempted to stop and pour a bucket of dirt into the potholes on RR tracks on Garfield. Anything to smooth it out!

Loveland is a beautiful city. Lake Loveland near us is a pleasure to drive by now that it's full again. We have all the services, fast food, restaurants, etc. needed. Our taxes are reasonable, insurance rate good. Thank you.

I do NOT want fracking in the city of Loveland.

Loveland's neighborhoods, parks and thoroughfares are not clean, with weeds along outer sidewalks, snow in wintertime.

Am disappointed that the corn roast has moved back to downtown and am especially disappointed that the Pro-Challenge bike race has been combined with the corn roast. The corn roast has typically and historically been a Loveland affair. Now we have to expect "tens of thousands" of extra people. There goes the hometown feel.

Ban fracking in city limits for the health and benefit of the citizens, i.e. air pollution, heavy traffic etc., noise concerns, safety, dust, etc.

Times change. Loveland doesn't, for the better.

City needs to consider health of citizens a major part of quality of life and ban fracking.

Loveland would be great!

We have attended and viewed meetings in the past in regard to building of our church.

I appreciate all of the hard-working people in Loveland who are keeping our community clean and safe! Kudos to our neighbors for the heightened commitment to recycling also.

Thank you for making Loveland such a great place to live these past 30 years.

Food tax should be eliminated. Also the lodging tax income seems poorly spent. Proceeds could be better used for the community. Voters really had no say on how money would be used, only if it should be collected or not.

Great job.

I'd like to see the fluoride taken out of the water and stop the fracking on any of our private property.

Thank you :)

Just moved here 1 month ago.

I appreciate living in Loveland.

We have just lived here for three months, but we are happy to call Loveland our home. It is a beautiful little city. It seems good for senior citizens!

I am retired.

If I hear anyone complaining, I think they must be natives and haven't ever lived elsewhere.

I would like a community class to learn Spanish.

I didn't know I could watch council meetings on Ch. 16. I think I will start so I can see what they are all about.

I'm so glad we live in Loveland. It's a great little town with lovely public art.

I have served on the Loveland Liquor Board two terms, and the Senior Advisory Board as non-voting alternate. Attended Volunteer Police Academy. Am extremely pleased with Loveland Services. Streets, water, waste, electric, etc! My family has been in Loveland Since 1954. Before that Greeley 1900's.

I will withhold judgment on quality of life until I see how this question on fracking is resolved.

City needs to get out the real estate business and remove food sales tax.

I think Loveland is a great place to live and raise children.

Need to remove food sales tax!!

Have members of city council seek out downtown Loveland business options.

I wouldn't want to be anywhere else. Loveland is great. Good job!

Majority of news is acquired through the Reporter-Herald.

City Council, stay out of the banking and real estate business. Leave it to private businesses! Risking public/tax payer funds!

Loveland is a great place to live!

We love to live in Loveland, have lived here for 39 years. Close to everything. Have been married for 66 years. The best place we ever lived.

Lived in Loveland 23 Years. 77 years old.

I worked in Greeley (UNC) for 12 years and commuted from here. Now I have been retired for 10 years and have continued living here.

Bring back BBQ competition, giant sand sculptures for the entire weekend. Use that to test open containers.

Please don't let the City Council overrule the will and votes of citizens concerning marijuana decriminalization unless you all liquor stores/sales.

Democracies cannot flourish when the public is ill-informed. The fluoride you add to our water will be exposed as criminal activity in the future and, hopefully, those involved will be held to answer. "Harvard study finds fluoride lowers IQ:" Published in federal government journal.

Lived in Loveland 50-plus years.

Approve fracking.

Get information from local newspaper.

We love raising our family of five here in Loveland!

We do not have a computer. We are senior citizens in our 90's and well-pleased with our city. We have lived in Loveland 56 years and in our home 50 years.

Please do not allow our precious Loveland to start fracking.

Stay the hell out of the real estate business, i.e. the farm at I-25 and 402, HP/ACE, etc. Quit having a pissing contest with Johnstown over the I-25 corridor. They don't have a pot to piss in and neither do we!

Enjoy Chilson and the senior center and downtown. Love all the lakes. This is a great place to live.

Try to follow Council meetings in newspaper.

Give maps of the city.

Save money and time! I think it is a waste of time to send out monthly reports with the electric bills. It should be every 3 or 4 months a year.

At various times, we go to City Council meetings when items of interest to us are on the agenda. We are artists and in the creative sector of the city of Loveland.

I read the City Council letter every month, and I appreciate it. My husband and I do not want to be living anywhere else! We are very happy with the whole 'aura' of Loveland. Thank you all!;)

We read Loveland Reporter-Herald daily for detailed city news and communicate personally with local residents. Have watched Loveland grow from 19,500 to 60,000-plus and feel comfortable here.

We have to pay for City Council to develop our quality of life.

The operation of the auto licensing is absolutely stupid! Some people have to wait for hours while others get in and out in minutes!

No opinion about fire/rescue services, because we don't see them.

The City Council is never going to please everyone.

I am semi-retired but work a day a week.

Keep up the good work, Loveland is a great city and let's keep it that way! Let's keep Loveland clean. I see way too much litter and trash in our streets and around dumpsters.

I live downtown.

I'm 79 years old. No computer. Native of Colorado.

We are retired librarians.

You are doing good work. Good job, new library!

Summary in newspaper would be helpful.

City Council lives in the community. Please don't frack!

Work in home-office. Own business.

I live due east of Madison Avenue.

My dad was deputy sheriff here in the 1950s.

I have not tried to participate in Loveland government.

Community desire is not all desire.

Continue to use utility billing to inform about city activities.

I love Loveland!

Retired from 20 years as a field engineer for the City of Loveland.

<u>City Services/Utilities/Customer Service/Facilities</u>:

The Loveland Public Library is gorgeous due to its remodeling. It is commendable to have RFID & AMH. The weak area is in the dated collection of material. Much work needs to be done to weed out older outdated materials and to have newer materials – books, references, DVDs, etc. We use the Poudre libraries much more frequently.

It is unfair that people living in 4-plexes have to pay more for trash. We don't get to choose the size of trash can, but we have to share one recycling can. That encourages more generation of trash which is against our tenants' beliefs. Change ASAP.

We really like the recycle center!

I am greatly upset by the decision the Council made to close our fire station on Taft. Don't do it. The new station is too far away from the high school and nursing home.

Moved down from Fort Collins a couple of years ago. Loveland had been a great change. Especially the library. Considering the size of Loveland, the library services are the best we've been around. Not even close.

Library services for the homebound are splendid. Ditto for services and staff at the Chilson center.

I enjoy the city news that is included in my billing.

Thanks for no longer sending the Energy report comparing household to household. A big waste of money on paper, ink, mailing, etc.

If utility bills are auto-pay from bank accounts why are envelopes always included? Waste of paper!!

Let me know now when our water could be contaminated, not two months later when, yes, we were all sick.

Got sick from that "little glitch" a couple of months ago, pertaining to the drinking water, and didn't know until the city sent a letter a month later!

Could grocery stores have places to put glass so I don't have to take it to 1st and Wilson?

City TV and email is a waste. Regular residents do not use. Only city employees.

Mosquitoes are VERY bad this year. Please spray more!

What was with the fireworks? Won't be attending again!

We have lived in Loveland for 30 years. The bigger we get the worse the services become.

Still concerned with untreated water in March.

Recycling of glass: I feel too many just put the glass in the blue recycle bin. I don't mind taking the glass to the yellow bins, but too many are too lazy.

Cannot stand our water. It is always cloudy and smells. Was very upset to see two months after the fact the water could have made me and my family sick. Need faster response than that!

I wish library hours would be extended. It closes too early on Fridays, opens too late mornings. Don't like shortened summer hours.

Our water pressure is too low to properly operate our yard sprinklers.

The mosquito tracking traps are apparently not close to my neighborhood. The mosquitoes are flourishing.

Shame on Loveland for its waterworks- not telling the public of potential contamination. I will not drink water here again. What a disgrace!!!

I have noticed metallic taste in the tap water recently (2months), and have spurts of power outages in our area.

A second recreation center/library on the west side of town would be nice.

Recycling should be weekly.

Loveland's recycling center is and has always been excellent.

I agree with most of our services but I think there is room for improvement in the contracted tree trimmings. I have seen trees getting trimmed and a year or so later the same tree or one right next to it is trimmed again.

Enforce no sleeping/eating in the library.

City should offer a once a year week where folks can put out large objects for garbage pickup. It would be a contest for citizens.

Need more room for seniors at Chilson.

Drinking water has too much chlorine in it.

One of the best things Loveland has done is the recycle area off of Wilson. Hope they never close it.

Appreciate the free recycle center.

Need computer classes for newbies and elderly.

Chilson was just expanded but stills feel crowded.

Would you please stop sending out the silly energy-use graphs? Waste of taxpayer money and paper.

I sometimes have too much recycling.

No TV at home, no internet or newspaper so I rely on library for all news.

Sometimes I feel out of loop as far as news for the city (no TV coverage).

I use the online BillPay website to pay the monthly utility bill.

The monthly statements you send out on electricity usage are not just unhelpful, I find them to be a not-so-veiled threat, i.e., cut usage or lose it. Stop with this kind of Big Brother watching the citizens!

Please ban fireworks always.

Tried to pay utility bill online but cannot get it to work. It just says "loading" continually!

The fireworks on the 4th of July were not good at all this year.

The library is fantastic!

Library: Need more hours, especially Sunday in summer.

I notice that my apartment does not recycle, according to the notices I get and follow. They need to be more obvious. Signs are faded/nonexistent.

I would like our water to be fluoride-free.

The home comparisons of electric use are not accurate according to house size. Will NOT change behaviors, and is a waste of time and postage on your part.

I read reports in the paper. Want Sunday library hours.

Recycle Center should charge a \$1 fee for uncovered loads, with a sign at entrance: Please cover loads. I

know it's just a suggestion, but if you'd charge \$1, look at the money Loveland would make and Loveland wouldn't have to have city people clean Wilson after uncovered loads. I don't have a problem covering loads.

Fireworks by lake on 4th of July should block off highway and Taft an hour or so before and during fireworks! Some drivers (pedestrians) are careless-- could be an accident. We block off roads for bike races - why not once a year for fireworks?

The monthly "energy reports" that the city sends out are a HUGE waste of taxpayer money. I use light and appliances as needed then shut them off. An efficiency rating by the city will NOT change how I use my power.

Please sponsor a yearly large item trash pick-up. Need more support for art in public places. Please sponsor an open-container night event like Greeley. Good for community-building.

Pick up recycling weekly. Start yard-waste pickup earlier.

The library needs longer book check out times.

We need better ways to recycle glass.

Loveland's neighborhoods have a lot of litter.

I think the newsletters in my bill and letters comparing my energy usage are a waste of money and resources. I don't want them!

Recycling is expensive and wasteful.

My apartment complex has no recycling.

I have no opinion about city services.

There could be more places to sit (benches) for disabled seniors.

Code Compliance/Enforcement:

There are many, many houses with weeds for lawns and some with lots of trash.

I would like to see better enforcement of existing city ordinances, such as noise control, cleanup of alleys, etc.

Graffiti: Repeated reports to city departments and police by homeowners. No results, therefore ineffective. Owners DON'T have to clean it up!

My only complaint is neighbors that turn their properties into junk yards.

I'm concerned about graffiti and trash downtown and along Big Thompson.

Why doesn't the city take care of the east side of Wilson between 22nd and 29th? There is trash between 29th and backyard fences, dead trees, Russian olives with dead limbs hanging over the street.

My neighborhood is clean except for the trash, old furniture, old Christmas trees, branches, etc., plus lawn trees that have not been watered for three years. It is a mess. Not sure the steps to follow to correct this.

I don't like the notices residents receive regarding items in yard and driveway (e.g. flrewood and trailer). \$1,000 fine and jail? Could be mere suggestion.

Clean up the graffiti as it is painted to reduce gang influence.

People need to clean up after their dogs on bike trail, dog parks, etc.

Fine irresponsible dog owners.

Why can't we be like Greeley and control or ban the parking of cars, RVs, trailers, campers in people's yards?

It makes our neighborhoods look so trashy.

People need to keep their dogs out of the stores. Only service dogs should be allowed there. I don't like to go into places that allow dogs. Only to an animal clinic. Clean up after pets.

Loveland is a great place to live. I would like to see obvious "junky houses and yards" required to be cleaned up, especially in old town area.

Computer/Website/Channel 16 TV:

City website not user-friendly. Difficult navigation.

On website one time per year or less.

You should use DirecTV for your meetings also, so people could see your meetings.

It would be great if able to watch City Council meetings on DirecTV. Everyone does not have a computer and Comcast.

I have no Internet.

I don't have cable, and wasn't aware city council meeting are recorded.

Didn't know we could watch council meetings. Can they be watched on the Internet, too?

I am from Pennsylvania and moved out to Colorado with my son and his family. I do not have a computer. My son does all my bills on his.

We cannot get Channel 16, but will start to watch on the website.

Do not have cable.

No computer. Cannot afford.

Don't have Internet!

I enjoyed checking out the city of loveland.org today and found lots of information. I will visit the website of Loveland more often now. I love living in Loveland, 'Our Sweetheart City.'

I wish I could watch City Council. I have DirecTV.

No TV!

Need to be able to watch meetings on the web.

No computer.

City council meetings are not broadcasted, cable is paid.

Sorry I have not watched live meetings. Do not have channel 16.

No computer.

I can watch council meetings now. I now have a newer TV, faster, better Internet, and speakers.

I do not have Comcast!!! To pricey!! Put Loveland business on direct or other satellite TV.

I would like to still be informed about the issues that are being voted on, even though our family chooses not to pay for TV channels.

I wasn't aware that City Council meetings were available on the city's website.

I have DirecTV.

Didn't know the availability of viewing recorded City council meetings through the City's website.

We need better Internet options in our neighborhood west of Lake Loveland!

Need live feed to desktop computers.

Our family does not have TV access which explains question 8.

Our use of city website is mostly for library access.

Have DirecTV. Dislike Comcast monopoly with city.

Retired. Internet usage: 4-5 times per week.

No cable Comcast!

In the past I had Comcast TV service and watched all city council meetings. Other TV providers do not broadcast these meetings.

Just moved here. Have used the website several times to get phone numbers, learn about trash pick-up, etc. As for the rest, have not lived here long enough to give any useful input. Maybe next year.

If minutes on "topics" were made available online on the city's website, I might read that which applies to me, or what I'm interested in hearing and learning about.

It's logical they (the council meetings) are broadcast, but I have never viewed them.

Please provide City-sponsored Internet service at reasonable prices. Comcast is a rip off.

I only use the internet one time per week.

I have DirecTV.

If you could make your website a little more modern and user-friendly that would be great.

Cable is expensive and you should not assume that we all have it. As a regulated utility I think you (City) should have more oversight/control of rates. Don't assume we can participate via cable.

Downtown Redevelopment:

Downtown development and additional parking should both occur.

Downtown Loveland needs some quality retail and attractions. Has a lot of potential but needs work.

Downtown could be SO much nicer! It's trashy looking and embarrassing when we have out-of-town visitors. Also there's too much 'punk' art all over the city-- not at all classy or appealing. It looks like it belongs in the 60s NOT now.

The city WASTES money on certain useless properties. Why pay anyone to paint an electrical box? They should do it for fun or not at all. Parking is a joke downtown and what's with giving out so many parking tickets? Easy money???

Continue to work on improving downtown. Thanks for the hard work!

Very poor shopping in Loveland, if any.

I have lived in Loveland all my life and it is a beautiful town, but downtown is a disappointment. It doesn't have an old town feeling anymore and it looks run down, especially Fourth Street. It has a lot of art shops but it needs some nice shops to attract shoppers downtown (like Ft. Collins for example).

Is someone ever going to figure out and get parking downtown so business will stay? Come on people!

Really would love Downtown Loveland, Fourth Street, to be like Old Town Fort Collins (closed off to traffic).

It would enhance quality of life and the ability to go to restaurants and businesses!

The downtown area is missing the boat on gentrification. The area really needs an enema! The demand for evening activities is there. Where's the supply?

The downtown area is an eyesore and very uninviting. I realize the city is trying to renovate the area, but it can't happen soon enough!

Downtown Loveland seems abandoned. We need a progressive plan to revitalize the downtown area.

Will downtown Loveland go on being dull and lackluster? Some downtown businesses continue to struggle.

The city needs to concentrate more on making services close to downtown for citizens' convenience instead of putting everything east near highway.

Please get us more downtown parking. Lincoln Place parking garage isn't for public use and also residents there use street parking, too. What will parking be like when the new apartment building is finished? And then, when the museum expands, things will be worse again. We won't shop or go downtown if we can't find parking.

I would never recommend living downtown. Out-of-control dog barking, speeding vehicles, etc.

More parking downtown, not parks for so called art, like at the cleaners that the City cleaned up.

Fix downtown.

Please make the renewal of 4th Street a priority. New businesses must be enticed to fill our many vacant store fronts. There should be a plan to convince the owners to keep the lease prices down to recruit businesses.

This City is too busy pouring money into dead-end downtown projects and arts projects.

The City should actively market the downtown businesses.

Loveland needs a downtown parking garage. Really!

Need to improve downtown.

Downtown needs help attracting shopping opportunities our community desires.

Growth/Development/Housing:

I would like Whole Foods in Loveland.

The City Council needs to get out of the Real Estate market and stop wasting taxpayer money on property speculation such as the HP site.

Quit letting Loveland grow so big. It's already too many people.

Centerra is taking money from Loveland to Greeley.

Council approves appropriate developments then later approves inappropriate changes as requested by the developer.

Don't forget the area west of 287 exists. Not everything belongs way out at Centerra! I think the McWhinneys are rich enough, thanks to your VERY generous help. You're supposed to represent everyone, NOT JUST the McWhinneys.

A lovelier and more attractive downtown – like Boulder's – would be desirable.

Health food store desired.

"Historic" Downtown Loveland could be a nice destination, but as you're well aware, it isn't. Even Greeley of all places has a better downtown! We have some nice restaurants, but only 2 shops! That 5- story apt. complex you're planning on building isn't going to attract the people you want it to without some good retail. You need to fire your city planner. Retail doesn't follow rooftops. Anyone with any sense knows it's the other way around. Perhaps you should rename Loveland "Pottersville" or better yet "Morgantown" or "McWhinnyville."

37th Street was to be a through street but when [name withheld] decided to build a house along there, then it was blocked off. One developer made four quality roads. Affordable housing was to be included in developing, but was later removed from the plans.

Outlets at Loveland looks like a ghost town. Development without tax incentives? Being on I-25, it sort of represents what travelers may think Loveland "is."

We would like to have a Sprouts.

I would like to see a health foods store come to Loveland. The old Albertson's location would be perfect. More business needs to be attracted to inner Loveland rather than out at Centerra.

We need a health grocery store.

Need more downtown business and less focus on outside.

I would love to see an art and/or culinary arts school downtown. If it counted as college credit it may bring a younger crowd to the downtown area. Why wouldn't they want to come learn from the best?

City Council seems to be on a growth agenda that is NOT needed. The small community is what Americans now want.

I feel the city of Loveland is anti-business.

A Country Buffet type restaurant for north Loveland.

JC Penney and Sears would be nice. Black-Eyed Pea would be great. Seniors miss them. Less pizza places. We do not drive to Ft. Collins that much.

Stop buying real estate. Why build new fire station on Wilson and 29th when there is one on Taft and 29th and one on south Wilson? What do you plan to do with the old one?

No movie theater in town.

We do not have the water supply to meet any new developments. If you want a big city, charge more money for electric, water and waste management. Stop giving money back to people who come here for a handout.

Next take that HP 300-plus acres and turn it into a botanic garden like Chicago so people will stop here and not even go to Estes Park! Check those places out you'll see what I mean. If you build it they will come!

We need a health food store like Whole Foods, Sprouts, etc. Currently travel to Fort Collins.

Rent is way too much!!

Loveland is not attracting shopping opportunities our community desires downtown.

I don't want all the stores by I-25 and Eisenhower. More small shops downtown are needed.

Rents are too high.

The city needs to get out of the real-estate business!

Loveland is not attracting the shopping opportunities our community desires downtown.

From businesses to visit with the City makes bringing a new business into town very difficult. This should be changed.

The cost of rent for my adult kids is very unreasonable.

Rental property should have some minimum maintenance requirements! Out-of-state owners let rentals decline!

Need a better sports complex, more services and tellers for the city services; i.e. Clerk and Recorders Office and DMV, average two-plus hours wait. Concert Hall?

Limitations on private land use are NORMAL!

Would be nice to have more shops on the west side of town and a movie theater.

Reduce building permit costs on businesses.

We'd love to have a Sprouts (perhaps where the abandoned Albertson's building is currently located?) and we love the city of Loveland.

We need a Sprouts grocery store.

Infrastructure /Streets/Traffic:

I love the CFI. It's fun to drive and moves traffic.

Some streets are in good repair, others need some improvement.

Intersection at Highway 34 and Madison is a disaster waiting to happen.

I feel Loveland is a great city where the City of Loveland works hard to fulfill the needs of All people!! But there are two areas where it needs to be looked at to find solutions. Traffic is the worst problem and potholes are the second problem.

Dislike the roundabouts.

Keeping storm drains clear. Work especially on 1st St, Lincoln and Cleveland. From the rains a couple of weeks ago there is still a lot of debris in the drains and dirt on the sidewalk from the storm created a lot of flooding that the system was not prepared to handle.

Sidewalks are terrible.

No more roundabouts!!!

I do not like Intersection of Madison and Hwy 34. Dumbest thing I ever saw. No one knows how to use it. Been in many close calls since it was changed. When I get hurt there I will be blaming the city.

Retaining wall on 37th Street has been messed up for six months. Looks bad.

Highway 34 and Madison CFI: Horrible decision.

Street surfaces are not always drivable and safe.

Boxelder has NO street lights. Neighborhood is very dark. Our car has been broken into along with our neighbor's.

The intersection at Madison and Highway 34 is terrible and a real waste of taxpayers' money. I don't want another like it in town. Everyone I know avoids it.

Why did the city install a complex signal system at the intersection of Highway 34 (Eisenhower Blvd) and Madison Avenue? I don't believe it was money well spent.

Some traffic lights are very long.

East Eisenhower and downtown Loveland are very hard to drive through in a reasonable time, safely.

Traffic lights outside of downtown are not timed and are constantly stopping traffic. I left Ft. Collins because of that reason.

Wished the lights on Hwy 34 East to West, and vise-versa, were synchronized!

Hope railroad tracks will be fixed soon.

Loveland needs to improve East/West streets- for example- 402 and 59th to take traffic off of HWY 34! Before they lose out again like they did on 37th St.!! (There are squeaky wheels every place!)

Travel in Loveland: Too much traffic!!! Ugh!!!

I have a few thoughts about the CFI intersection at Highway 34 and Madison. 1) As a driver, it is the most dangerous, confusing intersection that I've ever seen. 2) As a pedestrian, it is even worse! It is my belief that pedestrian consideration was added as an afterthought: to move from south to north, I must cross 4 lanes of traffic, all moving at high speeds. I am an active runner and I walk my dog daily, and each time I enter this intersection, I feel that my life is at risk, and I have now adjusted my routines so that I never have to enter this intersection-and jeopardize my life!- as a pedestrian. My sincerest desire is that no more of these confusing, dangerous, awkward intersections are built in the city that I love: even one is too many! So here is my challenge to the Mayor and to the City Council: I challenge you to move through this intersection as pedestrians, to cross Madison, then to cross Highway 34; I am confident that it will only take once to see my point of view!

287 going north to Ft. Collins is in bad shape. Hard to see traffic on Taft and 8th.

King Soopers parking lot (29th) bad.

City-managed barriers/sidewalks on 37th Street need clean-up!

Huge pot hole on rail road track south bound on Garfield in between 29th and Eisenhower. Pretty treacherous. If that could be fixed, please.

Street surfaces drivable and safe. Agree for the most part, except for train tracks.

The intersection of Madison and Highway 34 is dangerous and confusing for drivers and pedestrians.

Downtown 287 and Eisenhower and 402 are nearly empty and ugly.

Please fix the pond that forms in the alley behind DMA apartments on 10th Street every time it rains or snows.

The City Council and traffic department need to listen to the people and stop making stupid intersections like the ridiculous roundabout on Garfield. I work in Europe where roundabouts are common-- they would never do it like this one!

Need bigger bike lanes.

Most of our neighborhood was recently chip-sealed. Our street needs it, but was skipped. Good-sized cracks and traffic.

The intersection at 34 and Madison is a total wreck. It is both inconvenient and unsafe.

Holes on corners of streets.

When is Taft Ave between 8th and US 34 going to be widened? It was to be done years ago!

A crosswalk across 34 from the Dwayne Webster Park and the walking along Lake Loveland would probably get a ton of use if it was there.

U.S. 34 and Madison: The most annoying intersection in town.

Suggestion: close Taft by Lake Loveland (on the west side) ideally make into a park... at least on July 4th!"

Loveland is awesome but traffic is becoming cumbersome.

Quit it with the roundabouts. Americans do not know how to use them and they keep popping up in low traffic areas. Useless!

The downtown sidewalks are atrocious – buckling, cracking, disjointed. Safer to walk in the street.

The traffic lights on 287 don't seem to be timed in order to keep traffic moving.

The traffic in Loveland and surrounding areas has become undesirable.

The intersection of Highway 34 and Madison is a joke. All that was needed was a yield lane. Please re-do it.

I spend more time sitting at stop lights than driving. We need more through streets to reduce traffic on those two streets.

Sidewalks are awful.

School zone speed limit periods could be reduced.

It is a crime that the city does not have crosswalks with flashing lights on Fourth Street at Adams and Pierce. There are several hundred children who cross there and people drive much to fast on Fourth Street.

The intersection at 34 and Madison remains poorly designed and ridiculous.

I have a daughter with special needs and often see cars parked in handicap spaces with no plate or placard, especially at the schools. Is there any way to better enforce handicap parking?

Loveland is a great place to live! But someone needs to do more research on traffic flow. Highway 34 is almost impossible to travel certain times of the day. There are some intersections with inability to see oncoming traffic because of parking. For example, 16th Street at Cleveland and Lincoln.

On 47th St. and 47th Place area, the storm drainage really sucks. The streets routinely flood after 1/4" of rain on a regular basis.

Don't ever do another intersection like Madison and Eisenhower. BAD decision.

More focus needed on the many potholes and rough railroad track crossings. The city council members need to take a drive over the railroad tracks on Garfield (2200 block). The roundabout by Truscott school on Garfield is a waste of taxpayer money.

Some street surfaces need work.

I never drive the intersection of 34 and Madison, an accident ready to happen. A man had to think that mess up. No woman would do such a poor job. They say accidents are 30 percent less. It's because 30 percent fewer people use it.

The man-made potholes in our streets without the rims around them are bad news. The smell from sewer system is awful.

Need more control on traffic offenders. It is not safe during the time people commute to and from work on 287 & 34, 287 & 29th.

East U.S. 34 is a mess.

Too many dangerous intersections, one being 25th and 287 (by Egg & I) because Egg & I parking blocks view from north. Merge lane is needed on 287 from 25th when turning north.

There is too much traffic on Hwy 34, and it's very dangerous. I have seen numerous accidents, especially out by the interstate.

There are pot-holes in the street surfaces.

Parking at the Library sometimes is a challenge!

The lack of downtown parking is becoming a huge issue!!!

Streets need to be maintained better and traffic needs to flow better.

You need to do something about widening streets so more north-south and east-west have four lanes.

Water runoff is not being controlled and is creating dirty collections.

I moved close to downtown for walkability, but some of the sidewalks in residential areas are leg-breakers. Rail crossing at First street needs widening.

The last major storm demonstrated areas where water run-off was not adequate.

RR crossing on 10th between Garfield & Cleveland is unsafe. I know it's BNSF that keeps delaying repairs but wish the city could put the pressure on to do something!

Jobs:

Need better jobs in town. Attract quality, higher-paying companies.

Need better-paying full-time employment available. No more retail is needed.

What is the city of Loveland doing to bring jobs to Loveland!!?? Bring high paying jobs. Retail jobs do not pay the bills nor the high cost of living.

How do you expect people to spend money on shopping if they have no job!

Need jobs, high-paying.

Need jobs, need jobs, need jobs!!!

I feel that we need more jobs in Loveland and that the rents should be less to attract more nice families to Loveland.

We need more high-tech jobs!

Loveland is only attracting service jobs.

While living here the past 11 years I have seen this city fail to bring in new jobs. ACE was a disaster at best. Money is spent POORLY!! We moved here from Fort Collins. When we sell our house, we'll be moving back.

Loveland jobs are \$10-an-hour and hard to come by.

Jobs are focused with low-paying services.

Nearest places to work: Fort Collins, Longmont.

Very limited opportunities to work in government offices for Hispanics, except in social services area! Take the drivers license department as an example. There was never, since I've lived here and can recall, a Hispanic employed there!!

Loveland needs more jobs and businesses to offer jobs.

Employers offer benefits such as poor wages.

Police & Fire Services/Safety:

It is time to enforce noise levels for motorcycles. Hard-to-catch is not an available excuse! Why do they get to thumb their noses at the law? Please take some action now!

Very seldom see police. Speeds on Wilson south of 29th are 40-plus. We need more officers on duty. The ones we do have are great!

The police seem to overlook the obvious drug problems to focus on petty offenders.

We live near a school ad rarely are police officers present when school is beginning or ending. The traffic, the kids cutting through cars, etc., is an accident waiting to happen.

Incident in area where rescue was needed for people in water: Took too long, from my observation and that of other observers, to get rescue craft fully inflated, then motor would not start. Took much too long for rescue, since victims were in serious trouble.

Keep improving ways to counter drugs and gangs.

I used to feel safe with my kids, but because of all of the near-kidnappings and robberies, I'm not as comfortable.

Drug sales and gangs and tagging seem to be down.

Fire and rescue and police can always be improved.

The police are @\$\$****\$ and need to be more human.

Drug use and homeless near and east of downtown Safeway.

I like the city. Please keep the gangs out of the city. Also, get more police to fight the drug problems.

Police are to protect and serve, not persecute.

Police should pay more attention to motorcycles with non-stock exhaust than profiling younger drivers.

We had a peeping tom violate our privacy. Cops arrived immediately, and the city installed streetlights on our dark neighborhood. No problems since. Thanks, Loveland!

The police in Loveland could be less rude.

Need more on-duty officers.

In regards to safety, thank you to Larimer County and City of Loveland for supporting concealed handgun carriers. I am a mother of two and appreciate that I can protect myself and my family, if needed, in Loveland.

Could the police department do more to enforce traffic laws? Especially SPEEDING!?

We feel safe in our community from everyone but the police.

Loveland police seem to do a very good job. We greatly appreciate the home check service as we travel a lot and spend extended times away.

Larimer County, Fort Collins, and Loveland spend too much money on police. This isn't L.A. Thirteen brandnew police cars during a \$3 million budget deficit? Ridiculous! They should make do with what they have like

everybody else.

Recreation/Arts & Culture:

I am very excited for the future development of the Feed and Grain and that it is going to be an arts center! YAY!!!

I wish I knew better how to find out about town activities, e.g. parades, park events, etc.

Need more choices for adaptive recreation for our special needs citizens.

More bike paths/hiking trails please!

Finish the bike trail between 287 and 57th St. Consider adding a better local water park w/slides for families.

The recreation trail needs to be completed on the west side of town. Two areas that come to mind is 57th St between 287 and Taft and south of 34 where the west tunnel ends.

We need more activities for teens and young adults that don't cost money.

I would like to see less money spent on baseball fields that sit empty most of the year and more effort to improve and finish the bike and pedestrian trail system that gets used 365 days a year.

We need more community meeting rooms.

Handicap parking is a big problem if you want to enjoy activities downtown or in the park.

Loveland seems to have a "zero-tolerance policy" toward dogs – even those that mind their owners – that we find irritating.

I am very excited for the new park with disc golf course. Speed that up as soon as possible!

Too many opportunities to enjoy the arts.

Need more to do on Fourth of July, e.g. cook-offs, fun park events, carnivals, fishing contest.

Parks are nice but Barnes Park needs doors in the restrooms stalls.

We have a family membership at Chilson but feel the cost is excessive when compared to other gyms in town. We will most likely be changing gyms when our year runs out.

Need more bathrooms in small parks.

Enjoy the arts. That's why we moved here!

What's with wasting time and money on an ugly park at the northwest corner Lincoln and Third? Should be for PARKING!

Farmers market on Sundays at Fairgrounds Park not good. Save this area for family picnics.

Would like more senior activities.

Loveland needs better kids sports: First Tee, girls softball, volleyball, and advance notice so parents can plan.

Need more variety in opportunities to gather as a community.

I feel there are not enough things for seniors and kids in this city. Don't like that all the restaurant and movie theater and other things seniors would like to go is all out east with too much congestion and traffic.

Teens and young adults need more inexpensive activities.

Access to fishing areas need to have senior driving access.

There is nothing in northwest part of town for seniors that do not like to drive. Everything is at Chilson center across town.

Wish the bike trails would connect west of Wilson going north. City did not handle negotiations well with the homeowner.

More parades!

Older youth activities are lacking.

Need a new skate park!:)

Keep hoping west side recreation trail will be completed soon. Looking forward to addition of Mahaffey Park!

Too many opportunities to enjoy the arts.

I like the art work on the city boxes.

Open Lake Loveland to the public.

Youth activities too much money for many.

Parks and trails are not easily or safely accessible.

Our family participates in many of the city's cultural events.

Stop spending money on painting utility boxes and spend that money on something useful to the citizens, like benches with canopies at bus stops, to make the bus system more usable for the disabled citizens.

We are still disappointed in the bike trails that don't connect and having to cross busy streets to continue on the bike trail.

Another rec center at the north end of town would be nice.

Build a real skate park by the fairgrounds. I have built some of the Fort Collins skate parks. I offer free consulting.

Ask an old dude about services for senior citizens.

Enough, already, with the arts!

Ask a kid if the city provides quality youth activities.

Don't know about youth activities.

I use the running/bike path by the river, plus I look forward to the new park! Thanks. More pea gravel along sides of concrete paths please.

Fairgrounds Park is our favorite park.

Transportation:

I hope that the bus service can grow.

I do want fast train service to go to Denver.

The "FLEX' bus is one of the best things that has happened in Loveland since we moved here.

I'm handicapped and legally blind. I walk to grocery store at times, but don't trust the crossing walk as drivers don't pay attention to nothing but other cars when they turn right on red. Almost got hit three times. Can't

walk anymore. Don't trust drivers. Have to ask someone for a ride around.

Need more frequent bus service!

No bus services to outlying businesses like Orthopedic & Spine Center of the Rockies and doctor offices! People with disabilities are being shortchanged.

C.O.L.T. is a huge waste of tax payer funds. Cost per passenger mile is astronomical. Pollution per passenger mile is astronomical. What a waste. Socialism at its best.

Alternative transportation needs repair.

Bus schedule should be posted on the bus stops.

We could use bus services running longer into the evening hours.

We need bus service to Derby Hill.

Future Hwy 287 public transportation link to Denver. THANK YOU!!!

Need a loop trolley or bus from I-25 to downtown.

Stop providing bus service. Buses are almost always empty. It's a waste of taxpayers' money! Provide free taxis to the few who really can't drive, instead.

End Comments