

**Subject:** Strong Recommendation for Fiaz Mir – City Council Candidate  
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**From:** Keil Larsen  
**To:** Matthew McLean

Dear Members of the Lake Forest Park City Council,

I'm writing in strong support of Fiaz Mir for the interim City Council Position #2.

Although we are both long term residents of Lake Forest Park, I actually first met Fiaz in Iceland this past fall. My wife and I were connecting through Reykjavík, when our flight was canceled. The airline put all of the passengers on a bus to take us to a hotel. Unfortunately, the airline did not communicate very well and unbeknownst to us, they took us nearly 3 hours north to the middle of nowhere during the night.

I initially became aware of Fiaz when I observed him taking the initiative that evening on the bus to act as a liaison between the bus driver and the other passengers. He helped to facilitate communication and provide updates on our situation to the others on the bus.

Many of our fellow passengers became frustrated or nervous with the situation and lack of information, but Fiaz maintained his composure and broadcast confidence, which naturally caused several other passengers to look to him for guidance. Within the group of unknown passengers, Fiaz took a leadership role for several people who were traveling by themselves. Fiaz provided them support and organized their lodging so that they all had a bed to sleep in that evening. He clearly cared for their wellbeing and gave them comfort.

The next day on our ride back to the airport, Fiaz's strong charisma was evident as he engaged many of us on the bus to share our thoughts on the situation and share some laughs. During these subsequent interactions was when we discovered that we both lived in LFP and had several mutual acquaintances. We exchanged contact information and I have been lucky enough to have several additional interactions with Fiaz.

During the time we have known each other, I've come to recognize Fiaz's thoughtfulness, leadership, honesty, affability and good nature. He clearly cares about his family, friends and the community.

From what I know, Fiaz has lived in Lake Forest Park for 8 years. His children attend LFP Elementary and he is active in a local pickleball league. His professional background includes over 10 years in city and regional planning, with roles in local government. He has also consulted for large agencies such as Los Angeles Metro and the State of California. He also has experience with large tech companies, including

Amazon, in leadership roles.

Since our first encounter, I have been impressed with Fiaz and based on my personal experience of his demonstrated problem solving and leadership skills, I believe that he would be an excellent member of our City Council.

I would be happy to provide further character references if you would like and can be available for a follow-up conversation should you desire.

Sincerely,

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