

## Gerry Horak

Gerry Horak was elected to the Fort Collins City Council April 5, 2011 to represent the citizens of District 6 (northwest Fort Collins). Since moving to Fort Collins thirty-six years ago, Gerry has resided in the northwest district. He was elected four times to represent the citizens of northwest Fort Collins and served on the city council from 1981-1994. Gerry provided leadership in open, responsive, accountable and fiscally responsible government. He was instrumental in changing the City's position from opposition to support of the Wild and Scenic Designation of the Cache La Poudre River as well as the establishment of the Natural Areas Program and the expansion of trails and open spaces.

Gerry currently serves on the National League of Cities Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Steering and Policy Committees. He also represents the City Council on the Platte River Power Authority, Poudre Fire Authority and the Larimer County Open Lands Advisory Board.

Gerry brings 37 years of business experience building successful enterprises. Currently, Gerry provides business development and management services to science and technology companies.

Gerry has degrees in economics and geography (BS Towson State University), resource economics (MA Johns Hopkins University), and a Ph.D. in wildlife biology from Colorado State University. He and his wife, Connie, have five grown children and five grandchildren. Gerry enjoys riding his bike along the Fort Collins trail system especially the Poudre Trail and volunteering at his church's food bank.

Gerry plans to keep Fort Collins and Northern Colorado a place where folks want to live, work, recreate and raise their children and grandchildren.