

CUPE LOCAL 1004 - 2026 ELECTIONS CANDIDATE FOR RECORDING SECRETARY

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I'm an Operations Worker II from the City of Vancouver Engineering Streets Branch. When I'm not building, repairing or shoveling snow from sidewalks and roadways I am serving members as the lead shop steward in the Streets department. I have been stewarding for the past 5 years, attending most union meetings, and also briefly served on the 1004 executive as Streets Unit Chair but we were put under administration basically the same time I was elected.

I'm running for Recording Secretary because I believe it's a very important position and we need as many experienced members as possible, especially heading into contract negotiations this year.

I care about the following:

1. Negotiating higher wages and better contract language for all members at the bargaining table. Our wage increases over the past few decades HAVE NOT kept up with inflation/cost of living.
2. Workplace Safety - We have had too many workplace accidents and near misses, particularly at the COV where members have lost their lives in recent years to preventable accidents.
3. Fairness and protecting seniority. Time after time the employer has been trying to erode fairness and seniority within our Union and we must make fighting against this a priority.

