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Adam Stern was elected to the Livingston City Commission in November 2011, on a “rational governance” platform. “My philosophy is pretty simple: if there is a problem, we can solve it together using facts and common sense. ‘Rational governance’ means using the latest data with an intimate knowledge of our local government to guide decision making. The facts are out there and they require objective treatment to lead the city in a responsible and efficient direction.”

Stern currently sits on the City's Planning Board, Tree Board, and 911-Communications Advisory Committee. As a commissioner on the Urban Renewal Agency during 2009-2011 he developed long-term infrastructure improvement plans, implemented a downtown Street Arts Program, and installed trees and street furniture in downtown. “These programs are tangible efforts at economic development,” said Stern. “They were designed to funnel funds off I-90 into our businesses, increase revenues into our community, and enhance the downtown district for local shoppers and tourists alike.”

Stern, 39, is the father of four young children, self-employed as a consultant, and graduated from MSU in 2001 with a doctorate in physics. He coaches his children in soccer, baseball, basketball, and football. In 2009 as the founding president of the Livingston Ice Skating Association, he helped build Livingston's first ice hockey rink. His wife practices family medicine at Community Health Partners in downtown Livingston.