

**CITY OF NORTHGLENN
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
February 10, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Leighty called a regular meeting of the Northglenn City Council to order on Monday, February 10, 2020 at 7:07 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 11701 Community Center Drive, Northglenn.

ROLL CALL

Present were: Mayor Leighty, Mayor Pro Tem Willford, Council members Witkovich, Peterson, Downing, Goff, Duran Mullica, and Esquibel.

ABSENT

Council member Brown.

STAFF PRESENT

City Manager Geyer, City Attorney Hoffmann, and City Clerk Small.

**PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

**RESPONSE TO
RESIDENT INQUIRY:**

Kiwanis Pool Update

City Manager Geyer provided an update on the Kiwanis Bath House and Splash Pad Project.

CRM System Usage

City Manager Geyer provided information on the citizen relationship management (CRM) system for January 2020. City Manager Geyer stated that the new Assistant to the City Manager will begin providing a visual presentation of the CRM usage statistics once she is on board.

**AGENDA ADDITIONS
AND DELETIONS:**

Mayor Leighty announced the proclamation honoring the 100th Anniversary of the League of Women Voters was moved to February 24, 2020.

INTERVIEW:

Brian Waselko

Mr. Brian Waselko came forward to be interviewed for a position on the Citizens' Affairs Board (CAB). Mr. Waselko provided information about his background and interest in serving on the CAB.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Black History Month

Mayor Leighty read the proclamation honoring February 2020 as Black History Month in the City of Northglenn.

American Heart Month

Mayor Leighty read the proclamation proclaiming February 2020 as American Heart Month in the City of Northglenn and presented the

proclamation to Dr. Kelli Lewis, SCL Health Medical Director.

National Children's
Dental Health Month

Mayor Leighty read the proclamation proclaiming February 2020 as National Children's Dental Health Month in the City of Northglenn and presented the proclamation to Dr. Tristan Collins from Bluebird Family Dentistry.

PUBLIC INVITED
TO BE HEARD

Mayor Leighty called for any person wishing to address City Council on matters of community interest related to City business not set for public hearing to come forward.

Mr. John Alge, Northglenn-Thornton Rotary Club, provided information on the Rotary Club's food drive, which kicks off next Tuesday and stated he is looking forward to hearing Mayor Leighty speak at the Rotary Club's meeting tomorrow. Mr. Alge also provided information about the Rotary Club's recent district meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS:
Council

Mayor Leighty spoke about changes to the agenda regarding Council and Committee communications.

Mayor Leighty provided information about drop-off locations for the Rotary Club's food drive, which are located at the Recreation Center, Maintenance & Operations Facility, Justice Center, and City Hall. Mayor Leighty reported that Council will also be collecting donations by ward, and stated the food drive runs through March 27. Mayor Leighty reported on the positive comments received about snow removal in the City.

Council member Witkovich reported on the Outside Agency Funding Committee and stated sponsorships were approved for the following events: Northglenn High School Co-Ed Cheer Team Nationals Event; Ralston House Dinner at 240 Union on March 8, 2020; and Five Star Education Foundation Reach for the Stars Gala on March 14, 2020. Council member Witkovich asked anyone interested in attending the events to contact Ms. Susan Baca, Executive Assistant to the City Manager. Council member Witkovich reported the Snow Stormers Program is in need of volunteers and announced the North Metro Fire Rescue District is currently accepting applications for their Citizens Academy through March 2, 2020.

Council member Peterson reported on the Legislative Policy Committee meeting and stated the Committee is monitoring the following legislation: SB20-151 – Administration of the Regional Transportation District (RTD); and HB20-1233 – Basic Life

Functions in Public Spaces; and is supporting HB20-1266 – Sale and Transport of Fireworks Exporter License.

Council member Downing reported she attended the History of African American Music and stated it was a great performance. Council member Downing reported she participated in a Problem Based Learning (PBL) event at the STEM Lab on local government and municipal courts, and also reported she attended the Police Ball. Council member Downing reported on the Rocky Flats Stewardship Council meeting and recent soil test results at the Rocky Flats site.

Council member Goff reported she attended the Police Ball and stated it was a wonderful event. Council member Goff reported she visited with the principals at Gethsemane Lutheran School and Stukey Elementary School and provided information about upcoming events at the schools.

Council member Duran Mullica thanked Chief May and the Police Department for inviting Council to attend the Police Ball.

Council member Esquibel reported he attended meetings of the Outside Agency Funding Committee and Finance Committee, and participated in a PBL event at Northglenn High School on the importance of bilingualism. Council member Esquibel recognized his grandson, who recently signed to play football at Ottawa College in Kansas. Council member Esquibel acknowledged Ms. Debbie Tuttle, Economic Development Director, for a job well done representing Northglenn at an event they attended this morning.

Mayor Pro Tem Willford reported she attended the Colorado Communities for Climate Action (CC4CA) bimonthly Board meeting and provided information about how the organization will review its policy statements each year. Mayor Pro Tem Willford reported she will be participating in a CC4CA Policy Committee meeting this Thursday, and will be attending the Colorado Municipal League (CML) Policy Committee meeting on February 14. Mayor Pro Tem Willford shared helpful tips for flu season, and stated she looks forward to Ward 4 winning the food drive competition.

Staff

City Manager Geyer asked Council to read the email messages she has sent regarding the reorganization of the Management Services Department.

City Clerk Small provided information about the March 3, 2020 Primary Election and reported there are vacancies on the Citizens' Affairs Board for members from Wards 1 and 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

December 2019 Update

Mr. Jason Loveland, Director of Finance, provided a financial report for the period ending December 31, 2019. Mr. Loveland spoke about revenue and expenditures in the General Fund, Water and Wastewater Fund, Stormwater Fund, Sanitation Fund, Conservation Trust Fund, and Capital Projects Fund. Mr. Loveland also reported on the City's cash reserves.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION TO PASS

Mayor Pro Tem Willford **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve the consent agenda.

MOTION PASSED

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED**.

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Peterson, Downing, Goff, Duran Mullica, Esquibel.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Brown.

The following items were approved on the consent agenda:

- January 27, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes
- CR-39 – Leighty: 2020 The Link IGA
- CR-41 – Leighty: Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation Per Capita Funding

RESOLUTIONS:

CR-42 – Public

Art Policy Update

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Downing **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Mayor Pro Tem Willford to approve CR-42.

Ms. Amanda Peterson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, provided a summary of CR-42.

MOTION PASSED

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED**.

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Peterson, Downing, Goff, Duran Mullica, Esquibel.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Brown.

CR-43 – North Metro

Rail Line Artwork IGA

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Downing **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Duran Mullica to approve CR-43.

Ms. Amanda Peterson provided a summary of CR-43.

MOTION PASSED

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED**.

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Peterson, Downing,
Goff, Duran Mullica, Esquibel.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Brown.

CR-44 – Placement
of *Salvere* Sculpture

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Downing **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by
Council member Duran Mullica to approve CR-44.

Ms. Amanda Peterson provided a summary of CR-44.

MOTION PASSED

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED**.

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Peterson, Downing,
Goff, Duran Mullica, Esquibel.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Brown.

CR-50 – 2020 Census
Outreach Grant Program
IGA

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Goff **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council
member Duran Mullica to approve CR-50.

City Manager Geyer provided a summary of CR-50. Ms. Diana
Wilson, Director of Communications, provided additional
information about outreach activities for the 2020 Census.

MOTION PASSED

There was discussion and the motion **PASSED**.

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Peterson, Downing,
Goff, Duran Mullica, Esquibel.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Brown.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Council Communications
Support

Ms. Diana Wilson, Director of Communications, presented
information about communications services provided to City Council
to promote Council activities, current issues, award presentations,
Mingle with the Mayor events, and Ward meetings.

There was discussion about the use of ward postcards, telephone town
hall meetings, city-wide town hall and open house events, and the

new Good Neighbor Awards program. There was additional discussion about the desire to fine-tune the purpose of city-wide town hall and state of the city events, and utilizing nonpartisan organizations to conduct candidate and issue forums. There was consensus to move forward with the communication services as presented for the Resident Recognition/Good Neighbor Awards, ward postcards, and a “meet your City Council members” table at events.

Prioritization of Council
Requests

Mayor Leighty stated she would like to have space on regular City Council meeting agendas to review and prioritize Council requests of staff. Mayor Leighty stated a standing discussion item for this purpose will make Council aware of requests and will assist the City Manager with scheduling Council-initiated items. There was discussion about operational requests versus policy items, and Mayor Leighty stated the prioritization of Council requests will be discussed further at the study session on March 2, 2020.

**PUBLIC INVITED
TO BE HEARD**

Mayor Leighty invited any member of the public wishing to speak on items previously addressed by Council to come forward.

Mr. Graydon Washington, BGood Director of Community Relations, stated BGood will be participating in the Northglenn-Thornton Rotary Club’s food drive. Mr. Washington stated he will be installed as a rotary member next Tuesday and invited Council members to be his guests at Rotary meetings. Mr. Washington also spoke about National Children’s Dental Health Month, and extended an invitation to Council member Witkovich to tour the BGood facility.

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council meeting adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC
City Clerk

MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor