

**CITY OF NORTHGLENN  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
March 12, 2009**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Pro Tem Paiz called a regular meeting of the Northglenn City Council to order on Thursday, March 12, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 11701 Community Center Drive, Northglenn.

**ROLL CALL**

Present were: Mayor Pro Tem Paiz, Council members Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Downing, Clyne, and Wieneke.

**ABSENT**

Mayor Novak and Council member Miller.

**STAFF PRESENT**

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

**PLEDGE AND  
INVOCATION**

The Pledge of Allegiance was given followed by the Invocation, which was delivered by Police Chaplain Cary Johnson.

**INTERVIEW:**

Echo Medina

Ms. Echo Medina was interviewed for a position on the Planning Commission. Ms. Medina provided information about her background and answered questions from Council about her interest in serving on the Commission.

**AGENDA ADDITIONS  
AND DELETIONS:**

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

Stonehocker Farmhouse  
Website Project

Council member Downing stated that Miss Maria Monroe has been volunteering with the Historic Preservation Commission and had recently created a website for the Stonehocker Farmhouse.

Miss Monroe stated that she is a junior at Thornton High School and had created the website as part of a school project. Miss Monroe provided a visual presentation of the website and spoke about the photographs and information included in the site.

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

American City  
Quality Month

Mayor Pro Tem Paiz read the proclamation proclaiming the month of April 2009 as American City Quality Month and presented the proclamation to Mr. Jim Hayes, Director of Planning and Development. Mr. Hayes stated that the Planning Commission would be holding a workshop on the Comprehensive Plan on April 14, 2009

and invited everyone to participate in the project.

Play Day

Mayor Pro Tem Paiz read the proclamation proclaiming July 4, 2009 as a Play Day in the City of Northglenn and presented the proclamation to Ms. Amanda Peterson, Acting Director of Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services. Ms. Peterson provided information about the City's Playful City USA designation.

**PUBLIC INVITED**  
**TO BE HEARD**

Mayor Pro Tem Paiz called for any person wishing to address City Council on any subject not set for public hearing to come forward.

Mr. Dallas Briggs, Ward I, thanked City Manager Simmons for the cleanup that occurred behind the residence at 1710 Leroy Drive. Mr. Briggs spoke about CR-40 – LineSaver<sup>®</sup> Service Line Protection Program and expressed concern about the items the program would not cover.

Dr. Sean Reif, Ward I, stated that he would like to see additional crosswalks, more public restrooms, and a cemetery installed within the City. Dr. Reif also spoke about sustainable energy and the use of aquifer wells.

Mr. Lee Brown spoke about CR-40 – LineSaver<sup>®</sup> Service Line Protection Program. Mr. Brown spoke about information that was distributed at a prior study session and the language in the proposed contract regarding the items the program would cover.

Mr. Bob McCoy spoke about citizens' rights regarding referendum and the process for initiating petitions to repeal an ordinance. Mr. McCoy stated that he feels the process in the Charter needs to be clarified.

City Attorney Hoffmann provided information about referendum and stated that if there was a conflict between the City Charter and the State Constitution, the Constitution would prevail. City Attorney Hoffmann stated that the ordinance would remain suspended until the initiative process ends either through the insufficiency of the petition or after the item goes to a vote of the electors.

Mr. Dave Usechek inquired about receiving information on the outcome of the recent Council retreat and the impact that any potential budget cuts would have on residents. Mr. Usechek inquired about the type of budget cuts that are being initiated that would affect residents and spoke about Council adopting changes to the 2009 Budget as an amendment to the document.

City Manager Simmons stated that he would be providing a monthly report regarding cost reductions that would be available to the public. City Manager Simmons also provided information about budget reductions including vacant positions that will not be filled and reducing the budget by the percentage of the decline in sales tax.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

January 2009 Update

Mr. Shawn Cordsen, Finance Director, provided a financial update for the period ending January 31, 2009. Mr. Cordsen spoke about revenue and expenditures for the General Fund, Water and Wastewater Fund, Stormwater Fund, and Sanitation Fund. Mr. Cordsen also reported on cash reserves and the City's investment portfolio.

There were questions from Council about sales tax related to the Marketplace and how the tax is reported as a revenue and expenditure when it is paid back to the Marketplace.

City Manager Simmons spoke about the bank reconciliation project. City Manager Simmons stated that the project has been completed and would be reviewed at the first meeting in April.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION TO PASS**

Council member Monroe **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 - Paiz, Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Downing, Clyne, Wieneke.

OPPOSED - No one.

ABSENT - Novak, Miller.

The following items were approved on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the February 26, 2009 Regular Meeting
- CR-38 – Historic Preservation Commission Reappointment – Barbara Scholten

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

CB-1679 – City Manager Residency Requirement

City Clerk Small read the title.

Mayor Pro Tem Paiz invited anyone wishing to speak either “for” or “against” CB-1679 to come forward.

Mr. Bob McCoy spoke in favor of CB-1679 and suggested reducing the timeframe in the ordinance from twelve to six months. Mr. McCoy spoke about the Charter Review Committee's recommendation regarding a residency requirement for the City

Manager and the ballot question that was approved by voters at the last election. Mr. McCoy spoke about citizens' perceptions of the manager's credibility, and stated that he feels the City Manager should be required to live within the City.

Mr. Don Anema, Ward I, spoke in favor of CB-1679. Mr. Anema stated that he feels if a person is interested in managing the City, they should want, and be required, to live within the City.

Mr. Jim Johnson, Ward IV, spoke about the Charter Review Committee's proposed Charter amendment regarding the City Manager residency requirement. Mr. Johnson stated that he does not feel the available housing stock in Northglenn is a reason to not require the manager to move into the City.

Mayor Pro Tem Paiz called for anyone else wishing to speak either "for" or "against" CB-1679. No one came forward and the public hearing was declared closed.

CB-1680 – General  
Employees' Pension  
Plan Amendment

City Clerk Small read the title.

Mayor Pro Tem Paiz invited anyone wishing to speak either "for" or "against" CB-1680 to come forward. No one came forward and the public hearing was declared closed.

CB-1681 – Police  
Pension Plan Amendment

City Clerk Small read the title.

Mayor Pro Tem Paiz invited anyone wishing to speak either "for" or "against" CB-1681 to come forward. No one came forward and the public hearing was declared closed.

**ORDINANCES**

**Second Reading:**

CB-1679 – City Manager  
Residency Requirement

**MOTION TO PASS**

Council member Baker **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Wieneke to approve CB-1679 on second reading.

**MOTION PASSED**

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

IN FAVOR - Paiz, Baker, Parsons, Downing, Clyne, Wieneke.

OPPOSED - Monroe.

ABSENT - Novak, Miller.

CB-1680 – General  
Employees’ Pension  
Plan Amendment

City Clerk Small read the title.

**MOTION TO PASS**

Council member Parsons **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CB-1680 on second reading.

**MOTION PASSED**

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED**.  
IN FAVOR - Paiz, Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Downing, Clyne,  
Wieneke.  
OPPOSED - No one.  
ABSENT - Novak, Miller.

CB-1681 – Police  
Pension Plan Amendment

City Clerk Small read the title.

**MOTION TO PASS**

Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CB-1681 on second reading.

**MOTION PASSED**

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED**.  
IN FAVOR - Paiz, Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Downing, Clyne,  
Wieneke.  
OPPOSED - No one.  
ABSENT - Novak, Miller.

**ORDINANCES**

**First Reading:**

CB-1682 – Malley Drive  
Crosswalk/Traffic  
Signal Installation

City Clerk Small read the title.

**MOTION TO PASS**

Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CB-1682 on first reading.

**MOTION PASSED**

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED**.  
IN FAVOR - Paiz, Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Downing, Clyne,  
Wieneke.  
OPPOSED - No one.  
ABSENT - Novak, Miller.

CB-1683 – Pedestrian  
Obligations Regarding  
Traffic Control Signals

City Clerk Small read the title.

**MOTION TO PASS**

Council member Wieneke **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Baker to approve CB-1683 on first reading.

**MOTION PASSED**

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

IN FAVOR - Paiz, Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Downing, Clyne,  
Wieneke.

OPPOSED - No one.

ABSENT - Novak, Miller.

Note:

City Clerk Small stated for the record that the public hearings on CB-1682 and CB-1683 would be held on March 26, 2009 in City Hall Council Chambers.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

CR-16 – Victim

Advocate Services IGA

City Clerk Small read the title.

**MOTION TO PASS**

Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CR-16.

**MOTION PASSED**

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

IN FAVOR - Paiz, Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Downing, Clyne,  
Wieneke.

OPPOSED - No one.

ABSENT - Novak, Miller.

CR-18 – Fischer, Brown,

Bartlett & Gunn, P.C. –

Legal Services Contract

City Clerk Small read the title.

**MOTION TO PASS**

Council member Downing **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Monroe to approve CR-18.

**MOTION PASSED**

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

IN FAVOR - Paiz, Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Downing, Clyne,  
Wieneke.

OPPOSED - No one.

ABSENT - Novak, Miller.

CR-28 – Northglenn Arts

& Humanities Foundation

Funds Designation

City Clerk Small read the title.

**MOTION TO PASS**

Council member Parsons **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CR-28.

**MOTION TO TABLE**

Council member Wieneke **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Mayor Pro Tem Paiz to table CR-28.

**MOTION FAILED**

There was discussion and the motion to table **FAILED**.  
IN FAVOR - Paiz, Baker, Wieneke.  
OPPOSED - Parsons, Monroe, Downing, Clyne.  
ABSENT - Novak, Miller.

**MOTION PASSED**

There was discussion and the main motion **PASSED**.  
IN FAVOR - Parsons, Monroe, Downing, Clyne.  
OPPOSED - Paiz, Baker, Wieneke.  
ABSENT - Novak, Miller.

CR-39 – Planning  
Commission Appointment  
– Kim Snetzinger

City Clerk Small read the title.

**MOTION TO PASS**

Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CR-39.

**MOTION PASSED**

There was discussion and the motion **PASSED**.  
IN FAVOR - Paiz, Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Downing, Clyne,  
Wieneke.  
OPPOSED - No one.  
ABSENT - Novak, Miller.

CR-40 – LineSaver®  
Service Line Protection  
Program Contract

City Clerk Small read the title.

**MOTION TO PASS**

Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CR-40.

**MOTION TO TABLE**

Mayor Pro Tem Paiz **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Parsons to table CR-40.

**MOTION PASSED**

There was discussion and the motion to table **PASSED**.  
IN FAVOR - Paiz, Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Downing, Clyne,  
Wieneke.  
OPPOSED - No one.  
ABSENT - Novak, Miller.

**COMMUNICATIONS**  
COUNCIL

Council member Clyne reported on the Planning Commission and spoke about a rezoning issue that would be brought to Council for consideration.

Council member Downing reminded everyone that tickets are still being sold to Elich's as part of a non-profit fundraiser that would benefit the Historic Preservation Commission.

Mayor Pro Tem Paiz reported that she had attended the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) meeting regarding the appropriation of stimulus funding. Mayor Pro Tem Paiz stated that she was disappointed that the City did not receive funding for the projects that were submitted.

Council member Monroe spoke about the DRCOG meeting regarding stimulus funding and spoke about staff's presentation to the DRCOG Board. Council member Monroe commended the Youth Commission on The Big Talk teen pregnancy game that was recently played for the first time.

Council member Parsons reported that she had attended the Night of the Stars Talent Show on February 26<sup>th</sup>, and announced the winning contestants. Council member Parsons reported that the Arbor Day celebration would be held on Saturday, April 18, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. at E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park. Council member Parsons also noted that the Highline Canal Cleanup project would be held this Saturday, March 14, 2009.

Council member Baker reported that a Ward III meeting would be held on March 23, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parkview Room at the Recreation Center.

Mayor Pro Tem Paiz reported that a Ward I meeting would be held in April, and noted that the location of the meeting has tentatively been set at the Northglenn Christian Church.

**STAFF**

City Manager Simmons reported that the items scheduled for the Study Session on March 19, 2009 would be the draft water rate study, water fund sales tax issues, the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, and the Comprehensive Plan.

**PUBLIC INVITED  
TO BE HEARD**

Mayor Pro Tem Paiz invited any member of the public wishing to speak on any subject to come forward.

Dr. Sean Reif spoke about crosswalks, the absence of a pedestrian right-of-way along York Street near the Northglenn Moose Lodge, and planning the corridor along Irma Drive and 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Dr. Reif spoke about signage to notify pedestrians of trails and points of interest. Dr. Reif spoke about the Northglenn Apartment building and ADA compliance, the Rangeview Library building, and the chain link fences along 104<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Melody Drive and Huron Street. Dr. Reif also spoke about the Marketplace and stated that he does not feel the shopping center is pedestrian friendly.



Ms. Marlene Hodges inquired about the water and sewer line service protection program. Ms. Hodges also thanked the Council members who supported funding for the Arts and Humanities Foundation.

City Manager Simmons provided information about the City's involvement with the LineSaver<sup>®</sup> Program.

Mr. Bob McCoy thanked Council for adopting CB-1679 – City Manager Residency Requirement. Mr. McCoy spoke about the LineSaver<sup>®</sup> program and asked to see a sample contract with residents. Mr. McCoy also stated that he would like to see information about the company's history, their service performance, and their service complaint history. Mr. McCoy spoke about the recent Council retreat and the effort made by Council to discuss budget issues.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The City Council meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

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JOHANNA SMALL, CMC  
City Clerk

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SHERI L. PAIZ  
Mayor Pro Tem