# CITY OF NORTHGLENN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES June 11, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Novak called the regular meeting of the Northglenn City

Council to order on Thursday, June 11, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 11701 Community Center Drive,

Northglenn.

**ROLL CALL** Present were: Mayor Novak, Council members Baker, Parsons, Paiz,

Downing, Miller, Clyne, and Wieneke.

**ABSENT** Council member Monroe.

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 Denis Segebartt.

AGENDA ADDITIONS

**AND DELETIONS:** There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

PRESENTATIONS:

Dedicated Service

Awards Mayor and Council presented dedicated service awards to Joshua

Keener and Colin Mercer and thanked them for their service to the

Youth Commission.

PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD

Mayor Novak called for any person wishing to address City Council

on any subject not set for public hearing to come forward.

Ms. Debra Whitten, 11674 Sherman Street, spoke to Council about increased crime in the Webster Lake Townhomes neighborhood. Ms. Whitten spoke about a recent stabbing incident and the response time of the Police Department. Ms. Whitten stated that she feels her safety is being compromised, and expressed concern about the number of officers on duty.

Ms. Brenda Capen, 11655 Sherman Street, spoke about the number of police officers employed by the City, the number of calls for service, and the ratio of officers on duty to residents. Ms. Capen spoke about the use of funding for projects such as bridge enhancements and stated there is a need for funding crime prevention programs.

Council provided information regarding permitted uses of urban renewal funding and minimum staffing requirements for the Police Department.

Ms. Coleen Matlock spoke about establishing a Neighborhood Watch Program in her neighborhood and stated she would like police to be more visible in the City.

Ms. Karen Riehl spoke about the stabbing incident and the need for increased protection in the Webster Lake Townhomes neighborhood.

Ms. Jackie Thompson expressed concern about the type of crime that has occurred in Northglenn, and stated she was told there are not enough police officers to patrol the City.

Mr. Bob McCoy stated he would like to address CR-67 – WWTF Master Plan Contract during the public hearing for CB-1691 – Appropriation Amendment – WWTF Master Plan since the items are closely related.

Dr. Sean Reif, Ward I, spoke about citizens participating in the political process and the distribution of wealth by the government. Dr. Reif spoke about evaluating decisions and open government, and asked Council to remain focused on issues.

Mr. Lee Brown, Ward IV, spoke against CR-67 – WWTF Master Plan Contract. Mr. Brown spoke about City expenditures and deferred maintenance items. Mr. Brown also spoke about decreased sales tax revenue, increased staffing and salaries, and the exceptions that have been requested to the hiring freeze.

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

April 2009 Update

Mr. Shawn Cordsen, Finance Director, provided a financial update for the period ending April 30, 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 the format of the financial report and personnel costs in the Stormwater Fund.

City Manager Simmons spoke about the Finance Department's efforts, and also responded to the concerns regarding crime in the Webster Lake Townhomes neighborhood.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION TO PASS Council member Miller MOVED and it was SECONDED by

Council member Downing to approve the consent agenda.

MOTION PASSED There wa

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

IN FAVOR - Novak, Baker, Parsons, Paiz, Downing, Miller,

Clyne, Wieneke.

OPPOSED - No one. ABSENT - Monroe.

The following item was approved on the consent agenda:

Minutes of the May 28, 2009 Regular Meeting

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

CB-1691 – Appropriation Amendment – WWTF Master Plan

City Clerk Small read the title.

Mayor Novak invited anyone wishing to speak either "for" or "against" CB-1691 to come forward.

Mr. Bob McCoy spoke about CB-1691 and asked Council to delay the approval of CR-67 – WWTF Master Plan Contract. Mr. McCoy stated that Council has not determined the capital improvements projects for the water system, and spoke about the scope of the contract in CR-67. Mr. McCoy spoke about the need for Council's involvement in and public input on the Wastewater Treatment Facility Master Plan project.

## **ORDINANCES**

**Second Reading:** 

CB-1691 – Appropriation Amendment – WWTF Master Plan

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Downing **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Parsons to approve CB-1691 on second reading.

MOTION PASSED

There was discussion and the motion PASSED.

IN FAVOR - Novak, Baker, Parsons, Paiz, Downing, Miller,

Clyne, Wieneke.

OPPOSED - No one. ABSENT - Monroe.

**ORDINANCES First Reading:** 

CB-1675 – Prohibiting

Horses on Public Property City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS Council member Downing MOVED and it was SECONDED by

Council member Paiz to approve CB-1675 on first reading.

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

IN FAVOR - Paiz, Downing, Miller, Clyne, Wieneke.

OPPOSED - Novak, Baker, Parsons.

ABSENT - Monroe.

Note: City Clerk Small stated for the record that the public hearing on CB-

1675 would be held on June 25, 2009 in City Hall Council Chambers.

**RESOLUTIONS:** 

CR-67 – WWTF

Master Plan Contract City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS Council member Downing MOVED and it was SECONDED by

Council member Parsons to approve CR-67.

FRIENDLY

**AMENDMENT** A friendly amendment was accepted to require that the draft plan be

submitted to City Council prior to being distributed to other agencies.

MOTION PASSED There was discussion and the motion, including the friendly

amendment, **PASSED**.

IN FAVOR - Novak, Parsons, Paiz, Downing, Miller, Clyne,

Wieneke.

OPPOSED - Baker.

ABSENT - Monroe.

Action Item:

Request for Exception

to Res. 08-156 – Hiring

Freeze

City Manager Simmons provided information about the request for

exceptions to the hiring freeze for the positions of Accounting Manager/Controller and part-time recreation positions. City Manager Simmons spoke about the various part-time positions and provided information about the budget and service levels related to the vacant

positions.

Ms. Amanda Peterson, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Director, answered questions from Council about the number of part-

time positions requested, seasonal positions, and revenue generated

from recreation programs.

MOTION TO PASS

Mayor Novak MOVED and it was SECONDED by Council member

Paiz to approve the hiring exception for the position of Account

Manager/Controller as recommended by the City Manager.

**MOTION PASSED** 

There was discussion and the motion PASSED.

IN FAVOR - Novak, Baker, Parsons, Paiz, Downing, Miller,

Clyne.

OPPOSED - Wieneke. ABSENT - Monroe.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Miller **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve the hiring exception for the part-time recreation positions as recommended by the City Manager.

MOTION TO AMEND

Council member Paiz **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Wieneke to amend the main motion to approve hiring exceptions for one fitness instructor and four lifeguard positions.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Baker, Paiz, Downing, Miller, Wieneke.

OPPOSED - Novak, Parsons, Clyne.

ABSENT - Monroe.

MOTION PASSED

There was discussion and the main motion as amended **PASSED**.

IN FAVOR - Novak, Baker, Parsons, Paiz, Downing, Miller, Clyne,

Wieneke.

OPPOSED - No one. ABSENT - Monroe.

**RECESS** 

The City Council meeting recessed at 8:55 p.m.

**RECONVENE** 

The City Council meeting reconvened at 9:06 p.m.

It was the consensus of Council to have the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board review information regarding recreation programs and staffing and prepare a recommendation to Council regarding the items.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

Panattoni ESTIP

Mr. Jim Hayes, Planning and Development Director, provided information about the Enhanced Sales Tax Incentive Program (ESTIP) agreement between the City and Panattoni Development Company, Inc. for the former Mervyn's/Circuit City building.

Mr. Will Damrath, Panattoni Development Company, Inc., spoke about the company's acquisition of the former Mervyn's building, the development of the site, and the closure of Circuit City. Mr. Damrath asked Council to consider modifying the ESTIP agreement to help the developer attract a quality retailer for the location.

It was the consensus of Council to direct staff to draft an amendment to the ESTIP agreement with Panattoni Development Corporation, Inc.

### North Area Transportation Alliance (NATA)

City Manager Simmons provided information about the North Area Transportation Alliance (NATA). City Manager Simmons spoke about a memorandum of understanding regarding the creation of and participation in the organization, and stated that membership dues would be considered for the 2010 budget. It was the consensus of Council to join the NATA organization, and it was stated that a resolution would be prepared for Council's consideration of the memorandum of understanding at the next Council meeting.

#### COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL

Council member Clyne reported on the Planning Commission and stated that the Commission had reviewed an ordinance regarding trash containers and the Comprehensive Plan at their last meeting.

Council member Downing reported that a Ward II meeting would be held on Monday, June 15, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at the Maintenance and Operations facility.

Mayor Novak reported on the Fishing Derby and stated that it was a successful event.

Council member Paiz reported on the recent Ward I meeting and spoke about the topics that were discussed. Council member Paiz reported that she had attended a tour of the Rocky Flats site as part of the Rocky Flats Coalition of Local Governments Board, and stated that Northglenn's involvement in the organization is to insure the water quality for citizens.

Council member Parsons reported that the Northglenn Arts and Humanities Foundation gifted the sculpture *Ascension* to the City at an installation ceremony on May 28, 2009. Council member Parsons reported that the new sculptures for the Art on Parade program would be unveiled on June 24, 2009, and stated that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board had taken a tour of parks on June 8, 2009.

Mr. Jim Hayes, Planning and Development Director, reported that the sign code kick-off meeting would be held on Monday, June 15, 2009. Mr. Hayes stated that the meeting would include a visual preference survey and the review of other jurisdictions' sign codes, and spoke about the code revision process.

Mr. David Willett, Public Works Director, provided an update on the 104<sup>th</sup> Avenue Bridge Replacement project. Mr. Willett reported that

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the tentative start date for construction is June 22, 2009 and stated that the project is scheduled to be completed in October 2010. There was discussion about the project's impact on the 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue overpass and other roadways.

City Manager Simmons distributed an informational handout regarding the four mills that are set to expire at the end of 2009. City Manager Simmons recommended that the June 18, 2009 study session be cancelled due to attendance at the annual Colorado Municipal League (CML) conference. There was also discussion about the July 2, 2009 study session and it was the consensus of Council to cancel both the June 18<sup>th</sup> and July 2<sup>nd</sup> meetings.

City Attorney Hoffmann spoke about the new language for the executive session on the agenda, and stated that he would prepare a script for Council to use for future executive sessions.

### PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD

Mayor Novak invited any member of the public wishing to speak on any subject to come forward.

Dr. Sean Reif spoke about the Northglenn Thornton Rotary Club's participation in the International Outreach Initiative, which hosts business professionals from other countries. Dr. Reif also spoke about the Rotary Club's participation in the hunger food drive program and thanked those who helped with the food drive.

Council member Paiz inquired about an event that might be protested this weekend.

Police Commander Beth Carmosino provided information about the immigration event to be held at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, and spoke about the Police Department's involvement in the event.

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The City Council meeting adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC	KATHLEEN M. NOVAK
City Clerk	Mayor