

**CITY OF NORTHGLENN
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
July 10, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Pro Tem Paiz called a regular meeting of the Northglenn City Council to order on Thursday, July 10, 2008 at 7:10 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, Miller, Clyne and Wieneke.

ABSENT Mayor Novak.

STAFF PRESENT Acting City Manager Allen, City Attorney Hoffmann, Acting City Clerk Small.

PLEDGE AND INVOCATION The Pledge of Allegiance was given followed by the Invocation, which was delivered by Special Guest Mary Jane Partee.

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

PRESENTATIONS:
Intern Recognition Ms. Kae Madden, Community Engagement Manager, spoke about the high school internship program and thanked the students for their participation in the program.

The students introduced themselves and spoke about their favorite segments of the internship program. The interns recognized were: Taylor Ryan, Javier Ibarra, Michelle Perry, Deanna Estrella, Jennifer Raby.

Early Childhood
Partnership of
Adams County

Ms. Elizabeth Groginsky, Assistant Director of the Adams County Community and Economic Opportunity Department, and Ms. Angela Goldrick, School Readiness Project Coordinator for the Early Childhood Partnership of Adams County, presented information to Council about the project that was initiated to help parents and childcare providers in the community. Ms. Groginsky presented a brochure that was created to help parents prepare their children for kindergarten and stated that the literature would be distributed throughout the community. Ms. Groginsky thanked Council for their support and stated that she would like to continue partnering with the City.

Council member Monroe spoke about the coalition that was formed to improve early childhood resources. She thanked the group for their work and reported that the brochures are available in both English and Spanish for the community.

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.

Ms. Marla Zuch, 1404 Lucille Court, and Ms. Nadine Doyle, 1425 Lucille Court, inquired about commercial businesses in residential zones. Ms. Zuch expressed concern about a home-based business with ongoing issues and asked the City to follow up on the concern. Mayor Pro Tem Paiz stated that she is familiar with the business and provided information about Code Enforcement's activity.

Ms. Dawn Boyette, Immaculate Heart of Mary Citizen Action Network (ICAN), spoke about the Malley crosswalk. Ms. Boyette stated that the group would like to partner with the City to find a solution for the safety issues at the crosswalk.

Mr. Lee Brown spoke to Council about the agreement with the Northglenn Historic Foundation. Mr. Brown stated that \$35,000 had been approved for the Foundation in 2008 and spoke about funding that has been released to the Northglenn Arts and Humanities Foundation (NAHF). Mr. Brown expressed concern about the funding that has not been distributed to the Foundation and staff's attempts to direct the Foundation's activities.

Mayor Pro Tem Paiz provided information about the funding issue. Council member Downing spoke about the per capita funding for the NAHF and the license agreement that was referred to by Mr. Brown.

Mr. Chris DeMay, 9913 Alamo Drive, thanked Council for their commitment to repair the Recreation Center. Mr. DeMay spoke about CR-107 (Finance Committee Functions) and stated that he feels the resolution conflicts with the City Charter. Mr. DeMay expressed concern about the Committee's proposed functions and inquired about the current review process for purchasing cards.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Update

Mr. Brent Worthington, Finance Director, provided a financial report for the period ending May 31, 2008. Mr. Worthington spoke about revenue and expenditures for the General Fund, Water and Wastewater Fund, Stormwater Fund, and Sanitation Fund. Mr. Worthington reported on fines and forfeitures, sales tax revenue, debt

service revenue, the City's investment portfolio, and cash reserves.

Acting City Manager Allen reported that the Stormwater Fund would be reported on as a separate fund when the June financial report is presented to Council.

CONSENT AGENDA
MOTION TO PASS

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

MOTION PASSED

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

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

OPPOSED - No one.

ABSENT - Novak.

The following items were approved on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the June 26, 2008 Regular Meeting
- CR-102 – Democratic National Convention IGA
- CR-103 – Liquor Licensing Authority Appt. – John Clancy

ORDINANCES

First Reading:

CB-1657 – National
Electrical Code

Acting City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Parsons to approve CB-1657 on first reading.

**FRIENDLY
AMENDMENT**

A friendly amendment was accepted to replace the word “twenty” with “five” in Sections 10-3-5(b), 10-3-5(e) and 10-3-5(g).

MOTION PASSED

There was discussion and the motion including the friendly amendment **PASSED**.

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

OPPOSED - No one.

ABSENT - Novak.

CB-1658 – Elevator
And Escalator Code

Acting City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CB-1658 on first reading.

MOTION PASSED

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

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

OPPOSED - No one.

ABSENT - Novak.

Note:

Acting City Clerk Small stated for the record that the public hearings on CB-1657 and CB-1658 would be held on August 14, 2008 in City Hall Council Chambers.

RESOLUTIONS:

CR-104 – Bull Reservoir
Emergency Repairs

Acting City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CR-104.

MOTION PASSED

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

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

OPPOSED - No one.

ABSENT - Novak.

CR-106 – City
Council Protocol

Acting City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Mayor Pro Tem Paiz **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CR-106.

MOTION PASSED

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

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

OPPOSED - No one.

ABSENT - Novak.

CR-107 – Finance
Committee Functions

Acting City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Mayor Pro Tem Paiz **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CR-107.

MOTION PASSED

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

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

OPPOSED - No one.

ABSENT - Novak.

COMMUNICATIONS

COUNCIL

Council member Baker reported on the Ward III meeting scheduled for Friday, July 11, 2008. Council member Baker spoke about the items for discussion at the meeting and invited everyone to attend.

Council member Parsons thanked staff for their work on the Fourth of July Celebration and reported that Northglenn had taken second place in the Mayor's Raft Race.

Council member Monroe also thanked staff for their efforts at the Fourth of July celebration.

Mayor Pro Tem Paiz reported that she had attended the MetroVision workshop at DRCOG and had also participated in the raft race at the Fourth of July celebration. Mayor Pro Tem Paiz reported that she has received calls about E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park and inquired about the condition of the grass in the park.

Acting City Manager Allen provided information about vandalism in E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park and spoke about possible solutions for the issue including increased police patrol and video surveillance. Acting City Manager Allen spoke about the condition of the grass in the park, the prospect of supplementing the grass with seed, and the ongoing replacement of sprinkler heads.

Council member Downing reported that the Historic Preservation Commission would be hosting a jewelry party on July 19, 2008 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to raise funding for the Commission.

Council member Clyne reported on the Planning Commission meeting and provided information about the plans for the former Blockbuster building on 104th Avenue. Council member Clyne also reported that the Commission had approved the revocation of the license for the group home on Melody Drive.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Study Session Topics

Council member Wieneke spoke about the proposed agenda items for the July 17, 2008 study session and inquired about the possibility of minimizing the number of items for the meeting.

Acting City Manager Allen spoke about staff's intent concerning the items scheduled for the study session. Acting City Manager Allen spoke about the information that would be provided to Council at the meeting and the amount of time needed to address each item.

Council member Monroe stated that she would like to have a place on the agenda to communicate ideas and determine if discussion among Council is needed.

Malley Crosswalk

Council member Monroe thanked the public that attended the meeting for the Malley Crosswalk issue and asked Police Chief VanHouten to speak about enforcement activity at the crosswalk.

Police Chief Russ VanHouten spoke about pedestrian accidents that have occurred at the crosswalk in the last year and also provided information about recent enforcement activity in the area.

There was discussion about closing the crosswalk and detouring pedestrians to the fully-signalized crosswalk at Malley Drive and Community Center Drive. There was discussion about the trail and other possible solutions including an underground crossing, improved crosswalk signage, and the installation of a signalized crosswalk.

Council requested additional information from staff regarding options for improving the crosswalk. There was discussion about possible grant funding for an underground crossing related to the trail and the issue of careless drivers.

Council member Parsons reported that the ICAN group would be meeting on July 31, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the Malley crosswalk issue.

Council directed staff to schedule this item for the first study session in August. Acting City Manager Allen spoke about the information that would be presented by staff at the meeting.

112th Avenue and Larson Drive

Council member Downing spoke about traffic flow issues and calls she has received about the crosswalk at 112th Avenue and Larson Drive. She stated that the safety of the crossing needs to be addressed since school will be starting soon.

There was discussion about possible solutions including asking the School District to provide a crossing guard, installing informational signage, and increasing enforcement in the area. There was also discussion about making the intersection a four-way stop and future plans for widening and improving 112th Avenue.

City Attorney Hoffmann provided information about other communities that have amended the Model Traffic Code regarding two-lane streets and pedestrians in the roadway.

There was discussion about traffic studies for the intersection and it was the consensus of Council to add this item to the study session on August 7, 2008.

Historic Foundation
Agreement

Council member Downing expressed concern that the Historic Foundation Agreement item had been removed from the July 17, 2008 study session agenda without her consent. Council member Downing stated that the item needs to be addressed and spoke about the agreement that has been negotiated to date.

There was discussion about the funding that was budgeted for the Foundation and the organization's current projects. There was also discussion about receiving a presentation from the Foundation and the funding that has been released to the organization.

City Attorney Hoffmann stated that there is no legal impediment on releasing the funding to the Foundation.

Council member Downing reported that the Foundation would be meeting on Monday, July 14th, and stated that she would discuss the agreement with the Foundation at the meeting. It was the consensus of Council to schedule this item for the July 24, 2008 regular Council meeting.

Council member Paiz stated that she would like to consider appointing members to the Finance Committee at the next meeting.

**PUBLIC INVITED
TO BE HEARD**

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

Mr. Dallas Briggs reported that the Charter Review Committee's report concerning Charter amendments would be distributed to City Council by next Wednesday, and stated that the Committee would like to discuss the recommendations with Council.

Ms. Taylor Ryan, Ward I, spoke about the Malley Crosswalk. She stated that she feels it is dangerous for bicyclists to ride in the roadway, and she would not be in favor of redirecting bicyclists to a nearby signalized crossing on Malley Drive.

Dr. Sean Reif, Ward I, spoke about vandalism and graffiti in Northglenn, and stated that he feels police officers need to increase their visibility in the neighborhoods. Dr. Reif also spoke about Thornton's lake project near the Homestead townhomes in Ward I.

Mr. Bob McCoy, Ward IV, spoke about the crosswalk issues and signage that he has seen in other communities for pedestrian traffic. Mr. McCoy stated that installing this type of signage at crosswalks

and around the schools would increase the awareness of drivers to yield to pedestrians in the crosswalks.

Ms. Dawn Boyette, ICAN, thanked Council for recognizing that immediate action needs to be taken regarding the Malley crosswalk. Ms. Boyette invited everyone to attend the ICAN meeting on July 31st at 6:30 p.m. at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church to discuss solutions for the crosswalk.

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council meeting adjourned at 9:29 p.m.

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC
Acting City Clerk

SHERI L. PAIZ
Mayor Pro Tem