

**CITY OF NORTHGLENN
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
September 20, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Leighty called a special meeting of the Northglenn City Council to order on Monday, September 20, 2021 at 6:00 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, Brown, Goff, Duran Mullica, and Lukeman-Hiromasa.

ABSENT Council member Downing.

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:
Rodent Issue City Manager Geyer provided information about complaints received from residents regarding rats on properties adjacent to open space and drainage areas. City Manager Geyer stated the City Attorney is reviewing additional actions the City may be able to take to do more in terms of responses to the issue.

AGENDA ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS: None.

PROCLAMATIONS:
Constitution Week Mayor Leighty read the proclamation proclaiming September 17-23, 2021 as Constitution Week in the City of Northglenn. Mayor Leighty Joyce Thomas, Regent of the Front Range Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, accepted the proclamation.

Hispanic Heritage Month Mayor Leighty read the proclamation proclaiming September 15-October 15, 2021 as Hispanic Heritage Month in the City of Northglenn. Planning Commission member Nate Romero and Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity Board Chair Autumn Romero accepted the proclamation from Mayor Leighty and thanked Mayor and Council for the special recognition.

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.

City Clerk Small played a voice mail from Mark Bromley regarding CR-96 – 2021 Pay Plan & Personnel Summary Amendment and CR-95 – 2021 Utility Emergency Response Contract Change Order #2

COMMUNICATIONS:

Council

Council member Witkovich reported she attended Pirate Fest and thanked staff and all of the volunteers who made the event possible. Council member Witkovich reported she attended the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting on September 9, 2021. She stated the Board recommended approval of the Odell Barry parks naming request and noted it will be coming to Council in October or November for approval. Council member Witkovich reported on the Historic Preservation Commission meeting and stated an ordinance regarding historic preservation districts will be coming to Council shortly for consideration. Council member Witkovich reported she visited Broomfield's 9/11 Memorial and spoke about the memorial's connection to a former Council member.

Council member Brown reported she attended the Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority meeting last week and the Authority discussed options for the property at 112th Avenue and Washington Street. Council member Brown reported she attended a ribbon cutting event at Ramos Law and stated the improvements to building are beautiful. She thanked Dr. Ramos for investing in the building and using a local Northglenn contractor to make the improvements, and noted the building is shared with the Senior Hub.

Council member Goff reported she attended a meeting with Senator Hickenlooper environmental aspects of the infrastructure bill that is currently being developed. She also attended a meeting of the Anythink Library Board and provided information about a philanthropic award the Library received from the Colorado Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals. Council member Goff reported she attended Pirate Fest and heard many positive comments about the event. She reported she also attended the Ramos Law ribbon cutting event and welcomed them to the City.

Council member Duran Mullica reported she attended Pirate Fest and had a great time. Council member Duran Mullica reported the creation of the Front Range Passenger Rail District has been a topic of discussion at the North Area Transportation Alliance and Denver Regional Council of Governments meetings.

Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa she attended the Homelessness meeting on August 26 at Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church and followed-up with a meeting with City staff regarding homelessness issues. Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa reported she has attended a couple Adams 12 School District meetings and spoke

about the No Need for Speed meeting regarding Quivas Street. She stated a meeting for traffic calming on Niver Avenue will be held on September 29. She reported she attended the Community Co-Production Policing Advisory Board meeting on September 14 as the Board's Ex-Officio member and noted the group is developing a work plan. She reported she attended the September 11 memorial event in Broomfield and noted a piece of the steel beam at the memorial was donated to the Fire District by former Council member Phil Carney. Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa announced she and Mayor Pro Tem Willford will host a Ward 4 meeting this Thursday at 6:00 p.m. at Northwest Open Space and noted childcare will be available.

Mayor Pro Tem Willford reported she, Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa, and Jessica Hulse, Community Resource Navigator, walked around Croke Reservoir to view the conditions and concerns residents have been expressing to Council. Mayor Pro Tem Willford reported she attended Pirate Fest and thanked everyone who came out to the event. She stated she is looking forward to attending the Colorado Municipal League Cities Conference in Westminster and the Ward 4 meeting on Thursday. Mayor Pro Tem Willford announced next week is National Drive Electric Week to raise awareness of the benefits of electric vehicles and stated a lot of online learning opportunities will be available during the week.

Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa asked for Council support to direct the City Manager to bring forward the issue of building a continuum of care for senior residents to a future study session.

Mayor Pro Tem Willford stated Council members may have received a letter from residents on Melody Drive regarding a lack of affordable resources for seniors. She stated they asked Council to have a conversation about how the City is supporting our seniors. There was discussion about an opportunity for education on existing resources, and it was the consensus of Council to schedule the item for a future study session.

Mayor Leighty reminded residents that City Council meetings are now being held in person and noted the public and candidates for City Council are welcome to attend the meetings. Mayor Leighty spoke about the upcoming November 2, 2021 election and stated ballots will be sent to voters in mid-October. Mayor Leighty reported she attended the Ramos Law ribbon cutting and Northglenn Business After Dark event and wished them the best at their new location. Mayor Leighty reported she attended the Indulge for CASA event with Council member Goff and City Manager Geyer and also attended the Ralston House's Ciders and Sliders event yesterday. Mayor Leighty reported she participated in a Habitat for Humanity event and attended a Tri-County Health Department call regarding

COVID-19. She commended the Northglenn Police Department for partnering with the School District to conduct lockdown drills for students and school staff.

Council member Brown inquired about individuals campaigning at Council meetings. City Attorney Hoffmann provided information about the City's policies related public comment at Council meetings.

CONSENT AGENDA
MOTION TO PASS

Council member Brown **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Duran Mullica to approve the consent agenda.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Brown, Goff, Duran Mullica, Lukeman-Hiromasa.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Downing.

The following items were approved on the consent agenda:

- August 23, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
- September 13, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes
- CR-93 – Community Center Drive Bridge Rehabilitation – CDOT IGA
- CR-96 – 2021 Pay Plan and Personnel Summary Amendments
- CR-103 – Community Co-Production Policing Advisory Board Ex-Officio Appointment – Shannon Lukeman-Hiromasa
- CR-104 – Outside Agency Funding Committee Appointment – Becky Brown
- CR-105 – Third Amendment to City Manager Employment Agreement

RESOLUTIONS:

CR-94 – Adams 12 Five
Star Schools IGA for School
Zone Assessment &
Improvements Cost Sharing

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Brown **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Mayor Pro Tem Willford to approve CR-94.

Kent Kisselman, Director of Public Works, provided a summary of CR-94.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Brown, Goff, Duran Mullica, Lukeman-Hiromasa.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Downing.

CR-95 – 2021 Utility
Emergency Response
Change Order #2

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Brown **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Duran Mullica to approve CR-95.

Kent Kisselman, Director of Public Works, provided a summary of CR-95.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Brown, Goff, Duran
Mullica, Lukeman-Hiromasa.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Downing.

PUBLIC INVITED
TO BE HEARD

Mayor Leighty called for any person wishing to speak on items previously addressed by Council. There was no response.

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC
City Clerk

MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor