

**CITY OF NORTHGLENN
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
October 11, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Leighty called a regular meeting of the Northglenn City Council to order on Monday, October 11, 2021 at 7:00 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, Downing, Brown, Goff, and Lukeman-Hiromasa.

ABSENT Council member Duran Mullica.

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: None.

AGENDA ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS: None.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Breast Cancer Awareness Month Mayor Leighty read the proclamation proclaiming October 2021 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Northglenn and provided resources for free or low-cost cancer screening services.

Italian Heritage Month Mayor Leighty read the proclamation proclaiming October 2021 as Italian Heritage Month in the City of Northglenn and presented the proclamation to the following individuals: Bob Badovinac, Mary Domenico-Younger, Jennifer Rubino, Susan Gurule, John Giardino, Veronica Goodrich, Gianfranco Marcantonio, Pamela Marcantonio, Camilla Marcantonio, Ida Casagranda, and Tonia Williams representing the Northglenn Italian American community and the Dante Alighieri Society of Denver.

National Police Weekend Mayor Leighty read the proclamation proclaiming October 13-17, 2021 as National Police Weekend in the City of Northglenn and presented the proclamation to Police Chief Jim May, Deputy Chief of Police Randy Darlin, and Police Officer Michael Pilla.

PRESENTATIONS:

Afghan Refugee Overview Jennifer Wilson, International Rescue Committee, provided an overview of the programs assisting the Afghan evacuees that will be

arriving in Colorado.

Council asked City Manager Geyer to explore ways to share the information in the presentation with the public.

**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 voicemail from Mark Bromley regarding the new Recreation Center, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Italian Heritage Month, Afghan refugees in Northglenn, CR-108 – DOLA IHOP: Planning Grant Program and Application Support, and the denial of the new retail marijuana license application filed by Discrete Greens.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Council

Council member Witkovich reported she and her husband attended the new Recreation Center VIP event last week and enjoyed it. She extended thanks to Amanda Peterson, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, and her team for putting the event together.

Council member Downing reported she attended the new Recreation Center VIP event and thanked staff for putting it together so well. She stated it was wonderful and heard many accolades for the staff who worked during the event.

Council member Goff reported the Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity Board participated in the Youth Listening Tour on September 28, 2021 and was impressed with the youth involved and level of participation. She stated she hopes to do this again in the future with similar topics. Council member Goff reported on the Colorado Communities for Climate Action (CC4CA) meeting held on September 29, 2021 where the group worked on refining policy statements from last year. They are currently strategizing how to attain input from and provide information to the federal level. Council member Goff attended the Recreation Center VIP event and stated the new recreation center is beautiful and is a big improvement from the old facility.

Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa reported she also attended the VIP and ribbon cutting event for the new Recreation Center and stated it was one of the highlights of her week. She attended the No Need for Speed meeting for Niver Avenue on September 29, 2021 and there were almost 20 residents in attendance. In addition, Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa attended the Community Co-Production Policing Board sub-committee meeting regarding body worn cameras and the Community Events sub-committee meeting. Council member

Lukeman-Hiromasa attended the welcoming event for the Afghan refugees at the Metropolitan Denver North Islamic Center and received her flu shot while there. She stated she was pleased with the positive presence from all who attended the event.

Mayor Pro Tem Willford reported the Legislative Committee met this evening and reviewed protocols implementing the feedback given. The committee reviewed the legislative issues guide and encouraged all to reach out to a member of the committee with additional feedback. Additionally, the committee started working on the Annual Legislative Dinner and developing next steps. Mayor Pro Tem Willford stated on September 28 she joined her first meeting with the Sustainability Committee and was impressed with leadership and their vision; on September 29 she participated in Xcel Partners in Energy EV readiness plan where they discussed goals. She stated on September 30 she testified at the Colorado Department of Transportation Listening Session on how to reduce carbon emissions in the transportation sector. On October 1, both Mayor Pro Tem Willford and Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa walked around Croke Reservoir with City Manager Geyer and Amanda Petersen to look for areas of improvement and share feedback. Last, she reported she attended the VIP event for the new Recreation Center and felt proud of the facility She congratulated staff and Council who worked hard and did a great job on the project.

Council member Brown reported she attended the VIP event for the new Recreation Center and noted her grandson loves the new rec center. She stated the fireworks were phenomenal and congratulated Amanda Petersen, Eric Ensey, City Manager Geyer and all staff involved.

Mayor Leighty stated as an Italian American she was proud to celebrate with residents with similar backgrounds earlier tonight. Mayor Leighty reported the new Recreation Center events were amazing and city staff did an incredible job, including the volunteers. All were impressed with the level of detail given and Saturday's event was filled with joy with many residents attending. Mayor Leighty reported she attended the welcoming event for refugees at Metropolitan Denver North Islamic Center and believes it tied in well with tonight's Afghan Refugee Overview presentation. She also received her booster shot and looks forward to young children being eligible for the vaccination.

Staff

City Manager Geyer expressed thanks for the feedback for staff efforts in the Recreation Center events, and thanked Council for their participation also.

City Clerk Small provided an information related to the November 2, 2021 Election including drop-off locations for ballots, the candidate

profile in the October issue of the Northglenn Connection, and the candidate forum scheduled for October 13, 2021 at the new Parsons Theatre.

City Attorney Hoffmann reported he attended the VIP event for the new Recreation Center and was inspired by the performances.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

August 2021 Update

Jason Loveland, Director of Finance, provided a financial report for the period ending August 31, 2021. 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 and sales tax revenue.

CONSENT AGENDA
MOTION TO PASS

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

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Peterson, Downing, Brown, Goff, Lukeman-Hiromasa.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Duran Mullica.

The following items were approved on the consent agenda:

- September 20, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes
- September 27, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
- CR-108 – DOLA IHOP: Planning Grant Program and Application Support

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Proposed 2022 Annual
Operating and Capital
Improvement Budget

City Manager Geyer, Director of Finance Jason Loveland, and Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture Amanda Peterson presented information on the proposed 2021 Annual Operating and Capital Improvement Budget.

Mayor Leighty called for anyone wishing to speak either “for” or “against” the proposed 2022 Annual Operating and Capital Improvement Budget. There was no response and the public hearing was closed.

CB-1976 – Supplemental
Appropriation

City Clerk Small read the title.

Mayor Leighty called for anyone wishing to speak either “for” or “against” CB-1976. There was no response and the public hearing was closed.

ORDINANCES –

SECOND READING:

CB-1976 – Supplemental
Appropriation

MOTION TO PASS

Mayor Pro Tem Willford **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa to approve CB-1976 on second reading.

MOTION PASSED

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Downing, Brown,
Goff, Lukeman-Hiromasa.
OPPOSED - None.
ABSENT - Duran Mullica.

RESOLUTIONS:

CR-110 – Automated
License Plate Recognition
System Memorandum of
Understanding

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Mayor Pro Tem Willford **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa to approve CR-110.

Deputy Police Chief Darlin provided a summary of CR-110.

MOTION PASSED

There was discussion and the motion **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Downing, Brown,
Goff, Lukeman-Hiromasa.
OPPOSED - None.
ABSENT - Duran Mullica.

RECESS

The City Council meeting recessed to a meeting of the Marijuana Licensing Authority at 9:37 p.m.

RECONVENE

The City Council meeting reconvened at 9:44 p.m.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Standley Lake Security
Assessment Update

Tamara Moon, Environmental Manager, provided an update on the Standley Lake Security Assessment including the timing and cost of the assessment project.

PUBLIC INVITED
TO BE HEARD

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

Executive Session
MOTION TO PASS

Council member Goff **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to Section 4.5(g) of the City of Northglenn Home Rule Charter for negotiations regarding the P3 Civic Campus Project.

MOTION PASSED

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Downing, Brown, Goff, Lukeman-Hiromasa.
OPPOSED - None.
ABSENT - Duran Mullica.

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 9:49 p.m.

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC
City Clerk

MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor