

**CITY OF NORTHGLENN
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
January 24, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Leighty called a regular meeting of the Northglenn City Council to order on Monday, January 24, 2022 at 9:00 p.m. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the meeting was held remotely with electronic participation by all members of the City Council.

ROLL CALL

Present were: Mayor Leighty, Mayor Pro Tem Willford, Council members Walker, Witkovich, Brown, Jaramillo, Duran Mullica, Goff, and Lukeman-Hiromasa.

ABSENT

None.

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.

INTERVIEWS:

Griffin Wood

Griffin Wood was interviewed by City Council for a position on the Youth Commission. Griffin provided information about himself and his interest in serving on the Commission.

PROCLAMATIONS:

School Choice Week

Mayor Leighty read the proclamation proclaiming January 23-29, 2022 as School Choice Week in the City of Northglenn and spoke about the many choice opportunities in the Adams 12 Five Star Schools District.

**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. Mr. Bromley spoke about E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park, pedestrian crossings, and City Council committee appointments.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Council

Council member Witkovich reported she attended the Historic Preservation Commission meeting on January 11, 2022 and spoke

about the Commission's work related to a study on the Deza Estates neighborhood and the preservation of a mural in Northglenn High School. Council member Witkovich reported she attended the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting on January 13, 2022 and stated the Board reviewed facility rules and standards. Council member Witkovich reported she attended the North Metro Fire Rescue District Board meeting on January 18, 2022 and stated the group received an update on the District's efforts during the Marshall Fire.

Council member Brown reported she attended the Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority meeting and stated several exciting projects were discussed.

Council member Jaramillo stated he looks forward to serving as the Council liaison to the Northglenn Arts and Humanities Foundation and reported the sculpture "Dominion" has been selected as the People's Choice winner for the Art on Parade program. Council member Jaramillo encouraged everyone to visit the new Recreation Center.

Council member Goff reported the Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity Board met on January 18, 2022 and received a request from a member of the public to hold a Day of the Dead event in Northglenn. She noted new members were selected to hold officer positions on the Board and reviewed upcoming events. Council member Goff reported she attended the Anythink Library Board meeting on January 19, 2022 and noted they are planning for a digital equity project this year. She reported they will be offering braille books and glasses to help people who are colorblind.

Council member Goff reported on the Legislative Policy Committee meeting and listed the proposed legislation on which the Committee took positions. She stated the group discussed a legislative dinner for next year and the next meeting will be held on February 14, 2022.

Council member Duran Mullica reported the North Area Transportation Alliance I-25 subgroup held its first meeting last Tuesday. Council member Duran Mullica requested a study session on increased crime in the community and stated she has received inquiries from residents about crime in their neighborhood. Council member Duran Mullica spoke about the availability of open swim hours and requested a study session on expanding pool hours at the Recreation Center. Council member Mullica encouraged everyone to attend the Northglenn Youth Theatre's production of "Disney's Frozen Jr." at the Parsons Theatre this weekend.

Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa reported she attended the Community Co-Production Policing Advisory Board meeting on

January 11, 2022 and stated Monica Williams from The Equity Project facilitated a discussion with the Board. Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa reported she attended the virtual memorial for former Mayor Odell Barry and stated it was a nice event. She reported she attended the Northglenn Senior Organization meeting earlier today and spoke about the Northglenn-Thornton Rotary Club's annual food drive. Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa announced a No Need for Speed meeting will be held in Ward 4 on February 16, 2022.

Mayor Leighty reported she attended the funeral for former Mayor Odell Barry and stated it was a great celebration of Mr. Barry's life and accomplishments. Mayor Leighty reported she attended her first Adams 12 Five Star Schools Board of Education meeting. She reported she attended a meeting of the Mile High Flood District and spoke about the presentation they received related to the Marshall Fire and water supply impacts. Mayor Leighty reported on the Metro Mayors Caucus and noted City staff will be preparing goody baskets for the three mayors and managers impacted by the Marshall Fire. Mayor Leighty reported she has received numerous communications from residents regarding rats in the City and requested a study session on the issue.

There was consensus among Council to schedule study session items regarding pool hours, increased crime, and rats.

Staff

City Manager Geyer stated Council member Brown had inquired about the City providing a donation to the Marshall Fire Relief Fund and noted City Council contingency funds are available for such a donation. There was discussion and City Manager Geyer recommended a financial donation of \$5,000, which will be brought forward for Council consideration at the next meeting. Mayor Leighty inquired about providing a donation or showing appreciation to the North Metro Fire Rescue District or Fire Stations 62 and 63 specifically for their efforts during the fires. City Manager Geyer stated she will follow-up with staff about the request.

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, Walker, Witkovich, Brown,
Jaramillo, Duran Mullica, Goff, Lukeman-Hiromasa.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - None.

The following items were approved on the consent agenda:

- January 10, 2022 Regular Meeting

- CR-10 – Adams 12 Five Star School Board Liaison – Leighty
- CR-11 – ADCOG Subregional Transportation Forum Appointments – Duran Mullica, Willford
- CR-12 – Adams County Regional Economic Partnership Representative – Goff
- CR-13 – Business Relations Coordinator – Lukeman-Hiromasa
- CR-14 – Colorado Communities for Climate Action Representative & Alternate – Goff, Willford
- CR-15 – Colorado Municipal League Representative & Alternate – Willford, Walker
- CR-16 – Denver Regional Council of Governments Representative & Alternate – Duran Mullica, Willford
- CR-17 – Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity Board Ex-Officio – Goff
- CR-18 – Finance Committee Members – Brown, Leighty, Lukeman-Hiromasa
- CR-19 – Historic Preservation Commission Ex-Officio Member – Witkovich
- CR-20 – Legislative Policy Committee Members – Lukeman-Hiromasa, Walker, Willford
- CR-21 – North Area Transportation Alliance Representative & Alternate – Duran Mullica, Leighty
- CR-22 – North Metro Fire Rescue District Liaison – Brown
- CR-23 – Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation Liaison – Jaramillo
- CR-24 – Northglenn Senior Organization Liaison – Lukeman-Hiromasa
- CR-25 – Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority Council Representative – Brown
- CR-26 – Outside Agency Funding Committee Members – Brown, Lukeman-Hiromasa, Walker
- CR-27 – Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Ex-Officio Member – Witkovich
- CR-28 – Parliamentarian Appointment – Brown
- CR-29 – Planning Commission Ex-Officio Member – Brown
- CR-30 – Rangeview Library District Liaison – Goff
- CR-31 – Rocky Flats Stewardship Council Representative – Witkovich
- CR-32 – Rocky Mountain Partnership Representative – Jaramillo
- CR-33 – Youth Commission Ex-Officio Member – Lukeman-Hiromasa
- CR-34 – City Council Legal Fee Reimbursement Policy
- CR-35 – Adams County Open Space Grant Acceptance – Justice Center West Park
- CR-36 – Adams County Open Space Grant Acceptance – Croke Reservoir
- CR-37 – Community Co-Production Policing Advisory Board Ex-Officio Member – Lukeman-Hiromasa

- CR-42 – 2022 Northglenn/Thornton Shared Victim Services IGA
- CR-43 – Metro Mayors Caucus Appointment – Leighty
- CR-44 – Mile High Flood District Appointment – Leighty

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

CB-1978 – Gender
Neutral Municipal
Code Revisions

City Clerk Small read the title.

Mayor Leighty opened the public hearing on CB-1978 and called for anyone wishing to speak either “for” or “against” CB-1978.

City Clerk Small played a voicemail from Nazli Soufiani, Northglenn Youth Commission Secretary, speaking in favor of CB-1978.

Mayor Leighty called for any other person wishing to speak on CB-1978. There was no response and the public hearing was closed.

**ORDINANCES –
SECOND READING:**

CB-1978 – Gender
Neutral Municipal
Code Revisions

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Brown **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Mayor Pro Tem Willford to approve CB-1978 on second reading.

City Attorney Hoffmann provided a summary of CB-1978.

MOTION PASSED

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

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

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - None.

RESOLUTIONS:

CR-38 – Community
Co-Production Policing
Advisory Board
Ward 1 Member

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-38

Rupa Venkatesh, Assistant to the City Manager, provided a summary of CR-38.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Walker, Witkovich, Brown,
Jaramillo, Duran Mullica, Goff, Lukeman-Hiromasa.
OPPOSED - None.
ABSENT - None.

CR-39 – Building Codes
Cohort Project IGA

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-39.

Becky Smith, Planning Manager, provided a summary of CR-39.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Walker, Witkovich, Brown,
Jaramillo, Duran Mullica, Goff, Lukeman-Hiromasa.
OPPOSED - None.
ABSENT - None.

CR-40 – VTI Security
Additional Contingency
Authorization

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Brown **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa to approve CR-40.

Amanda Peterson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture, provided a summary of CR-40.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Walker, Witkovich, Brown,
Jaramillo, Duran Mullica, Goff, Lukeman-Hiromasa.
OPPOSED - None.
ABSENT - None.

CR-41 – Sport and
Fitness Additional
Contingency Authorization

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-41.

Amanda Peterson provided a summary of CR-41.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Walker, Witkovich, Brown,
Jaramillo, Duran Mullica, Goff, Lukeman-Hiromasa.
OPPOSED - None.
ABSENT - None.

Recess

The City Council meeting recessed at 10:01 p.m. to a meeting of the Marijuana Licensing Authority.

Reconvene

The City Council meeting reconvened at 11:12 p.m.

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 11:12 p.m.

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC
City Clerk

MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor