

**CITY OF NORTHGLENN
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
September 12, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Leighty called a regular meeting of the Northglenn City Council to order on Monday, September 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. 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 Witkovich, Kondo, Lukeman-Hiromasa, Goff, Brown, and Walker.

ABSENT Council member Jaramillo.

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:
Hispanic Heritage Month Mayor Leighty read the proclamation proclaiming September 15, 2022 to October 15, 2022 as Hispanic Heritage Month in the City of Northglenn. Autumn Romero, Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity Board member, and Tamara Dixon, Director of Human Resources and Chief Diversity Officer, accepted the proclamation and thanked Council for recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month.

PRESENTATIONS:
Intrepid Fiber Networks License Agreement R.J. Knisley and Jeff Polachek, Intrepid Fiber Networks, provided information about Intrepid Fiber Networks, a startup company funded by Brookfield Infrastructure Group to deliver world-class fiber to communities to meet broadband demands. They spoke about the importance of fiber to the home, open access networks, installation methods, and the 100-mile network they desire to build in Northglenn through mid-2025. Mr. Knisley provided an overview of Congruex, the company responsible for engineering and construction of the fiber project, and spoke about construction management, residential notifications, and adherence to standards and safety measures.

Mr. Knisley and Mr. Polachek addressed questions from Council related to infrastructure and the capacity of poles for the fiber, the

company's staffing, plans for projects in surrounding communities, current projects, services Intrepid would offer to residents, and the project timeline.

**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.

Austin, 10538 Quivas Street, spoke about a notice he received from Neighborhood Services regarding prohibiting the parking of vehicles on rock surfaces and expressed concern about the rule that prohibits using rock driveways. Austin stated he has pictures of other residents using rock driveways and stated the Police Department is encouraging residents to not park their vehicles on the street due to vehicle thefts.

Stephanie Wilde, Riverdale Animal Shelter Executive Director, expressed support for the passage of CB-1989 – Trap-Neuter-Return Process for Community Cats and stated she believes it is the correct approach to dealing with community cats.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Council

Council member Walker spoke about speeding in residential areas, specifically on Fox Run Parkway in Ward 1, and provided data about speeding. He stated more needs to be done to address speeding in targeted areas and requested saturation enforcement to ticket violators. Council member Walker asked for Council consensus to have a discussion regarding saturation enforcement for speeding. There was discussion about the No Need for Speed program and roadways not included in the program. There was Council consensus to schedule a study session item regarding speeding and saturation enforcement.

Council member Witkovich reported she attended the St. Stephen's historic marker unveiling event on September 11 and stated the building is a great piece of history in Northglenn. Council member Witkovich announced a Ward 1 neighborhood meeting will be held on Saturday, September 24 at 10:00 a.m. at The Glenn Bar & Grille. She stated a light breakfast will be available and encouraged everyone to attend.

Council member Brown extended her condolences to the Arvada Police Department for the recent loss of their police officer. Council member Brown reported on the Ward 2 meeting at Malley Park. She stated the meeting was well attended and noted the main topic was safety.

Council member Kondo reported he and Council member Jaramillo met with Director of Finance Jason Loveland to learn more about the City's budget. He reported he and Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa attended the Colorado Municipal League's District 3 meeting, Northglenn High School STEM tour, 9/11 Memorial, and St. Stephen's Church historic marker unveiling. Council member Kondo announced an opportunity to observe training scenarios at the North Metro Fire Rescue District Training Facility on Friday, October 7.

Council member Goff reported she attended two meetings of the Adams County Economic Development Partnership on September 1 and 8. She noted one meeting included a tour of future developments and announced a Kwik Trip convenience store will be located in the Karl's Farm development. She reported she attended a ribbon cutting event on August 3 at La Chirimoya Ice Cream & Snacks. She attended the Police Department's swearing-in event on September 8 and stated she was pleased to see the diversity of officers. Council member Goff reported she attended the Business After Hours event at the Painted Tree, the St. Stephen's Church historic marker unveiling, and a meeting regarding the waste optimization study.

Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa reported on the Ward 4 Groove, Grub, and Local Gov event on August 25. She stated residents approached her about approved surfaces for off-street parking and issues related to parking. She asked for Council consensus to schedule a study session item regarding potential code amendments for approved parking surfaces. There was discussion about the current regulations, and it was the consensus of Council to schedule a study session on the item. Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa spoke about learning the history of the City's parks and street names and asked for Council support to direct staff to prepare educational material, potentially in 2023, for residents regarding the City's history and the naming of parks and streets. There was discussion about the different groups that could be included in such a project, and it was the consensus of Council to proceed with a historical project. Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa reported she attended the Colorado Municipal League District 3 meeting on September 7, Business After Hours event at the Painted Tree, Northglenn High School STEM tour, 9/11 Memorial in Broomfield, and the St. Stephen's Church historic marker unveiling. Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa extended her condolences to the family of the police officer who was recently killed and the Arvada Police Department.

Mayor Leighty spoke about the Arvada police officer who was killed in the line of duty and extended her thoughts to the City of Arvada. Mayor Leighty reported she attended the Dog Days of Summer and thanked staff for such a fun event. Mayor Leighty inquired about

Proposition 123 regarding dedicated state income tax revenue to fund housing projects, which will be on the November 2022 ballot. She stated the Metro Mayors Caucus was considering supporting the proposition and asked if the Legislative Policy Committee had considered the ballot measure. There was discussion about having the City's lobbyist and Legislative Policy Committee provide information about the 2022 ballot measures.

Staff

City Manager Geyer reminded Council about Pirate Fest on September 16 and 17 and thanked everyone who will be volunteering at the event. City Manager Geyer reported she has sent various emails to Council and asked them to reach out to her with any questions about the messages.

City Clerk Small reported the City's website has been updated to include information about the November 7, 2022 General Election.

City Attorney Hoffmann reminded Council they can independently adopt a resolution for or against any ballot measure as it desires under the Fair Campaign Practices Act.

FINANCIAL REPORT

July 2022 Update

Jason Loveland, Director of Finance, provided a financial report for the period ending July 31, 2022. 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**

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

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Kondo, Lukeman-Hiromasa, Goff, Brown, Walker.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Jaramillo.

The following items were approved on the consent agenda:

- August 22, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes
- August 22, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes
- CR-134 – Citizens' Affairs Board Appointment – Megan Burns
- CR-135 – Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority Appointment – Ronald Coleman
- CR-137 – Adams County Open Space Grant Acceptance – Kiwanis Pool Improvements Phase 2
- CR-138 – Adams County Open Space Grant Acceptance – Rotary Park Pavilion

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

CB-1989 – Trap-
Neuter- Return Process
for Community Cats

City Clerk Small read the title.

Mayor Leighty opened the public hearing on CB-1989 and called for anyone wishing to speak either “for” or “against” CB-1989.

Chris Cline spoke in favor of CB-1989. He provided information about feral cats and issues related to the sheltering of feral cats. Mr. Cline stated the trap-neuter-return process will reduce the number of cats in shelters, reduce the feral cat population, and improve cat behavior. Mr. Cline stated the ordinance provides humane options and asked Council to approve CB-1989.

Mayor Leighty called for any other person wishing to speak on CB-1989. There was no response and the public hearing was closed.

**ORDINANCES –
SECOND READING:**

CB-1989 – Trap-
Neuter- Return Process
for Community Cats

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Walker **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Kondo to approve CB-1989 on second reading.

Deputy Police Chief Randall Darlin provided a summary of CB-1989.

MOTION PASSED

There was discussion and the motion **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Kondo, Lukeman-
Hiromasa, Goff, Brown, Walker.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Jaramillo.

**ORDINANCES –
FIRST READING:**

CB-1990 – Prohibiting
the Possession of Firearms
in City Hall and to Prohibit
the Open Carry of Firearms
in City-Owned Buildings

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Brown **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Goff to approve CB-1990 on first reading.

Deputy Police Chief Darlin provided a summary of CB-1990.

MOTION PASSED

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

CB-1991 – 2022

Supplemental Appropriation City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Brown **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Witkovich to approve CB-1991 on first reading.

Jason Loveland, Director of Finance, provided a summary of CB-1991.

MOTION PASSED

There was discussion and the motion **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Kondo, Lukeman-Hiromasa, Goff, Brown, Walker.
OPPOSED - None.
ABSENT - Jaramillo.

CB-1992 – Exemption of State Imposed Delivery Fees and Carryout Bag Fees from City Sales and Use Tax

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Brown **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa to approve CB-1992 on first reading.

Jason Loveland, Director of Finance, provided a summary of CB-1992.

MOTION PASSED

There was discussion and the motion **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Kondo, Lukeman-Hiromasa, Goff, Brown, Walker.
OPPOSED - None.
ABSENT - Jaramillo.

RESOLUTIONS:

CR-129 – Sensory Playground Improvements

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Mayor Pro Tem Willford **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Witkovich to approve CR-129.

Amanda Peterson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture, provided a summary of CR-129.

MOTION PASSED

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

CR-130 – Parks and
Recreation Long Range
Plan

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-130.

Amanda Peterson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture, provided a summary of CR-130.

MOTION PASSED

There was discussion and the motion **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Kondo, Lukeman-Hiromasa, Goff, Brown, Walker.
OPPOSED - None.
ABSENT - Jaramillo.

CR-136 – Private Activity
Bonds 2022 Assignment to
Colorado Housing and
Finance Authority

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-136.

Brook Svoboda, Director of Planning and Development, provided a summary of CR-136.

MOTION PASSED

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

CR-139 – 112th & York
Station Lighting

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Brown to approve CR-139.

Kent Kisselman, Director of Public Works, provided a summary of CR-139.

MOTION PASSED

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

**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 Kondo **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Witkovich to adjourn to Executive Session 1) pursuant to Section 4.5(d) of the City of Northglenn Home Rule Charter for legal consultation and advice regarding protocols for workplace violence; and 2) pursuant to Section 4.5(d) of the City of Northglenn Home Rule Charter for legal consultation and advice regarding cleanup of public rights of way.

MOTION PASSED

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

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council meeting adjourned to the Executive Session at 9:20 p.m.

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC
City Clerk

MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor