

**CITY OF NORTHGLENN
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
February 6, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Leighty called a special meeting of the Northglenn City Council to order on Monday, February 6, 2023 at 6:02 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL Present were: Mayor Leighty, Mayor Pro Witkovich, Council members Jaramillo, Kondo, Lukeman-Hiromasa, Goff, Brown, and Walker.

ABSENT None.

STAFF PRESENT City Manager Geyer, Acting City Attorney Graham, and City Clerk Small.

RESOLUTIONS:

CR-14 – Ward 4
City Council Member
Appointment – Tim Long City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS Mayor Pro Tem Witkovich **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Brown to approve CR-14.

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

COMMUNICATIONS:

Council Council member Brown reported she attended the Finance Committee meeting last week and Council member Kondo will provide a report on the meeting.

Council member Jaramillo reported he attended the dinner with Adams County Commissioners on January 11th and stated it was great to interact with the Commissioners. He attended the annual Legislative Dinner at the Justice Center on January 23rd, the City Hall Public Art Committee meeting on January 24th, and an Outside Agency Funding Committee meeting on February 3rd. Council member Jaramillo congratulated Tim Long for being selected to fill the Ward 4 City Council member vacancy.

Council member Kondo reported the North Metro Fire Rescue District will elect Board members on May 2, 2023 and provided information about the nomination process. He reported on a ride-along he took with Police Sergeant Shube and the calls for service he

was able to observe. Council member Kondo reported he and Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa toured the Justice Center and sat in on a court session to observe Judge Bailhache. He reported he participated in the Point in Time survey with Crisis Response Unit Manager Jessica Hulse and attended the Finance Committee meeting where the annual audit process was discussed.

Council member Goff reported she attended the City Hall Public Art Committee meeting and thinks residents will love the art piece selected for the new building. She attended the Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity (DISE) Board meeting where the group received presentations on a healthy beverages program and the City's Crisis Response Unit. She stated the DISE Board voted to support the healthy beverages program and also accepted a retired flag from Police Chief May that will be displayed in City Hall. She announced the Anti-Defamation League will give a presentation on February 21st and information is available on the City's website. Council member Goff reported she attended the Communities for Climate Action Executive Committee meeting on January 27th and received a report on legislation related to climate change and health issues. She noted the Committee is also developing an Equity Plan for 2023.

Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa reported she watched the movie Us & Them and attended the resource center to observe the services provided by Crisis Response Unit staff. She attended the Adams County Commissioners dinner, the annual Legislative Dinner at the Justice Center, and participated in a tour for 3rd grade students from Prairie Hills Elementary School to learn about local government. Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa acknowledged Diana Wilson, Director of Communications, for coordinating the tour. She reported she helped film a video for a Problem Based Learning event at Northglenn High School regarding patriotism, sat in on a court session to observe Judge Bailhache, and received a tour from the Court Supervisor. Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa reported on a ride-along she took with Sgt. Shube on Friday night and stated she has a couple requests she will present on February 13th as a result related to violence and the vehicular nuisance ordinance.

Mayor Pro Tem Witkovich reported she attended the Adams County Council of Governments dinner on January 25th. She reported on the Outside Agency Funding Committee meeting on February 3rd and the approval of a sponsorship for the Ralston House Dinner at 240 Union event. Mayor Pro Tem Witkovich reported she attended a Rocky Flats Stewardship Council meeting where the group received a quarterly report from the Department of Energy. She noted the Stewardship Council set their meeting dates for 2023, which will remain virtual, and is looking to update the organization's website.

Mayor Leighty thanked Public Works for their recent snow removal efforts and noted residents have expressed their thanks for the snow plowing. Mayor Leighty reported she attended the Metro Mayors Caucus annual retreat to set priorities and review potential legislation. She attended the State of the State event and shared that Governor Polis chose “limitless” as the word of the year for Colorado. She reported she met with staff from the Governor’s office regarding potential legislation and she recommendation they increase transparency by providing their ideas in writing so municipalities can respond to the facts. Mayor Leighty reported she met with Congresswoman Yadira Caraveo and brought her up to speed on the City’s projects. Mayor Leighty noted she met U.S. Senator Cory Booker at the Capitol in Washington, D.C. last week and is looking forward to the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Awards tonight.

Staff

City Manager Geyer provided an update on recruitment for the Deputy City Manager and Economic Development Director. She stated initial interviews for the Economic Development Director will be held on March 1st and staff will interview five candidates for the Deputy City Manager position on Wednesday, February 8th. City Manager Geyer stated two individuals will move forward to participate in additional interviews and a community event on February 21st, which will be an opportunity for City Council to provide feedback on the Deputy City Manager candidates.

City Manager Geyer reported she added a discussion item to the February 13th regular meeting agenda regarding a Bridge Summit idea to create an event to provide staff and elected officials connections to resources and an opportunity to discuss solutions related to homelessness.

Council member Kondo reported he also viewed the movie Us & Them and asked Dr. Rife to have a meeting in March to meet those interested in working on the issue of homelessness and to have an initial discussion on the issue.

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC
City Clerk

MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor