

**CITY OF NORTHGLENN
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
October 23, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa called a regular meeting of the Northglenn City Council to order on Monday, October 23, 2023 at 6:03 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL Present were Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa, Council members Long, Kondo, Burns, Goff, Brown, and Walker. Council member Jaramillo arrived later in the meeting.

ABSENT Mayor Leighty.

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:
112th Ditch/Flooding Issue City Manager Geyer provided an update regarding the E. 112th Avenue ditch remediation project to address flooding issues on E. 111th Place. On Thursday, November 16th, Mile High Flood District will host a workshop on the project. Postcards regarding the workshop will be mailed to residents immediately adjacent to the 112th Avenue ditch.

AGENDA ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS: None.

INTERVIEW:
Kate Fiel Kate Fiel came forward to be interviewed for a position on the Youth Commission. Kate provided information about herself and her interest in serving on the Commission.

PROCLAMATIONS:
National Arts and Humanities Month Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa read the proclamation proclaiming October 2023 as National Arts and Humanities Month in the City of Northglenn. Jill Parsons, President of the Northglenn Arts and Humanities Foundation, accepted the proclamation and thanked Council for the support.

Condemning Antisemitism and All Forms of Hate Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa read the proclamation condemning antisemitism and all forms of hate. Council member

Goff spoke regarding the proclamation, expressing her wishes for peace for all. Council member Long spoke about a close friend that has been impacted by recent events in Israel and also expressed his wishes for peace.

PRESENTATIONS:

Youth Commission
Quarterly Update

Members Suyash Shrestha and Alex Sandhu presented a report on Youth Commission activities from July to September 2023. The report provided information regarding membership and recruiting efforts and the progress of their 2023 priority projects related to public health and community engagement. Council thanked Suyash and Alex for the update and commended the Commission for their efforts, especially related to their public health project on substance abuse and addiction.

**PUBLIC INVITED
TO BE HEARD**

Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa called for any person wishing to address City Council on matters of community interest related to City business not set for public hearing.

Mark Bromley, Ward 3, commented on the perceived actions and intent of Council and spoke regarding his mayoral candidacy.

Tom Lampo, 3951 Jackson Way, Thornton, prayed for the City of Northglenn.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Council

Council member Walker thanked Tom Lampo for his kind words and prayers. He also thanked Public Works Director Kent Kisselman, Public Works staff, and the Planning Commission for their efforts to increase street safety in Fox Run; he looks forward to the implementation of additional measures in the future.

Council member Brown reported she attended the Business Appreciation event and stated businesses have expressed appreciation for staff's efforts and Council's support.

Council member Jaramillo reported on his attendance at the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD) Awards Ceremony at Adams County Regional Park; he was proud to represent the Northglenn Arts and Humanities Foundation and the Chicano Humanities and Arts Foundation at the event. He reminded everyone that donations are still being accepted for the art installation planned for the new City Hall. Lastly, he commended all involved with the 112th Avenue ditch remediation project and commented that it is good to see progress being made to address drainage and flooding issues in the area.

Council member Goff reminded everyone to vote in the November 2023 Election and noted the Candidate Forum can still be viewed on YouTube and on the City's website. Council member Goff reported she attended a Colorado Communities for Climate Action (CC4CA) meeting with the Interim Ozone Committee to urge them to act quickly to improve air quality. She also attended the Ward 3 meeting, the Business Appreciation event, a feasibility study meeting regarding Stonehocker Park, a meeting with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) regarding the Air Quality Control Commission, and a walkthrough of the new City Hall construction site, which was very exciting.

Council member Kondo reported on his attendance at the Congressional District 8 Service Academy Panels, a Ward 3 meeting, and Safe Street Halloween. Council member Kondo also made a statement regarding the importance of renewing the Rocky Flats Stewardship Council Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA).

Council member Long thanked Council for the proclamation condemning antisemitism and hate; the sentiments are meaningful, and he will share it with friends that have been affected by recent events in Israel. He reported on his attendance at the Business Appreciation event and stated that there will be a Ward 4 meeting on October 26th at the Justice Center. Council member Long addressed the nature of certain questions posed at the Candidate Forum attributed to him and also expressed concerns regarding the proposed 2024 budget.

Point of Order

Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa called for a point of order to ask City Attorney Hoffmann if Council member Long's statements regarding the budget are appropriate with respect to the Fair Campaign Practices Act. Attorney Hoffmann advised that Council member Long may speak regarding budget adoption in his communications and/or when the resolution to adopt the 2024 budget is opened for discussion later in the meeting.

Council member Long expressed, with respect to the 2024 budget, he would like to carry forward the principles City founders put into place when Northglenn was originated.

Council member Burns announced she will return to in-person meetings in November and thanked Council for the ability to participate remotely after her daughter's birth. She also thanked Council for the proclamation and resolution regarding antisemitism and hate, reiterating that such negativity has no place in the City of Northglenn.

Council member Walker provided an update from the Colorado Municipal League (CML) Policy Committee meeting. While the Committee had endorsed a bill to allow the establishment of overdose prevention centers, the bill failed to gain enough support to advance to the 2024 Legislative Session.

Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa reported on her attendance at the CML Executive Board meeting, a Business Improvement District tour in Cherry Creek with Economic Development Director Allison Moeding, the VALE Board meeting, a traffic calming meeting regarding Naiad Street, and the Ralston House Board meeting, where she was appointed to the Board. Lastly, she reported that she and City Manager Geyer recently visited with a resident on Claire Lane regarding potential drainage issues. City Manager Geyer reported that, though drainage issues may exist, no private property damage has occurred. Council provided consensus for staff to investigate the issue.

Staff

City Manager Geyer reported that Raising Cane's at Karl's Farm has rescheduled their ribbon cutting to November 14th from 8:45 to 10:00 a.m. She also encouraged everyone to drive through The Marketplace to see the progress at Prost Brewing as they move toward a December opening. City Manager Geyer reported the Northglenn Senior Center will be hosting a Veterans Day Ceremony on November 11th at the Veterans Memorial.

City Clerk Small provided information regarding the November 2023 Election: All 24-hour ballot boxes are currently open for voters to deposit their ballots. Voters may also visit a Voter Service and Polling Center to receive a replacement ballot, register to vote, vote on an accessible machine, or turn in a voted ballot. Voter Service and Polling Centers are open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., with special hours on Saturday, November 4th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Tuesday, November 7th from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. For additional information, visit adamsvotes.com or call the Adams County Election Department at (720) 523-6500.

CONSENT AGENDA
MOTION TO PASS

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

MOTION PASSED

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

The following items were approved on the consent agenda:

- October 9, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes
- CR-142 – Planning Commission Reappointment – Jodie Schenck

RESOLUTIONS:

CR-137 – Aquatic
Adventure Course

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Brown **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Kondo to approve CR-137.

Amanda Peterson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture, provided a summary of CR-137.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Lukeman-Hiromasa, Long, Jaramillo, Kondo,
Burns, Goff, Brown, Walker.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Leighty.

CR-138 – 2024 Pay Plan
and Personnel Summary

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Brown **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Goff to approve CR-138.

Tamara Dixon, Director of Human Resources and Chief Diversity Officer, provided a summary of CR-138.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Lukeman-Hiromasa, Long, Jaramillo, Kondo,
Burns, Goff, Brown, Walker.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Leighty.

CR-139 – 2023 Mill Levy
Certification, Collectable
in 2024

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

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

Jason Loveland, Interim Deputy City Manager, provided a summary of CR-139.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Lukeman-Hiromasa, Long, Jaramillo, Kondo,
Burns, Goff, Brown, Walker.

OPPOSED - None.
ABSENT - Leighty.

CR-140 – 2024 Annual
Operating and Capital
Improvement Budget
Adoption

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Goff **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Walker approve CR-140.

Jason Loveland, Interim Deputy City Manager, provided a summary of CR-140.

MOTION PASSED

There was discussion and the motion **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Lukeman-Hiromasa, Jaramillo, Kondo, Burns, Goff.
OPPOSED - Long, Brown, Walker.
ABSENT - Leighty.

CR-141 – City Manager
Salary

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Brown **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Jaramillo to approve CR-141.

MOTION PASSED

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

CR-143 – Supporting
Israel and Condemning
the War Launched by
the Hamas Terrorist
Organization

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Brown **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Long to approve CR-143.

City Attorney Corey Hoffmann provided a summary of CR-143.

MOTION PASSED

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

**PUBLIC INVITED
TO BE HEARD**

Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa called for any person wishing to speak on items previously addressed by Council.

Brandy Lewis, 1026 W. 98th Avenue, Ward 4, expressed preference for more positive communications, professionalism, and camaraderie amongst Council members during meetings. She also inquired about the upcoming Ward 4 meeting that will be held at the Justice Center.

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC
City Clerk

SHANNON LUKEMAN-HIROMASA
Mayor Pro Tem