## CITY OF NORTHGLENN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES July 28, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Tichy called a regular meeting of the Northglenn City Council to order on Thursday, July 28, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 11701 Community Center Drive, Northglenn.

**ROLL CALL** 

Present were Mayor Pro Tem Tichy, Council members Martin, Garner, Goodspeed, Carlow, Lindsey, Paiz, Gillespie.

**ABSENT** 

Mayor Novak.

STAFF PRESENT

City Manager Nelson, City Attorney Phillips, Deputy City Clerk Small.

PLEDGE AND INVOCATION

The Pledge of Allegiance was given followed by the Invocation, which was delivered by Councilwoman Paiz.

## PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD

Ms. Maridee Marks, 11076 Elati Street, spoke to Council about business practices and ethics. Ms. Marks spoke about the pending forensic audit and her feelings about the Mayor's car lease.

Mr. Rob Tichy, 11152 Pinyon Drive, invited everyone to attend the Relay For Life event on September 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. He thanked Council for their support of the event and asked for permission to use motorized vehicles in the park and to use the parking lot the night before the event

Mr. Steve Engler stated he lives in the Thistle Sage Apartments and asked Council to investigate the number of accidents at 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Washington Street. He stated there are numerous accidents at this location and feels it is a very dangerous intersection.

Ms. Mary Ellen Kettelkamp, 11065 Huron Street, spoke to Council about CR-43 relating to proposed ballot issues. She stated she is concerned about having a sunset on a prohibition for using water funds for anything other than water. Ms. Kettelkamp also spoke about the upcoming study session for the proposed rental property maintenance code and inquired about the number of rental properties in Northglenn that have been cited for meth labs.

Mr. Don Anema spoke to Council about CR-43. He expressed concern about the wording used that differs from the wording on the petition that was submitted to Council by residents. Mr. Anema also stated he was against including a sunset date in CR-43.

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Mr. Dallas Briggs stated he feels water monies should only be used for water related issues.

Mr. Harold Hodges, Ward IV, spoke about the City's expenditures, CR-43, and co-mingling funds. He spoke about serving on City Council and the current practices of incurring expenses. Mr. Hodges stated he is against the proposed rental property maintenance code, and asked Council to responsibly consider the items brought before them.

Mr. Joe Studer inquired about CR-43. He stated it is not on the agenda and he would like to know what the previous speakers are referring to.

City Attorney Phillips provided information about the study session that was held to discuss proposed charter amendment ballot questions. He stated the references to CR-43 are about a proposed ballot question that has not come before Council yet regarding the use of water and sewer funds.

Mr. James Miller spoke about the City's procedures for CORA requests. He stated he feels it is being used to the extreme, and does not feel he should need to submit a formal CORA request to obtain a zoning map or information about the DIA noise mitigation program. Mr. Miller also expressed concern about the proposed ballot question regarding the use of water funds for items not related to water. Mr. Miller thanked Council for pursuing an independent audit.

# AGENDA ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Mayor Pro Tem Tichy announced the following addition:

 17. Discussion Items: Scope of Forensic Audit – Councilman Gillespie

### CONSENT AGENDA MOTION TO PASS

Mayor Pro Tem Tichy **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Councilwoman Garner to approve items A and B on the consent agenda.

#### MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Tichy, Martin, Garner, Goodspeed, Carlow, Lindsey, Paiz, Gillespie.

OPPOSED - No one. ABSENT - Novak.

The following items were approved on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting for July 14, 2005
- SR 05-22 ADCOM Dispatch Fees & Services

#### **PRESENTATIONS:**

Northglenn City Council July 28, 2005 Beautification Awards

Mayor Pro Tem Tichy joined Ms. Cathy Coward, Community Outreach Coordinator, to present Beautification Awards to residents. Ms. Coward spoke about the program and provided a visual presentation of the yards and homes receiving awards for the month of July.

Those receiving awards for the month of July were: Dallas and Janet Briggs, Eddie and Cindy Coronado, Jimmy Cox, Frank and Flo Dietz, Jerry and Andrea Downs, Stephen Engler, George and Jane Evenden, Mack and Barbara Fair, Marty and Tommy Follett, Lloyd and Merna Howell, Troy and Crystal Reingardt, Katie Retzer, Alan and Karen Richardson, Chris and John Rivera, Steve and Patty Sieck, Theresa Sinner, Keith and Charlene Thompson, Bill and Theresa Young, and Bill Zimmerman.

Emergency Management Preparedness Document

Ms. Kathy Kvasnicka, Finance and Internal Support Solutions, stated she has been working with various staff members and agencies to produce an emergency management plan.

Mr. Tony Tolstedt, UC Denver Graduate Student, presented the emergency management plan to Council. He spoke about funding, service agreements, and the implementation of items addressed by the National Incident Management System. Mr. Tolstedt stated the review team has recommended that a full time emergency management coordinator be appointed. He also noted that the current command center is City Hall, and it has been recommended that the City select an alternative command center site.

There were questions from Council about the radios being used, alternative command sites, the use of volunteers and medical facilities within Northglenn.

Police Chief Russ Van Houten provided information about the radio system and stated there are differences between analog and digital radios. He stated the system is not fully funded, but there is an interoperable communication system.

There was discussion about using the Mormon Church for a command center, coordinating with medical professionals locally, and expanding the volunteer section of the plan.

RECESS

The City Council meeting recessed at 8:17 p.m.

RECONVENE

The City Council meeting reconvened at 8:24 p.m.

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

CB-1529 – Hard Surface

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Driveway Areas Amendment Deputy City Clerk Small read the title.

Mayor Pro Tem Tichy invited any person wishing to address Council either "for" or "against" CB-1529 to come forward. No one came forward and the public hearing was declared closed.

#### CB-1530 – Artificial Ground

Covers Amendment

Deputy City Clerk Small read the title.

Mayor Pro Tem Tichy invited any person wishing to address Council either "for" or "against" CB-1530 to come forward.

Mr. Don Anema stated he is neither for nor against CB-1530, but feels that due to drought conditions, the ordinance should be extended to include front yards. He stated the upkeep of the artificial ground cover could be addressed separately to regulate its appearance.

## CB-1531 – Vote Center

Precincts

Deputy City Clerk Small read the title.

Mayor Pro Tem Tichy invited any person wishing to address Council either "for" or "against" CB-1531 to come forward.

Mr. James Miller inquired about the number of vote centers for the upcoming election, and expressed concern about having only one vote center located within Northglenn.

## **ORDINANCES:**

## **Second Reading**

CB-1529

Hard Surface/Driveway

Areas Amendment

Deputy City Clerk Small read the title.

#### **MOTION TO PASS**

Councilman Lindsey **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Councilman Martin to approve CB-1529 on second reading.

## FRIENDLY

**AMENDMENT** 

Councilman Gillespie asked for a friendly amendment to Section 11-5-2(b)(67) to strike the phrase "designed and intended for driveways and."

#### **MOTION PASSED**

There was discussion and the motion, including the friendly amendment, **PASSED**.

IN FAVOR - Tichy, Martin, Garner, Goodspeed, Carlow,

Lindsey, Paiz, Gillespie.

OPPOSED - No one. ABSENT - Novak.

CB-1530

Artificial Ground

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Covers Amendment Deputy City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS Councilman Lindsey MOVED and it was SECONDED by

Councilwoman Garner to approve CB-1530 on second reading.

**MOTION FAILED** There was discussion and the motion **FAILED**.

IN FAVOR - Garner, Lindsey.

OPPOSED - Tichy, Martin, Goodspeed, Carlow, Paiz, Gillespie.

ABSENT - Novak.

CB-1531 – Vote Center

Precincts Deputy City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS Councilwoman Carlow MOVED and it was SECONDED by Mayor

Pro Tem Tichy to approve CB-1531 on second reading.

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

IN FAVOR - Tichy, Martin, Garner, Goodspeed, Carlow,

Lindsey, Paiz, Gillespie.

OPPOSED - No one. ABSENT - Novak.

**ORDINANCES:** 

First Reading

CB-1533 – Farmers Highline Canal Co.

Rezoning Deputy City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS Councilman Lindsey MOVED and it was SECONDED by

Councilwoman Paiz to approve CB-1533 on first reading.

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

IN FAVOR - Tichy, Martin, Garner, Goodspeed, Carlow,

Lindsey, Paiz, Gillespie.

OPPOSED - No one. ABSENT - Novak.

CB-1534

Watershed Protection Deputy City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS Councilman Lindsey MOVED and it was SECONDED by

Councilwoman Garner to approve CB-1534 on first reading.

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

IN FAVOR - Tichy, Martin, Garner, Carlow, Lindsey, Gillespie.

OPPOSED - Goodspeed, Paiz.

ABSENT - Novak.

Northglenn City Council July 28, 2005 Note:

Deputy City Clerk Small stated for the record that the public hearings on CB-1533 and CB-1534 would be held on August 11, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

COUNCIL

Mayor Pro Tem Tichy reported the Ward III and IV joint meeting was a success, despite the uncooperative weather. She thanked the staff that attended the function, as well as Council members Martin, Garner and Gillespie for their participation in the meeting.

Councilwoman Garner stated there were a fair number of questions from residents at the Ward III and IV joint meeting. She reported she had attended the Adams County Council of Governments meeting last night where they discussed the northwest corridor and the FasTracks project. She reported that Broomfield would be hosting a Healing Fields project this year and asked anyone interested in volunteering to contact Pam at the North Metro Fire and Rescue District.

Councilman Martin reported that NURA has rescinded its original letter of intent to acquire the Malley Heights property. He stated NURA is still working with Safeway on possible projects for that location.

Mayor Pro Tem Tichy reminded everyone that National Night Out would be held on Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>. She stated more information could be obtained by contacting Officer Kathy Bailey.

**STAFF** 

City Manager Nelson requested a study session to be held on August 3, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the proposed rental property maintenance code. He stated the meeting would be held at the D.L. Parsons Theatre to accommodate the public.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Forensic Audit

Councilman Gillespie stated he would like to discuss Council's ideas regarding the forensic audit investigation so the process could proceed. He stated it was not his intention to have the Sheriff's Department conduct an investigation, but rather coordinate the hiring of a third party to conduct the investigation. Councilman Gillespie stated he feels the investigation should not be limited to finding criminal action, and should include recommendations for improving the City's policies, procedures and oversights.

There was discussion about Council's involvement in the audit process, the need for an independent audit, and the suggestion of allowing everybody to have access to the investigators to provide any necessary information.

Police Chief Van Houten provided information about the communication he has had with the Sheriff's office to solicit their involvement in the process.

### PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Tichy invited any member of the public wishing to speak on any subject to come forward.

Mr. Jim Miller spoke about Section 11-6-14(c) of the zoning ordinance regarding artificial turf, and asked Council to consider clarifying this section relating to allowable ground covers.

Ms. Maridee Marks stated she feels citizens should be allowed to contact the independent auditor with concerns.

There was discussion among Council about the audit procedure.

Ms. Marks spoke about the joint Ward III and IV meeting, and stated she feels the residents were not interested in the recreation center. Ms. Marks inquired about the study session for the proposed rental property maintenance code and the use of vote centers for the election in November.

Mr. Jim Miller asked if the Sheriff's contact information would be given to all city employees. He inquired about the study session for the rental property maintenance code and the possibility of making a presentation to Council at the meeting.

Mr. Don Anema spoke to Council about code enforcement. He stated volunteers had cleaned an elderly couple's property in Ward II, and shortly thereafter the homeowners were issued a citation for code violations.

There was discussion about having code enforcement officers involved with the volunteer clean up projects to advise the homeowners and volunteers of specific items that are code violations.

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The City Council meeting adjourned at 9:43 p.m.