

**CITY OF NORTHGLENN
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
July 13, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER	Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa called a regular meeting of the Northglenn City Council to order on Monday, July 13, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers.
ROLL CALL	Present were Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa, Council members Burns, Sievers, Kondo, Nowicki, and Leighty.
ABSENT	Mayor Leighty, Council members Roper and Goff.
STAFF PRESENT	City Manager Geyer, Deputy City Manager Loveland, City Attorney Hoffmann, and City Clerk Small.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	The Pledge of Allegiance was given.
<u>RESPONSE TO RESIDENT INQUIRY:</u>	None.
<u>AGENDA ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS:</u>	None.
<u>PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD</u>	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. Tom Lampo, 3951 Jackson Way, Thornton, wished everyone a happy belated Fourth of July and recognized the United States' 250th anniversary before offering a prayer for Northglenn. Chris Baum, Ward 4, expressed opposition to increasing the stormwater fee, stating that stormwater infrastructure should be funded through the public works budget and voter-approved taxes rather than fees. He questioned City spending priorities and suggested reducing recreation funding to pay for stormwater projects. Melissa Ryan, Ward 3, asked Council to restart the Northglenn Police Department's communication videos, stating they helped residents feel informed about public safety issues and police work in the community. She also opposed duplex expansions and additional dwelling units, citing concerns about overcrowding, parking, traffic, and already strained roads.

Kathie Shea, Ward 2, expressed concern that the City's code enforcement approach is not working and said residents should be held accountable for maintaining their properties. She stated that unresolved violations can negatively affect neighborhoods and property values. Kathie asked Council to review whether the current process is effective.

Dion Miller, 10493 Lincoln Court, urged action on establishing a local detox facility in Adams County, citing ongoing behavioral health needs, overdose rates, and strain on law enforcement caused by transporting people outside the area for care. He offered his experience in recovery and treatment to help move the effort forward.

Rebekah Robinson-Eudis, Ward 2, expressed disappointment that the Northglenn Police Department's patrol videos are no longer being posted on Facebook, stating they provided transparency, public safety information, and insight into police work. She urged Council to resume posting the videos.

PROCLAMATIONS:

National Disability
Independence Day

Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa read the proclamation proclaiming July 26, 2026 as National Disability Independence Day in the City of Northglenn and presented the proclamation to Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity Board member Sammy Gomez.

National Parks and
Recreation Month &
Parks and Recreation
Professionals Day

Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa read the proclamation proclaiming July 2026 as National Parks and Recreation Month and July 17, 2026 as Parks and Recreation Professionals Day in the City of Northglenn. The proclamation was presented to Amanda Peterson, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, and staff members Elle Marzec, Roman Ortega, Jordan Wood, Karen Carillo, Melanie Flores, Cindi Mikula, Cara Hockaday, Kassy Riggle, Sarah Schwallier, Megan Wells, Michael Stricker, Jesse Mestrovic, and Kyle VanDewart.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Council

Council member Burns thanked residents who spoke during public comment and encouraged continued dialogue with Council. She recognized Parks and Recreation staff, noted the broader value of recreation services such as childcare. She acknowledged Colorado wildfire impacts and local concerns related to Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) activity, and thanked staff for

Juneteenth and Fourth of July events. Council member Burns shared that she presented at the Colorado Municipal League (CML) conference on modernizing council communications, and invited residents to the Ward 1 Neighborhood Nights event at Central Park in Fox Run.

Council member Leighty acknowledged recent ICE-related actions nationally and in Northglenn, expressing concern about the treatment shown in a local video and emphasizing compassion, dignity, and accountability. She also noted the CML conference, thanked the community and American Legion Post 22 for a successful Fourth of July celebration, recognized participants in the annual car show, and invited residents to the Ward 1 Neighborhood Nights event.

Council member Sievers thanked residents who spoke and encouraged them to contact Council directly for further discussion. He summarized recent meetings and events, including regional collaboration discussions, the Ward 4 Neighborhood Nights event, Sesquicentennial Committee meeting, Power Up business event, Planning Commission development tour, Fourth of July celebration, Police Department promotional swearing-in ceremony, Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, and conversations with Thornton officials about development and transportation near 120th Avenue. He also discussed concerns related to recent ICE activity affecting a Northglenn business and referenced broader national incidents and federal spending abroad.

Council member Nowicki thanked staff, police, and residents for a successful Fourth of July celebration. He provided an overview of the Outside Agency Funding Committee, including its purpose, budget, and eligibility criteria. He also shared information from Police Chief May advising that Northglenn Police Department had no advance knowledge of, involvement in, or information about a recent federal immigration operation at a local business. Council member Nowicki also invited residents to attend the Ward 2 Neighborhood Nights event on July 30th at Wyco Park.

Council member Kondo encouraged residents to contact Council members directly and shared that he recently met with residents on code enforcement and neighborhood concerns. He discussed his work with the Sesquicentennial Committee, his attendance at the Police Department promotional swearing-in ceremony and the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, highlighted the Summer Concert Series, thanked North Metro Fire Rescue District (NMFRD) for its coordination on the Fourth of July fireworks

display, and acknowledged firefighters and public safety personnel for their service.

Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa thanked NMFRD, the Police Department, and City staff for their work on the Fourth of July celebration and acknowledged firefighters who lost their lives in recent wildfires. She also commented on the recent ICE-related incident in Northglenn and the Ward 4 Neighborhood Night event, congratulated Council member Burns on her CML presentation, and shared that she was elected to the CML Board of Directors. Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa recognized recent police promotions and City volunteers, reported on Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority (NURA) business improvement grants, noted resident concerns about e-bikes on trails, and encouraged residents to contact Council for follow-up after public comment.

Staff

City Manager Geyer thanked staff for their work on the Fourth of July celebration and other summer events, noting that these events require significant coordination across departments. She encouraged residents to attend upcoming Neighborhood Night events.

City Clerk Small announced that the City Clerk's Office will host a Passport Saturday event on July 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., with appointments available online or by calling 303-450-8756. The event will kick off the Office's third donation drive of the 2026, with nonperishable food donations benefiting Good Shepherd Food Bank and free passport photos offered to those who donate.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

May 2026 Update

Deputy City Manager and Director of Finance Jason Loveland provided a financial report for the period ending May 30, 2026. Director 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. Director Loveland also reported on the City's sales tax revenue and sales tax activity by geographic location.

Director Loveland addressed a question regarding tax revenue at Washington Point, confirming a decrease due to Safeway's closure.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION TO PASS

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

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Lukeman-Hiromasa, Burns, Sievers, Kondo, Nowicki,
Madison Leighty.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Meredith Leighty, Roper, Goff.

The following item was approved on the consent agenda:

- June 15, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes

PUBLIC HEARING:

CB-2039 – International
Building Codes

City Clerk Small read the title.

Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa opened the public hearing on CB-2039 and called for anyone wishing to speak either “for” or “against” CB-2039. There was no response, and the public hearing was closed.

ORDINANCES –

SECOND READING:

CB-2039 – International
Building Codes

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Kondo **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Nowicki to approve CB-2039 on second reading.

Director of Planning and Development Becky Smith and Chief Building Official Alejandro Pantoja, SafeBuilt, provided an overview of CB-2039.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Lukeman-Hiromasa, Burns, Sievers, Kondo, Nowicki,
Madison Leighty.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Meredith Leighty, Roper, Goff.

ORDINANCES –

FIRST READING:

CB-2040 – Eliminate the
One Percent Vendor Fee

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Nowicki **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Burns to approve CB-2040 on first reading.

Deputy City Manager Jason Loveland provided a summary of CB-2040.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Lukeman-Hiromasa, Burns, Sievers, Kondo, Nowicki,
Madison Leighty.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Meredith Leighty, Roper, Goff.

RESOLUTIONS:

CR-75 – Section 36 Area
Plan – Comprehensive
Plan Amendment

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Nowicki **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Leighty to approve CR-75.

Director of Planning & Development Becky Smith provided a summary of CR-75.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Lukeman-Hiromasa, Burns, Sievers, Kondo, Nowicki,
Madison Leighty.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Meredith Leighty, Roper, Goff.

CR-86 – Alexan
Northglenn Easement
Vacation Request

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Kondo **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Leighty to approve CR-86.

Director of Planning & Development Becky Smith provided a summary of CR-86.

Note:

Council member Nowicki left the meeting during the consideration of CR-86.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Lukeman-Hiromasa, Burns, Sievers, Kondo, Madison
Leighty.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Meredith Leighty, Roper, Goff, Nowicki.

CR-87 – Civic Center
Parking Lot Construction
Contract

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Burns **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Kondo to approve CR-87.

Director of Public Works Sarah Borgers provided a summary of CR-87.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Lukeman-Hiromasa, Burns, Sievers, Kondo, Nowicki,
Madison Leighty.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Meredith Leighty, Roper, Goff.

CR-88 – Comprehensive
Safety Action Plan

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Kondo **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by
Council member Sievers to approve CR-88.

Director of Planning & Development Becky Smith provided a
summary of CR-88.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Lukeman-Hiromasa, Burns, Sievers, Kondo, Nowicki,
Madison Leighty.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Meredith Leighty, Roper, Goff.

CR-90 – Private Activity
Bonds 2026 Assignment
to CHFA

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Kondo **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by
Council member Leighty to approve CR-90.

Director of Planning & Development Becky Smith provided a
summary of CR-90.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Lukeman-Hiromasa, Burns, Sievers, Kondo, Nowicki,
Madison Leighty.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Meredith Leighty, Roper, Goff.

CR-91 – Stormwater
Fee Increase

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Sievers **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by
Council member Kondo to approve CR-91.

Director of Public Works Sarah Borgers provided a summary of CR-
91.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Lukeman-Hiromasa, Burns, Sievers, Kondo, Nowicki,
Madison Leighty.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Meredith Leighty, Roper, Goff.

CR-92 – 2026 Pay Plan
& Personnel Summary
Amendment

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Burns **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by
Council member Sievers to approve CR-92.

Deputy City Manager Jason Loveland provided a summary of CR-
92.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Lukeman-Hiromasa, Burns, Sievers, Kondo, Nowicki,
Madison Leighty.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Meredith Leighty, Roper, Goff.

CR-93 – Nov. 3, 2026
Ballot Question –
Accommodations Tax
Increase

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Nowicki **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by
Council member Leighty to approve CR-93.

Deputy City Manager Jason Loveland provided a summary of CR-
93.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Lukeman-Hiromasa, Burns, Sievers, Kondo, Nowicki,
Madison Leighty.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Meredith Leighty, Roper, Goff.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Sesquicentennial
Celebration Committee
Update

Amanda Peterson, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, presented an update on the Eleanor M. Wyatt Centennial Park and Sculpture Garden redesign, the Bicentennial Time Capsule, and the Sesquicentennial Celebration, detailing the Committee's work since January. The proposed park redesign preserves the original spirit of the park while enhancing it as a destination. The redesign features seven demonstration gardens, improved sculpture

visibility, preservation of existing trees, added seating, low-water turf and plantings, and space for future sculptures. Director Peterson also discussed the contents of the Bicentennial Time Capsule, noting that more than 90 new items will be included, representing the community as it is in 2026. The Bicentennial Time Capsule will be reburied and set for the second excavation at the nation's Tricentennial in 2076. Lastly, she provided highlights from the Committee's plans for the Sesquicentennial Celebration on August 1st, which will include various performances, bilingual promotion and translation, children's activities, food trucks, a DJ, park unveiling, and the ceremonial Bicentennial Time Capsule reinstallation.

City Council expressed strong support for the redesign of the park and expressed gratitude for the Committee's additional work on the Bicentennial Time Capsule project and Sesquicentennial Celebration planning efforts.

Continue past 10:00 p.m.
MOTION TO PASS

Council member Kondo **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Sievers to continue the meeting past 10:00 p.m.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Lukeman-Hiromasa, Burns, Sievers, Kondo, Nowicki,
Madison Leighty.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Meredith Leighty, Roper, Goff.

Proposed Holiday
Schedule Enhancement
for 2026

City Manager Geyer presented a proposed holiday schedule enhancement to provide employees with a full-day holiday instead of a half-day holiday on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve in 2026. Council expressed support for the proposal, noting it would recognize employees' work, support morale and retention, and provide a meaningful benefit during a challenging budget year.

PUBLIC INVITED
TO BE HEARD

Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa called for any person wishing to speak on items previously addressed by Council. There was no response.

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council meeting adjourned at 10:13 p.m.

JOHANNA SMALL, MMC
City Clerk

SHANNON LUKEMAN-HIROMASA
Mayor Pro Tem