

**CITY OF NORTHGLENN
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
February 26, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Novak called a regular meeting of the Northglenn City Council to order on Thursday, February 26, 2009 at 7:07 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 11701 Community Center Drive, Northglenn.

ROLL CALL

Present were: Mayor Novak, Council members Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Paiz, Downing, Miller, Clyne, and Wieneke.

ABSENT

No one.

STAFF PRESENT

City Manager Simmons, City Attorney Hoffmann, and City Clerk Small.

**PLEDGE AND
INVOCATION**

The Pledge of Allegiance was given followed by the Invocation, which was delivered by Mayor Novak.

INTERVIEW:

Mary Peery

Ms. Mary Peery came forward to be interviewed by Council for a position on the Planning Commission. Ms. Peery provided information about her background and answered questions from Council about serving on the Commission.

**AGENDA ADDITIONS
AND DELETIONS:**

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

PRESENTATIONS:

Northglenn Arts and
Humanities Foundation
Annual Report

Mr. Michael Stricker, Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation Director and Cultural Programs Supervisor, provided a review of the Foundation's activities for 2008. Mr. Stricker spoke about the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD) funded programs including the Northglenn Youth Theatre, Missoula Children's Theatre, Sounds of Summer Concert Series, Art on Parade, and the People's Choice Award. Mr. Stricker reviewed the programs planned for 2009 and spoke about the per capita funding the City has historically allocated to the Foundation.

There were questions from Council about how a reduction in the per capital funding would affect the Foundation and its activities, the Foundation's relationship with the School of the Arts, and revenue generated by the cultural programs.

FASTER Legislation

Mr. Mark Radtke, Colorado Municipal League, provided information about Senate Bill 09-108 regarding the Funding Advancements for Surface Transportation and Economic Recovery (FASTER) legislation. Mr. Radtke spoke about funding that would be created by the Bill, its effect on local municipalities, and surcharges that would be imposed. Mr. Radtke also provided information about Senate Bill 09-180 regarding collective bargaining for law enforcement and firefighters in municipalities.

PUBLIC INVITED
TO BE HEARD

Mayor Novak called for any person wishing to address City Council on any subject not set for public hearing to come forward.

Mr. Bob McCoy, Ward IV, spoke about the Charter Review Committee's recommendations that were presented during the study session, and expressed concern about Council's response to the Committee. Mr. McCoy inquired about the Committee's recommendation regarding Section 5.5(a) of the Charter, and spoke about the difference between a Charter Review Committee and a Charter Commission.

Mr. Ray DeWeese, Ward I, spoke about establishing a fund for water, sewer, and street projects. Mr. DeWeese inquired about the cost of providing water and sewer services and stated that he feels rates should be reviewed and adjusted more frequently. Mr. DeWeese also spoke about water shares and the Farmers Reservoir and Irrigation Company (FRICO).

Mr. Tim Long, Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority (NURA) Commissioner, stated that the Authority recommends the appointment of Ms. Marge Carlow to fill the position vacated by Michael Martin. Mr. Long spoke about Ms. Carlow's contributions to the community and her service to the City. Mr. Long also stated that NURA recommends the reappointment of Mr. Phil Carney as a Commissioner to the Authority.

Dr. Sean Reif, Ward I, spoke about allowing taller buildings to be constructed in the City. Dr. Reif stated that he feels the City should take stronger measures against harassment and stalking by electronic media. Dr. Reif also spoke about reducing light pollution, offering seminars on identity theft, and the election for municipal officers this fall.

Mr. Dallas Briggs, Ward I, spoke against CR-28 – Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation Funds Designation for the current year and spoke in favor of CR-29 – Cost Reduction Requirement for Hiring Exceptions. Mr. Briggs inquired about CR-30 – Neighborhood Renewal Initiative Contract and the amount suggested

for renovations. Mr. Briggs spoke about Council taking a position on State legislation and stated that he is opposed to removing the letters to the editor from the Northglenn Connection newsletter.

Mr. Don Anema spoke about the Charter Review Committee. Mr. Anema spoke about his work on a previous committee and urged Council to review the current Committee's recommendations. Mr. Anema also asked Council to keep the letters to the editor in the Northglenn Connection newsletter.

Mr. Lee Brown, Ward IV, spoke about the letters to the editor column in the Northglenn Connection. Mr. Brown spoke about providing equal access to both sides on issues, and stated that he feels Council would be denying citizens' rights to free speech by not allowing the letters to be published in the newsletter.

CONSENT AGENDA
MOTION TO PASS

Council member Paiz **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve the consent agenda.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Novak, Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Paiz, Downing,
Miller, Clyne, Wieneke.

OPPOSED - No one.

ABSENT - No one.

The following items were approved on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the February 12, 2009 Regular Meeting
- CR-25 – Youth Commission Appointment – Kurtis Alberi
- CR-26 – Planning Commission Appointment – Mary Peery

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

CB-1678 – 2009 CIP
Budget – Appropriation
Amendment

City Clerk Small read the title.

Mayor Novak invited anyone wishing to speak either “for” or “against” CB-1678 to come forward. No one came forward and the public hearing was declared closed.

ORDINANCES

Second Reading:

CB-1678 – 2009 CIP
Budget – Appropriation
Amendment

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CB-1678 on second reading.

**FRIENDLY
AMENDMENT**

A friendly amendment was accepted to amend the total fund balance figure in Section 1. from \$1,013,486 to \$725,524.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Novak, Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Paiz, Downing,
Miller, Clyne, Wieneke.

OPPOSED - No one.

ABSENT - No one.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Baker **MOVED** to suspend making any changes to the budget until such time as the budget is rewritten and approved by Council.

MOTION DIED

The motion died due to lack of a second.

ORDINANCES

First Reading:

CB-1679 – City
Manager Residency
Requirement

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Baker **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Wieneke to approve CB-1679 on first reading.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Novak, Baker, Parsons, Paiz, Downing, Miller,
Clyne, Wieneke.

OPPOSED - Monroe.

ABSENT - No one.

CB-1680 – General
Employees' Pension
Plan Amendment

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CB-1680 on first reading.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Novak, Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Paiz, Downing,
Miller, Clyne, Wieneke.

OPPOSED - No one.

ABSENT - No one.

CB-1681 – Police
Pension Plan Amendment

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS Council member Downing **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Monroe to approve CB-1681 on first reading.

MOTION PASSED There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Novak, Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Paiz, Downing,
Miller, Clyne, Wieneke.
OPPOSED - No one.
ABSENT - No one.

Note: City Clerk Small stated for the record that the public hearings on CB-1679, CB-1680, and CB-1681 would be held on March 12, 2009 in City Hall Council Chambers.

RESOLUTIONS:

CR-27 – Citizens’
Affairs Board Appt.
– Kim Snetzinger

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Parsons to approve CR-27.

MOTION TO TABLE Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Parsons to table CR-27.

MOTION PASSED There was discussion and the motion to table **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Novak, Parsons, Monroe, Paiz, Downing, Miller,
Clyne, Wieneke.
OPPOSED - Baker.
ABSENT - No one.

CR-28 – Northglenn
Arts & Humanities
Foundation Funds
Designation

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS Council member Downing **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Parsons to approve CR-28.

MOTION TO TABLE Council member Miller **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to table CR-28 to March 12, 2009.

MOTION PASSED There was discussion and the motion to table **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Parsons, Monroe, Paiz, Downing, Miller, Clyne,
Wieneke.
OPPOSED - Novak, Baker.
ABSENT - No one.

RECESS: The City Council meeting recessed at 8:51 p.m.

RECONVENE: The City Council meeting reconvened at 8:59 p.m.

CR-29 – Cost Reduction
Requirement for
Hiring Exceptions City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS Council member Paiz **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Baker to approve CR-29.

MOTION WITHDRAWN There was discussion and the motion was withdrawn.

CR-30 – Neighborhood
Renewal Initiative Contract City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CR-30.

MOTION PASSED There was discussion and the motion **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Novak, Parsons, Monroe, Downing, Clyne.
OPPOSED - Baker, Paiz, Miller, Wieneke.
ABSENT - No one.

CR-31 – Bull Reservoir
Emergency Repairs –
Design Services Contract
Addendum #3 City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CR-31.

MOTION PASSED There was discussion and the motion **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Novak, Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Paiz, Downing,
Miller, Clyne, Wieneke.
OPPOSED - No one.
ABSENT - No one.

CR-32 – Bull Reservoir
Emergency Repairs –
Construction Management
Services Contract
Addendum #1 City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CR-32.

MOTION PASSED

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Novak, Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Paiz, Downing,
Miller, Clyne, Wieneke.
OPPOSED - No one.
ABSENT - No one.

CR-33 – Pump & Motor
Replacement Project

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by
Council member Downing to approve CR-33.

**FRIENDLY
AMENDMENT**

A friendly amendment was accepted to amend the Capital Projects
Program to include the Pump and Motor Replacement Project.

MOTION PASSED

There was discussion and the motion including the friendly
amendment **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Novak, Baker, Parsons, Monroe, Paiz, Downing,
Miller, Clyne, Wieneke.
OPPOSED - No one.
ABSENT - No one.

CR-34 – NURA
Commissioner
Reappointment – Phil
Carney

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Downing **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by
Council member Miller to approve CR-34.

**FRIENDLY
AMENDMENT**

A friendly amendment was accepted to amend the term to commence
April 19, 2008 and expire April 19, 2013.

MOTION PASSED

There was discussion and the motion including the friendly
amendment **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Novak, Parsons, Monroe, Downing, Miller.
OPPOSED - Baker, Paiz, Clyne, Wieneke.
ABSENT - No one.

CR-35 – NURA
Commissioner Appointment

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Mayor Novak **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member
Monroe to approve CR-35 with the insertion of the name Marge
Carlow.

MOTION FAILED

There was discussion and the motion **FAILED**.
IN FAVOR - Novak, Parsons, Monroe, Downing.
OPPOSED - Baker, Paiz, Miller, Clyne, Wieneke.
ABSENT - No one.

MOTION TO PASS

Mayor Novak **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CR-35 with the insertion of the name Wayne Dodge.

MOTION PASSED

There was discussion and the motion **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Novak, Monroe, Paiz, Downing, Miller, Clyne,
Wieneke.
OPPOSED - Baker, Parsons.
ABSENT - No one.

CR-36 – NURA
Advisor Appointment

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Mayor Novak **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CR-36 with the insertion of the name Bob McCoy.

MOTION PASSED

There was discussion and the motion **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Novak, Baker, Monroe, Paiz, Downing, Miller,
Clyne, Wieneke.
OPPOSED - Parsons.
ABSENT - No one.

CR-37 – Support of
Senate Bill 09-108 –
FASTER Legislation

There was discussion about Council's preference of taking a position on State legislation and Senate Bill 09-108.

MOTION TO PASS

Mayor Novak **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Downing to approve CR-37.

MOTION PASSED

There was discussion and the motion **PASSED**.
IN FAVOR - Novak, Parsons, Monroe, Paiz, Downing, Clyne,
Wieneke.
OPPOSED - Baker, Miller.
ABSENT - No one.

Action Item:
Removing Letters
to the Editor in the
Northglenn Connection

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Monroe **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Paiz to remove the letters to the editor from the Northglenn Connection newsletter.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Novak, Monroe, Paiz, Downing, Miller, Clyne, Wieneke.

OPPOSED - Baker, Parsons.

ABSENT - No one.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Exploration of IGA's
for Recreation Activities

Council member Wieneke spoke about the uncertain future of the Recreation Center and providing opportunities for residents to seek recreational activities elsewhere. Council member Wieneke stated that he feels it would be beneficial to direct the City Manager to negotiate intergovernmental agreements with neighboring communities to allow Northglenn residents to use their facilities at resident rates.

There was discussion about partnering with other cities and organizations, exploring agreements for additional programs such as recycling, the desire to provide recreational opportunities for residents, and involving the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board in the project. It was the consensus of Council to direct the City Manager to begin negotiating intergovernmental agreements with neighboring communities for recreation services.

COMMUNICATIONS

COUNCIL

Council member Clyne reported that a meeting regarding the design of the Huron Crossing Park would be held on Monday, March 2, 2009 at the Recreation Center.

Council member Downing reported that two urban renewal bills had been killed in the State legislature. Council member Downing reported that the Annual Senior Picnic would be held in June and noted that sponsors are being solicited for the event. Council member Downing also reported on a fundraiser for the Historic Preservation Commission at Elitch's on April 19, 2009. Council member Downing reported that the third annual Community Garden would be planted and stated that an area church would be expanding the project this year.

Mayor Novak spoke about the North Area Transportation Alliance (NATA). Mayor Novak reported that she would be serving on a Steering Committee for the NATA, and would pass on information to Council.

Council member Paiz reported that she and Council members Wieneke, Monroe, and Downing had attended the Adams County Economic Development (ACED) breakfast and spoke about the presentation they received.

Council member Monroe reported on the breakfast meeting at ACED, and provided information about House Bill 09-1235 regarding the Neighbor Cleanup Good Samaritan Law. Council member Monroe also spoke about the economic recovery stimulus funding and various funding opportunities for the City.

Council member Parsons reported that the Page to Stage group would be performing on Monday, March 2, 2009 at the D.L. Parsons Theatre. Council member Parsons reported that the Night of the Stars talent show would be held tomorrow evening, and announced that Northglenn would be hosting the regional talent show competition in 2010.

STAFF

City Manager Simmons reported that staff is researching funding opportunities available through the Federal economic recovery stimulus. City Manager Simmons provided information about the projects that have been submitted for funding, and clarified information that was reported in the Northglenn-Thornton Sentinel. City Manager Simmons stated that Trash/Polycart Ordinance Revisions, 2009 Street Program, and draft ordinances would be topics for the March 5, 2009 Study Session, and inquired about the Council budget retreat. There was discussion and it was the consensus of Council to meet on Friday, March 6, 2009 at 12:00 noon at the Recreation Center.

Council member Downing reported that a Ward II meeting would be held on Monday, March 2, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. Council member Downing also reported that NURA would be holding a retreat on Saturday, February 28, 2009, and invited the newly appointed members to attend.

There was discussion about the upcoming Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) public hearing on March 4, 2009 and the desire to have public attend the hearing. Citizens were encouraged to attend the hearing at 6:00 p.m. at the DRCOG building located at 12th and Broadway to help support the City's applications for funding.

PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD

Mayor Novak invited any member of the public wishing to speak on any subject to come forward.

Dr. Sean Reif spoke about a culture of lack and time that is available for conducting business. Dr. Reif spoke about task forces, the

Planning Commission, and the Charter Review Committee. Dr. Reif spoke about leadership, the City's future, and the qualities he feels are important for the next mayor to have.

Mr. Dallas Briggs inquired about the status of the water and sewer line service program contract.

City Attorney Hoffmann provided information about the contract and stated that it is tentatively set to come to Council on March 12, 2009.

Mr. Chris DeMay invited everyone to attend the Adams County Open Space Forum on March 31, 2009 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Adams County Fairgrounds. Mr. DeMay stated that the topic of the forum is creative partnerships.

Mr. Don Anema spoke about the Recreation Center and stated that he feels getting rid of the facility would decrease the quality of life in the City. Mr. Anema asked Council to keep the Recreation Center operating at its current level until such time that it can be improved.

Mr. Dave Usechek, Ward IV, spoke in favor of Council removing the letters to the editor from the Northglenn Connection, and stated there are other forums for this type of communication. Mr. Usechek spoke about the Recreation Center and public/private partnerships for a new facility. Mr. Usechek spoke about the budget and the economy, and suggested conducting town meetings to solicit input from residents about services that are important to them. Mr. Usechek spoke about how other cities have reduced their budgets and asked Council to review staffing and payroll costs.

Mr. Bob McCoy stated that he would be initiating the process to put proposed charter amendments on the ballot and asked for help with the process. Mr. McCoy also spoke about the budget, the City's rate of expenditures, and possible action on future budget issues.

Ms. Geraldine Estey, 122 Pike Street, spoke about the need for a recycling program in the City. Ms. Estey spoke about former Council members serving on NURA, the microphones in Council Chambers, and the possibility of dissolving the City.

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council meeting adjourned at 10:43 p.m.

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC
City Clerk

KATHLEEN M. NOVAK
Mayor