

**CITY OF NORTHGLENN
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
April 25, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Downing called a regular meeting of the Northglenn City Council to order on Monday, April 25, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 11701 Community Center Drive, Northglenn.

ROLL CALL Present were: Mayor Downing, Mayor Pro Tem Dodge, Council members Snetzinger, Mullica, Sauers, J. Brown, B. Brown, Whitman, and Esquibel.

ABSENT None.

STAFF PRESENT City Manager Hayes, City Attorney Hoffmann, and City Clerk Small.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

**AGENDA ADDITIONS
AND DELETIONS:** None.

PROCLAMATIONS:
Citywide Day of Prayer Mayor Downing read a proclamation proclaiming May 5, 2016 as a Citywide Day of Prayer in the City of Northglenn and presented the proclamation to Mr. Don Mittlestadt, Crossroads Church.

National Small
Business Week Mayor Downing read a proclamation proclaiming May 1-7, 2016 as National Small Business Week in the City of Northglenn and stated the proclamation will be sent to the Small Business Administration.

PRESENTATIONS:
Recognition of Police
Officer Chelsey Crawford
and Police Officer
Preston Young North Metro Fire Rescue District Chief David Ramos and Lieutenant John Daugherty, Station 63, came forward to recognize Police Officer Chelsey Crawford and Police Officer Preston Young. Lt. Daugherty spoke about Officer Crawford and Officer Young's quick response and heroic actions on February 14, 2016, which saved the life of a Northglenn resident, and presented the officers with the Lifesaving Award from the Fire District.

2015 North Metro Fire
Rescue District Annual
Report

Fire Chief Ramos, North Metro Fire Rescue District, presented the District's 2015 Annual Report to the Council. Chief Ramos provided an overview of the report highlighting the District's accomplishments and spoke about the District's plans and programs for 2016.

Tree City USA

Mr. Keith Wood, Colorado State Forest Service, stated the City of Northglenn had been awarded the Tree City USA designation for the 26th year and provided information about the Tree City program. Mr. Wood congratulated the City and presented the Tree City USA award to Mr. Allan Duckworth, City Arborist.

Mr. Duckworth thanked City Council for their support and City staff for their efforts planting and maintaining trees throughout the City.

Youth Commission
Quarterly Report

Youth Commission Treasurer Chandler Sanchez and Vice-Secretary Isabelle Cunis presented a quarterly report to the Council. Chandler and Isabelle reported on the Farmers Highline Canal Cleanup, which was canceled due to the weather, the Commission's Field Day project for the Northglenn Day Camps, and an opportunity to partner with the Northglenn High School Student Council on the use of a Kaboom Grant to build park and playground spaces. The members also reported on upcoming projects including the Veterans' Memorial Flowerbed, the Paint-A-Thon, and the Youth Commission's Relay For Life team.

PUBLIC INVITED
TO BE HEARD

Mayor Downing called for any person wishing to address City Council on matters of community interest related to City business not set for public hearing to come forward.

Ms. Karen Garcia spoke about the keeping of chickens and bees in residential areas. Ms. Garcia spoke about the nutritional value of eggs and keeping chickens in a responsible manner, and asked City Council to allow residents to keep chickens and bees.

Ms. Nancy Rush-Isbell stated she will be moving into Ward 4 soon and she would like to be able to keep chickens in her backyard. Ms. Rush stated chickens enrich the lives of individuals and stated she feels they are no worse than any other pet.

Mr. Monte Pescador spoke about chickens and bees and how the lack of bees affects the quality of produce. Mr. Pescador spoke about the benefits of keeping both chickens and bees and stated the two must be allowed together.

Mr. Ron Jensen stated he believes the voters should decide whether to allow the keeping of chickens and bees in the City.

Mr. Christopher Banecks spoke about the keeping of bees throughout the country and how bees benefit flowers and produce. Mr. Banecks stated bees are not aggressive and also spoke about the importance of having access to fresh, organic chicken and eggs.

Ms. Sandy Banecks stated she is in favor of keeping chickens and bees. Ms. Banecks spoke about manually pollenating trees in areas without bees and stated she believes residents will keep chickens and bees in a responsible manner.

Ms. Ursula Schmidt spoke against allowing the keeping of chickens in backyards. Ms. Schmidt expressed concern about the waste and smell from chickens and stated she feels they should not be allowed in suburban neighborhoods.

Ms. Delores Huss, Ward 4, expressed concern about the current efforts of code enforcement and stated she does not believe regulations for the keeping of chickens will be enforced.

Ms. Kathy Johns spoke in favor of keeping chickens and bees and stated it helps teach children responsibility. Ms. Johns stated she currently keeps bees and stated people are more likely to be stung by a wasp or a yellowjacket than a honey bee.

CONSENT AGENDA
MOTION TO PASS

Council member Mullica **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Snetzinger to approve the consent agenda.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Downing, Dodge, Snetzinger, Mullica, Sauers,
J. Brown, B. Brown, Whitman, Esquibel.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - None.

The following items were approved on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the April 11, 2016 Regular Meeting
- CR-48 – Planning Commission Appointment – Scenet Dalfonso
- CR-49 – Historic Preservation Commission Reappointment – Diane Cooksey

**ORDINANCES –
FIRST READING:**

CB-1865 – Keeping
of Chickens

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Mullica **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Sauers to approve CB-1865 on first reading.

City Manager Hayes provided a summary of CB-1865, CB-1866, and CB-1867. Mr. Svoboda, Planning and Development Director, and City Attorney Hoffmann addressed questions from Council regarding the proposed ordinances.

**FRIENDLY
AMENDMENT**

A friendly amendment was accepted to revise the sunset provision to revisit the matter instead of repeal the ordinance in 2017 and to add language to specify the keeping of chickens is a licensed activity and not a use within the meaning of the Zoning Ordinance.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Downing, Dodge, Mullica, Sauers,
J. Brown, B. Brown, Whitman, Esquibel.

OPPOSED - Snetzinger.

ABSENT - None.

CB-1866 – Keeping
of Bees

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Mullica **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Sauers to approve CB-1866 on first reading.

**FRIENDLY
AMENDMENT**

A friendly amendment was accepted to revise the sunset provision to revisit the matter instead of repeal the ordinance in 2017 and to add language to specify the keeping of bees is a licensed activity and not a use within the meaning of the Zoning Ordinance.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Downing, Dodge, Mullica, Sauers,
J. Brown, B. Brown, Whitman, Esquibel.

OPPOSED - Snetzinger.

ABSENT - None.

CB-1867 – Keeping
of Chickens and Bees
in Residential Zones

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Mullica **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Sauers to approve CB-1867 on first reading.

City Manager Hayes provided a brief summary of CB-1867.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Downing, Dodge, Mullica, Sauers,
J. Brown, B. Brown, Whitman, Esquibel.

OPPOSED - Snetzinger.

ABSENT - None.

Note:

City Clerk Small stated for the record that the public hearings on CB-1865, CB-1866, and CB-1867 will be held on May 9, 2016 in City Hall Council Chambers.

RESOLUTIONS:

CR-50 – WWTP
Headworks and Clarifier
Construction Manager
At Risk (CMAR)

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Mayor Pro Tem Dodge **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Mullica to approve CR-50.

City Manager Hayes provided a summary of CR-50.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Downing, Dodge, Snetzinger, Mullica, Sauers,
J. Brown, B. Brown, Whitman, Esquibel.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Northglenn Justice
Center Project Update

Mr. Steve Grace, Operations Manager, provided an update on the Justice Center project. Mr. Grace stated there have been no changes to the project cost and stated staff and the architect have been working to refine the facility design. Mr. Grace stated the revised design includes 46,700 square feet and spoke about information that will be presented to Council at the June 6, 2016 study session.

Note:

Council member Esquibel left the meeting at approximately 8:26 p.m.

RTD 112th Station Design

Mr. Brook Svoboda, Planning and Development Director, spoke about an opportunity for savings if the City is able to select a design for the railing for the 112th Avenue Station. Mr. Svoboda provided information about the standard railing and potential savings through the base bid process.

There was discussion about the various options and other betterments that may be presented to Council for the station design. It was the consensus of Council to proceed with the standard railing.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Council

Council member Whitman reminded everyone about the North Metro Fire Rescue District Board election on May 3rd and stated residents can vote at the local fire stations.

Mayor Pro Tem Dodge announced that Ms. Eleanor Wyatt is scheduled to attend the Sculpture Garden Dedication on June 10th at the Eleanor M. Wyatt/Centennial Park. Mayor Pro Tem Dodge reported the A Cappella Series is up 27% in attendance from last year and noted the group Face will be performing at the last concert of the series.

Mayor Downing reported she attended the Mary Ciancio Awards dinner and noted that Northglenn resident Dr. Darwin Strickland had been nominated for an award at the event.

Council member Snetzinger welcomed City Manager Hayes and stated she is glad to have him onboard.

Staff

City Manager Hayes spoke about the weekly update he distributed to Council last Friday and inquired about sponsorship opportunities included in the report. There was discussion about having the Executive Assistant to the City Manager coordinate attendance at sponsorship events and Council's desire to know how the organizations benefit Northglenn residents. City Manager Hayes asked Council for feedback on the weekly report.

**PUBLIC INVITED
TO BE HEARD**

Mayor Downing invited any member of the public wishing to speak on items previously addressed by Council to come forward. No one came forward.

Executive Session
MOTION TO PASS

Mayor Downing **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member J. Brown to adjourn to Executive Session 1) pursuant to Section 4.5(d) of the City of Northglenn Home Rule Charter for legal

consultation and advice regarding the Wastewater Treatment Plant; and 2) pursuant to Section 4.5(g) of the City of Northglenn Home Rule Charter for negotiations concerning the potential acquisition of real property and contracts except those required to be the subject of competitive bidding.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Downing, Dodge, Snetzinger, Mullica, Sauers,
J. Brown, B. Brown, Whitman.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Esquibel.

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council meeting adjourned to the Executive Session at 8:40 p.m.

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC
City Clerk

JOYCE DOWNING
Mayor