

**CITY OF NORTHGLENN
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
August 22, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Leighty called a regular meeting of the Northglenn City Council to order on Monday, August 22, 2022 at 7:10 p.m. The meeting was held remotely with electronic participation by all members of the City Council.

ROLL CALL Present were Mayor Leighty, Mayor Pro Tem Willford, Council members Witkovich, Jaramillo, Kondo, Lukeman-Hiromasa, Goff, Brown, and Walker.

ABSENT None.

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: None.

AGENDA ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS: None.

INTERVIEW:
Megan Burns Megan Burns was interviewed for the Ward 1 position on the Citizen’s Affairs Board. Megan provided information about her background and answered questions from Council about her interest in serving on the Board.

PRESENTATIONS:
Youth Commission
Quarterly Report Youth Commission Secretary Nazly Soufiani presented a quarterly report to City Council on the Commission’s activities. Nazly provided information about membership and recruiting, the Commission’s work on the healthy beverages initiative, homelessness, and diversity, inclusivity, and social equity power imbalance. Nazly spoke about participation in a youth listening session, the Adams County Pride event, the flowerbed project, and the website update project. City Council thanked Nazly and the Youth Commission for their efforts.

PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD Mayor Leighty called for any person wishing to address City Council on matters of community interest related to City business not set for public hearing.

Chris Cline, 248 Emery Road, spoke about CB-1989 – Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) Process for Community Cats. He stated he supports the TNR process for Northglenn and spoke about his experience working with cats in the community. Mr. Cline expressed concern that the ordinance as written does not support the TNR concept due to the at-large provisions, and asked Council to consider cats as free roaming animals.

Mark Bromley spoke to Council about politics, diversity, religion, and holding City Council meetings in person.

COMMUNICATIONS:
Council

Council member Witkovich reported she attended the Adams County Commissioners meeting on August 9 and accepted Open Space Grant awards for \$20,000 for the Rotary Park Pavilion and \$1,000,000 for the Kiwanis Pool Renovation project. On August 11, she attended the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting and reported they reviewed the budget and changes to the user fee schedule. On August 17, she attended the Victim Assistance and Law Enforcement (VALE) Board meeting. Council member Witkovich reported she attended the Dancing through the Decades event on August 19 and stated it was well attended and a lot of fun. On August 20, she attended the Shred-a-Thon at Northglenn Marketplace and thanked the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association of Northglenn (CPAAAN) and the Police Department for hosting the event. Council member Witkovich reported on traffic calming issues on Marion Street and shared a request from a resident to have staff send out an update on the traffic calming measures and intended outcomes.

Council member Brown reported she attended the Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority (NURA) meeting and shared updates for the areas at 112th Avenue and Irma Drive; Washington Street and Washington Pointe; and Business Utility Assistance Grants.

Council member Jaramillo reported he attended the Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation City Hall Artist Selection Committee meeting and announced that Jodie Bliss, a Colorado sculptor, has been selected to create artwork for the new City Hall facility.

Council member Kondo shared some observations while walking around E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park and the surrounding area, and noted he believes the new flashing lights are helping the geese waste problem. On August 4, he attended the Police Department and School District 12 principals meeting and the North Metro Fire Rescue District Board meeting on August 16. He reported that he and Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa met with the Police Chief and Deputy Chief last Friday to discuss potential scenarios related to the extended loss of power in Ward 4 that happened during a snowstorm last year.

Council member Goff reported she participated in the artist interviews with the Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation. She stated there were many amazing artists and she looks forward to what Jodie Bliss will create for the new City Hall. On August 11, she attended the Adams County Regional Economic Development group and heard from Debbie Tuttle and County Commissioner O’Dorisio. On August 18, she attended the Colorado Communities for Climate Action (CC4CA) meeting, which included hearing from legislators about topics in the upcoming legislative session.

Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa reported on the meeting with Council member Kondo, Police Chief May and Deputy Chief Darlin last Friday. She reported on a meeting with a resident on Quivas Street regarding code enforcement issues and thanked staff for their timely assessment and information. Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa reported Ward 4’s Groove, Grub and Local Gov event will be held this Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at Danahy Park and noted North Metro Fire Rescue District will be at the event.

Mayor Leighty reported she attended the Mile High Flood District meeting; they have a new location and a new executive director. Mayor Leighty participated in the Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation Art Selection Committee and thanked all of the committee members for their efforts. Mayor Leighty noted that all schools will have Narcan available, which was made possible due to a grant. Mayor Leighty congratulated everyone for making it through the first week of school and thanked the School District, teachers, staff, and the Police Department for additional patrols around the schools.

Staff

City Manager Geyer announced a Comprehensive Plan update meeting will be held at the Recreation Center on Wednesday, August 24 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. She stated the “Looking Up” presentation will cover land use, water resources, transportation, community health, and public safety, and noted those who attend are eligible to win a \$25 gift card. City Manager Geyer shared statistics from the document shred event.

City Attorney Hoffmann reported he will be bringing forward an ordinance similar to other communities in response to a transportation bill from 2021 addressing the fee imposed on deliveries being subject to sales tax. He stated most communities are now exempting the delivery fee from sales tax because it does not raise much revenue and was not intended to be a taxable event.

Council member Brown announced she was selected as an alternate to the Adams County Opioid Board and shared that anyone can get free Narcan at a pharmacy to help prevent overdoses in the

community. Council member Brown announced a Ward 2 meeting will be held on September 1 at 6:00 p.m. at Malley Park.

CONSENT AGENDA
MOTION TO PASS

Mayor Pro Tem Willford **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Brown to approve the consent agenda.

MOTION PASSED

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

The following items were approved on the consent agenda:

- August 8, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes
- CR-131 – Waste Optimization Study Contract Addendum
- CR-132 – Service Line Warranty Contract Amendment

ORDINANCES –
FIRST READING:

CB-1989 – Trap-
Neuter- Return Process
for Community Cats

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Witkovich **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Brown to approve CB-1989 on first reading.

Chief May provided a summary of CB-1989.

MOTION PASSED

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

RESOLUTIONS:

CR-127 – Kiwanis
Pool Design Services

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Mayor Pro Tem Willford **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Kondo to approve CR-127.

Kent Kisselman, Director of Public Works, provided a summary of CR-127.

MOTION PASSED

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

CR-128 – 2022 Water
Rights Engineering
Contract Addendum

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Brown **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa to approve CR-128.

Tami Moon, Environmental Manager, provided a summary of CR-128.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Jaramillo, Kondo,
Lukeman-Hiromasa, Goff, Brown, Walker.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - None.

CR-133 – 2022 Utility
Emergency Response
Change Order #2

City Clerk Small read the title.

MOTION TO PASS

Council member Brown **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Lukeman-Hiromasa to approve CR-133.

Kent Kisselman, Director of Public Works, provided a summary of CR-133.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Willford, Witkovich, Jaramillo, Kondo,
Lukeman-Hiromasa, Goff, Brown, Walker.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Community Co-Production
Policing Advisory Board
Assessment

City Attorney Hoffmann stated City Council had adopted a resolution pausing the Community Co-Production Policing (CCPP) Advisory Board in order to obtain an assessment of the Board to assist City Council in determining the necessary support, guidance, and resources to be provided to the Board to perform its functions.

Michele Weinzetl, BerryDunn, reviewed the scope of the assessment they were engaged to perform and provided findings and recommendations to Council, which included conducting a visioning session to develop and maintain a common vision; engaging a professional facilitator to support Board operations and mentor facilitation for Board leadership and membership; clarifying and articulating any liaison, Council, and/or administrative support roles

and how those roles and persons should support desired Board outcomes.

There were questions and discussion regarding the selection of board members and the timing of filling vacancies, whether a Council liaison is necessary on the Board, and next steps.

It was the consensus of Council to consider removing the City Council ex-officio member position from the Board, removing the 45-day period to fill vacancies on the Board, and scheduling a visioning session at a study session in October.

City Manager Geyer stated she will reach out to the CCPP Board members to provide an update and will coordinate a study session date for the visioning session.

Crisis Response Unit Update

Jessica Hulse, Crisis Response Unit Manager, provided an update on the Crisis Response Unit. Ms. Hulse provided information about the Unit's operating budget, staffing, services, programs, clients served, and current projects.

Ms. Hulse addressed questions from Council regarding tracking the clients served and metrics to show outcomes, informing residents about mediation services available, the Pallet project and presentation, the number of people currently using the temporary shelter program, and transition plans due to the closure of the temporary shelter. Ms. Hulse stated 18 out of the 71 people who used the shelter are slated to enter into housing, and she will share information about the types of housing during a future presentation.

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design Update

Jason Genck, BerryDunn, presented an update on the Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) assessment. Mr. Genck provided a project overview and shared feedback from stakeholders related to E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park, Civic Campus, the pedestrian tunnel under I-25, and Croke Reservoir. Mr. Genck reviewed "hot spots," which are areas with higher public safety concerns including: the pedestrian underpass, temporary shelter for people experiencing homelessness, and the restrooms and skatepark at E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park, and provided potential solutions for the areas.

There were questions from Council regarding whether transportation increases challenged related to people experiencing homelessness, other areas in the City that could benefit from an assessment, whether the area between E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park and the townhomes was included in the assessment, tactics used in other cities, how the

recommendations will be moved forward, and the timing of implementing solutions related to the budget process.

City Manager Geyer stated City Council may provide direction to amend the budget to implement prioritized recommendations. City Manager Geyer stated the work may take multiple years.

Mr. Genck stated their recommendations can be finalized by mid-October. Amanda Peterson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture, provided information about projects that are currently identified in the proposed 2023 budget.

Mayor Leighty requested that staff be more involved in reviewing the recommendations when the final report is available to help categorize and prioritize solutions.

**PUBLIC INVITED
TO BE HEARD**

Mayor Leighty called for any person wishing to speak on items previously addressed by Council.

Chris Cline spoke to Council about CB-1989 – Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) Process for Community Cats. Mr. Cline spoke about costs related to TNR programs, how caregivers practice TNR with community cats, and his desire to help Council understand the TNR process.

Executive Session
MOTION TO PASS

Council member Kondo **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Jaramillo 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 cleanup of public rights of way; 2) pursuant to Section 4.5(d) of the City of Northglenn Home Rule Charter for legal consultation and advice regarding firearm regulations; and 3) pursuant to Section 4.5(d) of the City of Northglenn Home Rule Charter for legal consultation and advice regarding security at City Council meetings.

MOTION PASSED

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

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council meeting adjourned at 10:08 p.m.