

**CITY OF NORTHGLENN  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
December 4, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Leighty called a special meeting of the Northglenn City Council to order on Monday, December 4, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers.

**ROLL CALL** Present were Mayor Leighty, Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa, Council members Long, Jaramillo, Kondo, Burns, Goff, and Walker.

**ABSENT** Council member Brown.

**STAFF PRESENT** Acting City Manager Loveland, Acting City Attorney Graham, and City Clerk Small.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

**RESPONSE TO RESIDENT INQUIRY:** None.

**AGENDA ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS:** None.

**PRESENTATIONS:**  
Dedicated Service Awards Mayor and Council presented dedicated service awards to the following individuals and thanked each of them for their invaluable contributions to the community through membership on their respective boards:

- Joe Brown – Citizens’ Affairs Board
- Tina Fischel – Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity Board
- Chase Janis – Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity Board
- Everett Renberg – Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity Board

E-470 and ExpressToll Jessica Carson, E-470 Public Highway Authority Director of Public Affairs, provided an update highlighting traffic trends, toll rates, current and future capital improvement projects, safety measures, environmental and economic impacts, as well as operational and customer service statistics related to E-470 and ExpressToll. Jessica also addressed questions from Council regarding the fee structures for vehicles with or without an ExpressToll transponder, reciprocity with other states, hazmat response plans, the interchange design at Interstate 70, high-occupancy vehicle express lanes, and how ExpressToll operates for accounts with multiple vehicles.

Q2 & Q3 Economic  
Development & NURA  
Report

Allison Moeding, Director of Economic Development and Executive Director of the Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority (NURA), provided an update on economic development and urban renewal projects and activities during the second and third quarters of 2023. The update included economic indicators and demographics, business retention and expansion activities, the results of the 2023 Business Survey, business anniversaries and ribbon-cutting events, Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority projects, Business Improvement Grants, and Business Utility Assistance Grants.

Director Moeding also addressed questions regarding the digital signage program, NURA's debt service, and the micro suite project at 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Washington Street.

**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.

Helen Ryan, Ward 2, spoke about parking conflicts, vandalism, speeding, dogs running off-leash, and other concerns regarding her neighborhood. Staff received Helen's contact information and will follow up.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**  
Council

Council member Burns announced that Deza Estates has been included in the Colorado State Register of Historic Properties and thanked staff for their hard work on achieving the designation. She reported that her family visited with Santa at Noel Northglenn and thanked staff for the fun event. Council member Burns also expressed gratitude to Council member Brown for her guidance and Council member Long for providing a different perspective while on Council.

Council member Walker thanked the residents who received dedicated service awards earlier in the evening.

Council member Kondo reported on his attendance at the American Legion Post 22 Annual Dinner, a graduation ceremony at the North Area Fire Academy, and Noel Northglenn. Council member Kondo also reminded everyone about the T-Mobile Fiber Network installation project that continues in Wards 1 and 3; residents may see contractors in the area and issues should be reported to the City.

Council member Goff reported on her participation in a Colorado Communities for Climate Action (CC4CA) Legislative Group meeting and her attendance at Noel Northglenn. She thanked the Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity (DISE) Board for having sensory kits available at the Noel Northglenn event for those that may need assistance with sensory overload. The kits will be made available at future City events, as well.

Council member Long expressed concerns regarding immigration as it pertains to affordable housing and camping bans. He thanked Amanda Peterson, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services, for obtaining Adams County Open Space grant awards for Kiwanis Pool improvements, Alvin B. Thomas Memorial Park renovations, and wayfinding & walkability projects. Lastly, he addressed the conflict in Israel and Gaza, encouraging everyone to keep Israel in their prayers.

Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa reported on her attendance at the State of the Rocky Mountain Partnership meeting, Noel Northglenn, Olde Fashion Christmas at Stonehocker Farmhouse, and the Washington Point focus meeting. She also encouraged everyone to support Ralston House or the organization of their choice on Colorado Gives Day.

Mayor Leighty reported that the December Mayor's Monthly Minute was filmed at Noel Northglenn, and it was a great event. She reported that she also attended the American Legion Post 22 Annual Dinner, which was also a great event. Mayor Leighty led a discussion regarding the Wreaths Across America event that will take place on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. at Olinger Highland Cemetery; volunteers are needed to place wreaths on-site in honor of veterans. Staff will also put out a call for volunteers on social media.

Staff

City Clerk Small invited all to attend the City Council swearing-in and out-going Council member recognition on Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. A reception to honor everyone's service will follow in the Community Rooms at the Northglenn Recreation Center.

Council member Kondo announced that the Police Department's Christmas Crusade gift wrapping sessions will take place on December 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, and 16<sup>th</sup> and a Business After Hours Networking event will take place on December 8<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Acting City Manager Loveland provided an update on the 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue Ditch improvements, stating more information about the project would be available in three to four weeks.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

October 2023 Update

Acting City Manager and Director of Finance Jason Loveland provided a financial report for the period ending October 31, 2023. 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 cash reserves and sales tax revenue. Following the update there was discussion regarding sales tax activity in July, the Water Fund, the City's sales tax history chart, and legislation impacting tax revenue.

**CONSENT AGENDA**  
**MOTION TO PASS**

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

**MOTION PASSED**

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

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Lukeman-Hiromasa, Long, Jaramillo,  
Kondo, Burns, Goff, Walker.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Brown.

The following items were approved on the consent agenda:

- November 27, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes
- CR-157 – City Clerk Salary and First Amendment to Agreement
- CR-158 – 2024 Shared Victim Services IGA
- CR-159 – 2024 Police Department Records Terminal Guard IGA
- CR-160 – Liquor Licensing Authority Reappointment – Michael Olivieri
- CR-161 – Liquor Licensing Authority Reappointment – Sharon Whitman
- CR-162 – Victim Assistance & Law Enforcement Board Reappointment – Joyce Downing
- CR-163 – Youth Commission Reappointment – Meera Bipin
- CR-164 – Youth Commission Reappointment – Nazly Soufiani
- CR-165 – 3M and DuPont PFAS Lawsuit Settlement Participation

**DISCUSSION ITEM:**

Crisis Response Unit  
Update

Jessica Hulse, Crisis Response Unit Program Manager, provided an update on the Crisis Response Unit (CRU) through November 18, 2023. The update provided statistics regarding program referrals, persons experiencing homelessness (PEH), direct interactions, community partnerships and appointments, and the current and projected staffing and program budget.

**PUBLIC INVITED  
TO BE HEARD**

Mayor Leighty called for any person wishing to speak on items previously addressed by Council. There was no response.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The City Council meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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JOHANNA SMALL, CMC  
City Clerk

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MEREDITH LEIGHTY  
Mayor