## CITY OF NORTHGLENN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES June 24, 2024

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Leighty called a regular meeting of the Northglenn City

Council to order on Monday, June 24, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in City Hall

Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL Present were Mayor Leighty, Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa,

Council members Jaramillo, Kondo, Roper, Goff, and Nowicki.

**ABSENT** Council members Burns and Walker.

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.

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.

Tom Lampo, 3951 Jackson Way, Thornton, came forward to pray

for the City of Northglenn.

**PROCLAMATIONS:** 

Parks and Recreation Month & Parks and Recreation Professionals

Day Mayor Leighty read the proclamation proclaiming July 2024 as

Parks and Recreation Month and July 19, 2024 as Parks and Recreation Professionals Day in the City of Northglenn, and presented the proclamation to members of the Parks, Recreation,

and Culture Department.

**PRESENTATIONS:** 

June Neighborhood Beautification Awards

Beautification Awards Community Outreach Coordinator Jenna Gragg provided

information about the Northglenn Neighborhood Beautification Program and stated the awards being presented were for the Yard of the Month and Water Wise Yard of the Month categories. The June Northglenn City Council June 24, 2024

2024 award recipients were: Dana Wendler; William C. Walker; Patricia Flores, Alejo, and Aaron Ruiz; Larry Gallegos; Ron and Cindy Padilla; Jenni and Jerry Murphy; Megan and Brent Ramig; Walley Kenney; Lorraine Hornbeck; Felix and Estela Gandarilla; and Jamie Mortensen and the Mortensen family.

# Adams County Health Department Update

Deputy Executive Director Levon Hupfer presented an Adams County Health Department update, highlighting the Department's vision, mission, and purpose, services offered, key achievements for 2023, strategic priorities, opportunities for collaboration, on-going community health improvement plans, and the use of technology and innovation to monitor and improve public health through data and increase community participation. Deputy Executive Director Hupfer also addressed questions regarding radon testing, the status and funding of various community health projects, and the Department's participation in the creation of a Family Justice Center.

## **COMMUNICATIONS:**

Council

Council member Nowicki expressed appreciation for the recent strategic planning session with Council and staff. He provided a report on the Senior Organization, highlighting the selection of a new logo and their participation in the upcoming Duck Derby that will be held during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration. Council member Nowicki stated the Anythink Library Bookmobile will be in front of the Senior Center on Fridays from 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. throughout the summer and invited everyone to take advantage of the opportunity. Lastly, Council member Nowicki shared insights from his attendance at the Colorado Municipal League (CML) conference, noting key takeaways regarding homelessness solutions and economic development strategies for retaining and attracting new businesses.

Council member Jaramillo reported that he is participating in an Artist Selection Committee regarding the utility box vinyl wrap project that aims to enhance aesthetics and provide additional wayfinding features within the community. Council member Jaramillo stated he also enjoyed the Summer Concert Series performances on Juneteenth and is looking forward to the upcoming concert on June 26<sup>th</sup>.

Council member Kondo reminded everyone of the importance of voting in the 2024 Colorado Primary Election on June 25<sup>th</sup>, noting that ballot box locations can be obtained by contacting the City Clerk's Office. He also shared his experience from the CML conference, highlighting the theme of civility in government. Lastly, Council member Kondo announced the upcoming retirement of

Deputy Chief of Operations Jeff Bybee from North Metro Fire Rescue District after 39 years of service; the community is invited to attend the retirement ceremony on Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.

Council member Goff reported on the Adams County Regional Economic Partnership (AC-REP) State of the Region meeting, noting that it presented a positive outlook and was informative. She also enjoyed the Pride event on June 8<sup>th</sup> and the Summer Concert Series performances on Juneteenth. The Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity (DISE) Board hosted a booth at the Juneteenth performances, which was a great community engagement opportunity. Council member Goff reported that she also attended the Colorado Communities for Climate Action (CC4CA) annual retreat and Council's strategic planning session on June 17<sup>th</sup>.

Council member Roper reported that she attended the utility box vinyl wraps Artist Selection Committee meeting, the Historic Preservation Commission meeting, which focused on individual historic designations within Deza Estates, and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting, which focused on the group's budget and strategic plan. She mentioned upcoming events, including the Rocky Mountain PBS KidsFest on July 20<sup>th</sup> and the People's Powwow on August 24<sup>th</sup>, which will showcase Native American culture and art. Lastly, she discussed her ride-along with the Police Department, praising the professionalism and compassion of the officers and their seamless collaboration with the Crisis Response Unit (CRU).

Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa echoed positive sentiments about Council's recent strategic planning session. She reported on the Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority (NURA) meeting which focused on Washington Center redevelopment. She also reported on her attendance at the CML conference, emphasizing the importance of regional collaboration and sharing solutions; she was proud to have presented at the conference, alongside Deputy Chief Darlin and Commander Rice, focusing on the theme of civility. Additionally, Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa reported on her attendance at the Latino Advisory Board meeting with Congresswoman Caraveo, where community needs were discussed.

Mayor Leighty spoke about the value of networking and spending time with colleagues at the CML conference. Mayor Leighty stated that she signed a civility pledge, which promotes respectful interactions among Council members and residents. Mayor Leighty acknowledged Public Works staff for replacing the lids on her aging trash carts, expressing appreciation for their prompt and friendly service. Mayor Leighty also thanked those who continually work to keep the City beautiful, acknowledging the challenges of

coordinating events during the busy summer months.

Staff

City Clerk Small provided information about Colorado's 2024 Primary Election on June 25<sup>th</sup>.

City Manager Geyer provided an update to Council member Walker's request that the City of Northglenn provide port-o-lets at North, Central, and South Park in Fox Run to accommodate the City of Thornton's 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration at Carpenter Park Fields. There was consensus to move forward with the request.

City Manager Geyer provided a memorandum to City Council regarding an incident at the Recreation Center where a fence was damaged, and stated emergency procurement procedures were used for the replacement of the fence. Director of Parks, Recreation, and Culture Amanda Peterson and City Attorney Corey Hoffmann addressed questions regarding the driver's insurance, what the insurance policy will cover, and reimbursement for the damages.

City Manager Geyer provided an update on the recruitment for the Director of Public Works position and stated a community forum will be held on July 2, 2024 for Council to provide feedback on the candidates.

City Attorney Hoffmann reported on his attendance at the CML conference.

## CONSENT AGENDA MOTION TO PASS

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

### **MOTION PASSED**

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

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Lukeman-Hiromasa, Jaramillo, Kondo, Roper, Goff, Nowicki.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Burns, Walker.

The following items were approved on the consent agenda:

- June 10, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes
- CR-108 Regional Child Abduction Response Team MOU
- CR-112 Revised Adams County Opioid Council Opioid Abatement Grant IGA
- CR-114 Traffic Signals at 104<sup>th</sup> Avenue and I-25 IGA
- CR-116 2024 High Visibility Impaired Driving Enforcement Grant Acceptance

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**RESOLUTIONS:** 

CR-109 – Community Center Drive Bridge

Rehabilitation Engineering

Services Addendum #1

City Clerk Small read the title.

**MOTION TO PASS** 

Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Jaramillo to approve CR-109.

Environmental Manager Tami Moon provided a summary of CR-

109.

**MOTION PASSED** 

There was no discussion and the motion PASSED.

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Lukeman-Hiromasa, Jaramillo, Kondo,

Roper, Goff, Nowicki.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Burns, Walker.

CR-113 – City Hall Materials Testing & Inspection Services

Contract Addendum #2

City Clerk Small read the title.

**MOTION TO PASS** 

Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Goff to approve CR-113.

Senior Planner Eric Ensey provided a summary of CR-113.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Lukeman-Hiromasa, Jaramillo, Kondo,

Roper, Goff, Nowicki.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Burns, Walker.

CR-115 – Parks and Recreation Facility Rules

and Regulations

City Clerk Small read the title.

**MOTION TO PASS** 

Council member Kondo MOVED and it was SECONDED by

Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa to approve CR-115.

Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture Amanda Peterson

provided a summary of CR-115.

MOTION PASSED

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

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Lukeman-Hiromasa, Jaramillo, Kondo,

Roper, Goff, Nowicki.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Burns, Walker.

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CR-117 – School Zone Improvements Project

City Clerk Small read the title.

**MOTION TO PASS** 

Mayor Pro Tem Lukeman-Hiromasa **MOVED** and it was **SECONDED** by Council member Kondo to approve CR-117.

Environmental Manager Tami Moon provided a summary of CR-117.

MOTION PASSED

There was discussion and the motion PASSED.

IN FAVOR - Leighty, Lukeman-Hiromasa, Jaramillo, Kondo,

Roper, Goff, Nowicki.

OPPOSED - None.

ABSENT - Burns, Walker.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

City Hall Construction Update – June 2024

Senior Planner Eric Ensey provided a City Hall construction update, noting the rapid progress of construction. Highlights included the installation of zinc wall tiling, wood paneling, windows, vestibule, and solar panels on the roof. The heating and cooling system, as well as carpeting and tile work, are underway. The Council dais is also taking shape. The installation of artwork by Jodi Bliss is scheduled to start soon, and various architectural materials and landscaping are expected to be completed by next month. Testing of the HVAC system will begin soon, and significant progress is being made on the parking areas. A certificate of occupancy is expected to be issued on August 5<sup>th</sup>, with official move-in targeted for September. Final dates for the grand opening events will be provided in the next update. Senior Planner Ensey also advised that the slab failure issue from 2023 will be covered by the builder's risk insurance, with the City responsible for \$100,000 of the deductible.

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 7:55 p.m.

JOHANNA SMALL, MMC
City Clerk

MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor