





Sept. 2022

# LET'S PLAY TWO

Aug. 6 and 7 provided great weather and a great time for wiffleball in Northglenn, with both the youth and adult tournaments taking place at Northwest Open Space.

20 teams competed in the adult tourney on Saturday, with 26 youth squads on Sunday. Thank you to all the teams that competed, and congratulations to the victors, listed below:

- Adult: **Kukumbas**
- 9/10 Age Division: Take a Little Wiff
- 11/12 Age Division: Diamond in the Rough
- 13/14 Age Division: Take a Big Wiff



# Northglenn Connection

# City Parks Receive Over \$1M in Grants From Adams County

On Aug. 9, the Adams County Board of Commissioners (BoCC) awarded more than \$18 million in open space grants thanks to the voter-approved Open Space Sales Tax.

This includes more than \$1 million for the two Northglenn projects listed below. The city would like to thank BoCC and the Open Space Advisory Board for their generous contributions to these projects!

# Kiwanis Pool Rehabilitation

Kiwanis Pool, 550 Garland Drive, has been in operation since 1960.

This project aims to complete the rehabilitation of this aging outdoor aquatics facility by replacing the concrete pool deck and the leaking underground plumbing, modernizing the inefficient filtration system, bringing all electrical components to code, resurfacing the large pool and the toddler pool, and providing additional shade structures and site amenities for participants.

Design work starts this month and construction will take place in 2023.

• Grant Award: \$1 million

# Rotary Park Pavilion

Rotary Park, located at Pecos Street and Roseanna Drive next to Westview Elementary School, has a baseball field with a backstop and covered dugouts, as well as a grassy area that extends beyond the outfield. There are no other amenities that encourage community members to gather and enjoy the park.

This project would provide additional amenities, including a pavilion on a concrete slab, picnic tables with wheelchair accessibility, trash/recycling containers, and several additional trees.

Matching funds for this project come from a generous donation from the Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton.

• Grant Award: \$20,000

From left, Parks & Recreation
Project Manager Jesse Mestrovic,
Council Member Ashley Witkovich,
Director of Parks, Recreation &
Culture Amanda Peterson and
Recreation Manager Justin
Perdue accept the grants from
Adams County on Aug. 9.

# E.B. RAINS PARK GRANT SUPPORT SOUGHT

E.B. Rains Jr. Memorial Park has long been the epicenter of outdoor fun in the city, and we want to keep it that way!

We have already received funding for the playground – thanks, Adams County Open Space! Now, we are seeking funding for other park upgrades including restroom renovations, trail improvements and other upgrades.

What would really strengthen our request are letters of support from residents, which will be included with the grant application. How often do you use the park? Why would these improvements benefit you?

► Please send letters by Sept. 14 to jmestrovic@northglenn. org, or to Jesse Mestrovic, c/o City of Northglenn, 11701 Community Center Drive, Northglenn, CO, 80233.

# IN THIS EDITION

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# **CLOSURES**

Labor Day, Mon., Sept. 5

All city facilities are closed except for the Police Department.

The holiday will not affect trash pickup by the city.

### Recreation Center Annual Closure

The Northglenn Recreation Center, including the Senior Center and Parsons Theatre, will be closed Aug. 29 to Sept. 5 for yearly cleaning and maintenance. No classes or activities will be held with the exception of some theatre rehearsals. Call 303.450.8800 for more details.

# STREETS CLOSED NEAR E.B. RAINS DURING PIRATE FEST

Pirate Fest has turned into one of Northglenn's most popular events, attracting swashbucklers, buccaneers and scurvy seadogs from throughout the region.

But to make sure no one

accidentally walks the plank into trouble, the city will be closing down Community Center Drive from the old rec center to the entrance to City Hall during the following times:

- Fri., Sept. 16, 5:30-10:30 p.m.
- Sat., Sept. 17, 11:30 a.m.- 6:30 p.m.

Patrons to the event and the rec center will still be able to access the area, but it is

strongly advised you park in the Wagon Road Park N' Ride at 120th Avenue and Interstate 25 and walk under the bridge.

For more details on the event, see the back page!

# HIGH-PERFORMANCE GOVERNMENT

# **GETTING TO KNOW YOU**

Council Members Rich Kondo and Katherine Goff met with many Ward 3 residents at the Groove, Grub & Local Gov (GG&LG) on Aug. 4 at Huron Crossing Park. The final GG&LG of the summer was in Ward 4 on Aug. 25. Residents were welcome to enjoy music and food trucks, and speak with their representatives.

For residents in wards 1 and 2, see Page 3 for upcoming neighborhood meetings. A full list of scheduled council get-togethers with residents is located at www.northglenn.org/engage.



# Council Legislative Recap: Aug. 2022

Here is a recap of recent votes, a glance into the most discussed topics and a look ahead for City Council. Council votes on two types of items: An ordinance (CB) is an enforceable law or regulation that requires two majority votes by council to pass; a resolution (CR) is a decision, opinion, policy or directive and only requires one majority vote to pass.

# AUG. 1 & 15: STUDY SESSIONS

• **Topic:** Proposed 2023 Budget **Department Presentations & Capital** Improvement Program

### AUG. 8: REGULAR MEETING

- Financial Report: June 2022 Update
- Consent Agenda: CR-122 2022 Capital Equipment Purchase; CR-123 School Resource Officer IGA for 2022-2023 School Year - passed unanimously
- Resolutions:
  - CR-125 Amendment #2 to Professional Services Agreement with Anderson Mason Dale Architects passed unanimously
  - CR-126 Community Center Drive Rehabilitation – passed unanimously
- **Discussion Items:** Service Line Warranty Update; Waste Optimization Study - Next Steps; Firearm Regulations Within City Parks and **Buildings**

### AUG. 22: REGULAR MEETING

- Interview: Megan Burns Citizens' **Affairs Board**
- Presentation: Youth Commission

### 2023 BUDGET PROCESS UNDERWAY

City Council approves the budget annually. It contains all the operating and capital improvement programs for the city, with over \$100 million to consider, adjust, and ultimately approve. This work began with study sessions on Aug. 1 and 15 that covered proposed changes/additions from each department and the Capital Improvement Program.

The public may watch the discussions (recorded and live) at www.youtube.com/cityofnorthglenn or review documents at www.northglenn.org/webdocs.

To give input, call or email the mayor and/or council members at any time (contact information listed below). In-person public comment will be taken at the public hearing on Oct. 10.

Upcoming meetings that include the budget are currently scheduled for:

- Sept. 19: Presentation of the proposed 2023 Budget
- Oct. 10: Public hearing on the proposed 2023 Budget
- Oct. 24: Adoption of the 2023 Budget

**Quarterly Update** 

- Consent Agenda: CR-131 Waste **Optimization Study Contract** Addendum; CR-132 Service Line Warranty Contract Amendment passed unanimously
- Ordinances First Reading:
- CB-1989 Trap-Neuter-Return Process for Community Cats - passed unanimously
- Resolutions:
- CR-127 Kiwanis Pool Design Services - passed unanimously
- CR-128 2022 Water Rights Engineering Contract Addendum passed unanimously
- CR-133 2022 Utility Emergency Response Change Order #2 – passed unanimously
- Discussion Items: Community Co-Production Policing Advisory Board Assessment; Crisis Response Unit Update; Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design Update

# **MEETINGS &** STUDY SESSIONS

Council must have two meetings a month. They also typically have two study sessions monthly to learn about and discuss topics in-depth. Special meetings are scheduled if more time is needed to complete city business.

Time/Date: Council meetings are 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday of the month.

Study sessions are 6 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month as needed.

**Location:** Meetings and study sessions are virtual at least through September. Normally, they are held in City Council Chambers in City Hall, 11701 Community Center Drive.

# **WATCH & LEARN**

Council meetings and study sessions are shown live on Comcast Channel 8 or 881 HD in Northglenn and on www.youtube .com/cityofnorthglenn.

Listen to the September meetings by phone at 720.961.5043. See the agenda at www.northglenn.org/ webdocs for meeting ID.

### **Channel 8 Rebroadcast** Schedule:

- Sunday, Wednesday and Friday: Study sessions at 1 p.m., meetings at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday: Study sessions at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., meetings at 1
- Monday: Meetings at 7 a.m., study sessions at 1 p.m.

Watch videos at www.youtube.com/cityofnorthglenn or www.northglenn.org/webdocs.

Audio recordings are available the day after meetings at www.northglenn.org/webdocs.

# **COUNCIL SCHEDULE**

Meetings through at least through September will be held virtually. The Sept. 5 study session is canceled due to the holiday.

- Study Session: Sept. 19
- Regular Meetings: Sept. 12 and 26
- Tentative agenda topics: Trap-**Neuter-Return Process for Cats** (second reading and public hearing on Sept. 12), Parks & Recreation Long Range Plan

### YOUR **THOUGHTS?**

**Input from residents** makes a difference the mayor and council members appreciate hearing from you! Here the end. Comments are options to learn more about council action and weigh in:

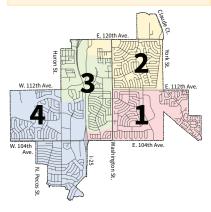
Comments on city business or matters of heard at the start of regular meetings, and comments on items previously addressed by council during the meeting are heard at are not heard at study sessions.

Anyone may address council in person or by phone. To call in,

community interest are see the top of the agenda posted online at www.northglenn.org/ webdocs. For in person, there is a sign-in sheet or speak up when prompted by the mayor.

> You may also call or email council to share your opinion on city issues. > Contact details below.

# **CITY WARDS**



# MEET YOUR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

WARD 2 **MAYOR** WARD 1 WARD 3 WARD 4



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# Historic Honor

Ceremony for St. Stephen's Inclusion on Register of Historic Places

Sun., Sept. 11, 11 a.m., St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, 10828 N. Huron St.

In 2019, St. Stephen's Lutheran Church was placed on the National Register of Historic Places with assistance from the Historic Preservation Commission.

Now, the community is invited to the unveiling of the marker recognizing its designation. Built in 1964, the building stands out for its unique Neo-Expressionist architecture and incredible engineering.

Designed by Boulder-based architect Charles Haertling, the church's look was inspired by the natural world. It fully exemplifies his distinct design philosophy and is the first of his projects to be listed on the register.

For more details on the church, go to www.northglennhistory.com.

# COVID STATUS

Currently, there are no COVID-19 Public Health Orders regarding wearing masks in Adams County from the state or Tri-County Health Department (TCHD). TCHD recommends wearing a mask indoors if there are high COVID transmission levels or if you have a higher risk of becoming ill.







IS YOUR MORTGAGE PAYMENT LATE DUE TO A COVID-19 RELATED FINANCIAL BURDEN?

# **CRHDC MAY BE ABLE TO HELP!**

To qualify-applicant must own the home they live in with a mortgage payment and be up to 3 months behind on monthly payments. Income eligibility guidelines are required.

Eligible areas within Adams County are: Bennett, Northglenn, Brighton, Federal Heights, and Unincorporated Adams County.

Contact us today to get started!

(303)428-1448

www.CRHDC.org



Funded by Adams County CDBG-CV







# INTERNET DISCOUNT AVAILABLE

The federal Affordable Connectivity Program offers discounts on Internet service of up to \$30 per month (\$75 on Tribal lands) and a one-time \$100 discount for a laptop, desktop or tablet. If your household is at or below 200% of

government & Permits

the Federal Poverty Guidelines, or someone in the home receives one of many federal benefits, your home qualifies.

To apply, or to see the complete list of qualifications, go to www.affordableconnectivity.gov. For more information, call 877.384.2575 or go to https://fcc.gov/acp.

# PHONE NUMBERS

### **EMERGENCIES: 911**

Animal Control303.450.8886
Animal Impound 303.288.3294
Building Permits 303.450.8745
City Hall 303.451.8326
City Clerk 303.450.8756
City Court 303.450.8701
City Manager 303.450.8709
Economic
Fire (non-emerg) 303.452.9910 (North Metro Fire Rescue)
Graffiti Hotline303.252.3849
Communications 303.450.8713
Neighborhood Services. 303.280.7876 (Code Enforcement)
Parks & Trails 303.280.7821
Planning & Zoning 303.450.8739
Police (non-emergency) 303.288.1535
Police Records 303.450.8892
Rec Center303.450.8800
Senior Center303.450.8801
Snow & Ice Removal 303.450.4001
Streets303.450.4001
Trash & Recycling 303.450.4004
Utility Billing 303.450.8770
Volunteering 303.450.8904
Water303.450.4045 Conservation Hotline
Water/Sewer Problems . 303.450.8770
Water/Sewer 303.451.1289 24-hour Line

# NORTHGLENN CONNECTION

The Northglenn Connection is delivered monthly to residents as a reference for city information and to learn about what is happening in the community. This and past editions are also at <a href="www.northglenn.org/connection">www.northglenn.org/connection</a>. Contact John Eisel at <a href="jeisel@northglenn.org">jeisel@northglenn.org</a> for any questions, comments or concerns.

# **SOCIAL MEDIA**

www.facebook.com/ cityofnorthglenn



www.twitter.com/ NorthglennCo

www.youtube.com/



cityofnorthglenn www.northglenn.org/ nextdoor



www.instagram.com/ cityofnorthglenn



# June 2022 General Fund Financial Report Unaudited figures are through the end of June.

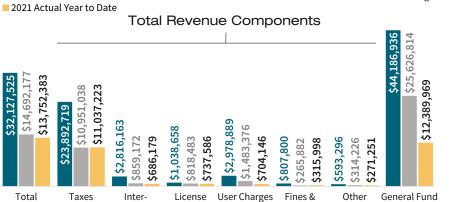
■ 2022 Annual Budget

Revenue

■ 2022 Actual Year to Date

General Fund Expenditures Year to Date is **58.0%** of the 2022 Annual Budget

Revenues Expenditures



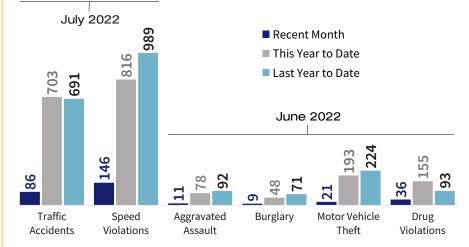
& Fees

Go to www.northglenn.org/transparency for more detailed reports.

Forfeits

# Northglenn Police Statistics

Go to www.northglenn.org/crimestats for more data.



A Message from Mayor Meredith Leighty

# City Partners With Adams 12

# Watch Out for Bikers, Pedestrians; Respect School Neighborhoods

School is back in session, Northglenn! We have



Leighty

13 schools within our city limits - quite a few for our size. I recently had the opportunity to engage with local school principals along with the Police Department. I am proud of the relationship we have built with our schools - the city values and appreciates our schools deeply. We work together in a variety of

ways to support Northglenn students, families, neighborhoods and the community as a whole.

On what I consider the "policy" side, we have a council liaison to the Adams 12 School Board; currently I am serving in that role. We also have a youth commission and appreciate local students

serving these council-appointed roles to help us identify and address the needs of youth in Northglenn. In addition, Adams 12 leadership is invited to share views with City Council on committees or during meetings when appropriate. A couple of examples of what types of things these connections yield are our city tobacco/ vaping laws and a unified message about the value and positive relationships between School Resource Officers (SROs) and schools.

When it comes to "operations," we work with schools regarding construction impacts (both our impacts on them and their project impacts on our residents), traffic patterns, pedestrian and bike paths, parks adjacent to schools, parking issues near schools, student impacts on local businesses and many other issues. We look at how we can work together to reach the desired outcome. I am so thankful we do not resort to "finger-pointing" as I've seen in other communities.

We have great program partnerships with schools as well - youth awards, bike rodeos and giveaways, service projects, recreational athletics and arts, Safe Street Halloween, and support of families in need to name just a few.

Finally, safety is always a priority. The city supports schools with SROs, increased traffic enforcement, response to crimes and emergencies, emergency preparedness, advising on crime prevention tactics and more. Partnering with schools about safety concerns is not only the right thing to do, but also vital to the safety of the entire community.

In closing, a short reminder. Drivers – please slow down, watch for pedestrians, and respect the neighborhoods near schools! Students - be aware of your surroundings and follow the "rules of the road" for pedestrians and bicyclists.

Everyone have a fun, safe school year!

- Mayor Meredith Leighty

### UPDATE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

# Adams 12 Focusing on Access, Opportunity, Belonging in 22-23



As a child, I called the Five Star

District home, and as a parent and the

superintendent, I continue to value

how our district and schools welcome

our students and ensure no matter their

strengths or needs, there's a supportive

One of our guiding goals in Adams

12 Five Star Schools is to know every

student by name, strength and need

and to ensure access, opportunity and

community here for them.

Community and a sense of belonging for each student. opportunity draw families to choose This is the foundation to elevating Adams 12 Five student success.

Star Schools as Whether your child is just beginning a place for their children to learn, their learning journey with us or is embarking on their final years before grow and excel.

> In the spring, as we began developing the budget for the 2022-2023 school year, we focused on prioritizing investments that support access, opportunity and a sense of belonging for all students.

> graduation, there's "a place for you" in

Adams 12 Five Star Schools.

This school year, we're investing in several key areas, including the return of competitive sports in grades 6-8,

expanded career and technical education opportunities, staffing for three new programs in special education, and additional support for gifted and talented students. All of these investments align to the district's strategic plan ELEVATE, which includes the six focus areas of 21st Century Learners, Diverse Learning, Outsidethe-Classroom Learning, Safe Schools, Social Emotional Learning and World Class Staff.

We're glad to offer these opportunities for our students. Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year. We're excited to provide "a place for you" in our family of schools!

> - Chris Gdowski, Adams 12 Five Star Schools Superintendent

# **TEEN ACTIVITIES**

Events are at the Northglenn Recreation Center, 1 E. Memorial Parkway. For more information, call 303.450.8800.

# Teen Night Out Sat., Sept. 24, 7-9 p.m.



Flick 'N Float is now Teen Night Out! Watch a PG-13 movie on the pool. We'll provide inner tubes - just bring a towel and swimsuit!

Cost is free. The first 60 youth ages 13 to 17 will be allowed in (sorry – no other ages).

Movies are announced a week in advance at www.northglenn.org/ teennightout or Facebook page @cityofnorthglenn.parksandrec. Drop-off is no earlier than 6:45 p.m. and pick-up is no later than 9:15 p.m.

# Versus Video Game Day Sat., Sept. 10, 1-6 p.m



Who is the best at Super Smash Bros., Fortnite, Rocket League and more? Youth ages 12 to 17 will compete in these games and more in celebration of National Video Games Day!

Snacks provided. Cost is free. Reserve a spot at www. northglenn.org/playnorthglenn. RECTRAC CODE: 30921001

# Club Rec Wednesdays, 1-6 p.m.

Youth ages 12 to 17 can spend their Wednesday afternoons in a fun and safe environment. Participants have full access to the rec center and more. Cost is the entry fee to the center. > Go to www.northglenn.org/teens for details.

# JUNIOR RANGERS REPORTING FOR DUTY



Participants in the city's Summer Day Camp program were recognized by City Council and City Manager Heather Geyer as "Honorary Junior Park Rangers" on Aug. 5 at E.B. Rains Jr. Memorial Park. For 10 weeks, these 6 to 11-year-olds did a weekly nature program with Park Ranger Karen Keeney to learn about environmental stewardship. This included lessons such as Leave No Trace, Nature Journaling, Insects, Water Quality, Weather, Pollinators, Tracks & Scat and Orienteering.

# **BUSINESS RETENTION & GROWTH**

What's Your Favorite Northglenn Business? Let us know by Sept. 2 at www.northglenn.org/businessvote. P L E' **EFINE: 10TH ANNUAL BUSINESS APPRECIATION EVENT** 

Don't forget to vote for your favorite Northglenn business by 4 p.m. Sept. 2, at www.northglenn.org/businessvote.

The winner will be decided through a popular vote and then recognized at the 10th Annual Business Appreciation Event in October. To be eligible the business must be in Northglenn, be in good standing with the city, and cannot win two years in a row.



As announced in last month's Connection, Prost Brewing Company will be opening its headquarters, brewing facility and new biergarten at the Northglenn Marketplace in 2023 (see rendition, above.) ➤ For more information, go to www.northglenn.org/prost.

# **2022 BUSINESS SURVEY**

City of Northglenn Economic Development Department | 303.450.8743 | www.northglenn.org/biz

# Business Retention is the Foundation of a Healthy Local Economy, and is a Top Priority for the City.

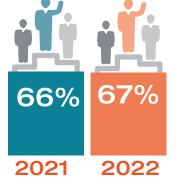
To better understand the business climate of Northglenn, the Economic Development Department distributed its 9th annual business survey to all companies in the city. The survey had 82 responses.

Made or plan to make capital investments in 2022

Plan on making capital investments in 2023 **Top 5 Challenges** 

- 1. Access to Capital in 2022
- 2. Social Media/Website
- 3. Marketing/Public Relations
- 4. Networking Opportunities
- Business Management/ Strategic Planning

Rate the availability of a qualified workforce as good to excellent



Had an

increase in sales revenue in the last 12 months



Expect an increase in sales revenue in the *next* 12 months

**54%** 

**Expect to increase their** workforce in the next 12 months, compared to 53% in 2021



Have less than 10

full-time employees

Plan to expand locally in the next 24 months, compared to 48% in 2021

# 6% 3% 10% 1% 21% **59%**

# Respondents\*

\*3% were home-based

Service Restaurant

Retail

Entertainment

Manufacturing /Distribution

Operate in less than 5,000 square feet of space

Plan to expand products and/or markets in the next 12 months

# **BUSINESS ANNIVERSARIES: 3RD QUARTER OF 2022**

The city would like to recognize and thank the following companies, which celebrated major milestones of doing business in Northglenn. **Congratulations!** 

45 Years

 Cakes by Karen

35 Years C&R Electrical Contractors

Jackson's Automotive Service & Repair

> Wells Fargo Bank

20 Years Black Creek

Hydrology\*

 David Erik Ouderkirk DPM, PC

Quality Auto

Sound Quest

Diagnostics

 Subway Sandwiches 15 Years

 Crossroads Real Estate Team

NationSearch

10 Years

 JD's Plumbing Service\*

 Kinetic Movement Dance Academy

• Oil Me

 Starbucks Coffee on Washington

 The Healing Path Wellness Consulting\*

• USA Nails & Spa

5 Years

Angels

 Breakthrough Connections Sales and Distribution\*

Grofax

• High Tide Liquor

• Loda

Taco Star

 Rodriguez Construction\*

• Rooter 66 Plumbing & Drain Cleaning\*

 Skin Secrets & Threading

> \*Indicates homebased business

# **NEW BIZ:** AUG. 2022

 Dream Intentions Wellness Studio leased a 600-square-foot space unit at 11178 Huron St., Suite 202. This one-person business offers health coaching services, yoga and meditation classes. For more, call 720.441.4697 or visit www.dreamintentions

• Little Britches leased an 8,000-square-feet space at 10615 Melody Dr., Suite B. This boutique store specializes in selling new and used children's clothes and products and employs three people. > For more details, call 720.610.7367 or visit littlebritchesboutique .ecwid.com.

.com/home.

 Phenix Salon Suites welcomed these one-person businesses to its location at 10620 Melody Drive, Unit F:

• Cuts by Cecilia is a beauty salon that offers cuts, special occasion styles, color, balayage, and blowouts. > For more, call 720.366.8976.

Faded by Farryn is a beauty salon that offers cuts, styles, special occasion styles, color, balayage, and blowouts. For more, call 303.717.4491.

Yvette's Glam Hair **Studio** is a beauty salon that offers cuts, styles, special occasion styles, color, balayage, and hair extensions. For more, call 720.261.8674.

Vital Truck & Van leased a 4,000-squarefoot space at 10795 Irma Drive. This business sells equipment and repairs for trailers, trucks, snowplows, and RVs. They currently employ six people. For more, call 720.872.2461 or visit www.vitalpartsinc.com.

# Andrea's

**Enterprises** 

# Light on the Problem

# City Using Flashing Buoys to Manage Geese Overpopulation at E.B. Rains Park



Unwanted guests can be a problem, especially when they squawk at everyone and leave messes wherever they want.

In this case, we're talking about the multitude of Canadian Geese who like to perch at E.B. Rains Jr. Memorial Park. They can be aggressive when nesting or watching over their young and they'll go, well ... when they need to go ... which leaves a lot to clean up.

Fortunately, the city has found a humane, minimally invasive solution. Four "Geese Away" buoys have been placed in Webster Lake. The solar-powered amber lights flash every two seconds from dusk to dawn at eye level of the geese, so they can't get a good night's sleep. Already, the numbers at the park have begun to drop to a more manageable number.

Although highly annoying, the lights are not harmful to the geese and not disruptive to other wildlife. Staff reminds you that although the geese are plentiful in the park, they are still wild animals and should NOT be fed by humans.

# An electric vehicle charging station is located just outside the Parsons Theatre entrance.

# ► City, Xcel Energy Working to Increase Number of Electric Vehicles in Northglenn

# **Xcel Energy**

In April, council adopted the city's first Electric Vehicle (EV) Action Plan, which can be viewed at www.northglenn.org/ev. The vision is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve air quality through electric vehicle adoption and infrastructure that is inclusive, sustainable, cost-effective and innovative.

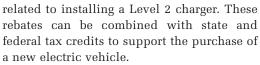
The goal is to reach 4,200 registered electric vehicles by 2030, up from 48 in 2020, and the city and Xcel Energy are working together to make this goal a reality.

(Scan the QR Code in the text to learn about each of the programs.)

Electric Municipal Fleet: The city is leading by example and accelerating its transition to an electric fleet with the help of Xcel Energy's Fleet Electrification Advisory Program.



Charging Station and Electric Vehicle Rebates: Xcel Energy customers may be eligible to receive rebates up to \$1,300 for EV chargers and wiring costs



Visit http://ev.xcelenergy.com or scan the QR code to learn more about electric vehicles, compare costs with a similar gas vehicle, and discover available incentives and tax credits.

Multifamily EV Opportunities: Multifamily housing site hosts may be eligible to receive Xcel Energy-owned EV supply infrastructure, installation, and main-



tenance at no cost through the EV Supply Infrastructure Program.

# **Commercial EV Opportunities:**

Xcel Energy also offers EV supply infrastructure opportunities for businesses who want to install public charging and attract potential customers!



# City Manager's Column

# Why Are We "Looking Up"?

Over the last year you may have put stickers on poster boards at an event, participated in an online survey, or attended a meeting or open house in person/virtually about the update to our comprehensive plan.



We titled this endeavor "Looking Up! A Vision for Northglenn's Future" to capture how Northglenn is a great place to live and work right now, and that the city is committed to responding to our community and strives for continuous improvement.

In addition to the surveys and input on specific topics, volunteers are serving on a Resident Task Force to look more deeply at issues.

This blueprint for future growth, land use, and development of Northglenn is the basic foundation for local planning. Comprehensive plans are encouraged by Colorado state statute to guide long-range decision-making involving physical development and any city action that is expected to influence development.

We need different perspectives from a cross-section of our community to ensure Looking Up! is meeting the wants and needs of our residents.

A comprehensive plan promotes the community's vision, goals, objectives, and policies, establishes a process for orderly growth and development, addresses both current and long-term needs, and provides for a balance between the natural and built environment.

Cities typically update their comprehensive plans every 10 years. Updates help capture the current sentiments of residents and business owners and reflect their opinions on what the city should strive for in the

As I'm sure you can imagine, views on housing, healthcare, transit, business areas, open space, water and energy conservation and more continue to evolve. We need different perspectives from a cross-section of our community to ensure Looking Up! is meeting the wants and needs of our residents.

Soon it will be time to put this all together into a draft. There will be an opportunity for final public review, but I encourage you to check out www.northglenn.org/lookingup and look over Page 7 now. We want to include your voice in this process!

– City Manager Heather Geyer





Planning & Development Department staff have been working to gather feedback using maps, questionnaires and an interactive website at www.northglenn.org /lookingup.

# HIGH-PERFORMANCE GOVERNMENT

More information on the plan is available at www.northglenn.org/lookingup.

LOOKING UP A VISION FOR NORTHGLENN'S FUTURE

# LOOKING UP! is a comprehensive plan that will guide the actions of the community for the next 20 years.

This policy document will assist elected officials and city staff in making decisions by establishing goals, policies and program recommendations.

The plan will rely heavily on resident input. A vision for the city's future is included. (See and then comment below).

The policies and program recommendations should direct the city towards a future that benefits all residents and celebrates the values the community holds dear.

With this page, the city is seeking feedback on two areas: the Vision Statement and Housing.

Please take a close look and provide feedback through the avenues suggested below.

At any time, you can give your thoughts on the plan at www.northglenn.org/ lookingup.

Also - Those who provide feedback are eligible for a \$25 gift card through a raffle!

# **SECTION #1: VISION STATEMENT**

A vision statement for what Northglenn's future could be was developed using community input and feedback from the Resident Task Force. This statement will help guide the comprehensive plan-building process.

Give us your opinion of this vision statement by emailing comprehensiveplan@northglenn.org.

Northglenn is an inclusive, welcoming community that has a unique character as a small city nestled among a bustling metropolitan region. We are an economically sound city that supports residents by offering a safe place to live, work, and play. We celebrate the diversity of neighbors and act as stewards to our environment to achieve a resilient and equitable present and future.

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# **SECTION #2: HOUSING**

# WHAT HOUSING TYPES WOULD YOU LIKE AND WHERE SHOULD THEY GO?

Northglenn is nearly 100% built out. **Moving forward the** city will rely heavily on redevelopment of existing properties.

Your input on where different types of housing could go will help us determine which areas may benefit from further study and any potential for new types to be established.

This feedback will not only be utilized for the comprehensive plan, but also if and when the individual areas go **Specific Issues to Consider When Providing Feedback:** 

- What types of housing could make sense near transit hubs (gold stars ★)?
- Would you like to see more housing particularly mixed use in and around the commercial areas (red stars  $\bigstar$ )?
- Where would mixed-use make sense?
- Are there any areas that you would like to see a transition from one type of housing to another?



### **Housing Types**



Single Family



**Duplex** 



**Low Density** One home per 2,000 square feet of land



Mixed Use Retail, services, offices, and housing as part of single commercial area Jenlo8© 123RF.com



**Townhomes** 



Medium/High Density One home per 1,000 square feet of land

# Chief Talk: A Quarterly Message from Police Chief Jim May



# Northglenn Not Immune to Fentanyl



May

yl-related instances.

One drug has been making headlines in the metro area and nationally recently – fentanyl.

Unfortunately, the city is not immune this scourge, the Police as Department has seen a rise in fentan-

Fentanyl is not new. This pharmaceutical has been around for decades to

safely treat severe pain. It is a powerful synthetic opioid that is said to be 100 times stronger than morphine. However, illicitly-manufactured fentanyl comes in a powder form, which makes for easy intake, and even worse - it can easily be mixed with other drugs, which compounds the danger of overdose.

In 2021, fentanyl was the primary cause of 95 deaths in Adams County according to the county coroner. That compares to only 39 in 2020! Increases like this across Colorado are leading to a comprehensive response by communities to address this issue, and Northglenn is playing an active role.

- Thanks to House Bill 22-1326, a person possessing more than one gram of fentanyl can now be charged with a felony.
- Northglenn Police officers are equipped and trained to administer NARCAN, which can help reverse the effects of an opioid overdose.

Over the decades, I've seen the

devastation that drug abuse has had on families, which invariably carries on to the community.

What can you do if someone you know has a problem with fentanyl or another illegal drug? Contact the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA) National Helpline 1.800.662.4352. They'll connect you to the needed resources so hopefully we can prevent another tragedy.

- Police Chief Jim May

# **SAFETY CLASSES**

Events are at the Northglenn Recreation Center, 1 E. Memorial Parkway. To register, call 303.450.8800 or go to www. northglenn.org/playnorthglenn and use the RecTrac code.

# Pediatric First Aid & **CPR Certification**

Sat., Sep. 24, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

This is a great opportunity for young babysitters and parents to renew their certification or learn the basics.

Based on national standards, this comprehensive program helps meet diverse job requirements for pediatric health and safety training. Instruction covers CPR, choking and AED for infant child and adult applications, along with first aid prevention and treatment for various injuries.

Bring a sack lunch to class. Cost is \$60 for residents, \$72 for non-residents. RECTRAC CODE: 30636001

# **Babysitting Class** Sat., Oct. 1, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

This course helps 11 to 14-yearolds prepare for their first babysitting opportunities. Students will learn about personal safety and basic childcare such as feeding, bathing and diapering.

Home and fire safety and prevention, along with treatment of common injuries, will also be stressed. Please bring a sack lunch and water bottle. Refunds will NOT be offered for no-shows.

Prices are \$60 for residents, \$72 for non-residents. Please RSVP by Sept. 28. RECTRAC CODE: 30636001



Adams County's Community **Notification** System

Sign up to receive emergency notifications on your phone at www.northglenn.org/codered.

# Discard of Hazardous **Chemicals at Discount**

Wed., Sept. 28, and Sat., Oct. 1, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Veolia Colorado **Household Hazardous Waste** Recycling Center, 9131 E. 96th Ave., Henderson

Over time, household chemicals like paint, cleaners and yard products build up in the garage or cabinet. You don't want to keep them, but you can't put them in the trash cart - so what do you do?

With this two-day event, Adams County residents can drop off a range of hazardous household products in a safe manner. You must provide proof of residency.

A list of what is NOT allowed is above, right. The website listed above to the right will have a comprehensive list of what is accepted at the event.

**Unaccepted Items** 

- Tires
- Used needles
- Ammunition Fireworks
- Radioactive material (smoke detectors)
- Prescription pain killers
- ► Go to www.northglenn.org/ altwaste for information about disposing these items.

You must register in advance to participate. Go to www.adcogov.org/recyclingand-sustainability and click on the appropriate link to sign up.

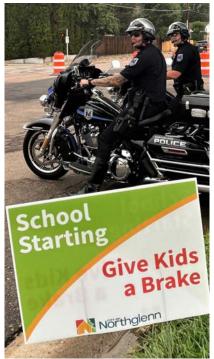
Cost is \$.99 per pound; the normal flat rate per vehicle will be waived. Household paints and stains in their original containers are free to dispose of. Cash or credit cards are accepted.

NIGHT OUT ON THE TOWN



Northglenn joined thousands of communities throughout the nation to celebrate National Night Out on Aug. 2. This was a chance for residents to meet police staff and city officials in a festive setting, while sending a message that crime will not be tolerated. Thanks to all who came and we look forward to seeing you next year!

# **CLASS TIME**



School is back in session. This means more pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists in the morning and mid-afternoon, especially near school zones! Also, you may find some Northglenn Police officers monitoring the area as well. So please, pay attention when driving, biking or crossing the street.

Read more about the start of school from Mayor Meredith Leighty and Adams 12 Superintendent Chris Gdowski on Page 4.

# CITY COVID **MODIFICATIONS**

- Municipal Court traffic and zoning/code cases are virtual. Trials, criminal cases, and juvenile cases are in person. Call 303.450.8701 or go to www.northglenn.org/court for
- Prescription delivery is available to residents 65+ or who can't pick up or have their order delivered. ► Go to www. northglenn.org/prescription or call 303.450.8893 for details.

# SHOVEL SNOW IN STYLE

before the snow starts falling. physically cannot do it them- one of these sweatshirts.

That means the city is once again looking for Snow Stormers – volunteers willing to go out and shovel

We're only a matter of weeks sidewalks for neighbors who snow season will receive selves. As an added bonus, those who return to Snow Stormers or volunteer as a Snow Stormer for the entire

For more details or to volunteer, contact Jenni Murphy at 303.450.8904 or jmurphy@northglenn.org.





Four new kiosks were installed around Croke Reservoir, located at Huron Street and Naiad Drive. Bring your smartphone, stroll at your own pace, and learn more about features, wildlife, plants, ecosystems and so much more. The informational and educational content will change seasonally. > View the kiosk map at www.northglenn.org/croke.





Activities are taught by **POP Culture Classroom** and take place at the Northglenn Rec Center, 1 E. Memorial Parkway. Go to www.northglenn.org/ playnorthglenn or call 303.450.8800 to register. Use RecTrac Code 30316009.

# Sci-Fi/Fantasy World Building

Sun., Sept. 25, 1:30-4:30 p.m.

Many of us love to get lost in fictional worlds like the Star Trek universe, the Wizarding World of Harry Potter and more.

In this workshop taught by POP Culture Classroom. participants will stretch their creativity to create worlds of their own, perfect for a fantasy or sci-fi book,

For youth ages 10 to 16. All materials will be provided. Cost is \$33 for residents, \$40 for non-residents.

# Storytelling **Through Comics**

Mon., Sept. 12-Oct. 17 Ages 8-12: 5-6 p.m. Ages 13-18: 6:30-8 p.m.

Professional comic creators will show how to write and draw comics, and express themselves creatively. By the end of the workshop, they will have created their own comic!

All materials provided. For the 8-12 class, cost is \$70 for residents, \$84 for non-residents. For the 13-18 class, cost is \$105 for residents, \$126 for non-residents.



# THAT'S A BIG TREE...

If you ever need an example of a 'mighty oak', the towering tree in Holly Dowling's front yard would be perfect. Standing tall at 789 Dean Drive, this oak was named Northglenn's 2022 Most Magnificent Tree. The tree is trimmed twice a year and receives annual injections to help keep it healthy and strong. Dowling, who is the original owner of the home, will receive a plaque for the tree and a \$100 discount off her water bill. You can see the tree in person (it's impossible to miss) or go to www.northglenn.org/magnificent.

### YARDS OF THE MONTH: AUGUST 2022

Volunteers canvassed the city and selected these homes to receive the Yard of the Month or Water Wise awards for August 2022: \* - denotes Water Wise winner

- Julie Wakefield, 11096 Clayton St.
- John & Vivian Lehan, 11824 Humboldt Dr.
- Brad & Rhonda Moore, 2260 Phillips Dr.
- Naomi Montoya, 11386 Downing Dr.
- Michael & Carolyn Jones, 10996 Alvin Dr.
- John & Belinda Vonfeldt, 10479 Ogden St.
- Johnathan Holmes, 10800 Carrol Lane
- Linda Aquino & Joel Hanson, 389 Janice Ct.
- \*John & Misty Newton, 10902 Bannock St.
- \*Kirk & Crystal Morath, 944 W. 101st Pl.
- Robert Lothrop, 2260 W. 104th Pl.
- Chris DeMay, 9913 Alamo Dr.



# DOG DAZE OF **SUMMER**

Mon., Sept. 5, 5-7 p.m., Kiwanis Pool, 550 Garland **Drive** 

Lucky dogs are invited to swim in the pool before it's drained for the season. Proof of vaccinations is required. Cost is \$5 per dog. Call 303.450.8800 for more information.

### Thurs., Oct. 6, 7:30 a.m., 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., **Croke Reservoir, Huron Street and Naiad Drive**

Learn how to recognize by sound and sight several birds that live among us from Park Ranger Elaine Freeth. This includes which tools to best identify birds (binoculars, field guides and cell phone apps), as well as the principles of Leave No Trace for Birding Ethics. Afterward, have your binoculars ready for a birding excursion!

Note: neither bikes nor dogs are allowed at the reservoir. Cost is free, but each class is limited to 10 people. Please register by Sept. 30. Call 303.450.8800 or go to www.northglenn.org/ playnorthglenn to register. RECTRAC CODE: 30531003



Red-wing blackbirds are commonly found in the metro area.



On Aug. 14, Nature Educators and the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo brought more than 20 animals for public viewing at E.B. Rains Jr. Memorial Park. This included a black widow, tarantula, bull snake, python, hedgehog, tortoise, and red-headed vulture, shown above. More than 600 people attended this event, which was put together by the city's Park Ranger team. On Aug. 5, the Park Rangers hosted a Star Gazing event with the Denver Astronomical Society at Northwest Open Space. Among the attendees was amateur astronomer Council Member Rich Kondo.

# **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**



# DANCE WITH ME

Hundreds boogied, moonwalked and more at Dancing Through The Decades at Festival Lawn on Aug. 19. The DJ spun tunes from the 70s, 80s and 90s while instructors from Gayton Dance Studio taught some moves.







# RECREATION ACTIVITIES

Events are at the Northglenn Recreation Center, 1 E. Memorial Parkway. To register, call 303.450 .8800 or go to www.northglenn.org/ playnorthglenn and use the RecTrac code.

# Intro to Belly Dancing Wed., Sept. 7, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

You have a belly – why shouldn't it be dancing? Join renowned instructor and performer Phoenix in this energetic class designed to introduce you to the beauty and art of belly dancing.

Open to people ages 16 and up. Cost is the entry fee to enter the center; no pre-registration is required. If you like it, sign up for the weekly class starting Sept. 14! Call 303.450.8800 for more information.

# TRX Workshop Fri., Sept. 16, 5-6:30 p.m.

TRX is a form of suspension training that utilizes gravity and body weight. Learn about the proper adjustments and form for the adjustable TRX straps, then go through a full-body

workout. Cost is \$35 for residents, \$42 for non-residents. RECTRAC CODE: 30423002

# Sound Bath Workshop Sat., Sept. 17, 12-1:30 p.m.

Experience what sound vibration immersion can do for your body, mind and energy field. Cost is \$20 for residents, \$25 for non-residents. RECTRAC CODE: 30432001

# 6-Foot & Under Adult Basketball Tournament



Sat., Oct. 8, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Adults 6-feet-tall and under can hoop it up in this 4 vs. 4 tournament. Rims will be set at 8.5 feet tall and dunking is allowed. Teams have four to eight players, and they must provide white and black shirts or jerseys. All squads are guaranteed at least three games.

The round-robin followed by single-elimination tournament is limited to 12 teams. The deadline to register is Oct. 3, or until filled. Cost is \$140 per team. RECTRAC CODE: 30855001

# HORTHGLENN POLICE DEPT 22 4-7 PM HALLOWEEN FUN FOR ALL AGES OVER 5,000 LBS OF CANDY GIVEN AWAY STARTING SEPT 26, DONATE CANDY AT CITY HALL, JUSTICE CENTER, REC CENTER & M&O. NORTHGLENN ORG/SSH CENTENNIAL PARK/KENNEDY DRIVE NORTH OF THE NORTHGLENN MARKETPLACE

# **SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES**

Activities are for people 55 and over and unless noted, are free and at the center, 1 E. Memorial Parkway. For items with RecTrac codes, go to www. northglenn.org/playnorthglenn or call 303.450.8800 to register.



# Gaming With The Chief

Fri., Sept. 9, 10:45 a.m.

Challenge Chief Jim May in crokinole – a disk-flicking dexterity board game.

# Maintain Muscle Mass Tues., Sept. 13, 1 p.m.

Learn how to maintain muscle mass now and well into the future with key foods and supplements all recommended by science-based research. Presented by a Natural Grocers nutritional coach. Please sign up by Sept. 12. RECTRAC CODE: 30527001

# Guac 'N Roll Fri., Sept. 16, 1 p.m.



If you love guacamole and music, this is the event for you. Join us in celebration of National Guacamole Day! Please RSVP by Sept. 14. RECTRAC CODE: 30530001

# Butterfly Pavilion Trip Tues., Sept. 20, 11 a.m.

Have tea and cookies as you enjoy a private class all about butterflies and the rainforest. There will also be time to visit the rest of the facility.
Cost is \$10. The trip is limited to 14
participants. Please RSVP by Sept. 13.
RECTRAC CODE: 30528007

### Mini Golf Tourney



Meet at Boondocks for a round of mini golf. Prizes for the best score and any hole-in-one. Cost is \$9, which you will pay at Boondocks. RSVP by Sept. 19. RECTRAC CODE: 30530002

# Safely Donate to Charity



Thurs., Sept. 22, 1:30 p.m.

The Secretary of State's Charities Division will show you how to recognize and prevent charity fraud. Please bring any solicitations, fliers or information from charities you may have received. Cost is free. Please sign up by Sept. 21. RECTRAC CODE: 30527001

# Forney Museum Trip Thurs., Oct. 6, 9:30 a.m.

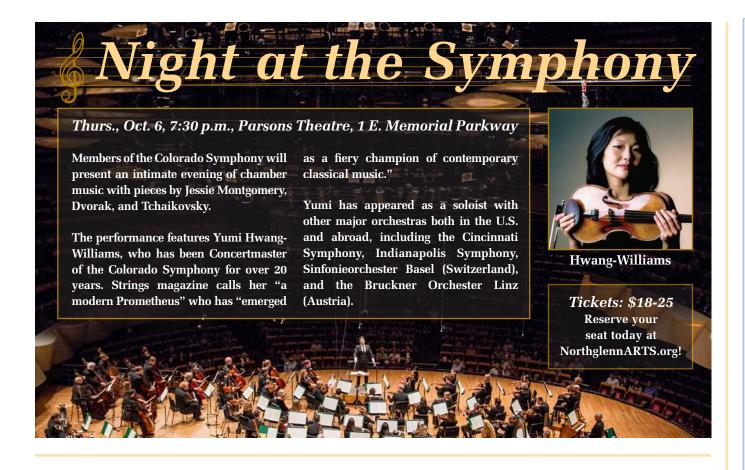
The Forney Museum of
Transportation is a one-of-a-kind collection of over 800 artifacts relating
to historical transportation. This
includes buggies, trains, automobiles
and more! Cost is \$14. The trip is
open to 14 people. RSVP by Sept. 29.
RECTRAC CODE: 30528007

There are no current COVID-19 Public Health Orders for wearing masks indoors in Adams County from the state or Tri-County Health Department (TCHD). TCHD recommends wearing a mask indoors if there are high COVID transmission levels or if you have a higher risk of becoming ill. TCHD also recommends vaccinations and boosters to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

# **ENROLL NOW FOR PRESCHOOL**

Preschool starts on Sept. 6 and 7, but there is still time to register and start in October! > For more information go to www.northglenn.org/preschool.





# ravel Film Series









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**NOV 16** 

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# DIVERSITY **BOARD** OPENING IN WARD 3

The Diversity, Inclusivity and Social Equity (DISE) Board is looking for a new member from Ward 3.

The name is the mission, and the board looks to promote



these ideals in Northglenn through activities, engagement and providing recommendations to council.

They meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 11701 Community Center Drive.

► For more details, go to www.northglenn.org/ diseboard.

# **9/11 BRIEFS**

# 9/11 Day of Service

Join the city as we celebrate 9/11 Day, the federally-recognized September 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance.

This year, we're taking to the parks. Come together as a family, club or neighborhood to serve and commemorate.

Just because it's called '9/11 Day' doesn't mean everything has to be done on Sept. 11. Projects can be completed anytime between Sept. 3 and 11.

Go to www.northglenn.org/ 911day to see the parks where help is needed, then email Jenni Murphy at *jmurphy@northglenn*. org. The city will provide a toolkit to you or your group.

Be sure to post your activity on social media with the tags #911day and #NorthglennProud!

### 9/11 Memorial Ceremony

Sun., Sept. 11, 8:30 a.m., 9/11 Memorial, 3 Community Park Road, Broomfield

This brief ceremony will remember those lives lost in the 9/11 attacks. Community members are invited to visit the memorial throughout the day and leave messages on the tribute wall. These will be added to the living memorial online. ► Go to www.northmetrofire .org/911memorial for details.

Want information from the City sent to your inbox? Sign up at www.northglenn.org/ enewsletter.





# Northglenn Arts

Performances at the Parsons Theatre 1 E. Memorial Parkway, Northglenn



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