



WHAT'S COOKING AT PARSONS

Northglenn Arts Presents hosts the Phamaly Theatre Company's production of *The Spitfire Grill* through April 3 at the Parsons Theatre.

Percy, a young woman with a complicated past, is looking to start a new life in a small Wisconsin town that has seen better days. She finds work at *THE SPITFIRE GRILL*, a rundown diner with a disenfranchised proprietor.

► For more information about Northglenn Arts productions, go to www.northglennarts.org or call 303.450.8888.

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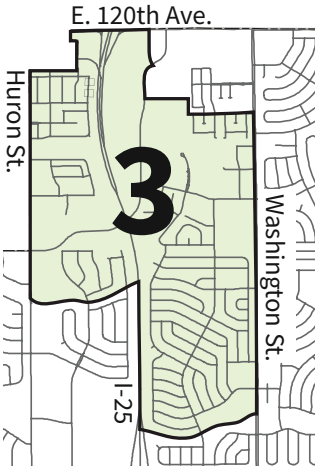
Northglenn Connection

Duran Mullica Leaving Office

► Opening in Ward 3 on Council; Apply April 4 Through 22

At the City Council meeting on Feb. 28, Council Member Julie Duran Mullica announced she will be moving out of the city and resigning her position on council effective April 21.

This will create a vacancy in Ward 3 that must be filled by appointment by City Council no later than May 21. Anyone who lives in Ward 3 and is interested in applying for the vacancy may do so by submitting an application to the City



Boundaries for Ward 3
If you are unsure which ward you live in, please call 303.450.8756.

Clerk's Office. Applications are at www.northglenn.org/ward3appointment or in the City Clerk's Office, which is open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in City Hall,

KEY DATES



- **April 4 to 22, 2022:** Application period. Anyone interested must apply by 4:30 p.m. April 22.
- **May 2 (Study Session):** Council interviews applicants for the vacant council position. Interviews will be conducted during a public meeting and broadcast on Channel 8 and the city's YouTube channel.
- **May 9 (Regular Meeting):** Council will appoint a new member to fill the Ward 3 vacancy. The council member will serve until the regularly scheduled general municipal election in November 2023.

11701 Community Center Drive.

To be eligible to serve on City Council, individuals must meet the following requirements:

- Must be a U.S. citizen
- Must be a registered voter
- Must be a resident of Northglenn for a minimum of one year immediately preceding appointment
- Must be a resident of Ward 3 for at least 32 days immediately preceding application
- Must have no felony convictions

IN THIS EDITION



Duran Mullica



Goff

3'S COMPANY: Council members Julie Duran Mullica and Katherine Goff reflect on their time in office. ► **Page 3**

ONE, TWO, MINGLE, GO!: Wards 1 and 2, along with Mayor Meredith Leighty, will have meetings in April. ► **Pages 3,4**

SPACES ON POLICE BOARD: The Community Co-Production Policing Advisory Board has openings for a Ward 2 resident and at-large member. ► **Page 4**

DERBY DAY: Youth can fish and ride bikes at E.B. Rains Jr. Memorial Park on April 30. ► **Page 8**

Shine On, Northglenn!

► Solar Co-op Open to Residents

Adams County

Adams County and the cities of Northglenn and Westminster announced a regional collaboration with the nonprofit Solar United Neighbors to launch the Adams County Solar Co-op to help area residents go solar to support local climate and energy goals.

The solar co-op is free to join and is open to homeowners and business owners in Northglenn, unincorporated Adams County and Westminster.

Together, co-op members will learn about solar energy and leverage their numbers to purchase individual solar systems at a discounted group price. Joining the co-op does not obligate members to purchase solar. Instead,



members will have the option to individually purchase panels, electric vehicle chargers, and battery storage based on the installer's group rate.

"Northglenn is so excited to be a part of the Adams County Solar Co-op," said Mayor Meredith Leighty. "Sustainability is a key element in our strategic plan, and this will offer our residents another opportunity to reduce our carbon footprint."

► Learn more and become a member today at <http://solarunitedneighbors.org/adamscounty>.

Electric Vehicle Event Fri., April 29, 3-6 p.m., Independent Electrical Contractors Rocky Mountain, 11429 Pearl St.

Join us for a celebration of the future of electric vehicles and solar in this event co-sponsored by the city.

- Learn about Electric Vehicle (EV) rebates available to you!
- Check out EV cars and charging stations.
- Do you have an EV car? Bring it!
- Enjoy food and drink!
- Watch an electrical wiring competition at the largest electrical apprenticeship school in the nation, right here in Northglenn.

► To register or for more information for this free event, go to <https://iecrm.org/EVExpo>.

CLOSURES

The Northglenn Recreation Center, Senior Center & Theatre will be closed on Sunday, April 17, in observance of the Easter holiday.

No other services will be affected.

COVID STATUS

At this time, there are no COVID-19 Public Health Orders for wearing masks indoors in Adams County from the state or Tri-County Health Department. However, the City of Northglenn strongly encourages visitors to wear them when inside city facilities.

LEGION OF SUPPORT



Members of our local American Legion chapter stopped by City Hall to make presentations at the March 10 meeting. They donated funds to both the Northglenn Bike Program, which refurbishes and then gives away donated bikes, and also to the Winter Housing Program, for people experiencing homelessness in Northglenn. In addition, they conducted a blanket drive for Afghan refugees. The mayor, City Council members, staff and volunteers were on hand to accept the donations and say “thank you American Legion!” The bike donation is perfect timing to support the free monthly bike giveaways, which occur on the first Saturday of the month from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. through September at the Maintenance and Operations Facility, 12301 Claude Court.

Council Legislative Recap: March 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.

FEB. 28: REGULAR MEETING

- **Ordinances – First Reading:**
 - CB-1979 2021 Budget Supplemental Appropriation – passed unanimously
- **Discussion Items:**
 - Dolly Parton Imagination Library Program Update
 - Paid Family and Caregiver Leave Policy Update
 - Homelessness Update
 - Northglenn Police Department Public Safety Presentation

MARCH 7: STUDY SESSION

- **Topics:** Adams County E911 Emergency Telephone Service Authority Fee Increase, City Council Idea Generation Follow-Up

MARCH 10: STUDY SESSION

- **Topics:** Civic Center Revised

Conceptual Site Plan, New City Hall Design Project Budget Update

MARCH 14: REGULAR MEETING

- **Proclamation:** Women’s History Month - March 2022
- **Presentations:** Introduction of Liz Gardner, Xcel Energy Area Manager; Youth Commission Annual Report
- **Consent Agenda:** CR-58 2022 Janitorial Services Contract Addendum; CR-60 Imagination Library Program Funding; CR-62 Historic Preservation Commission Reappointment - Yvonne Lehman; CR-63 Youth Commission Reappointment - Meera Bipin – passed unanimously
- **Public Hearing and Ordinance - Second Reading:**
 - CB-1979 2021 Budget Supplemental Appropriation – passed unanimously

- **Ordinances – First Reading:**
 - CB-1980 Warrants for Careless Driving and No Proof of Insurance Charges – passed unanimously
- **Resolutions:**
 - CR-59 Adams 12 Wyco Park Easement and Maintenance Agreement – passed unanimously
 - CR-61 Denver Rescue Mission Contract Amendment for Extension of Winter Housing Program – passed unanimously
- **Discussion Item:** Ward 3 Council Vacancy Process

MARCH 21: STUDY SESSION

- **Topics:** Sustainability Committee Update, Climate Action Planning, Fleet Electrification Advisory Program, and City Council Ward 3 Vacancy Process ▶ See cover

MEETINGS & STUDY SESSIONS

City Council is required to 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, study sessions and special meetings 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 April 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 p.m.
- **Monday:** Meetings at 7 a.m., study sessions at 1 p.m.

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

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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

April meetings are in person.

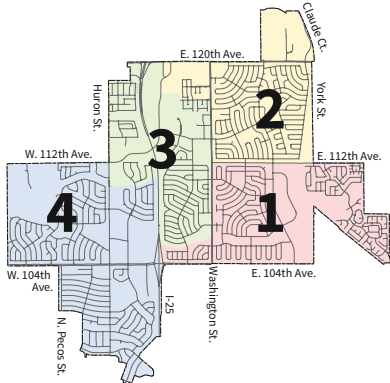
- **Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Awards Ceremony:** April 4, 6 p.m., Parsons Theatre
- **Study Session and Regular Meeting:** April 11 and 25
- **Study Session:** April 18
- **Tentative agenda topics:** New City Hall Schematic Design, Service Line Warranty Program, Resident Survey

YOUR THOUGHTS?

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

- Comments on city business or matters of community interest are heard at the start of regular meetings, and comments on items previously addressed by council during the meeting are heard at the end. Comments are not heard at study sessions.
- Anyone may address council in person or via phone. For the phone option, see the top of the agenda posted at www.northglenn.org/webdocs. For in person, there is a sign-in sheet or speak up when prompted by the mayor.
- Also, public comment may be submitted before the meeting starts via email at jsmall@northglenn.org or voicemail at 303.450.8757.
- You may also call or email the mayor or council members to share your opinion on city issues. ▶ Contact details below.

CITY WARDS



MEET YOUR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

MAYOR	WARD 1	WARD 2	WARD 3	WARD 4
MEREDITH LEIGHTY 303.918.1568 mleighty@northglenn.org	NICHOLAS WALKER 913.302.4160 nwalker@northglenn.org	ASHLEY WITKOVICH 720.448.8734 awitkovich@northglenn.org	BECKY BROWN 720.255.4708 bbrown@northglenn.org	JAY JARAMILLO 720.620.6203 jjaramillo@northglenn.org
JULIE DURAN MULLICA 720.365.7077 jmullica@northglenn.org	KATHERINE E. GOFF 720.668.8110 kgoff@northglenn.org	SHANNON LUKEMAN-HIROMASA 970.567.0028 slukemanhiromasa@northglenn.org	JENNY WILLFORD 303.710.1140 jwillford@northglenn.org	MAYOR PRO TEM

Getting to Know Your Council Members: Ward 3

Julie Duran Mullica



Note: Since Duran Mullica will be leaving council in April (see cover), her questions were slightly modified.

- What Achievement, Action, or Work Were You Most Proud of During Your Tenure on Council?** I'm proud of the regional relationships I created while serving on the city's transportation committees. I took several leadership positions and made sure that Northglenn was always at the table, even if I had to elbow my way in. I'm also proud of the creation of the Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity (DISE) Board. That was a top priority for me and I'm happy to see the board members actively participate in our community.
- What Was the Most Important Thing You Learned During Your Time on Council?** I learned how lucky we are to have so many people be invested in our community. We have amazing staff members, police officers, business owners, volunteers, council members (former and current), and average citizens who give tirelessly to make our city better every day. Once you add up all of these people, it's easy to see why Northglenn is so exceptional.
- What Do You Feel Are The Biggest Issues That Northglenn Faces Right Now?** Moving forward, our city needs to continue to focus on infrastructure investments and dedicate our focus to improving our public spaces. Regional relationships will be essential as we continue to address issues around transportation, homelessness, and crime. Investing and leaning into those relationships is essential.
- What Was the Most Rewarding Part of Being on Council?** The best part of being on the City Council is having a seat at the table and helping shape the community. During my time on council, we opened new public buildings, hired a new city manager, created new boards and committees, and made it through a pandemic! It's been a very busy four years but in the end, I feel like I've done my part in helping Northglenn lay the foundation for the next generation.

Katherine Goff



- So Far, What Achievement, Action or Work Are You Most Proud of During Your Tenure on Council?** The creation of the Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity Board and its work so far. This board has sponsored events, presented educational opportunities, and worked to help make Northglenn a safe and welcoming place for all residents. I am also proud of the work I have done to help bring the new recreation center to the finish line. Before I was elected to council, I worked as a volunteer on the advisory panel to help envision this new building.
- What is the Most Important Thing You Have Learned During Your Time on Council?** How hard the city staff works to make Northglenn such a wonderful place to live. From the streets and trails to events to services such as passports, the dedication of the staff continues to impress me. I have also learned just how compassionate and thoughtful the residents of Northglenn are. The positive response and support of the Winter Housing Program for our homeless residents have been amazing!
- What Do You Feel Are The Biggest Issues That Northglenn Faces Right Now?** Northglenn and our neighboring municipalities are facing issues related to public safety and health. Residents are struggling with mental health, opioid addiction, and homelessness. Northglenn is working to address these problems in a variety of ways. Our Crisis Response Unit is working with our Police Department to provide services, case management, and assistance to those in need. We are partnering with other cities to tackle speeding and have our own No Need for Speed program.
- What Is the Most Rewarding Part of Being on Council?** Working with so many inspiring, creative, and dedicated people. My fellow council members work hard to make the best decisions. And I love meeting and talking with our amazing residents.

► **On the Web:** To read the entirety of their Q&As, go to www.northglenn.org/julieduranmullicaqa or to www.northglenn.org/katherinegoffqa.

PHONE NUMBERS

EMERGENCIES: 911

Animal Control.....	303.450.8886
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.....	303.450.8743
Development	
Fire (non-emerg).....	303.452.9910
(North Metro Fire Rescue)	
Graffiti Hotline.....	303.252.3849
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 Center	303.450.8800
Senior Center	303.450.8801
Snow & Ice Removal.....	303.450.4001
Streets.....	303.450.4001
Trash & Recycling.....	303.450.4004
Utility Billing.....	303.450.8770
Volunteering.....	303.450.8904
Water.....	303.450.4045
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 www.northglenn.org/connection. Contact John Eisel at jeisel@northglenn.org 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



GOVERNMENT BRIEFS

Award for Budget

The city received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for the 2021 Budget. To win, the city had to publish a budget that serves as a policy document, operations guide, financial plan and communications device. This is the 12th straight year the city has earned this honor. To

view the 2021 Budget, go to www.northglenn.org/finance.

Garden Survey

The Northglenn Green Team is collecting information on opening a community garden. The purpose of the survey is to gauge interest for possible garden locations, as well as potential costs. Please fill out the survey by April 30 at www.northglenn.org/gardensurvey.

CITY COVID MODIFICATIONS

- Council meetings and study sessions are being held in person.** The public may call in to comment or watch on Channel 8 or YouTube.
- City Hall** is open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays. The **Maintenance & Operations Building** is open 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. weekdays.
- Municipal Court** is open. Traffic and code/zoning cases will be held virtually. Juvenile cases, criminal cases and trials are in person. ► *Call 303.450.8701 or go to www.northglenn.org/court for more.*
- Prescription delivery** is open 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.*



WARD 1 NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING
Sat., Apr. 2 • 10-11 am • Northglenn Justice Center • 50 W. Community Center Dr.

Public Safety in Northglenn

Join council members Nicholas Walker and Ashley Witkovich, and members of the Police Department, to discuss crime in Northglenn and the city's response. Bring all questions & comments about the city. • Tour the Justice Center after the meeting!



Walker




Witkovich



For more information, please contact a council member:
• Walker: 913.302.4160 or nwalker@northglenn.org
• Witkovich: 720.448.8734 or awitkovich@northglenn.org

Breakfast Refreshments Will Be Served!







Ward 2 Neighborhood Meeting
Wed. April 20, 6-7 p.m.
Northglenn Justice Center,
50 W. Community Center Dr.



PUBLIC SAFETY
Council Members Becky Brown and Jay Jaramillo invite you to discuss crime in Northglenn and the city's response. Northglenn Police will be presenting.



Becky Brown
720.255.4708
bbrown@northglenn.org



Jay Jaramillo
720.620.6203
jjaramillo@northglenn.org

Also – bring any other questions or comments you have about the city!

The police advisory board has an opening in Ward 2. Go to www.northglenn.org/ccppboard by April 15 to apply!

Mayor's Memo: A Message from Mayor Meredith Leighty

Meredith Leighty

Success Through Collaboration

When you think about City Council, most of us focus on “local.” That makes sense since we are looking at issues, setting priorities and allocating funding to benefit Northglenn residents. However, a significant portion of council’s behind-the-scenes work is regional, and sometimes national.

Several of us recently attended the National League of Cities conference in Washington, D.C. The opportunity to hear about other cities’ innovative programs and how they are handling challenges similar to ours is always worthwhile. We also made sure to meet



All Northglenn residents are encouraged to attend this event!

with our federal-level elected officials from Colorado to discuss issues at the Capitol that affect us at home. With

Northglenn passing the 50-year mark, much of our focus this year was infrastructure funding.

Each council member and I serve on boards or participate on committees to ensure Northglenn’s interests are represented in a variety of arenas. Some are our local boards and commissions, others involve north metro area transportation, environment, public safety, and education efforts. A few are regional and statewide, such as the Metro Mayor’s Caucus, Denver Regional Council of Governments, and Colorado Municipal League.

Between the nine members of council, we participate in over 40 different groups to make sure Northglenn’s voice

is heard and to ensure we get our fair share, establish partnerships, and hear about opportunities.

The relationships are key to our success. We leverage county, state and federal dollars to take on big water, sewer, and road needs. We team up for projects such as the Adams County Solar Co-op (see cover). We collaborate to support those experiencing homelessness. And those are just a few! By working with our partners, Northglenn achieves more.

— Mayor Meredith Leighty

City Manager's Column: A Letter from Heather Geyer

Heather M. Geyer

City Addressing Public Safety Concerns



Geyer

Recently, City Council expressed a need to directly respond to resident concerns about crime in Northglenn.

In response, this spring Chief Jim May and Deputy Chief Randall Darlin are speaking openly to residents about public safety in our community.

The Police Department has already presented at meetings for Ward 3 and Ward 4, with Ward 1, Ward 2 (see Page 3) and Mingle with the Mayor (see above) meetings in April. I encourage you to attend one of these, or watch a video of the presentation at www.northglenn.org/safetypresentation. The chiefs do an excellent job of explaining the reality of our crime rates, a few of

GET THE FACTS

- **Website:** northglenn.org/police
- **Social media:** facebook.com/northglennpolice and twitter.com/NorthglennPDPIO
- **Call 911 in an emergency.**
- Report crimes or suspicious behavior at 303.288.1535.

the “whys” behind the trends, what our city is doing in response, and how you can support our public safety efforts.

Is crime up? The short answer: yes. Like the rest of the metro area, state and many places in the nation, we are experiencing more crime. Specifically, we are tracking an increase in property and firearms crimes. Despite what you may hear on the news or social

media, drug offenses have decreased and crimes involving violence have only slightly increased.

Why is crime up? There are a variety of reasons – the economy, fewer persons held in jail, changes in state laws, and COVID to name a few.

What are we doing? Numerous things. Thanks to support from City Council, we have increased the number of patrol officers. In addition, we’ve added different types of responses such as the Crisis Response Unit, made body-worn and vehicle cameras standard through the department, are moving towards wholistic efforts like data-driven policing and Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED), and are engaging the community more.

What can you do? Learn the facts.

Listen to and practice police safety suggestions like locking your car and not leaving valuables in plain sight. Call the police if you witness crimes or suspicious activity.

I know many of you are asking, “Am I safe? Is my neighborhood safe?” Yes, but that doesn’t mean you or I will never be a victim of a crime. Please remember, we know that most serious crimes are between parties that are known to each other. Most of us are law-abiding people that care about our community. Again, I highly recommend you take advantage of one of our police community outreach efforts or watch online. Get your facts from the source and learn how you can discourage crime, avoid being a victim and support public safety.

— City Manager Heather Geyer

Two Spots Open on Police Advisory Board

Help shape the future of our Police Department (NPD)!

NPD has adopted the Community Co-Production Policing (CCPP) philosophy of law enforcement to strengthen its relationship with the community.

To support this philosophy, council formed the CCPP Advisory Board in November 2020. The board now has two openings – one at-large, and one for a resident of Ward 2. The board seeks engaged residents to work with.

Applications are being taken through 5 p.m. Friday, April 15. To apply, or for more information on the board, go to www.northglenn.org/ccppboard.

Since their first meeting in April 2021, the board has already accomplished these tasks:

- Completed an 11.5-hour mini-academy
- Hosted a Hate Crimes Forum in June
- Hosted a series of five community listening sessions in July and August
- Reviewed and provided feedback to NPD on its draft body-worn camera policy
- Participated in Safe Street Halloween in October

For more details, contact Rupa Venkatesh at 720.376.8069 or rvenkatesh@northglenn.org.

Start By Believing



In 2018, the Police Department joined the “Start by Believing” campaign, which encourages everyone to treat sexual assault victims with more consideration and care.

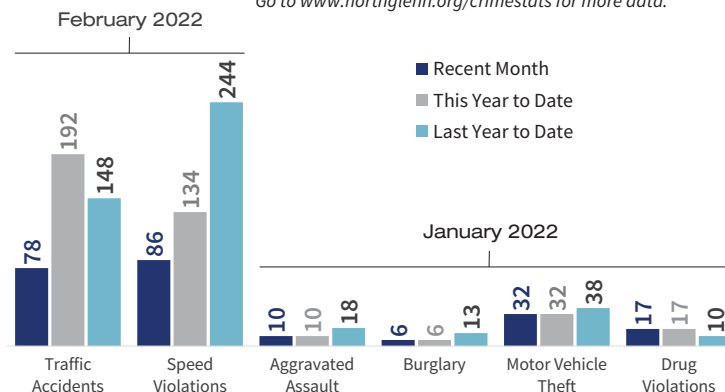
With April being Sexual Assault Awareness Month, the Police Department and the city are encouraging everyone to pledge to “Start By Believing.” Just go online to www.northglenn.org/believe and fill out the electronic form.

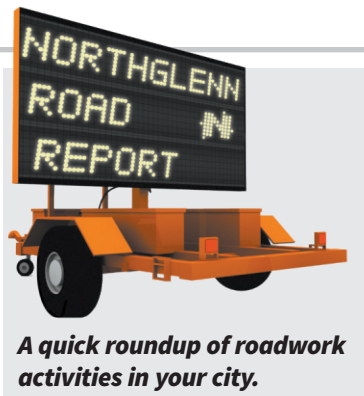
CAMPAIGN

The global campaign began in 2011 by End Violence Against Women International. Many victims of sexual assault never talk about or report the crime, and when they do, the victims face doubt and blame, rather than compassion and support. This often prevents the victim from seeking help through the justice system.

Northglenn Police Statistics

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





A quick roundup of roadwork activities in your city.

Force Main A

Force Main A, a new major sewer line, has been completely installed. The new pipe runs through the east side of Northglenn, from Lift Station A, near East 105th Place and Irma Drive, to the Maintenance & Operations Facility.

Crews are working on restoring sections of Irma Drive and Leroy Drive. After this, the only work left is to connect the pipe to the line that leads to the Wastewater Treatment Plant in Weld County, and to turn on the soon-to-be-completed Lift Station A. Both of these are scheduled to occur in late spring/early summer.

► For more information on the project, go to www.northglenn.org/forcemainaproject.

Traffic Signals Upgrade

Staff is installing new controllers, radios, and cameras to upgrade all traffic signals. The first upgrades will go in at:

- 104th Avenue, from Irma Drive to Ura Lane
- Huron Street & Kennedy Drive
- 117th Avenue & Washington Street
- Irma Drive and 120th Avenue
- Claude Court and 120th Avenue

Next up are Washington Street from 104th Avenue to Sylvia Drive, then Huron Street from 104th Avenue to 116th Avenue. The remaining signals will be upgraded based on need and traffic volumes.

Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation

The sewer rehabilitation project will line approximately 7,000 feet of sanitary sewer pipeline this year. The work began in mid-March.

New Recycling Center at Northwest Open Space

The public now has a new place to recycle in the city for free!

The new center has been established on the north side of Northwest Open Space. To get there, take West 112th Avenue to the entrance across from Ranch Drive, near the Water Treatment Plant.

From April 2 to 30, the Northwest Open Space Recycling Center will be open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday to Friday and 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday. The city may adjust the times after April based on use and need.

The facility is fenced to prevent materials from blowing through the area and to help deter dumping of unrecyclable materials. Only individuals can use the center; no businesses.

The facility will accept the following items. Please clean out any food residue:

- Cardboard and paperboard (shoeboxes, etc.)
- Office paper
- Magazines and junk mail
- Phone books
- Brown paper bags
- Plastic household containers
- Glass bottles and jars
- Empty aerosol cans
- Aluminum and steel cans

• Milk cartons

Items not accepted include (but are not limited to):

- Plastic bags or any other thin plastics such as packaging materials
- Styrofoam/polystyrene materials

► For updates on this facility, more about recycling services in the city, or how to properly dispose of non-recyclable items, please go to www.northglenn.org/recycling.



Colorado Parks and Wildlife Native Aquatics Species Biologist F. Boyd Wright III, left, talks with Northglenn High School student Enrique.

Enrique is working with classmates Carlos, Erick and Mihail on a prototype device and app to test pH levels in the environment of the Boreal toad, which will assist Colorado Parks and Wildlife with the endangered species’ conservation.

Northglenn High School Students Win State STEM Contest

Adams 12 Five Star Schools

A team of students at Northglenn High School won the state competition for the 2022 Samsung Solve for Tomorrow Contest, banking the school \$6,500 to be redeemed on DonorsChoose.com.

Samsung Solve for Tomorrow is a program that encourages students to solve real-world issues in their communities using STEM. The Northglenn team is working to create a solution to prevent the extinction of the boreal toad species. Boreal toads are endangered in large part because of a deadly bacterial disease called the chytrid fungus.

The team has created a 3D printed, waterproof and easily accessible prototype device to test pH levels in the toad’s environment. Additionally,

the team developed an app called GeoToad to collect and help analyze the data. The device and app will help create citizen scientists to collect data to help Colorado Parks and Wildlife with Boreal toad conservation.

“These students have spent a tremendous amount of time and energy to see their solution to the problem on the national level,” said Todd Corn, STEM coordinator. “It is always exciting to work with motivated and thoughtful students who want to make the world a better place.”

Congratulations to Corn and students Carlos, Enrique, Erick and Mihail for all your great work!

► Read more and watch a video summarizing their project at bit.ly/3wl0PKC.

E-RECYCLING EVENT APRIL 30

Sat., April 30, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Thornton Infrastructure Maintenance Center, 12450 Washington St., Thornton

Adams County residents can dispose of their electronic waste, such as old computers, tablets, cell phones and more. The recycling process is safe and responsible, ensuring a high level of data destruction.

The cost is as follows:

- \$15 per vehicle for all electronics, including up to one television or computer monitor
- \$25 for each vehicle carrying up to three televisions and/or computer monitors (No more than three televisions/monitors will be taken.)

You can pay with cash or credit card. Monitors and televisions with exposed tubes, appliances with Freon and chemicals are not accepted.

Please remember that throwing electronics in the trash is not allowed in Colorado.

Go online to <http://bit.ly/E-WasteApril2022> to reserve a time for drop-off. For more details on the event, contact Thornton’s Environmental Services at 720.977.6200. For information about certain electronics and data destruction, please contact Techno Rescue at 303.482.2207.

INFRASTRUCTURE & SUSTAINABILITY BRIEFS

Yard Waste Center Hours Expanded

You don’t have to take up all the space in your trash cart with leaves and tree branches. Instead, bring them to the city’s Yard Waste Mulching Center.

Hours are 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Saturday through November.

It’s located at the south end of the Maintenance & Operations

Facility, 12301 Claude Court. Just go right through the gate as you enter the parking lot.

Only Northglenn residents can drop off debris. Please bring proof of residency, such as a driver’s license or utility bill with a photo ID. The city will take most yard waste except for dirt, sod or gravel.

The yard waste is chipped into mulch that anyone can have, including residents, non-residents and businesses. Please bring shovels, as the city

does not provide tools to use. However, staff can help load the mulch into trailers and pickups if you sign a liability waiver.

Questions? Call 303.450.4004 or go to www.northglenn.org/yardwaste.

Free Landfill Day for City in May

Free Landfill Day for Northglenn residents is May 14! This is a perfect opportunity to get rid of items too

large for your trash cart. For more information about rules, including what is and what is not accepted, go to www.northglenn.org/freelandfillday.

Garden In A Box Available to Residents

Tackle that problem area in your yard once and for all by planting a beautiful, waterwise Garden In A Box this spring. Professionally designed for Colorado yards,

these kits are super easy to install and can help you save around 7,300 gallons of water over the garden’s lifetime compared to a traditional grass lawn (not to mention helping you save on your water bill!).

Starting at just \$119, these kits are beautiful AND affordable. Visit <https://ResourceCentral.org/Gardens> to order your waterwise Garden In A Box today, and claim your discount for City of Northglenn customers.

Growth Through Practice

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

2021 Business Appreciation Event

Though a Small Business, Althaus Law Has Had Big Gains

The decision came in, and Althaus Law won the 2021 Small Business of the Year Award.

Managing Attorney Jeff Althaus started his law firm with 750 square feet in 2017, and the firm has grown and expanded three times over the last four years. In 2021, Althaus purchased 4,500 square feet of office space at 11150 Huron St., investing more than \$1 million. The four attorneys and two paralegals work in Suite 102.

Althaus credits the success of the firm to their team and the awesome people in the area.



Jeff Althaus accepts his award from Council Member Becky Brown at the 2021 Business Appreciation Event in October.

"The community here in Northglenn is like no other. One of the things I do

in my free time is to give back to the community. I love volunteering," said Althaus.

Part of the firm's commitment to the area is its charity program. They vote every quarter on which charity to share a percentage of the firm's profits.

When in the office, Althaus Law specializes in estate planning and probate services.

"Estate planning is an overarching term for any document that's going to protect our client, the client's family, and their things while the client is

still here and when they pass away," explained Althaus.

They also serve the needs of those who have lost someone close and need help through the probate process.

"Receiving the Northglenn Small Business Award means the world to us. Having started from scratch here in Northglenn and grown to a real, full-sized adult firm is just amazing," said Althaus.

► For more information, visit www.althauslaw.com or call 720.547.2319.



FOUNDATION OF RETIREMENT

The Karl's Farm Senior Apartments held its groundbreaking on March 10. They began construction at the corner of Irma Drive and 121st Avenue on a 164-unit for people ages 62 years and older. The project will be 100% affordable for those with incomes up to 60% of the Area Median Income (AMI).

► Buying products, purchasing services, and dining in Northglenn helps your community. A list of all Northglenn businesses can be found at www.shopnorthglenn.org.

BUSINESS ANNIVERSARIES: Q1 2022

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

40 Years

- Red Lobster

30 Years

- Creative Arts & Bronzes*
- Front Range Chem-Dry*

25 Years

- Cracker Barrel Old Country Store

20 Years

- Ann's Nails
- Law Office of Michael Grills
- Tires Plus

15 Years

- Absolute Pool Management
- Charter Drywall Denver

- D & E Steel Services

- General Nutrition Center (GNC)

- Herbrick Agency

- Roeslein & Associates of Denver

10 Years

- Avis Rent A Car System
- Banfield Pet Hospital
- National Driver Training Denver
- Northglenn Discount Liquor
- The Wing Cave and Grill

5 Years

- Althaus Law
- Cardenas Landscape*

- Carl Givan, DDS

- CMG Mortgage

- Ed Baile Images*

- Eyebrow Threading Studio

- Gradalis Waldorf Consulting Services*

- Guardian Interlock

- IHOP

- Lark Mountain Properties*

- Let Me Organize You*

- Partnered Consulting*

- SCL Health Saint Joseph Emergency-Northglenn

- Techniques

* Denotes home-based business



✂ RIBBON-CUTTINGS

SPOT WASH ON PEARL



Spot Wash on Pearl held its ribbon-cutting on Feb. 25. This car and dog wash business purchased the 2,519-square-foot building at 11416 Pearl St. and employs two people. For more information, call 303.909.3445 or go to www.clubspotwash.com.

POLARIS LAW



Polaris Law held its ribbon-cutting on Feb. 25. This legal services office leased 1,829 square feet at 11154 Huron St., #207 and employs four people. For more information, call 303.557.6488 or go to www.lawpolaris.com.

WHAT ARE YOUR FAVORITE NORTHGLENN BUSINESSES?

Colorado Community Media, the publisher of the Northglenn-Thornton Sentinel, encourages everyone to vote for their top local businesses in categories ranging from hair salons to restaurants and everything in between.

The publication will recognize winners in its annual 'Best of the Best' issue for 2022 based on votes from readers in the Northglenn and Thornton area. ► To vote, go to <https://bit.ly/3JnPRb3>.

What is the vision for Northglenn’s future? Here’s what some of your neighbors would like:

- “I would love to see more solar power in Northglenn!!”
- “Affordability for seniors to stay in their homes and afford to live there.”
- “All inclusive parks (handicap accessible) with nice walking and picnic areas.”

What about you?

The city and a resident task force is hard at work using your input to develop the new comprehensive plan, “Looking Up! A Vision for Northglenn’s Future.”

The plan seeks to define the vision, values and goals for the future of Northglenn, and will tackle topics like housing, economy, land use and parks and

trails. This is a community-led process, so everyone’s input is vital to creating a successful plan that reflects all Northglenn residents.

Please visit www.northglenn.org/lookingup, which has surveys, interactive maps and a list of upcoming events where you can share your thoughts. Be on the lookout for the Looking Up! tent at city events and in your local parks this spring and summer. We would love to get your feedback.

LOOKING UP
A VISION FOR NORTHGLENN’S FUTURE

Also, don’t forget to sign up for the monthly newsletter to stay up to date on all the events and ways to be involved.

As an extra incentive, every time you respond to a new survey or provide feedback on our website, you are entered into a raffle to receive a \$25 gift card from a Northglenn business. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to the Planning Division at comprehensiveplan@northglenn.org.

SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

At this time, there are no COVID-19 Public Health Orders for wearing masks indoors in Adams County. However, the city strongly encourages visitors to wear them when inside city facilities.

Activities are for people 55 and over and take place at the center, 1 E. Memorial Parkway. Events listed are free unless noted. For items with RecTrac codes, call 303.450.8801 or go online to www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn to register.

Book Day

Thurs., April 14, 1 p.m.

Get ready for World Book Day by creating bullet journals, picking up a book to read and participating in a variety of book-themed activities. Register by April 8. **RECTRAC CODE: 10531003**

Garden Tea Party

Fri., April 15, 1 p.m.

Enjoy a sip of tea and listen to Master Gardener Rosie Garner’s insight on Colorado gardening. Register by April 13. Cost is \$10. **RECTRAC CODE: 10530011**

Tabletop Games

Tues., April 19, 1 p.m.

Experience a fun afternoon out with your friends and learn to play a new board, card, or pen-and-paper game! Puzzles and existing board games will also be set up for those who want to

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MAY 25 ★ 2-4PM

 **FREE**

join without learning a new game. Register by April 12 to reserve your seat at the new game table. **RECTRAC CODE: 10531005**

Earth Day

Thurs., April 21, 1 p.m.

Prepare for Earth Day by learning about sustainability, water consumption awareness, and possible turf replacement while enjoying refreshments and prizes. Register by April 19. **RECTRAC CODE: 10527001**

SENIOR BOOK CLUB:
“The Five Wishes of Mr. Murray McBride”
Tues., April 26, 1 p.m., in person and online at www.northglenn.org/seniorbookclub

Centenarian Murray McBride finds a reason to live in 10-year-old Jason Cashman, who has a terminal heart defect and a list of five things he wants to do before he dies. Call or stop by for more details.

Senior Miniature Golf Tournament

Wed., April 27, 1 p.m., meet at Boondocks, 11425 Community Center Drive

Enjoy fellowship (and maybe a prize!) playing minigolf. Participants must pay on their own when they arrive. Register by April 25. **RECTRAC CODE: 10528007**

Sip and Paint

Thurs., April 28, 1 p.m.

Listen to the rustle of leaves as wind blows through the trees and paint a landscape featuring birch trees with live, step-by-step instruction from Senior Center staff. Painting supplies, snacks and non-alcoholic drinks provided. Cost is \$20. Please sign

up by April 21. **RECTRAC CODE: 10532001**

Annual Chili Cookoff

Fri., April 29, 12 p.m.

Do you make the best chili on the block? Enter in the Annual Chili Cookoff! There will be divisions for red and green chili. It is also a potluck, so if you don’t want to enter, bring a complementary side dish or dessert. Register by April 26. **RECTRAC CODE: 10530004**

“Matilda The Musical” Dinner Theatre

Fri., May 6, 10 a.m.

The Northglenn Youth Theatre presents this musical centered on Matilda. She’s a precocious 5-year-old girl who has the gift of telekinesis. A catered lunch will be served after the performance. Cost is \$25. Please register by May 3. For tickets, go to www.northglennarts.org or call 303.450.8888.

Beginning Bridge

Every Tuesday, May 10 to July 12, 12-2:30 p.m.

This 10-week class is for those with little or no knowledge of bridge or players who need a refresher. Basic bridge terminology and etiquette, bids and response will be covered. Pre-registration required. Limit of eight people. Please sign up by May 6. Cost is \$20 for residents, \$24 for non-residents. **RECTRAC CODE: 20527001**

RECREATION ACTIVITIES

To register for these activities, call 303.450.8800, go to www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn, or stop by the Northglenn Recreation Center, 1 E. Memorial Parkway.

Nature Yoga

Mondays, May 2 through Aug. 29, 6-7 p.m., Festival Lawn, 1 E. Memorial Parkway

Outdoor yoga includes a walking meditation, yoga practice and a peaceful rest. Join us as we connect to nature, calm the nervous system through movement practice, and end with restful (savasana) sleep! All are welcome! Walk-ups allowed. **RECTRAC CODE: 20401003**

Weight Room Orientation

Wed., May 4, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Northglenn Recreation Center

The weight room offers a wide range of workout equipment and resources. If you are new to the weight room and/or to the recreation center, we invite you to enroll in one of our free group weight room orientations. Open to everyone ages 12 and older. Please sign up by April 27. **RECTRAC CODE: 20425001**

► Personalized orientations are available! Cost is \$25 per hour for residents, \$30 for non-residents. For more information, contact Sarah at 303.450.8911 or sschwallier@northglenn.org.

Northglenn Youth Commission

JOIN THE BOARD

The Youth Commission has openings for board members. All youth ages 13-18 who live in Northglenn or attend an Adams 12 Five Star School are welcome. Learn more or apply at www.northglenn.org/nyc

SAVE the DATE

Upcoming meetings are on April 5 & 19 at 7 p.m. at the Northglenn Recreation Center. For more information, call 303.280.7821 or email bstraushein@northglenn.org

 **Northglenn Youth Commission**
Giving a Voice to Northglenn’s Youth!



DERBY DAY

FOR AGES 2-14

E.B. RAINS, JR. MEMORIAL PARK

APRIL 30

Take a break from fishing in our Bike Derby Training area. Bikes and helmets provided for the training.

Attendees must bring their own fishing pole, tackle and bait as none will be provided. Entry is free but registration is required.

Full Details & Registration: northglenn.org/derbyday



Events, Concerts (and Traffic) ...Oh My!

Parking Limited for Civic Center Events

This summer, the Civic Center area (E.B. Rains Jr. Memorial Park, new recreation center, Parsons Theatre, and Festival Lawn) will host a multitude of concerts, events and activities.

The old faves are back – Food Truck Carnival, movies and concerts – with new things to do like Bubble Fest and Dancing through the Decades. All of this fun causes a minor headache ... increased traffic and limited parking.

What can you do to avoid that headache? Plan ahead! Look at www.northglenn.org to get the scoop on what is happening, save the events list coming in the May Connection, and watch for signs in the area. If you see an event listed, please plan extra time to find parking. If you are attending an event in the area, there is always ample parking at the RTD Wagon Road Park-n-Ride on the west side of Interstate 25 off 120th Avenue, with a nifty tunnel that leads you right to the action.

Of particular note – Community Center Drive will be closed during the Food Truck Carnival! Watch for details next issue.

SUMMER RECREATION REGISTRATION IS NEAR!

Method	Resident Start	Non-Resident Start
Online	Mon., Apr. 11, 5 a.m.	Mon., Apr. 18, 5 a.m.
Walk-In	Mon., Apr. 11, 8 a.m.	Mon., Apr. 18, 8 a.m.
Phone	Mon., Apr. 11, 8 a.m.	Mon., Apr. 18, 8 a.m.

Online:

Walk-In:

Phone:

www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn

Rec Center, 1 E. Memorial Parkway

303.450.8800

Information about classes and activities for May through August is in the rec guide or at www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn. Find it at the Northglenn Recreation Center, City Hall or www.northglenn.org/recguide. **Register early!** Many classes and activities have attendance requirements.

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Northglenn Arts

APR 29 - MAY 8

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\$13-\$15 tickets

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May 19



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