



## Q&A from April 8, 2020 City of Northglenn Telephone Town Hall

Below are **questions/comments from residents** during the call, with *answers and resources*

*Meeting hosts: Mayor Meredith Leighty, City Manager Heather Geyer, Clay Cunningham from Community Reach, and Dr. Bernadette Albanese from Tri-County Health Department*

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### **Subject: City Services**

**Will you be considering an increase of allowed chickens now that some of us are depending on the eggs for food now as opposed to just pets? Maybe 10 instead of 6?**

*We have sent this inquiry to our planning department. As of now, unless more residents brought forward a desire to amend city code it will remain as is.*

**With all of the roads being less congested, what are the plans for regular road maintenance as well as possibly increasing road projects?**

*We are actively working on road projects while following social distancing guidelines. The 2020 Residential Street Program contract will be considered for approval by City Council on Monday, April 13. Currently, we are still on target in terms of timing of these projects.*

**Doing yard work, trimming trees, spring cleaning -- has Northglenn thought about dropping off roll-off dumpsters in neighborhoods?**

*Our trash and recycling services are continuing as normal. If you have more than what fits in your bins, you can schedule a special pick up by calling at (303) 450-4004. We also have the mulching center at 12301 Claude Ct. open 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. on Saturdays.*

**113th Place /Ave was paved with rock and tar but no asphalt layer. Will this street be complete soon? Tar and rocks have caused damage to wood floors and car exterior/interior. Thx**

*We are not sure if this area is on the list for this year; we will have public works reach out to you directly.*

**Everybody has been burning trees and there's lots of smoke? Drag races have been happening?**

*North Metro Fire District and Northglenn Police Department can check on compliance of ordinances and permits, if a permit was necessary.*

*We have received complaints about drag racing. Please contact Dispatch so that officers on patrol can be aware of the situation.*

**Can city mayor or attorney make it a felony or misdemeanor offense to intentionally cough in someone's face? Had witnessed an incident in a park and police could not make arrest.**

*This will be investigated on an individual basis. Please call the Northglenn Police Department to file a report. If it is intent to harm, it may be an offense under current laws.*

**Went to Thornton high school to pick up computer and six police officers were in a group without PPE. Is PPE not given to officers?**

*For concerns regarding the City of Thornton, please contact that city.*

*City of Northglenn Police Department and all essential services personnel are directed to follow PPE guidelines.*

## **Subject: County Services**

**How can we get tags for vehicles and are officers writing tickets for expired tags?**

*Northglenn Police Department is not writing tickets for expired tags. You can renew tags online at Adams County: <http://www.adcogov.org/> . For new tags, you will need to wait until the Adams County offices are open again.*

**Is the city discussing any type of rent freeze for citizens who've been laid off due to the virus or is that out of your control? Also if it is out of your control, whose control is it in and are you aware of them being pressured to do so?**

*Rent is not under the jurisdiction of the City of Northglenn. Evictions are through the County. Adams County has a comprehensive list of rental assistance: <http://adamscountycovid19.org/rent-mortgage-and-utility-assistance>.*

*Governor Polis has also issued a relevant Executive Order that you can read [here](#).*

## **Subject: Stay-At-Home and Social Distancing**

**Are we going to stay with the April 11th stay at home or wait until the 26th stay at home? What is the city following regarding the protection order-- and when do they see an end to it?**

*The Stay-At-Home Order is an executive order issued by Governor Polis. The initial Stay-At-Home order was issued on March 26, 2020 and on April 6 it was announced that the order is extended to April 26. We will continue to follow direction from the State and Tri-County Health Department; that is April 26 as of now (April 8).*

*The end of the Stay-At-Home order depends on how successful the social distancing and home orders have been in mitigating the pandemic. The State and Tri-County Health Department are assessing the data on a daily basis.*

**My neighbors have a block party every day, with 15 adults and 10 children every day. I am concerned because I have reported it and no police drove by to inform them, so I can't go to my mailbox on E 110th PL in Fox Run, and I work in medical and very concerned. How I can I get my mail or go for a walk with the everyday block party on my block? I don't feel safe with the block party to work in the yard because of the daily block parties in my neighborhood in front of my house. Is there a way an offer could stop the block parties on E 110th PL in the fox run neighborhood?**

*Please call the Northglenn Police Department when this occurs; we will also report this behavior and ask that it be investigated.*

**Do cyclists and joggers have an increased responsibility to distance themselves from walkers on Northglenn paths and trails, due to their increased rate of breathing?**

*The most we can do is do the right thing ourselves and not police others as this can escalate tensions. We need to continue to educate neighbors and friends on social distancing guidelines and be responsible neighbors and friends ourselves.*

**Stop people from walking in groups like five or more with their dogs**

## **Subject: Masks**

**Do you have any idea where we can get masks to wear in public?**

*A medical grade mask is not needed for individuals. A DIY cloth mask that will cover your mouth and nose but won't inhibit breathing is all you need. To learn more information about making DIY masks or if you want to volunteer to make masks, please visit <https://www.coloradomaskproject.com/>*

**Do I need a mask if I am walking alone in my neighborhood? Can there be extra patrol for dogs off leash in neighborhood? Walking on Claude Ct. last week I had to change my route because of several dogs running loose.**

*If you're going for a walk and you know 100% that you are not going to see anybody, a mask is not necessary. However, it is recommended that you wear a mask if there is a chance you will be walking by people.*

**Will putting a dryer sheet in between layers of a homemade mask make it more safe and effective than a paper towel?**

*The masks that are being recommended by the CDC and State can be made from a cloth material as a way to serve as a covering for your nose and mouth, not necessarily as a filtering device.*

**There are no-sew masks instructions available on YouTube. The only items needed are a scarf/bandana and 2 pony tail ties. In a pinch, rubber bands can be used. Rubber bands are not easy on the ears.**

**If it helps, I am fabricating 4 layer vector masks they are cotton and layers of non-woven material. PM 2.5 filter insert capable. Washable. Dryers safe. Can handle a sterilizer for 1 hour at 275 degrees**

**Suggestion - Masks are on eBay and you can buy homemade ones affordably**

**Subject: Volunteer Opportunities**

**If she wants to volunteer to help people out, how can she go about that? Where can she volunteer to help the seniors out?**

*Northglenn Cares Facebook Group to pair folks that have the ability to volunteer with those that need help. Senior Hub has a volunteer program called S.H.O.U.T. Visit their website at <https://seniorhub.org/shout/> or 720-523-2820*

**Comment - Neighbors app is a resource to see who is around you and people are willing to help each other out**

**Subject: Health Related**

**As we get into warmer weather, does having windows open, running swamp cooler, etc cause for concern as far as bringing virus into the home?**

*Based on the current data and information that we have, the virus is not spread through the air so having windows open, running swamp coolers, etc. should not do any harm.*

**If someone is showing symptoms where are testing sites around Adams county / Northglenn?**

*Contact your health care provider to see if they refer you to testing to a community testing site. State is actively working to improve availability of testing. Health care providers can use commercial labs for testing. Larger hospitals also have testing availability through their own labs.*

**What is official number of people infected with COVID-19 in Northglenn?**

*The number of reported positive cases are updated by the Tri-County Health Department daily by 6pm on this website: <https://www.tchd.org/823/Case-Updates>*

**As acupuncturists and chiropractors have been forced to close, what is someone like me supposed to do as that's my preferred choice for healthcare?**

*Tri-County Health Department is not able to answer on specific medical conditions. It is possible that caregivers may have ideas for home care options to alleviate symptoms.*

**First responder - seeing employees eating and drinking while checking out in lines at grocery store. How can we stay on top of basic hygiene with such behavior?**

*We will pass along this comment to our neighboring police and fire departments. We can only speak for Northglenn Police Department, and this behavior is not condoned.*

**Subject: Homeless**

**What are they doing to help the homeless?**

**Police activity seems to be down? Is this due to COVID-19 precautions and what is being done about homeless?**

*Police is actively on patrol and have shifted schedules to allow social distancing. Police are also assisting the school district with lunch grab and go pickup and computer pickup. They continue to respond to calls based on priority. Officer Lund and other patrol officers are checking on homeless camps, including the Marketplace and south of 104<sup>th</sup> Ave. Officers are also working with Adams County to provide resources, including sheltering on severe weather nights, to those experiencing homelessness.*

**How/where can I direct family members who are homeless right now who stop by where they can be safe and I can be safe as well?**

*Please visit this website from Adams County for available resources: <https://www.acchonline.com/covid19>*

**Subject: Senior Resources**

**What is the resources for seniors? If you have dish network, they can't get channel 8?**

*Police Department as started the Senior Prescription Pick-up Program. For more information visit this website [https://northglenn.org/news\\_detail\\_T17\\_R319.php](https://northglenn.org/news_detail_T17_R319.php) or call 303-450-8892. Adams County has the Senior Resource Center for any Adams County resident 60 years old and older- 303-238-8151. For more resources specific to seniors: <http://adamscountycovid19.org/general-senior-resources>. We also have some senior virtual activities [www.northglenn.org/seniors](http://www.northglenn.org/seniors).*

*City of Northglenn has a franchise agreement with Comcast for Channel 8 either by channel subscription; if you do not have Comcast, you can see City Council meetings on You Tube via the city website.*

**Other**

**Outreach program-- not taking any new clients because they're on hold? Who authorizes cutting down trees and shrubs in the area? Someone killed fox, how will that be followed through?**

*Sorry that we did not get to your call. We asked code enforcement to give you a follow up call.*

**She's a neighborhood captain, are they still going to get the rolloff?**

*Sorry, no roll-offs until the health orders are lifted.*

**thank you and praise**