

**GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

October 2, 2019

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Moment of Silence

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction convened into regular session on the 2nd day of October, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Those present were Councilmembers Kraig Andrews, Chuck McDaniel, Phillip Pe'a, Anna Stout, Duke Wortmann and Council President Rick Taggart. Councilmember Phyllis Norris was absent.

Also present were City Manager Greg Caton, City Attorney John Shaver, City Clerk Wanda Winkelmann and Deputy City Clerk Janet Harrell.

Council President Taggart called the meeting to order. Marcus Alexander and Samantha Donalson led the Pledge of Allegiance which was followed by a moment of silence.

Proclamations

Proclaiming October 6 - 12, 2019 as Fire Prevention Week in the City of Grand Junction

Councilmember Wortmann read the proclamation. Grand Junction Fire Department Deputy Chief Gus Hendricks accepted the proclamation.

Proclaiming October 2019 as Arts and Humanities Month in the City of Grand Junction

Councilmember Stout read the proclamation. Commission on Arts and Culture Chair Sarah Dishong accepted the proclamation.

Certificates of Appointment

To the Ridges Architectural Control Committee

Robert "Mike" Stubbs accepted his Certificate of Appointment.

To One Riverfront

Dave Bastian, Elaine Heath and Lewis Patterson accepted their Certificates of Appointment.

Presentations

Letter of Appreciation Presented by Grand Junction Police Department

Grand Junction Police Department Deputy Chief Matt Smith read the Letter of Appreciation recognizing citizen Marcus Alexander. Mr. Alexander accepted the letter.

2018 Auditor's Report to City Council - Ty Holman, Haynie & Company

Haynie & Company Partner Ty Holman reviewed the City's Audit Report's scope and methodology, required communications, financial highlights and general observations.

City Manager Caton recognized City Finance Director Jodi Romero, Finance Supervisor Tatiana Gilbertson and Accountant/Analyst II Ashley McGowen for their work on the audit.

Councilmember Wortmann moved to accept the Auditor's Report and Financial Statements for the City of Grand Junction, Colorado for the year ended December 31, 2018. Councilmember McDaniel seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Citizen Comments

Rickie Howie spoke about a reward being offered for information on the recent vandalism at the Islamic Center of Grand Junction - Two Rivers Mosque.

Don Bell spoke about the permitting process for room rentals.

Richard Swingle talked about the City's 2020 Recommended Budget and asked citizens to report street lights outages.

Bruce Lohmiller spoke about sex education classes, violence reports and requested funding for some non-profit organizations.

City Manager Report

City Manager Caton congratulated City staff for raising over \$50,000 as part of the City's Pacesetter Campaign for United Way. He then announced City Council was awarded the American Planning Association Colorado Chapter Innovation/Creative Partnerships & Collaborations Honor Award for Riverfront at Las Colonias. City Manager Caton presented the award to Mayor Taggart.

Council Reports

Councilmember Stout announced the Downtown Art Festival is October 4th through 6th and new Art on the Corner pieces will be on display.

Councilmember Wortmann attended the Downtown Car Show and Fruita Fall Festival.

Council President Taggart attended the groundbreaking of the River Park at Las Colonias and praised the slough design element.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council President Taggart announced Consent Agenda item 4.a. would be tabled and Councilmember McDaniel recused himself from item 4.b.

Councilmember Stout moved to remove item 4.a. and adopt remaining Consent Agenda items #1 - #4. Councilmember Andrews seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

1. Approval of Minutes

- a. Summary of the September 16, 2019 Workshop
- b. Minutes of the September 18, 2019 Regular Meeting
- c. Minutes of the September 18, 2019 Special Session

2. Set Public Hearings

- a. Legislative
 - i. Consider a Group of Actions Including 1) Introduce an Ordinance to Amend Multiple Sections of the Zoning and Development Code to Update the Transportation Capacity Payment and the Parks and Recreation Impact Fee and to Adopt New Impact Fees for Police, Fire and Municipal Facilities; and 2) Introduce an Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 3641 Regarding the Growth and Development Related Streets Policy and Set Public Hearings for October 16, 2019

3. Contracts

- a. Change Order for 2019 Monument Road Bicycle Path (Lunch Loop Connector) Trail
- b. 2019 Community Development Block Grant Subrecipient Agreements between the Western Slope Center for Children and HomewardBound of the Grand Valley and the City of Grand Junction

4. Resolutions

- a. Resolution Adopting the Strategic Plan - **POSTPONED**
- b. Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Submit a Grant Request to Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) for a Local Park and Outdoor Recreation Grant for Land Acquisition of Approximately 21 Acres along Monument Road on Behalf of the Mesa County Land Conservancy, Inc. with the Trade Name of Colorado West Land Trust
- c. A Resolution Assigning City Councilmembers to Various Boards, Commissions, and Authorities

5. Public Hearings

- a. Quasi-judicial
 - i. An Ordinance to Vacate a Portion of the East-West Alley Right-of-Way on the South Side of the Property Located at 845 Orchard Avenue

REGULAR AGENDA

An Ordinance to Vacate a Portion of the East-West Alley Right-of-Way on the South Side of the Property Located at 845 Orchard Avenue

Colorado Mesa University (CMU) on behalf of property owners, Johnny Jr. and Colleen Martin, requested vacation of a portion of the east-west alley right-of-way (2,348 square feet) on the south side of the property located at 845 Orchard Avenue. CMU is currently under contract to purchase the property and the proposed vacation area is to become part of the campus.

Principal Planner Kris Ashbeck presented this item.

CMU Vice President for Intergovernmental and Community Affairs Derek Wagner thanked staff.

The public hearing opened at 7:09 p.m.

There were no public comments.

The public hearing closed at 7:10 p.m.

Councilmember Andrews moved to adopt Ordinance No. 4877, an ordinance vacating a portion of alley right-of-way located between Orchard Avenue and Hall Avenue on the south

side of the property located at 845 Orchard Avenue on final passage and ordered final publication in pamphlet form. Councilmember McDaniel seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Councilmember Andrews moved to accept Ordinance No. 4877 Conditions of Approval: 1) Applicant shall provide evidence of ownership of the property located at 845 Orchard Avenue (parcel number 2945-114-08-006) prior to this Ordinance being recorded with the Mesa County Clerk and Recorder in order for the vacation to take effect, 2) Applicant shall pay all recording/documentary fees for the Vacation Ordinance and 3) Applicant shall meet all terms and conditions of the *Colorado Mesa University and City of Grand Junction Utility Easement and Maintenance Agreement-CMU Main Campus* and all requirements of the Grand Junction Fire Department for construction of proposed campus facilities. Councilmember Wortmann seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Non-Scheduled Citizens & Visitors

Richard Swingle spoke about street lights.

Michael Lowenstein spoke against the Downtown Development Authority's proposed Plan of Development.

Other Business

There was none.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Wanda Winkelmann, MMC
City Clerk