

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

April 1, 2020

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Moment of Silence

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction convened into regular session on the 1st day of April 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Those present were Councilmembers Kraig Andrews, Phyllis Norris, Phillip Pe'a, Anna Stout, Duke Wortmann and Council President Rick Taggart. Councilmember Chuck McDaniel joined remotely via GoToMeeting.

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

Council President Taggart called the meeting to order. Councilmember Andrews led the Pledge of Allegiance which was followed by a moment of silence.

Citizen Comments

Council President Taggart read a comment submitted online by Lily Fitch regarding a proposed development on Horizon Drive.

Scott Beilfuss spoke regarding the proposed Supplemental Appropriation Ordinance.

Council Reports

Councilmember Norris spoke of the Salvation Army food drive and encouraged people to give cash donations to help support them and other local nonprofit organizations.

Council President Taggart spoke of the loss of his younger sister and dedicated the meeting to her memory, as she was a County Clerk.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Andrews moved to approve Consent Agenda Items #1 - #4. Councilmember Wortmann seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

1. Approval of Minutes

- a. Minutes of the March 2, 2020 Executive Session
- b. Summary of the March 2, 2020 Workshop
- c. Minutes of the March 4, 2020 Regular Meeting

- d. Minutes of the March 23, 2020 Special Meeting
- e. Minutes of the March 25, 2020 Special Meeting

2. Set Public Hearings

a. Legislative

- i. Introduction of an Ordinance to Adopt Renewal of the Cable Franchise Agreement with Spectrum, Pacific West, LLC, Locally Known as Charter Communications and Set a Public Hearing for April 15, 2020
- ii. Introduction of an Ordinance Amending the North Seventh Street Historic Residential District Guidelines and Standards (Title 26) Regarding the Process and Application for the Demolition of Accessory and Contributing Structures and Set a Public Hearing for April 15, 2020
- iii. Introduction of an Ordinance Adding a Horizon Drive Zoning Overlay to the Zoning and Development Code as Title 27 of the Municipal Code and Set a Public Hearing for April 15, 2020

b. Quasi-judicial

- i. Introduction of an Ordinance Rezoning the Horizon Villas Property from PD (Planned Development) to R8 (Residential 8 du/ac) Located West of Horizon Glen Drive and Set a Public Hearing for May 6, 2020

3. Continue Public Hearings

a. Quasi-judicial

- i. Resolution to Create Alley Improvement District No. ST-20 CONTINUE PUBLIC HEARING TO MAY 6, 2020
- ii. A Resolution Accepting the Petition for Annexation of 45.543Acres of Land and Ordinance Annexing the Magnus Court Annexation, Located on the West End of Magnus Court CONTINUE PUBLIC HEARING TO MAY 20, 2020

4. Other Action Items

- a. Request for 2020 Fireworks Displays at Suplizio Field

REGULAR AGENDA**A Supplemental Ordinance to Appropriate \$2,700,000.00 from the City General Fund Reserve to Support the City's Economic Stimulus and Recovery Response Fund in the City of Grand Junction, Colorado and Set a Public Hearing for April 15, 2020**

The purpose of this item is to adopt a supplemental ordinance for expenditures related to economic stimulus and recovery. This supplemental appropriation provides for the disbursement of funds to the City Economic Stimulus and Recovery Response Fund. The Fund will add \$2,700,000 to the General Fund of the City budget for the emergency, temporary employment of City residents to perform necessary maintenance, repair and improvement of City parks, trails and facilities and to assist human service agencies.

City Manager Greg Caton presented this item.

City Attorney Shaver spoke of a \$500,000 appropriation in the ordinance set aside to address basic needs such as food and shelter for people impacted by COVID. Western Colorado Community Foundation (WCCF) was contacted and submitted a proposal for purposes of assisting with the disbursement of these funds. City Attorney Shaver read the proposal into the record.

Conversation ensued regarding the requirement of having a Grand Junction address for eligibility (agencies who apply for the #GJStrong Fund), application/distribution window for funds, the possibility of adjustments to the total appropriation, federal funding impacts (CARE ACT), and the reasoning behind the focus on food and shelter for these funds (#GJStrong Fund).

Councilmember Wortmann moved to introduce a Supplemental Ordinance to appropriate \$2.7 million to the General Fund Reserve to support the City's Economic Stimulus and Recovery Response Fund in the City of Grand Junction, Colorado and set a public hearing for April 15, 2020. Councilmember Pe'a seconded the motion.

Discussion resumed regarding the timing of the approval process and effective date of the ordinance and the possibility of scheduling a special meeting to pass this as an emergency ordinance, and separating the ordinance into two ordinances (one for the #GJStrong appropriation and one for the jobs allocation).

Councilmember Wortmann amended his motion to separate the ordinance into two: one for a \$500,000 appropriation to #GJStrong Fund for immediate use and one for \$2.2 million for the economic stimulus appropriation and set a public hearing for April 15, 2020. Councilmember Andrews seconded the motion.

Clarification was made that the ordinance could not be passed as an emergency ordinance without prior public notice of 24 hours.

Motion carried with Councilmembers Stout and Norris voting no.

City Attorney Shaver asked for clarification on the motion and stated the need for unanimity of an emergency ordinance if it is heard as such.

Councilmember Wortmann moved to introduce a supplemental ordinance to appropriate \$2.2 million from the City General Fund Reserve to support the City's economic stimulus and recovery response funding in the City of Grand Junction, Colorado and set a public hearing for April 15, 2020 and to introduce a supplemental ordinance to appropriate \$500,000 from the City General Fund Reserve to support the City's economic stimulus and recovery response funding in the City of Grand Junction, Colorado to direct those funds to Western Colorado Community Foundation for distribution of those funds and set a public hearing for April 15, 2020. Councilmember Andrews seconded the motion. Motion carried with Councilmember Stout voting no and Councilmember McDaniel abstaining from voting due to the inability to clearly hear the full discussion.

Contract Approval for Setting the Guaranteed Maximum Price for the Construction of City of Grand Junction Fire Station #6

The City has been working with FCI Constructors, Inc. and Chamberlin Architects to finalize the design and construction documents for the new Fire Station #6 at 729 27 Road. Based on this design and methods of construction, a guaranteed maximum price (GMP) of \$3,963,638 has been established. The GMP limits the amount the City will have to pay FCI Constructors, Inc. regardless of the actual cost of the project to the contractor.

Fire Chief Ken Watkins presented this item.

Councilmember Stout moved to approve a contract with FCI Constructors, Inc. to set a Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$3,963,638 for Construction Manager/General Contractor services for the Grand Junction Fire Station #6 project. Councilmember Wortmann seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Other Business

Councilmember Stout recommended a coalition of western communities be considered to vie for relief packages at the state and federal level. City Manager Caton stated there is a group of Mesa County towns and cities working together to prioritize projects within the valley.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Wanda Winkelmann, MMC
City Clerk