

ELECTION NOTICE

**CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO
NOTICE OF REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, THE 6th DAY OF APRIL, 2021**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD BY MAIL-IN BALLOT ON TUESDAY, THE 6th DAY OF APRIL, 2021, IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO.

Ballot packages will be mailed no later than March 22nd, 2021, and must be returned to the Mesa County Clerk via mail or at a location listed below no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, April 6th, 2021. NO voting devices will be provided at any location.

**AVAILABLE 24-HOURS AND
UNTIL 7:00 P.M. ON ELECTION DAY**

- Grand Junction City Hall (outside ballot drop box)
250 North 5th Street
Grand Junction, CO 81501
- Grand Valley Transit -West Transfer Facility (outside ballot drop box)
612 24 1/2 Road
Grand Junction, CO 81505
- Department of Human Services (outside ballot drop box)
510 29 1/2 Road
Grand Junction, CO 81504
- Mesa County Central Services (drive up ballot drop box in parking lot)
200 South Spruce Street
Grand Junction, CO 81501

**AVAILABLE 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday (except legal holidays)
AND 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Election Day**

- Mesa County Central Services (inside west entrance)
Elections Department
200 South Spruce Street
Grand Junction, CO 81501

The Mesa County Elections Department at 200 South Spruce Street will be open for issue of ballots to "inactive voters", or the reissue of ballots to those who have spoiled, lost, moved, or for some reason did not receive a ballot, for the period 25 days prior to the election, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, April 6th, 2021 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (Election Day).

Persons desiring to vote in said Election must meet the following qualifications: be at least eighteen (18) years of age, a citizen of the United States, a resident of the State of Colorado for at least twenty-two (22) days before the Election, and duly registered to vote within the Grand Junction city limits.

Candidates are:

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT A

Four-Year Term
(Vote for One)

Mark McCallister
Rick Taggart

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT D

Four-Year Term
(Vote for One)

Greg Haitz
Dennis J. Simpson

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT E

Four-Year Term
(Vote for One)

Jody Green
Abe Herman

CITY COUNCIL AT-LARGE

Four-Year Term
(Vote for One)

Kraig Andrews
Randall Reitz

At such election, three (3) ballot questions will be submitted to the voters as follows:

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION REFERRED MEASURE 2A

SHALL CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION TAXES BE INCREASED BY TWO MILLION NINE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,900,000) IN THE FIRST FULL FISCAL

YEAR AND BY SUCH AMOUNTS AS ARE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY INCREASING THE CITY SALES AND USE TAX ON THE RETAIL SALE OF REGULATED MARIJUANA AND MARIJUANA PRODUCTS FROM 3.25% TO 8.25% (WITH AUTHORIZATION THAT THE SPECIAL SALES AND USE TAX OF 5% COULD BE INCREASED IN THE FUTURE ABOVE 5% WITHOUT FURTHER VOTER APPROVAL SO LONG AS THE RATE OF THE SPECIAL SALES AND USE TAXATION DOES NOT EXCEED 15%) AND THE IMPOSITION OF AN EXCISE TAX OF 3% (WITH AUTHORIZATION THAT THE EXCISE TAX OF 3% COULD BE INCREASED IN THE FUTURE ABOVE 3% WITHOUT FURTHER VOTER APPROVAL SO LONG AS THE RATE OF THE EXCISE TAX DOES NOT EXCEED 10%) WHEN UNPROCESSED REGULATED MARIJUANA IS FIRST SOLD OR TRANSFERRED BY A REGULATED MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITY AND IF THE TRANSFER OR SALE IS BETWEEN AFFILIATED REGULATED MARIJUANA BUSINESS LICENSEES THE TAX SHALL BE BASED ON THE AVERAGE MARKET RATE OF UNPROCESSED MARIJUANA, AND IF THE TRANSFER OR SALE IS BETWEEN UNAFFILIATED REGULATED MARIJUANA BUSINESS LICENSEES THE TAX SHALL BE BASED ON THE CONTRACT PRICE, WITH THE REVENUES FROM EXCISE AND THE SPECIAL SALES AND USE TAXES BEING USED FOR THE IMPROVEMENT AND PROTECTION OF THE COMMUNITY AND HEALTH AND WELFARE OF ITS CITIZENS AS FOLLOWS:

- THE ENFORCEMENT OF REGULATIONS ON THE REGULATED MARIJUANA INDUSTRY AND OTHER COSTS RELATED TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE USE AND REGULATION OF REGULATED MARIJUANA AND LAWFUL UTILIZATION OF MARIJUANA; AND
- BUILDING, OPERATING AND MAINTAINING THE HIGHEST PRIORITY(IES) OF THE ADOPTED PARKS AND RECREATION OPEN SPACE (PROS) PLAN WHICH INCLUDE INDOOR AND OUTDOOR RECREATION AND PARK FACILITIES, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND ENHANCEMENTS TO THE CITY’S PARKS, TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE SYSTEM;

WITH ALL EXPENDITURES SUBJECT TO ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT, AND MAY THE CITY COLLECT, RETAIN AND EXPEND ALL OF THE REVENUES OF ALL OF SUCH TAXES AND THE EARNINGS THEREON AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE WITHOUT LIMITATION OR CONDITION UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW?

_____ Yes
 _____ No

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION REFERRED MEASURE 2B

Shall the City of Grand Junction, Colorado allow the operation of marijuana businesses in the City and amend the Grand Junction Municipal Code by the addition of new sections permitting, subject to regulations to be adopted by ordinances of the City, certain activities relating to marijuana, and by so doing repeal the 2011 Voter Approved Measure A, with the approval of this question and the repeal of the 2011 Measure A being subject to and expressly contingent upon Voter Approval of Measure 2A on the April 6, 2021 City of Grand Junction ballot authorizing taxation of marijuana businesses in Grand Junction, all as a Voter Approved Measure under Article XVI, Paragraph 137, of the City Charter?

_____ Yes
 _____ No

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION REFERRED MEASURE 2C

Shall Ordinance 4295, referred to voters in 2013 as Measure A, be amended in the context of the current zoning of the property by modifying certain established conditions on the development of the property located at 347 and 348 27 ½ Road and 2757 C ½ Road, which conditions include but are not limited to the dedication of a public trail easement 50 feet in width adjacent to the Colorado River along the entire southern property boundary, dedication of a public trail easement 50 feet in width along the east property boundary and installation of a landscape buffer 25 feet in width and a screen wall along the west, north and south property boundaries with the approval of a development plan which honors the requirement for a trail easement providing for connectivity for the planned trail system along the riverfront for the property located at 347 and 348 27 ½ Road and 2757 C ½ Road, which development plan is and shall be subject to the Grand Junction Municipal Code and if the Code is satisfied and this question is approved then 2013 Voter Approved Measure A shall be amended consistent with the plan, all as a Voter Approved Measure under Article XVI, Paragraph 137 and 142 of the City Charter?

_____ Yes - For the Ordinance
 _____ No - Against the Ordinance

BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Dated at Grand Junction, Colorado, this 17th day of February, 2021.

/s/ Wanda Winkelmann
 Wanda Winkelmann
 City Clerk

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