

ELECTION NOTICE

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO NOTICE OF REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, THE 4th DAY OF APRIL, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD BY MAIL-IN BALLOT ON TUESDAY, THE 4th DAY OF APRIL, 2023, IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO.

Ballot packages were mailed on March 17, 2023, and must be returned to the Grand Junction City Clerk via mail or at a location listed below no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, April 4th, 2023. 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
- Colorado Mesa University (ballot drop box outside Robinson Theatre)
1299 N. 12th St, Grand Junction, CO 81501

AVAILABLE 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday (except legal holidays) and 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Election Day

- **Election Office** - Grand Junction City Hall (City Clerk's Office)
250 N. 5th Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, 970-244-1509, cityclerk@gjcity.org.

The Grand Junction City Hall, City Clerk's Office will be the official Election Office 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. Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (or by appointment) and on Tuesday, April 4th, 2023 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.

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT A
SPECIAL ELECTION
Two-Year Term

(Vote for One)

Cody Kennedy
Jamie Porta
Sandra Weckerly
Write In _____

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT B

Four-Year Term
(Vote for One)

Michael Deuel
Greg Haitz
Jason Nguyen
Write In _____

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT C

Four-Year Term
(Vote for One)

Anna Stout
Write In _____

CITY COUNCIL AT-LARGE

Four-Year Term
(Vote for One)

Scott Beilfuss
Diane Schwenke
Write In _____

At such election, two (2) ballot questions will be submitted to the voters as follows:

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION REFERRED MEASURE 1A

SHALL CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION TAXES BE INCREASED \$2,300,000 IN 2023 (BEGINNING IN JULY 2023) AND \$4,600,000 IN 2024 (THE FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR) AND BY WHATEVER AMOUNTS AS ARE GENERATED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2054 BY INCREASING THE CITY'S SALES AND USE TAX RATE FROM 3.25% TO 3.39% BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023 FOR THE PURPOSE OF GENERATING REVENUE TO FINANCE THE COSTS OF DEBT SERVICE, CONSTRUCTION, EQUIPPING, AND FURNISHING, AND IF AVAILABLE, OPERATING AND MAINTAINING, AN INDOOR COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER (CRC) AT MATCHETT PARK WHICH AS DESCRIBED IN THE ADOPTED 2022 CRC PLAN IS PROJECTED TO PROVIDE AND MAY INCLUDE BUT NOT NECESSARILY BE LIMITED TO A MULTI-GENERATIONAL AQUATIC CENTER WITH A WARM WATER LEISURE POOL CONSISTING OF A LAZY RIVER, ZERO DEPTH ENTRY, WATER PLAYGROUND AND SLIDES, A COOL WATER LAP POOL, AND A WARM WATER THERAPY POOL, A MULTI-SPORT GYMNASIUM, AN INDOOR WALK/JOG TRACK, A FITNESS AND WEIGHTS AREA, MULTI-PURPOSE MEETING ROOMS, AND OTHER COMMUNITY GATHERING AND RECREATION

SPACES, AND SHALL CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION DEBT BE INCREASED \$70,000,000 WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF \$148,500,000 TO PROVIDE FINANCING FOR THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTION OF THE COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER (CRC) WITH THE DEBT BEING PAYABLE FROM THE TAX INCREASE OR ANY OTHER GENERAL REVENUE OF THE CITY, PROVIDED THAT THE SPECIFIC TERMS OF THE DEBT, INCLUDING A PROVISION FOR EARLY REPAYMENT WITH OR WITHOUT A PREMIUM, AND THE PRICE AT WHICH IT WILL BE SOLD BEING DETERMINED BY THE CITY AS NECESSARY AND PRUDENT WITH THE CITY BEING AUTHORIZED TO IMPOSE, COLLECT, RETAIN AND SPEND SUCH REVENUES AND ANY INVESTMENT EARNINGS AND INTEREST ON SUCH REVENUES, AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

Yes No

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION REFERRED MEASURE 1B

City of Grand Junction

Shall there be an amendment to Article XIV, Section 124 of the City Charter, as amended, to increase the authorized lease term for 1.1169 acres (48,621 square feet) of property to Colorado Discover Ability, a non-profit organization offering adaptive outdoor recreation for people with disabilities, located at 599/601 Struthers Avenue in and near Las Colonias Park from 25 years to a term not to exceed a total of 99 years?

If approved, Section 124 will read, in relevant part, and without amendment of the balance of the Section, as follows:

124. "No franchise, lease or right to use the streets or the public places, or property of the city, shall be granted by the city, except as in this Charter provided, for a period longer than twenty-five years. The City may lease, for a term not to exceed 99 years, approximately 1.1169 acres of property located at 599/601 Struthers Avenue, Grand Junction Colorado in or near the Las Colonias Park to Colorado Discover Ability, all as described in and for the purposes as stated in Ordinance No. 5116."

_____ **FOR THE AMENDMENT**

_____ **AGAINST THE AMENDMENT**

BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Dated at Grand Junction, Colorado, this 1st day of February, 2023.

/s/ Amy Phillips

Amy Phillips
City Clerk

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