

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

**October 2, 2013**

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction convened into regular session on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Auditorium. Those present were Councilmembers Bennett Boeschenstein, Martin Chazen, Jim Doody, Phyllis Norris, Barbara Traylor Smith, and Council President Sam Susuras. Councilmember Duncan McArthur was absent. Also present were City Manager Rich Englehart, City Attorney John Shaver, and City Clerk Stephanie Tuin.

Council President Susuras announced that the City Council is wearing pink shirts in recognition of Pink October to bring awareness and support to those battling cancer. During October the Fire Department will be selling pink t-shirts to support Delaney Donates.

Council President Susuras called the meeting to order. Councilmember Norris led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by an invocation by Don Brantley, Director of Healing Rooms of Grand Junction.

**Proclamations**

**Proclaiming October 3, 2013 as “4-H Shotgun Grand Champion Day” in the City of Grand Junction**

Councilmember Chazen read the proclamation. Coach Randy Stout thanked the City Council for the proclamation. The event is a tool to mold good citizens. Two of the team members spoke noting they do a lot of community work. They appreciated the City Council recognizing the team.

**Proclaiming October 4, 2013 as “Manufacturing Day” in the City of Grand Junction**

Councilmember Norris read the proclamation. Eric Goertz and Merritt Kinsey were present to receive the proclamation. Mr. Kinsey thanked the City Council and stated that manufacturing is very important in this Country; the middle class came from manufacturing. He stated a number of the manufacturing firms will have their doors open to visitors. Mr. Goertz said he is Vice President of Operations at CAPCO and he painted a picture of manufacturing and how the number of employees in manufacturing has decreased. He noted that high tech companies are manufacturing; he believes manufacturing is not dying but going through a renaissance. He described a new perspective toward manufacturing.

**Proclaiming the Week of October 6 through October 12, 2013 as “Fire Prevention Week” in the City of Grand Junction**

Councilmember Boeschstein read the proclamation. Fire Chief Ken Watkins was present to receive the proclamation. He described his fire prevention division and introduced the other members of the Department that were with him. Kitchen fires are this year’s theme noting that the City had \$114,000 in loss (no injuries or deaths) in the last year due to kitchen fires.

**Proclaiming the Month of October 2013 as “Conflict Resolution Month” in the City of Grand Junction**

Councilmember Boeschstein read the proclamation. Annette Ferriole and Kathy Collier were present to receive the proclamation. They thanked the City Council for recognizing the month for conflict resolution. They extended an invitation to a seminar on Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There will be a number of workshops.

**Proclaiming the Month of October 2013 as “National Disability Employment Awareness Month” in the City of Grand Junction**

Councilmember Traylor Smith read the proclamation. Tamara Capp, Community Relations Coordinator for Mosaic, was present to receive the proclamation. She thanked the City Council for the proclamation.

**Proclaiming October 2013 as “Childhood Cancer Awareness Month” in City of Grand Junction**

Councilmember Doody read the proclamation. Fire Chief Ken Watkins, along with several members of the Fire Department, were present to receive the proclamation. He thanked the City Council for the proclamation and for wearing the pink shirts in support of the campaign. He reviewed the history of the campaign which started last year to support Delaney Clements and her foundation Delaney Donates which provides care packages for kids going through chemotherapy. Last year they raised \$10,000. The effort has ballooned this year. They have already sold \$11,000 worth of t-shirts on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October and are being supported by other agencies in the valley. He mentioned the pink fire truck that was refurbished and repainted and all the events the truck has attended. He listed some of the families they have helped.

**Appointment**

Councilmember Chazen moved to appoint Tami Beard to the Housing Authority for a five year term expiring October 2018. Councilmember Traylor Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

**Certificates of Appointment**

Kathy Deppe was present to receive her Certificate of Appointment to the Planning Commission. Keith Ehlers and Cody Wagner were present to receive their Certificates of Appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals and as 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate Members to the Planning Commission. Mr. Ehlers thanked the City Council for the appointment. Mr. Wagner also thanked for the Council for the appointment. Ms. Deppe said she is excited to accept the appointment. She provided a brief profile of herself and the reason for her desire to serve.

**Council Comments**

Councilmember Traylor Smith said she attended the Colorado Economic Forum and was sad to report that the economic outlook is still just bumping along; growth is at about 2%. She had a great Business-After-Hours at the Housing Authority's new development which brought some light to some of the things the Housing Authority is doing.

Councilmember Chazen said on September 19 he went to an Associated Governments in Northern Colorado (AGNC) meeting in Meeker, Colorado. There were two big issues discussed: 1) an update that the Sage Grouse may be declared an endangered species which will affect development. 2) A presentation by Weld County Commissioner Barbara Kirkmeyer regarding their efforts in Northeast Colorado to succeed from the State of Colorado. He went to the Visitor Convention Bureau (VCB) volunteer dinner on September 24. The volunteer work truly benefits economic development; the volunteers are first point of contact for visitors in Grand Junction and they are doing a great job. On September 26, there was a Downtown Development Association (DDA) and Downtown Grand Junction Business Improvement District (DGJBID) meeting. The main topic was the DGJBID Operating Plan and Budget for 2014. A DGJBID focus is business recruitment and Executive Director Harry Weiss was asked to develop a plan for this. Lastly, he noted he attended a discussion on the selection of a vendor for the Master Plan for Matchett Park.

Councilmember Norris said she and Councilmember Boeschenstein attended the Business Incubator meeting and they talked about Manufacturing Month. The Incubator is working with partners on tech transfers which could create more jobs. They also have

broadband at the Incubator which will be operational in about two weeks. She noted the growth of the Incubator and encouraged anyone interested to join.

Councilmember Doody said he has a vacation scheduled on October 14 and will return on October 28.

Councilmember Boeschstein said he had a Peace Corps Reunion at the Hampton Inn and had a good time. He appreciated VCB's support for this reunion. He noted the Business Incubator really is in need of a bridge across the Gunnison River. He said the Business Incubator also helped with the Glacier Ice Rink. He and his wife participate in tutoring at Riverside School and he will be attending District 51 Exploratory classes.

### **Citizen Comments**

Ed Kowalski, 2871 Orchard Avenue, spoke in reference to Ordinance No. 3206, noise and speed on the City streets and health safety and welfare for citizens and visitors. He was concerned about the cars, motorcycles, and trucks racing across town on the roads and said they are very loud. He mentioned role models and what other towns are doing. He also spoke to cost of living feeling that related to older vehicles that need to be updated. He said he has spoken with the Police Department and they said there is no decibel limit on noise. He thought there should be an inspection of vehicles. Council President Susuras directed Mr. Kowalski to speak to City Attorney Shaver.

Tyler McGowan, 393 East Valley Circle #1, asked about protocol for bringing a policy into effect. Council President Susuras directed Mr. McGowan to speak to City Attorney Shaver. Mr. McGowan addressed fluoride in drinking water. He said that fluoride increases the risk of cancer and affects glands that are part of the central nervous system causing hormonal imbalance. Fluoride is considered a medicine by the World Health Organization. He said bottle fed babies are fed 250 times the safe amount of fluoride. There is a natural occurrence of fluoride in the water, no more is needed. He identified his sources. Mr. McGowan said the City pays \$60,000 a year to put fluoride in the water. There are other things the money could be used for.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Councilmember Doody read Consent Calendar items #1-11 and then moved to adopt the Consent Calendar. Councilmember Boeschstein seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

1. **Minutes of Previous Meetings**

*Action: Approve the Summary of the July 31, 2013 Workshop, the Summary of the September 16, 2013 Workshop, and the Minutes of the September 18, 2013 Regular Meeting*

2. **Setting a Hearing on an Amendment to Chapter 2.40 of the Grand Junction Municipal Code Adopting Rules and Regulations Regarding Cemeteries**

Changes to Chapter 2.40 are proposed to update and clarify the rules and regulations regarding the cemeteries specifically the requirements for vaults and eliminating references to the development fee as well as other housekeeping changes.

Proposed Ordinance Amending Chapter 2.40 of the Grand Junction Municipal Code Regarding Cemeteries

*Action: Introduce a Proposed Ordinance and Set a Hearing for October 16, 2013*

3. **Setting a Hearing on an Amendment to the Grand Junction Municipal Code Relative to Forestry Licensing**

Changes to Section 8.32.110 of the Grand Junction Municipal Code are proposed to clarify and update requirements for a license to engage in the business of cutting, pruning, trimming or removing, and/or spraying of trees (collectively Tree Maintenance).

Proposed Ordinance Repealing and Replacing Section 8.32.110 of the Grand Junction Municipal Code Regarding License to Engage in the Business of Cutting, Pruning, Trimming or Removing, or Spraying Trees

*Action: Introduce a Proposed Ordinance and Set a Hearing for October 16, 2013*

4. **Setting a Hearing on Zoning the Bibeau Enclave Annexation, Located Along D ½ Road Between Approximately 29 ¼ and 29 ½ Roads** [File #ANX-2013-338]

A request to zone the Bibeau Enclave Annexation, located along D ½ Road between approximately 29 ¼ and 29 ½ Roads, consisting of 16.10 acres, less 0.26 acres of public right-of-way, in seven parcels, to an R-8 (Residential 8 du/ac) zone district.

Proposed Ordinance Zoning the Bibeau Enclave Annexation to R-8 (Residential 8 DU/Ac) Located Along D ½ Road between Approximately 29 ¼ and 29 ½ Roads

*Action: Introduce a Proposed Zoning Ordinance and Set a Hearing for October 16, 2013*

5. **Setting a Hearing on Zoning the Wild Enclave Annexation, Located at 3122 and 3124 E Road** [File #ANX-2013-334]

A request to zone the Wild Enclave Annexation, located at 3122 and 3124 E Road, which consists of two (2) parcels, to an R-8 (Residential 8 du/ac) zone district. Proposed Ordinance Zoning the Wild Enclave Annexation to R-8 (Residential 8 DU/Ac) Located at 3122 and 3124 E Road

*Action: Introduce a Proposed Zoning Ordinance and Set a Hearing for October 16, 2013*

6. **Setting a Hearing on the Elementary Enclave Annexation, Located at 2977 B Road** [File #ANX-2013-316]

A request to annex one acre of enclaved property, located at 2977 B Road. The Elementary Enclave consists of one parcel and no public right-of-way.

Resolution No. 63-13—A Resolution of the City of Grand Junction, Giving Notice that a Tract of Land Known as the Elementary Enclave, Located at 2977 B Road, Consisting of Approximately One Acre, Will be Considered for Annexation to the City of Grand Junction, Colorado and Exercising Land Use Control

Proposed Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, Elementary Enclave Annexation, Located at 2977 B Road, Consisting of Approximately One Acre

*Action: Adopt Resolution No. 63-13, Introduce a Proposed Annexation Ordinance, and Set a Hearing for November 20, 2013*

7. **Setting a Hearing on the Twenty Nine Thirty Enclave Annexation, Located on the North and South Side of B ½ Road at Crista Lee Way** [File #ANX-2013-377]

A request to annex 12.08 acres of enclaved property, located on the north and south side of B ½ Road at Crista Lee Way. The Twenty Nine Thirty Enclave consists of six parcels and 0.51 acres of public right-of-way.

Resolution No. 64-13—A Resolution of the City of Grand Junction, Giving Notice that a Tract of Land Known as the Twenty Nine Thirty Enclave, Located on the North and South Side of B ½ Road at Crista Lee Way, Consisting of Approximately 12.08 Acres, will be Considered for Annexation to the City of Grand Junction, Colorado and Exercising Land Use Control

Proposed Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, Twenty Nine Thirty Enclave Annexation, Located on Both Sides of B ½ Road at Crista Lee Way, Consisting of Approximately 12.08 Acres

*Action: Adopt Resolution No. 64-13, Introduce a Proposed Annexation Ordinance, and Set a Hearing for November 20, 2013*

8. **Setting a Hearing on the Ray Annexation, Located at 416 29 Road** [File #ANX-2013-403]

A request to annex 1.14 acres, located at 416 29 Road. The Ray Annexation consists of one parcel and approximately 0.144 acres (6,261 square feet) of the 29 Road right-of-way.

Resolution No. 65-13—A Resolution Referring a Petition to the City Council for the Annexation of Lands to the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, Setting a Hearing on Such Annexation, and Exercising Land Use Control, Ray Annexation, Located at 416 29 Road

Proposed Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, Ray Annexation, Approximately 1.14 Acres, Located at 416 29 Road

*Action: Adopt Resolution No. 65-13, Introduce a Proposed Annexation Ordinance, and Set a Hearing for November 20, 2013*

9. **CDBG Subrecipient Contract with Hilltop Community Resources, Inc. for Previously Allocated Funds within the 2013 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Year** [File #CDBG 2013-11]

The Subrecipient Contract formalizes the City's award of \$86,840 to Hilltop Community Resources, Inc. allocated from the City's 2013 CDBG Program as previously approved by Council. The grant funds will be used to replace the roof and the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems at The Opportunity Center located at 1129 Colorado Avenue.

*Action: Authorize the City Manager to Sign the Subrecipient Contract with Hilltop Community Resources, Inc. for the City's 2013 Program Year Funds*

10. **Contract for the Wingate Irrigation Pump Replacement and Sedimentation Structure Construction**

Parks and Recreation is seeking approval to replace the irrigation pumping/ filtration system and construct a sedimentation structure at Wingate Park/ Elementary School.

*Action: Authorize the City Purchasing Division to Enter into a Contract with Sorter Construction, Inc., of Grand Junction, CO for the Wingate Irrigation Pump Replacement and Sedimentation Structure Construction Project for the Bid Amount of \$113,139.00*

11. **Colorado Water Conservation Board Water Efficiency Grant**

This is a request to approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit a water efficiency grant application to the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) for \$45,450. The purpose of the grant application is to provide funding for water efficiency audits of 100 residential customers using domestic water for irrigation and six large commercial/industrial water users.

Resolution No. 66-13—A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Submit a Water Efficiency Grant Application to the Colorado Water Conservation Board for Water Efficiency Audits

*Action: Adopt Resolution No. 66-13*

**ITEMS NEEDING INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

**Contract for the 2013 Pavement Management Data Collection**

This request is to award a consulting contract for the data collection and analysis of the City's street pavement conditions. This data and subsequent analysis will help determine the pavement condition index of over 365 centerline miles and 4,500 individual street segments and help prioritize where street maintenance dollars should be invested.

Terry Franklin, Utility and Streets Manager, presented this item. The data was last collected in 2008 and uploaded in the Lucity database that takes that data and helps determine what streets are degraded. The new data collection will help determine if the past data is still accurate. It will help develop a pavement data index.



Three companies submitted bids. He explained why the two lower bids were not being recommended. Two of the companies use subjective data collection and did not meet all the requirements for input into the database. Therefore, IMS Infrastructure Management Services is being recommended by Staff. The survey will start in October and the City hopes to get the report back in the first quarter of 2014. The reporting will help prioritize where street maintenance funds should be invested.

Councilmember Boeschstein asked if there is a way to determine if the road base is adequate. Mr. Franklin said that is an additional option available but was not included in this cost. He said that would be looked at during any overlays.

Councilmember Doody asked if there will be street closures. Mr. Franklin said the van moves with traffic and will not impede traffic.

Councilmember Norris complimented Staff for looking at what each company provides. She felt strongly that the data is needed in order to know how to budget street maintenance funds.

Councilmember Chazen asked how often this analysis is recommended. Mr. Franklin said it is possible only a couple of sections might have to be inspected every few years due to the Lucity modeling. He felt they should be good for four or five years.

Councilmember Traylor Smith asked if there is a way to expedite the report. Mr. Franklin said this was asked however, due to the time needed and their schedule restraints, March 31, 2014 will be the earliest date.

City Manager Englehart said in the budget there is chip and seal proposed and the overlays are not anticipated since they won't have the data back yet.

Councilmember Doody moved to authorize the City Purchasing Division to enter into a contract with IMS Infrastructure Management Services, Tempe AZ for the 2013 Pavement Management Data Collection in the amount of \$69,994. Councilmember Boeschstein seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

### **Purchase a Single Axle 4X2 Hook Lift Truck with a 5-yard Dump Body and Snow Removal Equipment**

This request is for the purchase of a scheduled equipment replacement of a single axle 5-yard dump truck with snow removal equipment. The purchase proposed is a hook lift truck with a separate dump body, and snow removal equipment which can be interchanged at any point. Other versatile pieces of equipment will be added in the future

that can be used with this same truck such as water truck, flat bed, stake bed, or any other needed body options.

Darren Starr, Manager, Streets, Storm Water, and Solid Waste, introduced this item. He explained the truck is going through the normal replacement program but this equipment is a change that will provide more flexibility and multi-usage. For the various City programs offered, one person can disconnect the snow equipment and put on a dump truck. This change may even help reduce the fleet.

Councilmember Traylor Smith asked about the additional cost for the Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) option and the reason not to consider CNG. Mr. Starr said there is difficulty in the location of the CNG tanks for this type of equipment. The CNG option complicates the ability of one person, independently, to hook up the other equipment. Also, the payback with the mileage on a CNG vehicle would be 25 years.

Councilmember Chazen asked if the price includes all the other equipment. Mr. Starr said it will include the snow truck and the dump truck. In the future, traffic control equipment or a flatbed could be purchased. They are also looking at the street sweepers program using this truck to deliver roll-offs around the community for better efficiency.

Councilmember Doody said he will support it.

Councilmember Boeschstein said he agreed diesel is probably the best option for this truck.

Councilmember Traylor Smith moved to authorize the City Purchasing Division to purchase a single axle 4X2 hook lift truck with a 5-yard dump body and snow removal equipment from Trans West Freightliner with Kois Brothers equipment for \$132,202.00. Councilmember Doody seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

### **Contract Approval for Employee Life, Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D), and Disability Insurance**

The current vendor for Life, AD&D and Long-Term Disability (LTD) coverage advised the City that effective January 1, 2014 a 22% increase would be imposed on current LTD rates. A request for proposals (RFP) was issued to determine if an equal benefit level could be provided through another vendor at an equivalent or lower cost. UNUM is the recommended vendor at a rate that is much less than current cost.

Claudia Hazelhurst, Human Resources Director, introduced this item. A new vendor was selected after the current vendor submitted a 22% rate increase for 2014. They have

reviewed each proposal and checked references. The recommended vendor is UNUM Life Insurance of America, which will provide a savings of \$157,600 over the 2013 costs, and will save employees money for their participation.

Councilmember Norris complimented Human Resources Staff and said there may be opportunities for a savings in other areas.

Councilmember Boeschstein said he will vote in favor.

Councilmember Chazen said it is a win for the City and for the employees. He complimented Ms. Hazelhurst and Staff.

Councilmember Traylor Smith asked about UNUM's payout and asked about the customer service quality. Ms. Hazelhurst said, in checking with their current clients, they found them to be responsive to employers and employee claimants.

Councilmember Chazen moved to authorize the City Manager to negotiate and enter into a contract with UNUM Life Insurance Company of America to provide employee life, accidental death and dismemberment, and disability insurance to the City of Grand Junction Employees. Councilmember Norris seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

### **Non-Scheduled Citizens & Visitors**

There were none.

### **Other Business**

There was none.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Stephanie Tuin, MMC  
City Clerk