

SAMPLE BALLOT

Official Ballot for 2025 Regular Election
City of Grand Junction, Colorado
Tuesday, April 8, 2025



Selestina Sandoval
City Clerk



To vote for a named candidate, or for or against a ballot measure, completely fill in the oval to the right of your choice. Use blue or black ink.



To make a correction, draw a bold line through the oval and candidate name or ballot measure selection marked by mistake, then fill in the oval next to the correct name. If you voted for the only candidate in a race and want to withdraw that vote, you must request a replacement ballot.

WARNING: Any person who, by use of force or other means, unduly influences an eligible elector to vote in any particular manner or to refrain from voting, or who falsely makes, alters, forges, or counterfeits any mail ballot before or after it has been cast, or who destroys, defaces, mutilates, or tampers with a ballot is subject, upon conviction, to imprisonment, or to a fine, or both. Section 1-7.5-107(3)(b), C.R.S.

CITY COUNCIL

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT A

Four-Year Term

(Vote for One)

Alexis Hitzeroth ☐

Cody Kennedy ☐

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT D

Four-Year Term

(Vote for One)

Laurel Cole ☐

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT E

Four-Year Term

(Vote for One)

Robert Ballard ☐

Randall Reitz ☐

CITY COUNCIL AT-LARGE

Four-Year Term

(Vote for One)

Laura Houston ☐

Kenneth Scissors ☐

Ben Van Dyke ☐

Mark both sides of the ballot 

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Ballot Questions

A "YES/FOR" vote on any ballot question is a vote in favor of changing current law or existing circumstance, and a "NO/AGAINST" vote on any ballot question is a vote against changing current law or existing circumstance.

CITY QUESTIONS

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION QUESTION 2A

Shall Article II, Section 3, Article II, Section 25, and Article IV, Section 35 of the City Charter be amended to: (i) change the date of general municipal elections to the general election date in November of odd-numbered years beginning in 2027; (ii) conduct such elections as coordinated elections with Mesa County in accordance with terms of an Intergovernmental Agreement for each such election; and (iii) amend and extend the terms of the City Council to implement such change in election date for the purposes stated in Ordinance 5246, and as follows and as described below?

3. General and Special Municipal Elections. A municipal election shall be held in the city on the first Tuesday following the first Monday of November of each odd-numbered year and shall be known as the General Municipal Election. All other municipal elections that may be held shall be known as Special Municipal Elections.

25. General Election Regulations.

The provisions of any state law, now or hereafter in force, except as the council may otherwise by ordinance provide, relating to the qualifications and registration of electors, the manner of voting, the duties of election officers, the canvassing of returns, and all other particulars in respect to the management of elections, except as otherwise provided in this article, so far as they may be applicable, shall govern all municipal elections; provided, also, that the council shall meet as a canvassing board and duly canvass the election returns within fourteen days after any municipal election. Whenever any member of the council is a candidate for re-election, the council shall appoint some justice of the peace or notary public of said city to take the place of said candidate upon said canvassing board as a member thereof.

All Municipal Elections shall be conducted as coordinated elections, and the Mesa County Clerk shall have all statutory power and authority to conduct such elections under and in accordance with the terms of an intergovernmental agreement by and between Mesa County and the City as time to time amended.

In the event Mesa County is unable to conduct a Special Municipal election in compliance with applicable Charter and ordinance requirements, then such special election shall be conducted by the City, as provided by ordinance not inconsistent with this Charter.

35. Officers—Terms. That the elective officers under the Charter of Grand Junction shall be members of the council as hereinafter provided, all of whom shall be nominated and elected by the registered electors of the city as herein provided. The elective officers shall be elected for four-year overlapping terms. Four elective officers will be elected at one regular election and three elective officers shall be elected at the subsequent regular election. The terms of all elective officers shall commence at ten o'clock a.m. on the second Monday in January following the election and shall be for a term of four years each and until ten o'clock a.m. on the second Monday in January following the election and qualification of their successors.

The Councilmember terms prescribed under Article IV, Paragraph 35 of the Charter applicable to City Council Districts B, C, and one At-large, elected April 4, 2023, shall be extended to ten o'clock a.m. on the second Monday in January 2028 following the November 2027 election and qualification of their successors.

The Councilmember terms prescribed under Article IV, Paragraph 35 of the Charter applicable to City Council Districts A, D, E, and one At-large, elected April 8, 2025, shall be extended to ten o'clock a.m. on the second Monday in January 2030 following the November 2029 election and qualification of their successors.

YES/FOR ☐

NO/AGAINST ☐

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION QUESTION 2B

Shall Article IV, Section 38 of the City Charter be amended to increase the salary of City Council and to provide for a basis to set and to increase the City Council salary in future years, for the purposes as stated in Ordinance 5247, and as follows and as described below?

38. Salaries, meetings. At least two meetings of the City Council shall be held monthly at such times as may be fixed by the council, such two meetings to be known as the regular meetings. All other meetings of the City Council shall be known as special meetings or adjournments. The President of the Council shall be paid a salary of \$750.00 per month and all other councilmembers shall each be paid a salary of \$500.00 per month.

Beginning with the City Council terms commencing on the first Monday of May 2027 or the second Monday of January 2028 if a majority of City electors approve Ordinance 5246 establishing November of odd years for Municipal Elections, the President of the City Council shall be paid an annual salary calculated as 22% of the Mesa County, Colorado Area Median Income (AMI) for a four-person household as said AMI is annually determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and all other councilmembers shall each be paid a salary calculated as 15% of the Mesa County Area Median Income (AMI) for a four-person household as said AMI is annually determined by HUD. The City Council's annual salaries shall be prorated and paid on a monthly basis until the expiration of each member's term. After May 2027 or January 2028 as applicable, the annual salaries of the President of the City Council and the other members of City Council shall be adjusted annually, by ordinance, in accordance with the percentages of the most recent Mesa County AMI for a four-person household specified herein.

YES/FOR ☐

NO/AGAINST ☐