Resolution No. 26-25

A Resolution Regarding Communication and City Council Conduct

Recitals:

Members of the Grand Junction City Council, specifically by virtue of Resolution 40-20 and in general by and with the practice of other ethical norms are, or ought to be, held to a higher standard in their communication and conduct of public business. A recent social media post by Councilmember Nguyen has drawn significant public attention and expressions of concern from the public, and some members of City Council, that his comment was not consistent with the City's adopted standards and expectations.

Councilmember Nguyen has acknowledged that his post was intemperate and for it he has expressed his regret. The City Council accepts his expression of regret and urges the public to do the same.

City Councilmembers should speak and act only after careful consideration of the implications of their actions and the various interests at stake. Councilmembers are expected to uphold high standards of decorum and accountability in all communications, including those made in writing or spoken.

NOW, THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING RECITALS BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION:

- The City Council expresses its disapproval of Councilmember Nguyen's social media post; however, the Council acknowledges his expression of regret for, and his willingness to publicly disavow the post; and,
- The City Council affirms the importance of respectful, thoughtful, and productive communication by all Councilmembers, which communication is imperative to fully, properly and genuinely serve the community; and,
- 3. By and with this Resolution the City Council recognizes, confirms, and recommits to the principles of Resolution 40-20 and will reinforce a shared commitment to open, respectful dialogue to earn and keep the public trust, and in turn promote effectiveness of the City Council in its deliberations, decisions, and relationship with the community.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 21st day of May 2025.

Cody Kennedy
President of the City Council

ATTEST:

Selestina Sandoval City Clerk

