

**Grand Junction City Council**  
**Minutes of the Regular Meeting**  
**June 4, 2025**

**Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Moment of Silence**

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction convened into regular session on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, at 5:30 p.m. Those present were Councilmembers Scott Beilfuss (virtual), Laurel Cole, Jason Nguyen, Ben Van Dyke, and Council President Cody Kennedy. Councilmembers Robert Ballard and Anna Stout were absent.

Also present were City Manager Mike Bennett, City Attorney John Shaver, Housing Supervisor Ashley Chambers, Housing Program CDBG Specialist Keira Auld, City Clerk Selestina Sandoval and Deputy City Clerk Krystle Koehler.

Council President Kennedy called the meeting to order. Councilmember Van Dyke led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

**Proclamations**

**Proclaiming June 19, 2025, as Juneteenth in the City of Grand Junction**

Council President Kennedy read the proclamation, which David Combs, President of Black Citizens and Friends accepted.

**Public Comments**

Public comments were heard from Martha Lisantti and Teresa Cambron.

**City Manager Report**

City Manager Mike Bennett shared that in May, the City hosted a successful Coffee with the City Manager event featuring Council President Kennedy as the special guest. The event drew attendees who engaged in a dynamic question-and-answer session covering a wide range of community topics. He shared the City will host the Get to Know Your City event on Thursday, June 5th, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Dos Rios. Community members are warmly invited to attend, meet city representatives, and learn more about the services and programs the City offers.

## **Boards and Commission Liaison Reports**

Councilmember Van Dyke shared he attended his first meeting with the Downtown Development Authority.

Council President Kennedy provided an update on the Grand Junction Regional Airport Authority.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

### **1. Approval of Minutes**

- a. Minutes of May 21, 2025, Regular Meeting

### **2. Set Public Hearings**

- a. Legislative
  - i. Introduction of an Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Sign a Lease Agreement for 3.14 acres of City Owned Property to the Volunteers of America for Affordable Housing, and Setting a Public Hearing on June 18, 2025
  - ii. Introduction of an Ordinance Amending Sections of the Zoning and Development Code (Title 21 Of The Grand Junction Municipal Code) Regarding Transitional Provisions, Administration and Procedures, Use-Specific Standards for Community Assembly, Short-Term Rentals, and Mini-Warehouse Uses, Accessory Dwelling Unit Use-Specific Standards, Multi-Modal Transportation System Standards, Bicycle Parking and Storage, Public Right-of-Way Landscaping, and Lighting Height Standards and Setting a Public Hearing for June 18, 2025

### **3. Procurements**

- a. Construction Contract for Palmer Street Safe Routes to School Project (SRTS)

Councilmember Nguyen moved to adopt Consent Agenda Items 1 through 3, seconded by Councilmember Cole. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **4.a. Funding Allocations for the 2025 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, and Setting a Public Hearing for Adoption of the 2025 Annual Action Plan for July 16, 2025**

The City will receive \$407,684.00 for the 2025 Program Year that will begin once the 2025 Annual Action Plan has been completed and funds have been released by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). In addition, remaining unexpended funds from a previous program year in the amount of \$3,416.22 will be reallocated with the 2025 Program Year funds, bringing the estimated 2025 total to \$411,100.22.

Housing Supervisor Ashley Chambers and Housing Program CDBG Specialist Keira Auld presented this item and were available to answer questions from Council.

Further discussion was not pursued since the topic had been thoroughly explored during a workshop session.

The public comment period was opened at 5:56 p.m.

There was no one.

The public comment period closed at 5:56 p.m.

Councilmember Cole moved and Councilmember Nguyen seconded to approve the funding allocations for the 2025 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and set a public hearing for adoption of the 2025 Annual Action Plan for July 16, 2025. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

### **6. Non-Scheduled Comments**

There were no comments.

### **7. Other Business**

There was none.

### **8. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

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Selestina Sandoval

City Clerk

