

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION

ORDINANCE NO. 4457

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COLORADO MUNICIPAL ELECTION CODE OF 1965, IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION CONCERNING WRITE-IN CANDIDATE AFFIDAVITS**

**Recitals.**

The City of Grand Junction is a home rule municipality, established by Charter in 1909. Article XX of the Colorado Constitution confers upon home rule cities the power over all matters pertaining to municipal elections.

The City of Grand Junction has adopted the "Colorado Municipal Election Code of 1965" by reference (hereinafter "Election Code").

The Election Code provides in C.R.S. 31-10-306 "The governing body of a municipality may provide by ordinance that no write-in vote for any municipal office shall be counted unless an affidavit of intent has been filed with the clerk by the person whose name is written in prior to twenty days before the day of the election indicating that such person desires the office and is qualified to assume the duties of that office if elected."

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED THAT:**

**Section 2.20.020 Amendments to the Colorado Municipal Election Code of 1965 is hereby amended by the addition of the following section:**

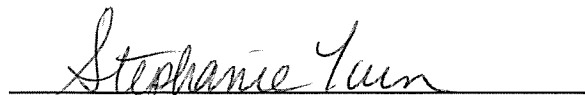
(c) No votes shall be counted for any write-in candidate at a regular or special election unless he/she has first filed with the City Clerk twenty days before the election an affidavit of intent indicating that such person desires the office and is qualified to assume the duties of the office if elected.

**INTRODUCED** on first reading the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2011 and ordered published in pamphlet form.

**PASSED and ADOPTED** on second reading the 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2011 and ordered published in pamphlet form.

  
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President of the Council

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk