RESOLUTION NO. 2-03

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A MAIL BALLOT ELECTION IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION FOR THE APRIL 8, 2003 REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION, APPROVING THE WRITTEN PLAN FOR THE CONDUCT OF A MAIL BALLOT ELECTION AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO SIGN THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH MESA COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER

RECITALS.

The City of Grand Junction has adopted the "Colorado Municipal Election Code" for the conduct of municipal elections. Pursuant to 1-7.5-104 C.R.S., the governing body may authorize that the municipal election be conducted by mail ballot. Section 105 of the Mail Ballot Election Code requires that the designated election official "shall notify the secretary of state no later than fifty-five days prior to the election. The notification shall include a proposed plan for the conducting the mail ballot election,..."

The City Council for the City of Grand Junction has authorized the municipal elections to be conducted by mail ballot since 1999. Voter turnout increased significantly with mail ballot elections.

Mesa County Election Division is willing to conduct a mail ballot election on behalf of the City of Grand Junction provided the Council approve the Intergovernmental Agreement being proposed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION THAT:

- 1. The City Clerk, as the designated election official for the City of Grand Junction, is hereby authorized to conduct the April 8, 2003 regular municipal election by mail ballot pursuant to 1-7.5-101 *et. seq.* C.R.S.
 - 2. The Written Plan proposed by the City Clerk is hereby approved.
- 3. The City Clerk is authorized to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Mesa County Clerk and Recorder to contract for the conduct of the municipal election by mail ballot.

Approved this 15th day of January, 2003.

ATTEST:	/s/: Cindy Enos-Martinez President of the Council
/s/: Stephanie Tuin City Clerk	