GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2014, 3:00 P.M. CITY AUDITORIUM 250 N. 5TH STREET

To become the most livable community west of the Rockies by 2025

1. Legislative Update

Supplemental documents presented

- 2. Grand Valley Catholic Outreach Fee Request: A request to have the City pay certain development fees for Grand Valley Catholic Outreach's proposed 24 residential units adjacent to St. Martin Place on Pitkin Avenue. <u>Attachment</u> Supplemental documents presented
- 3. Colorado Discover Ability Request for Use in Las Colonias
- 4. Internal Controls in Financial Reporting (continued from March 10, 2014) <u>Attachment</u> <u>Supplemental documents presented</u>
- 5. Board Reports
- 6. Other Business



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT WORKSHOP SESSION

Attachment

Date: Jan. 27, 2014 Author: <u>Kathy Portner</u> Title/ Phone Ext: <u>EDS/1420</u> Proposed Meeting Date: <u>March 17, 2014</u>

Topic: Grand Valley Catholic Outreach Fee Request		
Staff (Name & Title):	Tim Moore, Deputy City Manager	
	Kathy Portner, Economic Development and Sustainability	

Summary:

A request to have the City pay certain development fees for Grand Valley Catholic Outreach's proposed 24 residential units adjacent to St. Martin Place on Pitkin Avenue.

Background, Analysis and Options:

Grand Valley Catholic Outreach is proposing to develop 24 one-bedroom dwelling units within three buildings adjacent to St. Martin Place on Pitkin Avenue for chronically homeless, with preference given to homeless veterans. The property is located on the south side of Pitkin Avenue between S. 2nd and S. 3rd Streets where five single-family homes were recently demolished. A rezone from C-1 (Light Commercial) to B-2 (Downtown Business) is proposed, which is consistent with the Greater Downtown Plan, and would allow for a mix of uses, including housing.

The applicant is requesting that the City partner in the \$2.6 million project by waiving fees, including parks and open space fee, school impact fee, TCP, underground utility fee, drainage fee, and water and sewer tap fees. In the past, the City has not waived fees from the Enterprise Funds. Fee waivers would come out of the General Fund to keep the water and sewer funds whole. Likewise, the TCP, Utility Undergrounding and Drainage funds should be kept whole by transferring the required fee amounts into those funds if City Council is favorable to the fee request. The School Impact fee is a pass-through to the School District and would also have to be paid from some other fund.

The Transportation Capacity Payment (TCP) is calculated at the reduced rate approved for the downtown area, resulting in a fee of \$10,614. However, the credit for the single family homes that were on the property exceed the calculated TCP, therefore, there will be no TCP charged for the new units. There will also not be a utility undergrounding fee since the lines are in the alley, nor will there be a drainage fee since the redeveloped parcel will not result in an increase in stormwater runoff. The Parks Fee (\$225 per unit) and School Impact Fee (\$560 per unit) are credited for the 5 units that were demolished, as are the Water Tap Fee (\$1,200 credit) and Sewer Plant Investment Fee (\$16,480 credit).

Board or Committee Recommendation:

None

Financial Impact/Budget:

The applicant is requesting the City pay the following development fees:

	Fee	Fee Credit	Total Requested	
Water Tap (City)	\$ 9,850.00	\$ (1,200.00)	\$ 8,650.00	
Sewer PIF	71,193.60	(16,480.00)	54,713.60	
Parks	5,400.00	(1,125.00)	4,275.00	
Open Space	31,800.00	-	31,800.00	
School Impact	13,440.00	\$ (2,800.00)	10,640.00	
Total	\$ 131,683.60	\$ 21,605.00	\$ 110,078.60	

The funds to pay these development fees would come out of the City Council's Economic Development budget.

Legal issues:

None

Other issues:

In 2008 the City contributed \$167,000 for the development of St. Benedict's Place at 217 White Avenue through the infill and redevelopment program and \$50,000 of CDBG funds for the purchase of appliances for the original St. Martin Place in 2011.

Previously presented or discussed:

No

Attachments:

Applicant's Request Letter



Grand Valley Catholic Outreach

245 S. First Street Grand Junction, Colorado 81501 970-241-3658

City of Grand Junction Council Members % Kathy Portner 250 North 5th St. Grand Junction, CO 81501

Dear Council Members:

Grand Valley Catholic Outreach, Inc is an independent 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation that serves the needy members of our community through a variety of programs that we manage. Providing affordable housing in our community for those people who have been chronically homeless has been a priority for us. In June, 2008 we opened St, Benedict's Place at 217 White Avenue to provide 23 permanent supportive and transitional housing units. The City of Grand Junction was a generous partner in that project providing two grants in the amount of \$167,000. The balance of the funding for that project in the amount of approximately \$2,500,000 came from all private sources. In 2011 the City of Grand Junction assisted us as we built St. Martin Place - sixteen units at 415 S. 3rd for chronically homeless yeterans. Both projects are constantly full.

We currently have an application pending with the city to develop another 24 units adjacent to St. Martin Place on Pitkin Avenue. This will greatly add to the improvements made in this area. Priority once again will be given to veterans who have been chronically homeless as we choose the residents for this new facility. The cost of this project is approximately \$2,600,000 and will be funded with grants and from private sources. We would like the City of Grand Junction to also be a partner in this project. Consequently, we are asking that the city wrive all of the development fees associated with this project. Specifically, we asking you to waive the park fee, open space fee, school impact fee, transportation capacity payment (TCP) fee, underground utility fee, drainage fee, water and sewer tap fees and any other fees associated with this project.

We believe that an organization willing to invest over \$6,850,000 of private funds to help address our community's affordable housing needs and contribute to the well-being of the community is deserving of this consideration. Our project team made up of Shaw Construction and Chamberlin Architects has agreed to donate back a significant portion of their fees just as they did on the prior two constructions. They have also asked the other consultants and subcontractors working on the project to join them to reduce the cost of this project.

We look forward to the opportunity to meet with you and further discuss this project and the city's purticipation as we together strive to serve the most vulnerable in our community.

Sincerely,

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Sr. Karen Bland, Executive Director

Gregg Kainpf, Board President

Internal Control and Financial Reporting Structure March 10th, 2014

Jodi Romero, Financial Operations Director Sonya Evans, Finance Supervisor Jay Valentine, Internal Services Manager





- Independent Audit: Lisa Hemann, CPA-Chadwick Steinkirchner, Davis & Co., P.C.
- Fiscal Stewardship and Accountability
 - Internal Control Environment
 - Fiscal Oversight
 - Policies, Principles, and Practices
 - Control System & Procedures
- Comprehensive Annual Financial Report



Stewardship and Accountability

The internal control environment is a coordinated set of policies and procedures that reflect the comprehensive strategy of achieving fiscal stewardship and accountability.

Stewardship is the protection and prudent use of the citizens' resources in an effective and efficient manner.

Accountability is the responsibility to establish controls to ensure compliance with fiscal oversight and provide accurate and timely financial reporting for decision making.

Internal Control Environment



Fiscal Oversight

Charter

City Council policy direction and formal action

Budget

- Independent Audit
 - To express an opinion about whether the financial statements prepared by management, with Council oversight, are fairly presented ,in all material respects, in conformity with GAAP
 - To test compliance with our own internal control system
- US Office of Management & Budget –Single Audit of Major Federal Programs

Fiscal Oversight

- Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP)
 - includes the standards, conventions, and rules accountants follow in recording and summarizing transactions, and in the preparation of financial statements (public and private follow GAAP)
- The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is currently the source of GAAP used by State and Local governments
 - The mission of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board is to establish and improve standards of state and local governmental accounting and financial reporting that will result in useful information for users of financial reports and guide and educate the public, including issuers, auditors, and users of those financial reports.

Fiscal Oversight

Internal Revenue Service

- State Of Colorado
 - Comprehensive Annual Financial Report filed with State Auditor's Office
 - Department of Local Affairs-Reporting of Annual Budget
- Continuing Disclosure (per bond covenants) clearinghouse of information for easy access by investors
- Specific reporting to regulatory agencies (lottery, highway users tax, grant compliance)

Policies, Practices, and Principles

- Personnel & Compensation
- Procurement
- General Fund Reserves
- Other Fund Reserves

Investments

- Risk is limited by term, type of investment, and diversification
- Governed by the Charter and C.R.S.
- Limited to investments such as US Government and Agency obligations and collateralized deposits
- Managed externally

Policies, Practices, and Principles

- Accounting and Financial Reporting
- Debt
 - Pay-as-you-go
 - Evaluate debt only when a major capital project
 - Recently confirmed A+ credit rating
- Risk Management (self insurance, health, property, worker's compensation)
 - Risk control, safety & accident prevention training, wellness programs, third party coverage for excess coverage
- Capital Asset Management
- TABOR Calculation
- Economic Development (in process)

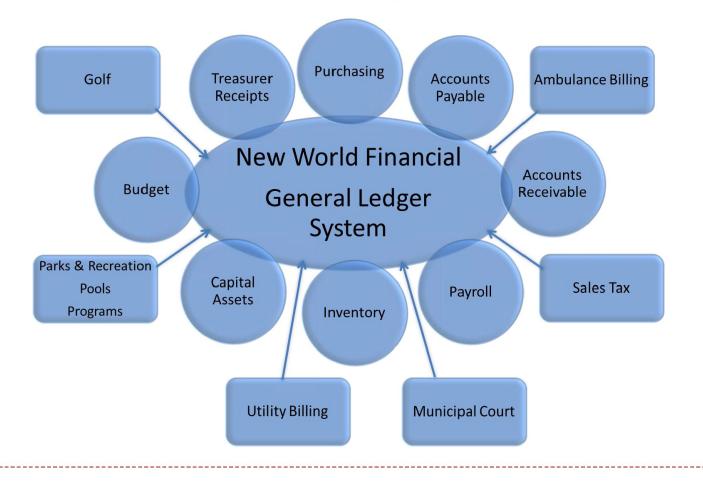
Accounting Structure



Control System

- Council of Sponsoring Organizations (national and international associations of accountants, auditors, and management)
- Framework ensures policies and practices are followed
 - <u>Control Environment</u>-sets the tone of an organization, influences employees
 - <u>Risk assessment</u>-risks exists, identify, assess impact
 - <u>Control Activities</u>-occur throughout organization at all levels and functions (approvals, reconciliations, reviews, segregation)
 - Information and Communication-flow down, up, and across organization
 - Monitoring-assess the system's performance over time
- Process, people, reasonable assurance (not absolute assurance)
- Separation of duties, checks and balances, internal review & audit, software systems

Financial & Sub-ledger Software Systems



Areas of controls, review, internal & external audit

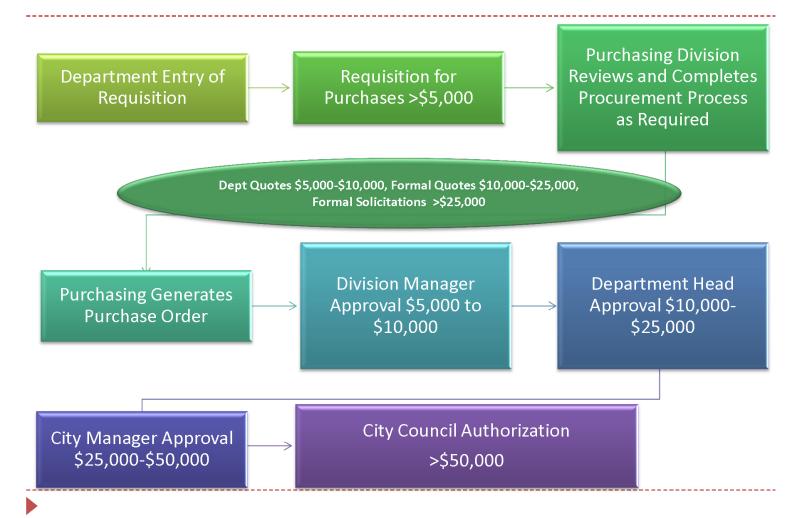
- Procurement
- Expenditures & Accounts Payable
 - Software System Controls
 - Manual Control Procedures
 - Manual Review
- Payroll
 - Human Resources-Employee Management
 - Accounting-Payroll

Budget

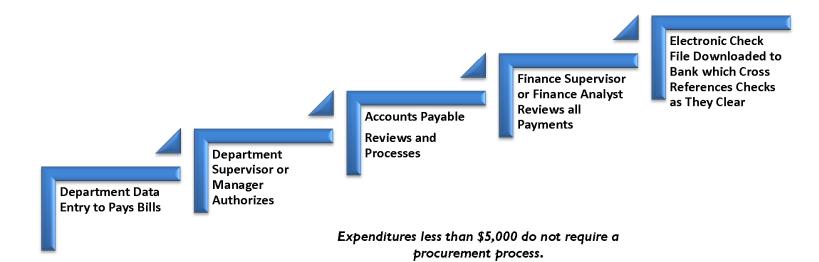
Procurement-Internal Services

- Maximize the value of public funds in procurement and to maintain an ethical, quality procurement system with the framework to support ethical procurement practices.
- Effective and Efficient program to promote the City's best interest through intelligent activities and fair dealing with the vendor community.
- From an economic standpoint, competition in public purchasing is an indispensable means for improving the quality of commodity purchases, encouraging innovation among suppliers, increasing the City's latitude of choice and, most importantly, assuring the reasonableness of costs.
- Competition coupled with standardization and economies of scale will maximize the City's opportunity to obtain the greatest value for the tax dollar.

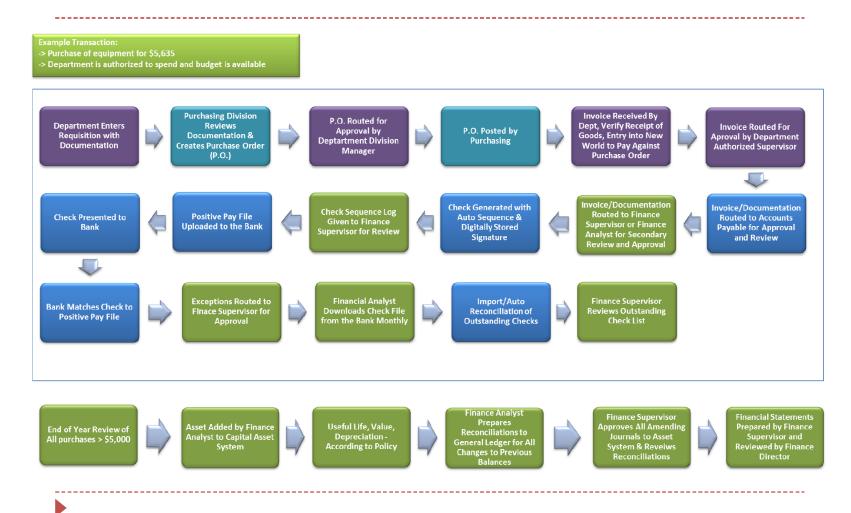
Procurement-Internal Services



Expenditure Process Flow



Detail Transaction Example



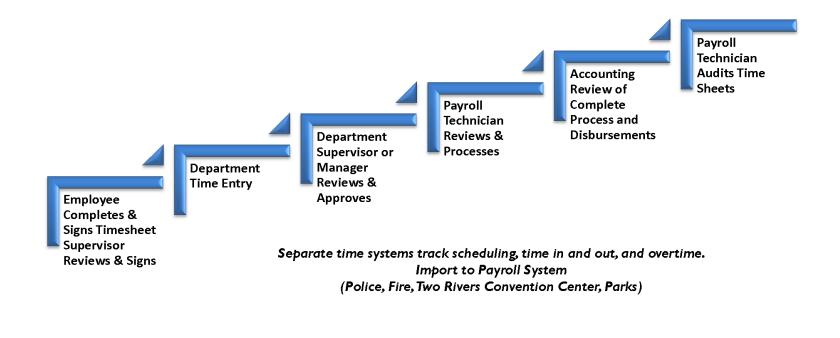
Employee Set Up & Management-Human Resources

Human Resource Manager Responsible for Entering Job Position, Description, Pay Rate, Budget, Authorization to Fill

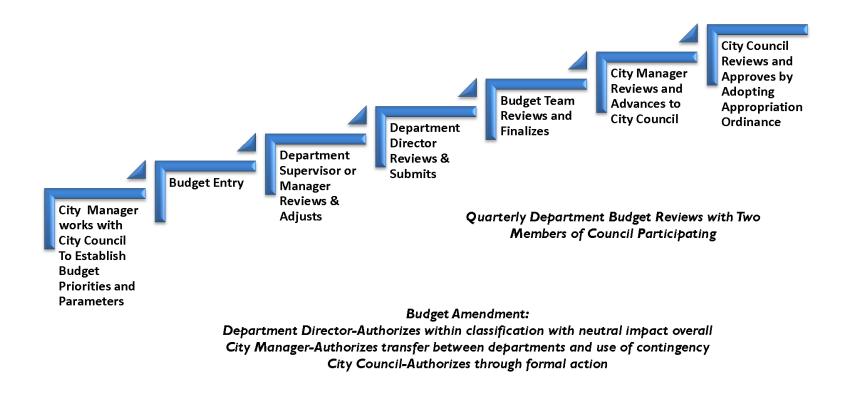
Hiring Process Including Recruitment, Interviews, Reference, Testing, Background, and Personal Identification Personnel Action Form for New Employee Authorized by Human Resources Director and City Manager Senior Administrative Assistant Sets Up Employee in System Any Changes to Benefits, Pay Rates, Deductions, etc. are Performed As Needed

Personnel file is completed for all employees including photo identification and proof of legal residency.

Payroll-Process Flow



Budget Development-Process Flow



Areas of controls, review, internal & external audit

- Accounts Receivable & Cash Management (billing and revenue collection, reconciliation)
 - Separation of billing v.s. cash collection
 - Rotation of positions
 - Review of write-offs and adjustments
 - Deposit reconciliation, review, and verification (separate staff and divisions)
 - Bank Accounts (multiple/separate verification of wires, independent reconciliations, limited signers)

Areas of controls, review, internal & external audit

- Inventory (merchandise, stores supplies)
 - Software system (track receipt and issuance)
 - Regular cycle counts
 - Independent count by accounting staff
- Capital Assets (equipment, property, easements, right-of-way, infrastructure)
 - Inventory
 - Fair Statement
 - Disposal (fleet, surplus auction, property-legal)
- Grant Management
 - Department designated grant managers (application, qualification of expenditures, and reporting)
 - Accounting review of reimbursement requests
 - Receipt of funds directly to accounting

Areas of controls, review, internal & external audit

- Internal Operational and Compliance Review
 - Continual risk assessment and monitoring
 - System evaluation as technology, industry, and business practices evolve
 - Establishment of new and revised controls
 - Analysis and review of subsidiary ledgers and systems
 - Access and ability to review detail transactions at any time
- Financial Close, Audit Preparation & Reporting
 - ▶ 4 ¹/₂ month process
 - Preparation of audit schedules (50 separate schedules)
 - Valuing long term assets and liabilities
 - Accurate recording
 - Analytical review and explanation (budget variances, year to year change)
 - Compiling financial statements, notes to the financial statements, and statistical information

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)

- Reports the results of the year
- Three Sections
 - Introductory-Transmittal Letter to City Council
 - Financial
 - Audit Opinion
 - Management Discussion & Analysis –overview of the City's financial activities
 - Basic Financial Statements
 - Notes to Financial Statements
 - Statistical



Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

The Government Finance Officers Association established the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Program in 1945 to encourage and assist state and local governments to go beyond the minimum requirements of generally accepted accounting principles to prepare comprehensive annual financial reports that evidence the spirit of transparency and full disclosure and then to recognize individual governments that succeed in achieving that goal.

The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting.

The City of Grand Junction is approaching 30 years of receiving this award.





City Council Legislative Update March 17, 2014

Presumed Eligibility Expansion

The Fraternal Order of Police has submitted draft legislation to be introduced this session (sponsored by Representatives Wright, Singer and Senator Tochtrop) that would automatically assume post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) to be a covered workers' compensation disability for Police Officers and Firefighters. Police Officers and Firefighters would be presumed to have a diagnosis of PTSD if they seek treatment for PTSD within 24 months of a traumatic event. The "traumatic events" that automatically trigger the presumption of a diagnosis include the use of deadly force, witnessing the use of deadly force, witnessing a death or serious bodily injury, witnessing the immediate aftermath of a death or serious bodily injury, contracting a disease or suffering an injury. CML and AGNC are actively opposing both measures.

Remote Testimony Bill

Representative Scott and Speaker of the House Ferrandino introduced legislation (HB 14-1303- page 18) that would require the state to consider, recommend and establish policies allowing for remote testimony to be taken during legislative committee hearings. The bill requires that if remote testimony is approved, one location must be in Western Colorado.

Ballot Initiatives: Important Dates

March 21: All ballot initiative proposals must be submitted for Review and Comment April 4: Final Review and Comment Hearing April 4: Final day for Filing with Secretary of State for Title Setting April 16: Final day for Title Board Hearing April 25: Final day for Title Board Rehearing August 4: Final day to submit signatures to the Secretary of State (86,105 signatures needed)

Federal Legislation Update: Liquefied Natural Gas

Senator Udall recently introduced the American Job Creation and Strategic Alliances LNG Act which would approve sales of LNG to World Trade Organization member counties. A similar measure was tabled by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee last week. Representative Cory Gardner introduced the Domestic Prosperity and Global Freedom Act which would accelerate the approval of LNG export applications currently being reviewed by the Department of Energy. The DOE has approved 6 applications since 2011 and 20 more are pending. Of the 6 approved applications, only one project has obtained all of the regulatory requirements for construction. Chenier Energy's export terminal in Sabine Pass, Louisiana will be ready to export in 2015.

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Legislation by Bill Number

HB 14-1012 Economic Development **Advanced Industries Workforce Development Program** HB 14-1013 House: Lee; Senate: Todd This bill creates the Advanced Industries Workforce Development Program. The program will Economic reimburse businesses for one-half of its expenses related to a qualifying internship or apprenticeship. Development

Qualifying apprenticeships must be in an advanced industry; be for at least 160 hours and less than one year; and allows students to gain valuable work experience in at least 3 specified occupational areas. Apprentices must be paid; they must be provided a mentor or supervisor; they must be a high school or college student; and must not make up more than 50% of the business's workforce located in the state. A business may be reimbursed for up to 5 interns and apprentices per location and up to 10 locations. The maximum amount that a business may be reimbursed for each internship is \$5,000. No more than \$2,500 of which may be a stipend paid to the apprentice. The bill would require the General Assembly to appropriate \$450,000 in the next 3 fiscal years for the program.

Status: 02/13/2014 House Committee on Business, Labor, Economic & Workforce Development refer to Appropriations

Modification of the Job Growth Incentive Credit

House: DelGrosso; Senate: Heath

This bill modifies the job growth incentive tax credit by extending the tax credit claims period from 60 months to 96 months, lowering the average wage match from 110% to 100% and changing the language that governs approval of the project to show that the credit is a substantial factor in the

create at least 20 new jobs in Coloradowith an average yearly wage of 110% of the state and county average.

Extend Transitional Jobs Program

House: Kraft-Tharp; Senate: Kerr

underemployed adults an opportunity to experientially learn, model, and practice successful workplace behaviors that help them to obtain long-term unsubsidized employment. Under the bill, the DHS was appropriated \$2.4 million and 2.0 FTE for this program in FY 2013-14. Moneys are used to reimburse employers for

wage-related costs, make payments to local agency contractors, and for staff and administrative costs. This bill would appropriate funds and extend the program into 2016-2017.

Status: 01/21/2014 House Committee Business, Labor, Economic, & Workforce Development Refer to Appropriations **GJ Chamber of Commerce- SUPPORT**

Business Affairs, Banking & Economic Development

House: Young & Gerou; Senate: Heath This bill increases the amount of funding for the Advanced Industries Economic Development Fund by transferring an additional \$12 million each year for five years starting in 2014. The Advanced Industries Development Fund was established in 2013 to promote growth and sustainability in

advanced industries and specifically supports two programs. The Advanced Industries Export Acceleration Program provides \$300,000 each fiscal year through FY 2017-18 for the reimbursement of international export development expenses by private industry, as well as export training and a referral system for trade consulting administered by the Office of Economic Development and International Trade (OEDIT). The Advanced Industries Grant Program funds three types of grants: proof-of-concept, early stage capital and retention, and infrastructure funding. Advanced industries include advanced manufacturing, aerospace, bioscience, electronics, energy and natural resources.

Status: 01/28/2014 House Committee on Business, Labor, Economic, & Workforce Development refer to Appropriations GJ Chamber of Commerce- SUPPORT

Advanced Industries Investment Income Tax Credit

Advanced Industries Economic Development Funding

House: Tyler: Senate: Keflas

This bill repeals the Colorado Innovation Investment Tax Credit and replaces it with the Advanced Industries Tax Credit. The credit is available for qualified investors who make an equity investment in a qualified small business from the advanced industries.

Status: 02/27/2014 House Committee on Finance Refer to Appropriations

decision to locate or retain the project in Colorado. The existing credit is a state income tax credit for businesses that Status: 02/04/2014 House Committee on Business, Labor, Economic, & Workforce Development Refer to Finance **GJ Chamber of Commerce- SUPPORT**

The ReHire Colorado program was created under House Bill 13-1004 to provide unemployed and





Development

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HB 14-1011



HB 14-1014

Economic Development

Procurement Technical Assistance Program

House: Ryden; Senate: Todd

This bill establishes the Procurement Technical Assistance Program (PTAP), allowing Colorado to participate in federal procurement technical assistance, with federal funds that match state contributions to a program that follows federal guidelines. The state participates by entering into a contractual

partnership between the Office of Economic Development and International Trade and at least one nonprofit entity that is designated by the federal Defense Logistics Agency to provide technical assistance.

Status: 02/05/2014 House Committee on Finance refer to Appropriations

GJ Chamber of Commerce- SUPPORT

Consumer Goods Service Contract Regulation Changes

House: Williams, Szabo; Senate: Jahn and Balmer

The bill provides for changes to the regulation of consumer goods service contracts based on the model act of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners. Service contracts require the provider to perform repair, replacement, or maintenance on any consumer good covered by the service contract. This bill requires service contracts to be in writing and disclose the terms and conditions of the contract, the covered consumer goods, the identity of the provider and any administrator appointed by the provider, procedures for cancellation of the contract, and whether the service contract is protected by reimbursement insurance coverage. The bill also requires that the contract holder is allowed to void the contract within 20 days after the receipt of the contract. The contract provider must also demonstrate an ability to provide the services under contract and adhere to certain record-keeping requirements. The bill also allows the Commissioner of Insurance to assess civil penalties of up to \$500 per violation and up to \$10,000 for all violations of a similar nature.

Status: 02/20/2014 House Committee on Business, Labor, Economic, & Workforce Development Refer to Appropriations

State Talent and Market Intelligence

House: Buckner and Kagan

This bill requires the Colorado Office of Economic Development to obtain a Talent Analytics Tool. The Office is required to use this tool to conduct a study and identify the state's talent base, assess the areas in which the state's talent base has gaps in skills, and gain a comprehensive understanding of the strength of its talent base compared to other states

Status: 02/18/2014 House Committee on Business, Labor, Economic & Workforce Development Refer to Appropriations

Marketplace Fairness & Small Business Protection

House: Court; Senate: Johnson

For background information on online sales tax- please see Online Sales Tax Supplement (attached). In the simplest terms, this bill significantly expands the state's definition of nexus to require online and catalogue vendors to collect and remit state sales tax. Specifically, this bill would expand the state's definition of nexus to include affiliate nexus, controlled group nexus and transitory physical presence nexus. Affiliates are online marketers that direct traffic to online retailers. Controlled group nexus would be established by businesses being a member of a controlled group with presence in the state (parent-subsidiary structure, common ownership group of sibling corporations or a combination as defined by the Internal Revenue Code) if the component members conduct certain actions, such as retailing, delivering or causing to be delivered, using similar trademarks, or conducts over activities in this state that are significantly associated with the ability of the retailer to establish or maintain a market for sales of tangible personal property or taxable services. Transitory physical presence established with solicitation is a wide umbrella establishing nexus for the regular or systematic solicitation, promotion or facilitation, whether direct or indirect, of sales and purchases of tangible personal property or taxable services to persons residing in the state for use, consumption, distribution and storage for use or consumption in the state.

Status: 03/05/2014 House Committee on Finance- Witness Testimony Only

Taxpayer Protection Act Disclosures

House: Ryden; Senate: Aguilar and Johnston

This bill requires tax preparers to make certain disclosures to the taxpayer concerning their qualifications, fees, yearround contact information, willingness to represent the taxpayer in a government audit and obligation to sign the tax documents prepared. Tax preparers include people who prepare, for a fee, income tax returns or claims for refunds. The

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bill also creates a penalty for deceptive trade practices and criminalizes the act of providing fraudulent information in a professional tax preparer's disclosure statement. As amended in the House, licensed and authorized CPAs, Attorneys and Enrolled Agents are exempt from these requirements. Status: 03/14/2014 House Second Reading Passed with Amendments

Main Street Revitalization and Job Creation Act	HB 14-1311	
House: Garcia and Dore; Senate: Steadman and Crowder This bill creates an income tax credit for preservations of historic properties and appropriates a 4-year annual transfer of \$15 million to fund the tax credit. The income tax credit is authorized for years		
2015-2018. The bill also requires the OEDIT to develop standards for the approval of the substantial rehabilitation of qualified structures. In order to qualify, the Historic Structure must: be certified by the historical society and either listed in the National Register of Historic Places or the State Register of Historic Places; or designated as a landmark by a certified local government that has been certified	Economic Development	
by the Historic Viaces, of designated as a faithfull of a certified focal government that has been certified by the Historic Society. Grand Junction has several structures on the National Register of Historic Place Orchards, Railroad Depot, 5 th Street Bridge, Handy Chapel, St. Regis Hotel, Margery Building, North 7 th District, Stranges Grocery, Wayne Aspinall Federal building and several locations on the Monument. Status: 03/072014 Introduced in House- Assigned to Finance and Appropriations CML- SUPPORT	s: Cross Street Historic	
Procurement Availability Utilization Analysis House: Williams and Salazar: Senate: Ulibarri and Guzman	HB 14-1316	
This bill directs the Department of Personnel to contract for a Disparity Study of the Colorado	NEW!	
Procurement Process to ascertain whether disparities exist between the participation of historically underutilized businesses (i.e. businesses owned by racial or ethnic minorities, women, veterans or person disabilities). The final report is to be made available to the member of the General Assembly by Decemb Status: 03/11/2014 Introduced in House- Assigned to Business, Labor, Economic & Workforce Development		
 Senate: Aguilar; House: Moreno This bill permits the Department of Public Health and Environment to issue Community Clinic Licenses community clinic is located more than 25 miles from a hospital. On or after 2 years after the effective da all other freestanding emergency rooms must be owned and operated by a licensed or certified hospital. currently four stand-alone emergency facilities in Colorado that are not affiliated with a hospital (Colorad Arvada, Telluride and Crested Butte- the Colorado Springs and Arvada locations would be impacted.) Status: 03/10/2014 Senate Second Reading Laid Over Daily 	ate of the bill, There are	
Community Development Financial Institutions	SB 14-022	
Senate: Keflas; House: Fields This bill authorizes public funds to be invested in general obligations of Community Development Financial Institutions so long as the CDFI is registered with the Secretary of State. Community Development Financial Institutions were authorized by the federal government in 1994 to promote	Economic Development	
economic revitalization in low-income communities that lack access to affordable financial products and CDFIs offer two awards. Grand Junction does not currently have a CDFI. Status: 03/04/2014 Introduced in House- Assigned to Finance CML- SUPPORT	services.	
Regulation of Transportation Network Companies Senate: Jahn; House: Pabon and Szabo This bill allows the PUC to regulate transportation network companies. Transportation network compani		

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HB 14-1156

HB 14-1167

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Under current law, funding for school districts and institute charter schools is based on the number of pupils enrolled on a specified count date each school year. This bill changes the calculation in 2017-2018 to instead be based upon the average daily membership, preschool program average daily membership, at-risk pupil average daily membership, online average daily membership, ASCENT program average daily membership, and funded membership (collectively referred to as "membership") for the funding averaging period. The funding averaging period is the 4 quarters of the

preceding budget year plus the first quarter of the current budget year.

Status: 01/16/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Local Government

Disclosure of Financial Information

Funding Based on Average Daily Membership

House: Wilson

House: Priola

This bill requires the Department of Education to create summary information of the revenue and primary expenditures of each school district, charter school, Board of Cooperative Services, and the State Charter School Institute, broken down by elementary, middle and secondary school levels. The information must also be posted online. Status: 01/16/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Local Government

Eligibility Age School Lunch Protection Program

House: Moreno; Senate: Ulibarri

This bill would extend the eligibility of free lunches to school age children through 12th Grade. The current eligibility is from Kindergarten through 2nd Grade. The bill would also increase the annual appropriation to \$3.5 million (from \$1 million).

Status: 02/10/2014 House Committee on Education refer to Appropriations

English Language Proficiency Programs

House: Navarro

This bill makes several changes to the English Language Proficiency Act. Under current law, funding for students with limited English proficiency is limited to 2 years. This bill expands the funding period to 5 years. Currently, funding is based upon proficiency level. This bill will make funding equal regardless of proficiency level. The bill also makes specific new requirements of the local education provider (school) and the Department of Education.

Status: 01/22/2014 Introduced in House- Assigned to Education

Public Education Accountability for 2015-2016 School Year

House: Hamner

The Department of Education (DOE) must annually review the performance of every public school and school district and assign a rating. For the 2015-2016 school year, this bill would allow the DOE to assign the rating based upon the school's or district's: Accreditation rating or type of performance plan for the preceding school year; Compliance with the accreditation contract, for a school district or the institute; Participation in statewide testing; and Performance in meeting the Colorado academic standards and postsecondary and workforce readiness and statewide and local performance targets. This bill also allows the DOE to recommend action plants that are not specified in statute but have "comparable significance and effect."

Status: 03/12/2014 Senate Committee on Education Refer to Senate Committee of the Whole

Local Accountability Requirements for School Districts

House: Scott

Under current law, every School District is required to administer statewide assessments in grades 3 through 11 and the State Board of Education cannot waive this requirement. This bill would direct the State Board to waive most of the assessment requirements for a School District that submits a School District Assessment Plan that meets specified requirements. If a school district that receives a waiver fails to meet statewide targets for academic performance for 3 consecutive school years, the State Board must modify the school district's waiver to require the school district to administer the statewide assessments in the subjects in which it failed to meet the statewide targets. Status: 02/26/2014 House Committee on Education refer to Appropriations



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receives only 50% of the per-pupil funding for each kindergarten student. If the district provides full-day kindergarten, the district received 58% of the per-pupil funding per student. This bill would change the funding so that districts

receive 100% per-student enrolled in full-day kindergarten.

Status: 02/24/2014 House Committee on Education Refer to Appropriations

Status: 01/30/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Education

No Indefinite Unpaid Leave for Non Probationary Teachers

House: Salazar; Senate: Todd

Flexibility for Rural School Districts

Full-Day Kindergarten Funding for Districts

House: Wilson

House: Wilson

Under current law, if a nonprobationary teacher is removed from a teaching assignment within a school district, the teacher must secure a mutual consent assignment at another school within a certain time period of be placed on unpaid leave. This bill prohibits the district from being able to place the teacher on unpaid leave and requires that the teacher is assigned to another position that has the same salary and benefits or dismiss the teacher in compliance with the statutory due process.

This bill removes and modifies requirements of rural school districts (fewer than 1,000 students). The bill allows these

districts to submit certain reports biennially instead of annually and removes other requirements.

Status: 02/04/2014 Introduced in House-Assigned to Education

Student Immunizations Prior to School Attendance

House: Pabon; Senate: Aguilar

Under current law, a student is exempt from receiving required immunications prior to attending a public school if the student or parent submits a statement of exemption based on religious or personal beliefs. The bill requires parents who invoke the personal belief exemption to either take an online class created by the Department of Public Heath and Environment or submit a statement from a doctor indicating that they have discussed the risks and benefits. Status: 03/13/2014 House Committee on Health, Insurance and Environment refer to Committee of the Whole

Student Success Act

House: Hammner and Murray, Scott; Senate: Johnston

The Student Success Act appropriates \$263 million in funds to education. Specifically, the bill:

- reduces reduce the negative factor by increasing the total funding by \$100 million;
- creates a one-time fund of \$40 million to be distributed to school districts on a per-pupil basis;
- establishes an Average Daily Membership Count system that enables funding to "follow" the student;
- allocates \$40 million to school construction and charter school funding is increased from \$7 million to \$25 million:
- provides \$20 million in ongoing funds for the READ Act;
- increases ongoing English Language Learning funding by \$35 million and funds each student for 5 years as opposed to 2 years; and
- appropriates \$5 million to implement a website that tracks funding.

Status: 02/25/2014 Introduced in House- Assigned to Education

Financing of Public Schools

House: Hammner and Buckner: Senate: Kerr and Steadman

This bill modifies the funding for K-12 public schools in FY 2014-2015. The per-pupil funding is increased to 2.8% to \$6,121. The bill also limits the amount of the negative factor for 2015-2016 to be less than or equal to the level of the negative factor for 2014-2015. The bill also increases the

number of slots available for the Colorado Preschool Program by 5,000 and adjusts the negative factor calculation to pay for the cost of this increase.

Status: 02/28/2014 Introduced in House-Assigned to Education & Appropriations

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	District and Charter School Mill Levy Overrides Petterson: Senate: Kerr	HB 14-131
10050.	This bill requires school districts that authorize a charter school to include the charter school in the planning process to seek voter approval for additional local revenues to meet operating expenses. A	NEWI
Status:	charter school may ask its authorizing school district to include the charter school in a ballot question for the school district to authorize additional local revenues or to submit a ballot question solely for the c to 03/10/2014 Introduced in House- Assigned to Education	charter school
	mes-Based Funding for Higher Education Ferrandino, Scott, Wright; Senate: Lambert	HB 14-131
	This bill significantly modifies the current financing of higher education. The "fee-for-service" contracts are modified so that each governing board is allocated the same base amount each year- the	NEW!
Status:	receive a percentage of the institutional base. Additional funding is made available based upon the numl students enrolled, retention funding based upon the number of juniors and seniors enrolled, and degree for upon percentage of degrees awarded each year. The bill also increases the amount of College Opportun available for eligible undergraduate students. Colorado Mesa University is projected to have moderately funding under this bill. The University of Colorado would see the largest decrease in funding, and the C University system would see the biggest increases in funding. : 03/13/2014 Introduced in House- Assigned to Education	unding based ity Fund stip / increased

Clarification of Mineral Rights Property Owned by a County House: Rankin	- HB 14-1217
This bill clarifies the legal rights of county governments in connection with rea Specifically, this bill clarifies that county ownership of property includes, oil, g for county revenue generation and other county government operations, project that oil and gas reserved rights are included within the mineral rights that the B production and development. The bill deletes a provision placing a time limit of County. The bill clarifies that revenue generation is among the purposes for wh or other interests and that the Board has authority to approve the terms and com Status: 03/06/2014 House Committee on Local Government Lay Over Amended	as, mineral and other property intere ts and purposes. The bill also specific OCC may lease for exploration, on a lease of mineral rights by the hich the county may lease real estate
Clean Energy Projects Private Activity Bonds House: McLachlan Under current law, local governments can issue Private Activity Bonds on beha property owners (not including cooperative electric associations) for the purpos upgrading an eligible clean energy project on the eligible applicant's property. T of private activity bonds that a local government may issue for an eligible appli extends the maximum repayment term for bonds from 10 years to 15 years, and the revenue stream of the project up to 75% so long as bond payments do not er Status: 03/13/2014 Senate Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources & Energy ref	se of constructing, expanding, or The bill reduces the minimum amoun icant from \$1 million to \$500,000, I allows the bonds to be correlated to xceed 75% of project revenue.
Analyze Impacts of Oil and Gas on Human Health House: Ginal; Senate: Aguilar This bill directs the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment to and quality of life within the counties of Larimer, Weld, Boulder and Adams. Status: 03/13/2014 Senate Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources & Energy ref GJ Chamber of Commerce- OPPOSE	
 Renewable Energy Enterprise Zone Investment Tax Credit Refund House: McCann; Senate: Hodge Under current law, businesses can claim income tax credits for certain investment zones. Last year, the annual credit was capped at \$750,000, with investment tax for future years. This bill would allow taxpayers making renewable energy inverse a refund of up to \$2.5 million per year. For every 85 cents received as a carryover is reduced by \$1. Status: 03/05/2014 Introduced in House- Assigned to Finance and Appropriations AGNC- OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED 	x credit carryovers NEW!
Pipeline Right-of-Way Senate: Jahn; House: May The bill clarifies that companies that operate pipelines that convey oil, gasoline, products are pipeline companies granted the right of eminent domain subject to provisions that require payment of just compensation and otherwise govern the domain. A pipeline company must also comply with all applicable laws and reg	state constitutional and statutory exercise of the power of eminent

federal pipeline safety regulations. This bill overrides the May 2012 Colorado Supreme Court decision in the case of Larson v. Sinclair Transportation Company, which held that only pipeline companies in the business of transmitting electricity or natural gas may use the power of eminent domain in Article 5. Pipeline companies conveying petroleum products have historically negotiated for rights-of-way, and prepared condemnation petitions where those negotiations failed to obtain critical rights-of-way, on the basis of eminent domain powers vested in "pipeline companies" by Article 5. Industry practices in Colorado were also historically informed by various other cases and statutory provisions granting the power of eminent domain to pipeline companies.

Status: 03/13/2014 House Committee on Judiciary Refer to Committee of the Whole **GJ Chamber of Commerce- SUPPORT**

Energy, Environment & Natural Resources

Wage Protection Act		SB 14-005
House: Singer; Senate: Ulibarri		
	ns and liabilities related to the payment of wage	s, this bill:
	violations involving the state minimum wage;	
1 1 2	in records reflecting information in an employee lable to the Department of Labor (and creates a	
 Requires an employer to mail a c check was due if the employer care 	check for wages to the employees last-known ac annot deliver otherwise.	ldress within 60-days after the
	ies in an action for unpaid wages, an employee is cover penalties, and the penalties are increased	
 Provides that failure to respond t willful; 	to a written demand creates rebuttable presumpt	ion that the failure to pay was
• Reduces the penalties for failing	claims court complaint serves as the written den to pay wages by 50% if the employer makes leaves in good faith is due the employee. inance refer to Appropriations	
Old Age Pensioners- Allowing Gifts		SB 14-013
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This bill would allow persons eligibl donations without needing to report Currently gifts, grants and donations Status: 01/28/2014 Senate Committee on Fi Continuation of Enhanced Unemployment Senate: Heath; House: Hullinghorst Under current law, enhanced unemployment	the gifts and without the gifts reducing the amount s reduce the amount of pension received. inance Refer to Appropriations	unt of pension received. SB 14-057 ividuals participating in approve

Labor

Eliminating Prison Sentences for Persons who are Unable to Pay

House: Salazar; Senate: Guzman

This bill is in response to research conducted by the ACLU. Current law provides that criminal sentences must include a sentence to prison if the defendant fails to pay a fine. This bill changes this requirement so that the sentence must include a notice that if the defendant willfully fails to pay a fine, cost, restitution or other monetary payment, the court may hold the person in contempt of court and sentence the person to prison. The bill provides that when the court imposes a monetary payment as part of the sentence, the court must notify the

defendant that if he or she is unable to pay the amount ordered, the defendant may ask the court for a waiver or change in the payment. The bill establishes procedures for when a criminal defendant may be held in contempt of court for willful failure to make a monetary payment. The procedure requires the defendant to be served. Status: 02/25/2014 House Committee on Judiciary refer Amended to Appropriations

Deputy District Attorney Compensation and Training

House: Gardner

This bill suggests the minimum payment for Deputy District Attorneys (\$55,608 for entry level Deputy District Attorneys). The state will reimburse Judicial Districts that pay at least the suggested minimum 20% for counties with fewer than 225,000 residents and 10% for counties with more than 225,000 residents.

Status: 02/18/2014 House Committee on Judiciary refer Amended to Appropriations

AGNC- OPPOSE

Passive Surveillance Records House: Lawrence. Scott; Senate: Scheffel

This bill requires video or still images obtained by passive surveillance by governmental entities, such as images from monitoring cameras, must be destroyed within 3 years after the recording of the images. Video and images that become evidence in any civil, criminal, labor or administrative proceeding may exist for longer than 3 years. Status: 03/14/2014 Senate Third Reading Passed

Improvements to Pretrial Release

House: Wright

The bill limits the Court's Authority to determine the amount of the bond and gives the defendants the ability to choose how to satisfy the bond. Specific bond amounts are set for driving under restraint with a prior DUI (\$10,000); vehicular eluding while driving under the influence (\$50,000); and felony drug distribution (\$50,000). The bill also limits the court's authority to release a person on a personal recognizance bond if the person has failed to appear on a felony or class 1 misdemeanor in the last 5 years or if the court does not have enough information to make an "intelligent decision" regarding the issue. Under current law, certain entities have access to the Name Index and Register of Actions of public case types. This bill adds bonding agents to that list. The bill also creates a criminally affirmative defense for bail bond agents who perform their work in a reasonable manner. **Status:** 02/27/2014 House Second Reading Laid Over Until 5/11/14

Tobacco Products to Persons Under 21

House: McCann, Gerou; Senate: Keflas, King

This bill prohibits anyone from giving, selling, distributing or offering for sale cigarettes or tobacco to anyone under 21 years of age. The bill also prohibits anyone under the age of 21 from purchasing or possessing cigarettes or tobacco products. An exception was made for anyone born on or before 6/30/96.

Status: 03/13/2014 House Committee on Finance Witness Testimony and/or Committee Discussion Only

Value-Based Crime Threshold Level Changes

House: McCann, Gardner; Senate: Newell, King Last year, penalties for theft changed based upon the value of the loss. This bill changes the penalties for criminal mischief, fraud by check, defrauding a secured creditor, and unauthorized use of a financial transaction device and computer crime. The new penalties are applied based upon new threshold loss levels and range from a class 2 felony down to a petty offense.

Status: 03/11/2014 House Committee on Judiciary Refer to Appropriations

Legal and Judicial

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House: Dore, Scott, Wright; Senate: Schwartz Under current law, the civil liability of persons involved in agri-tourism is limited. This bill specifies that a

participant of the risks. The bill specifically excludes retail and medical marijuana from the definition of agritourism.

Status: 03/12/2014 House Third Reading Passed GJ Chamber of Commerce- SUPPORT

Agri-tourism Limited Liability Civil Liability

Persons with Mental Illness and Criminal Justice

Senate: Tochtrop, King; House: Wright

This bill extends the repeal date for the legislative oversight committee for the continuing examination of the treatment of persons with mental illness who are involved in the criminal justice systems from 7/1/2015 to 7/1/2020. **Status:** 02/27/2014 House Committee on Health, Insurance and Environment refer to Legislative Council

Improving Protections for Persons with Disabilities

House: Steadman

This bill makes several changes to state statue regarding the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. The bill increases the fine for discrimination in places of public accommodation, housing and or violations of the rights of an individual with a disability who uses a service animal or a trainer of a service animal to \$3,500.

Status: 01/27/2014 Introduced In Senate-Assigned to Judiciary

GJ Chamber of Commerce- OPPOSE

Decriminalize Prohibited Practices of Lobbyists

Senate: Heath and Cadman; House: Hullinghorst and DelGrosso

There are certain practices and actions of lobbyists that are prohibited and also carry criminal fines and potential imprisonment. This bill removes the criminal fines and potential imprisonment.

Status: 03/12/2014 House Committee on State, Veterans and Military Affairs refer to Committee of the Whole

Repeal Firearm Purchases in Contiguous States

Senate: Brophy, King; House: Wright, Scott

This bill repeals certain provisions concerning the purchase of firearms in states that are contiguous to Colorado. Under current law, gun manufacturers, licensed dealers and licensed collectors located in Colorado can sell or deliver a rifle or shotgun to a resident of a state contiguous to this state subject to certain restrictions. The restrictions are that the resident's state must permit the sale; the seller must fully comply with the legal provisions of both states; and the purchasers and licensee must have complied with all of the requirements of the federal Gun Control Act of 1968. The same restrictions apply to gun manufacturers, dealers and collectors located in contiguous states that sell or deliver to a resident of Colorado. This bill eliminates those restrictions for both types of transactions. **Status:** 02/21/2014 Introduced in House- Assigned to Judiciary

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SB 14-021

SB 14-118

SB 14-135

Wine Packaging Permits

HB 14-1034

House: Williams; Senate: Jahn

Under current law, only licensed wineries are permitted to bottle the wine they produce. This bill creates the wine packaging permit to be issued by the Department of Revenue (DOR) that allows a licensed winery to package wine manufactured by another winery. The permit also allows a wine wholesaler to package wine. After packaging, the wine must be returned to the original winery, or to the original winery's licensed wholesaler. The packaging winery cannot sell or distribute the packaged wine to a licensed retailer or directly to a consumer. **Status:** 03/12/2014 Senate Committee on Business, Labor and Technology refer to Finance

Payment in Lieu of License Suspension

SB 14-054

House: Pabon; Senate: Balmer

Under current law, an alcoholic beverage licensee or permit holder can petition the state or local licensing authority for permission to pay a fine in lieu of suspension of 14 days or less. This option is allowed no more than 1 time every 2 years. This bill would allow local authorities and the state to accept payment of a fine in lieu of a suspension for any amount of time so long as the license has not been revoked during the previous two years. Status: 03/06/2014 Senate Committee on Business, Labor and Technology refer to Finance

CML-SUPPORT

Licensing and Regulation

Felony for Repeat DUI Offenders

House: Waller and Saine

Under current law, a DUI, DUI per se, or a DWAI is a misdemeanor offense. This bill would make it a class 4 felony if: the violation occurred not more than 7 years after the first of two prior convictions of DUI, DUI per se, DWAI, vehicular assault, or vehicular homicide; or the violation occurred after 3 prior convictions of DUI, DUI per se, DWAI, vehicular assault, or vehicular homicide

Status: 01/08/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Judiciary

Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police- SUPPORT

Enforcing Laws against Designer Drugs

House: Landgraf; Senate: Baumgardner

This bill would make it unlawful to distribute, dispense, manufacture or sell any product that is labeled as incense or any other trademark if the product contains any amount of any synthetic cannabinoid. This bill establishes penalties for violations: between \$10,000 and \$500,000 for each violation and between \$25,000 and \$500,000 for each violation when the product is sold, dispensed or distributed to a minor.

Status: 02/06/2014 House Committee on Judiciary Refer to Appropriations

Parolee Tampering with Electronic Monitoring Devices

House: Gerou; Senate: Nicholson & Roberts

This bill would subject a parolee who violates the conditions of his or her parole by removing or tampering with an electronic monitoring to an immediate warrantless arrest. If a Parole Officer has probable cause to believe a parolee has removed or tampered with the devise, the officer shall immediately make a warrantless arrest or no later than 12 hours, or notify a law enforcement agency. If the state board of parole determines that a parolee has violated the conditions of his or her parole by removing or tampering with an electronic monitoring device, the board shall revoke the parolee's parole and reinstate the remainder of the parolee's sentence.

Status: 02/06/2014 House Committee on Judiciary Refer to Appropriations

CBI Authority to Investigate Computer Crime

House: Kagan and Gardner; Senate: Newell

This bill requires the CBI to conduct criminal investigations and develop and collect information regarding computer crime in order to identify, charge and prosecute criminal offenders and enterprises that unlawfully access and exploit computer systems and networks. CBI must also provide awareness training and information concerning cybersecurity and security risks to the IT Critical Infrastructure Industry.

Status: 02/11/2014 House Committee on Judiciary Refer to Appropriations

Crime of Cyber Bullying

House: Fields

The bill adds to the crime of harassment the use of interactive computer service to engage in a course of conduct that inflicts serious emotional distress on a minor or places the minor in reasonable fear of death or serious bodily injury with intent to cause the fear of death or serious bodily injury or with the intent to cause death or serious bodily injury. The crime is a class 2 misdemeanor unless the intent was to harass the person because of the person's race, color, religion, ancestry, or national origin, then it is a class 1 misdemeanor.

Status: 03/12/2014 House Third Reading Passed

Minimum Sentences for Vehicular Assault

House: Lawrence; Senate: King

The bill requires the court to sentence a person convicted of vehicular homicide or vehicular assault who was under the influence of drugs or alcohol at the time of the accident to at least the minimum term of imprisonment in the department of corrections for the offense, except when a longer sentence is required by law. Additionally, the defendant is not eligible for probation or a suspended sentence.

Status: 01/17/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Judiciary

Public Safety

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murder in the fin or her official du firefighter. This	w, there are increased penalties for assault in the first degree st degree against police officers and firefighters if the victim aties and the offender could reasonably have known that the bill would expand current law to include emergency servic use Committee on Judiciary Refer to Appropriations miefs- SUPPORT	n was engaged in the performance of his victim was a police officer or a
Required Hands Free T House: Melton	Celephones When Driving	HB 14-1225
This bill prohibi hands-free devic	ts an adult from using a wireless telephone while driving for e. The bill also adds "application" to the current prohibition use Committee on Transportation & Energy Committee Vote	n from texting while driving.
This bill repeals recruits, harbors person for the pu involuntary serv of a minor for in offense against a time within which	; Senate: Newell and Schwartz and reenacts existing provisions concerning human traffick , transports, transfers, isolates, induces, entices, provides, re irpose of coercing the other person to perform labor or servi itude. Human trafficking of an adult for involuntary servitud voluntary servitude is a class 2 felony. Human trafficking of a child" for the purposes of the statute of limitations. This m ch criminal proceedings may be initiated against an offender ing Council within the Department of Public Safety.	eccives, or obtains by any means another ices commits human trafficking for de is a class 3 felony. Human trafficking of a minor for sexual servitude is a "sex teans that there is no limit to the period of
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HB 14-1310 Funding for Breathalyzers for Law Enforcement House: Ginal and Gardner Senate: King & Johnston This bill recreates the Evidential Breath Testing Cash Fund under the Department of Public NEW! Health and Environment. The cash fund is established to purchase breathalyzers for law enforcement agencies. No funding is initially proposed for the fund, but the General Assembly may appropriate funds at a later point. Status: 03/06/2014

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Increased Penalties for Assault of Emergency Service Providers

Status: 02/19/2014 House Committee on Finance Refer to Appropriations

Fund and from the Highway Users Tax Fund for maintenance of the system.

Status: 03/12/2014 Senate Committee on Judiciary refer to Committee of the Whole

Funding for Digital Trunked Radio System Maintenance

House: Gerou

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The bill creates a Medina Alert Program to alert the public when a hit-and-run accident involving a serious bodily injury or death occurs and the law enforcement agency has additional information concerning the suspect or the

The Statewide Digital Trunked Radio System provides interoperable radio communications that allow personnel from multiple agencies in different levels of government to rapidly share information and coordinate efforts in emergency situations. This bill directs the general assembly to appropriate a total of \$3.5 million from the General

Hit and Run Medina Alert Program

suspect's vehicle.

House: Duran; Senate: Lambert

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Status: 03/11/2014 House Committee on Judiciary Refer to Appropriations

HB 14-1203

HB 14-1214

Public Safety

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Senate: Carroll, King; House: Ferrandino Safe2Tell, a program created in statute to allow the anonymous reporting of dangerous and criminal activities in schools, is currently administered by a nonprofit organization (Safe2Tell, Inc.). This bill repeals the existing program and recreates it in the Department of Law (DOL). Status: 02/06/2014 Senate Committee on Finance refer to Appropriations **Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police- SUPPORT Prohibit Nicotine Product Distribution to Minors** SB 14-018 Senate: Nicholson; House: Hamner

Under current law, it is illegal to provide or sell cigarettes or tobacco products to persons under the age of 18. This bill expands that prohibition to include all nicotine products, including electronic cigarettes and products that allow

nicotine to be ingested, inhaled, or applied to the skin.

Status: 02/24/2014 Introduced in House-Assigned to Public Health Care and Human Services

Marijuana Criminal Provision Clean Up

Senate: Steadman; House: May

The bill adds consumption and possession of marijuana and possession of marijuana paraphernalia to the crime of underage possession or consumption of alcohol.

Status: 02/26/2014 Introduced in House-Assigned to Judiciary

SB 14-002

SB 14-129

Safe2Tell Program

This bill makes several changes to the Housing Investment Trust Fund (formerly Home Investment Trust Fund). The bill expands the sources of money that may be used to support the trust fund to include any funding source available to the general fund. The bill also clarifies that the Division of Housing can, in addition to loaning money, also make loan guarantees. The bill also eliminates the requirement that borrowers are required to seek replacement loans within 180 days of the loan.

Status: 03/07/2014 Introduced in Senate- Assigned to Finance **CML-SUPPORT**

HOAs To Publish Member Information with Permission

House: Mitsch Bush

This bill specifies that, notwithstanding the general prohibition against sharing information amount members, the unit owner's association may publish members' and residents' contact information with prior written consent.

Status: 03/14/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed

Expand Availability of Affordable Housing

Senate: Ulibarri; House: Duran

Foreclosure Cure Remit Unpaid Fees to Borrower

House: McCann; Senate: Ulibarri

Current law is silent on when and how fees for court filings, published notices, and other costs of foreclosure are to be calculated and paid, and if overpaid, refunded. This bill requires that all costs and fees charged to a borrower must be accurately accounted for and promptly refunded if overpaid.

Status: 03/13/2014 Senate Committee on Local Government Expert Witness Testimony Only

Residential Storage Condo Unit as Real Property

House: Saine; Senate: Hodge

This bill would establish residential storage condominium units as a residential improvement. This would require the unit to be assessed as residential real property as opposed to nonresidential real property (assessed at 7.96% instead of 29%).

Status: 02/12/2014 House Committee on Local Government Refer Amended to Appropriations **CML-SUPPORT**

Limit HOA Transfer Fees and Late Payment Penalties

House: Labuda; Senate: Balmer

The bill requires a licensed community association manager who provides services for a Homeowners' Association (HOA), either directly or through employees or subcontractors, to fully disclose to the HOA all service fees and charges that will be billed either to the HOA or to unit owners. The community association manager must disclose all fees and charges during contract negotiations with the executive board of an HOA, and annually thereafter. Status: 02/25/2014 Introduced in Senate- Assigned to Local Government

Continue Foreclosure Deferment Program HB 14-1312 House: Williams Senate: Ulibari NEW! This bill continues the Foreclosure Deferment Program until September 2015 (currently set to expire in June 2014). The Foreclosure Deferment Program allows borrowers to stay in their home for a 90-day foreclosure deferment program if they meet certain requirements established in statute. Status: 03/10/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Business, Labor, Economic, & Workforce Development SB 14-103 **Phase In High Efficiency Water Fixtures** Senate: Guzman; House: Fischer This bill prohibits the sale of lavatory faucets, shower heads, flushing urinals, tank-type toilets and tank-type water closets on and after 9/1/2016 unless they are "watersense-licensed" plumbing fixtures. The Watersense program is

administered by the EPA and certifies fixtures to be meeting a certain level of efficiency. Status: 03/13/2014 House Committee on Transportation & Energy Refer to Committee of the Whole

AGNC- SUPPORT/Colorado Water Congress- SUPPORT

Real Estate

HB 14-1143

HB 14-1017

HB 14-1125

HB 14-1130

Reauthorization of Real Estate Appraisers Senate: Jahn; House: Fischer

Senate Bill 13-154 should have reauthorized the continuation of the Board of Real Estate Appraisers and its functions through September 2022. However, there was a mistake in the bill and the repeals date was 7/1/2013. This bill corrects the oversight by replacing the repeal date.

Status: 03/13/2014 Introduced in House-Assigned to Business, Labor, Economic & Workforce Development

Real Estate

State to Provide Utilities Facility Information to Local Government House: Lebsock, Wright	HB 14-1129
Under current law, public utilities and power authorities providing electric of to local governments that relate to the location, construction, or improvemen governments have 128 days after submission of a preliminary application, if a final application, to take action. A local government must request any addit application within 28 days after the submission. This bill allows local govern from a state agency, and the state agency must respond within the initial 28 d reasonable amount of time. A request for additional information, or a state ag information, does not extend the deadlines for local governments. Status: 03/14/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed AGNC- SUPPORT	t of major utility facilities. Local required, or 90 days after submission of tional information required for the ments to request additional information lay period if the request is made within
Meetings of Boards of County Commissioners House: Jahn; Senate: Fisher	HB 14-1177
Under current law, each Board of County Commissioners of a county contain hold at least 2 meetings in each week of the year, with the exception of July a counties may hold fewer than 2 meetings per week if there is a lack of a quor conflicts, inclement weather, natural disasters, or special events. Status: 03/13/2014 Senate Committee on Local Government Refer Unamended - Co the Whole	and August. Under this bill, these rum caused by illness, scheduling
Research Retrieval Fees for Public Records Under CORA	HB 14-1193
House: Salazar; Senate: Kefalas Current Law allows a custodian of public records under the Colorado Open F to a request for the research and retrieval of such records only if the custodian request, either posted on the custodian's website or other publishes a written of the jurisdiction. This bill would prohibit the custodian under any circumst fee that exceeds 3-times the minimum wage.	n has, prior to the date of receiving the policy that specifies the CORA policy ances from charging an hourly research
Status: 02/28/2014 Introduced in Senate- Assigned to State, Veterans and Military A AGNC- OPPOSE	Affairs
Local Government Marijuana Impacts Task Force House: Gerou; Senate: Jahn	HB 14-1196
This bill creates the Marijuana Impacts Task Force in the Department of Loc governments related to the cultivation, testing, sale, consumption, and regula is required to evaluate the impacts that retail marijuana has on local governm Status: 02/20/2014 House Committee on Local Government Lay over Amended	tion of retail marijuana. The task force
Marijuana Diversion Prevention Grant Program House: Stephens: Senate: Coram	HB 14-1209

House: St s: Senate: Co. This bill creates the Marijuana Diversion Prevention Grant program that the General Assembly may fund using

surplus funds in the marijuana cash fund. The Grant program will award grants to the state patrol and local law enforcement agencies that share a boarder with Colorado to prevent the diversion of retail marijuana from Colorado. Status: 02/20/2014 House Committee on Health, Insurance and Environment refer to Appropriations

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HB 14-1060

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This bill authorizes, but does not require, cities and towns to pass an ordinance allowing for compensation of

Research

Allow Cities to Compensate Planning Commissioners

House: Mitsch Bush; Senate: Schwartz

CML-SUPPORT

planning commission members. Status: 03/14/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed

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County & Agency Agreement on Fire Cost on State Land House: Gerou	HB 14-1210
This bill requires counties and any state agency that owns forest land, rangeland or wint to enter into an intergovernmental agreement to address the harm caused by wildfires. Status: 02/28/2014 Introduced in Senate- Assigned to Local Government	
Performance Audit Health Benefit Exchange House: Sonnenberg and Nordberg; Senate: Balmer and King This bill gives the State Auditor authority to conduct a full audit of the Colorado Heal Status: 03/12/2014 Introduced in Senate- Assigned to Health and Human Services	HB 14-1257 Ith Benefit Exchange.
Cameo Shooting Range Bill House: Duran and Coram; Senate: Jahn and Roberts This bill authorizes the Parks and Wildlife Commission in the Department of Natural Cameo location for the purpose of building a multi-use shooting facility. This bill do establishes that funding may come from appropriation, grants or federal government of Status: 02/10/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Res AGNC- SUPPORT GJ Chamber of Commerce- SUPPORT	es not appropriate funding, but resources.
Legislature to Take Public Testimony at Remote Locations House: Scott and Ferrandino This bill allows the Legislative Council to consider, recommend and establish policies	HB 14-1303
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House: Pettersen; Senate: Keflas

Under current law, if resident individuals are allowed a federal income tax credit for childcare expenses, they are also able to claim a state income tax credit for the same expense. The state credit is a percentage of the federal credit claimed. Because the federal credit is not refundable, the amount of the individual's federal tax liability may limit the state tax credit. This bill creates a new state tax credit for a resident with an AGI of \$25,000 or less. The amount of the credit is equal to 25% of the child care expense.

Status: 03/05/2014 House Committee on Finance Refer to Appropriations

Sales Tax Holiday for Back to School Items

House: Pabon; Senate: Jahn

This bill creates a sales and use tax exemption for back-to-school items. The exemption applies for 3 days in August and covers clothes, shoes, and school supplies.

Status: 02/19/2014 House Committee on Finance Refer to Appropriations

Community Solar Garden Business Personal Property Tax Exemption

House: Tyler; Senate: Schwartz

Business owners of community solar gardens are subject to personal property tax on the personal property used to generate electricity. The assessor determines the value based upon the alternating current electricity generating capacity of the personal property multiplied by the cost per kW of electricity. This bill would exempt that the percentage of electricity that is attributable to residential or governmental subscribers. Therefore the business owner will only be assessed tax on the electricity generating capacity used by business.

Status: 03/05/2014 House Committee on Transportation & Energy Refer Amended to Finance **AGNC- OPPOSE**

Tax Exempt Gas Sales Between Government Entities

House: Mitch Bush; Senate: Todd

The sale of gasoline and other special fuels used by motor vehicles are subject to the state gasoline and special fuels tax. Sales from retailers to government entities are exempt from the tax. This bill specifies that sales between government entities are also exempt.

Status: 03/12/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Finance **CML-SUPPORT**

AGNC- SUPPORT

Electronic Tax Notice

House: Tyler; Senate: Newell

Current law requires first-class mailing for any notices that must be given to any taxpayer. The bill allows the Department of Revenue the flexibility to offer taxpayers the option to receive electronic communications rather than requiring the department to send notices by first-class mail.

Status: 03/14/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed with Amendments

State Sales and Use Tax Exemption for Biogas Equipment

House: Young & Dore; Senate: Schwartz and Crowder

This bill would create a sales and use tax exemption for component parts used in biogas production systems. Status: 02/13/2014 House Committee on Finance Refer Amended to Appropriations

Clarify Enterprise Zone Investment Tax Credit

House: Hullinghorst; Senate: Heath

Taxpayers who make a qualified investment within an enterprise zone may claim an income tax credit equal to 3% of the value of the investment. The credit must be pre-certified by the Economic Development Commission prior to the investment. The amount of the credit is limited to half of a taxpayer's tax liability plus \$5,000 each year. In addition to the limit based on tax liability, HB13-1142 placed a \$750,000 per-taxpayer limit on the credit for investments made in tax year 2014. After tax year 2014, the bill allowed a taxpayer to add any credits earned on the \$750,000 limit. The fiscal note for HB13-1142 assumed a total amount limit of \$750,000 in tax year 2014 and subsequent

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years, including any newly generated credit or carryover, for fourteen years following the unused year. However, the legislation that passed inadvertently allowed the credits to add to the existing credits, not subject to the \$750,000 limits. This bill limits the total amount of the Enterprise Zone (EZ) Credit that may be claimed after tax year 2014 to \$750,000 per tax year.

Status: 03/14/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed Grand Junction Area Chamber of Commerce- OPPOSE

Income Tax Credit for Business Personal Property House: Primavera, Wright; Senate: Heath

This bill would create an income tax credit to reimburse taxpayers for personal property taxes paid in Colorado. The credit is equal to the amount of personal property tax paid, less reduction in federal and state income tax due to the reduction in tax liability for state and local taxes paid. The credit amount is calculated as a percentage of the property taxes paid for personal property. The percentage is equal to 100% less the taxpayer's federal marginal income tax rate plus 4.63%. (Fiscal note is still unavailable- my assumption is that the calculation would be as follows: for a taxpayer with a marginal income tax rate of 15%, the credit would be equal to their personal property taxes paid x 89.63% [100-15+4.63]). The amount of the credit that exceeds tax liability is refunded to the taxpayer. The credit is authorized for 5 income tax years beginning January 1, 2014. To qualify for the credit, the taxpayer must have less than \$25,000 worth of personal property subject to personal property tax. To claim the credit, the taxpayer must submit a copy of the property tax bill.

Status: 03/06/2014 House Committee on Business, Labor, Economic, & Workforce Development Refer Amended to Finance **CML-SUPPORT**

GJ Chamber of Commerce- SUPPORT

Property Tax, Rent, and Heat Rebate Program for Low Income Senate: Keflas; House: Pettersen

Under current law, the Property Tax, Rent, and Heat Rebate Program administered by the Colorado Department of Revenue provides individuals, married couples at least 65 years old (or a surviving spouse aged 58 or over), and disabled claimants grants for certain property tax or rent expenses and an additional rebate for heat expenses. This bill makes certain changes to the program including:

- increasing the maximum property tax and rent rebate for income-eligible claimants from \$600 to \$700;
- establishing a minimum rebate for both property tax and rent rebate and heat rebate (\$227 for the real property tax expense assistance grant and \$73 for the heat or fuel expenses assistance grant); and
- Expands the range of income eligibility from approximately \$12,639 to \$14,937 for individuals and from approximately \$16,935 to \$20,163 for married couples; and

Status: 01/30/2014 Senate Committee on Health & Human Services Refer Amended to Appropriations

Brownfield Contaiminated Land Income Tax Credit

Senate: Jahn; House: Gerou

From 2000-2010, there was a state income tax credit for taxpayers who conducted certain environmental remediation activities on property that was proposed for redevelopment. This bill reauthorizes the credit for 9 years. The property can be anywhere in the state and the remediation does not have to be for property that will be redeveloped. The credit may also be transferred to a transferee who may then claim the credit (local governments and nonprofits). Status: 03/13/2014 Senate Committee on Finance Refer to Appropriations

CML-SUPPORT

Deployed Military Motor Vehicle Taxes and Fees

Senate: Baumgardner; House: Sonnenberg

This bill exempts a member of the US Armed Forces from paying the basic motor vehicle registration fees and authorizes payment of an alternate specific ownership tax of \$1 if the person is deployed outside the United States for a full year. The vehicle may not be driven during this time.

Status: 02/11/2014 Senate Committee on Finance Refer Amended to Appropriations

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private nonprofits and for-profit corporations. Under current law, the grants are limited to local governments, landlords of multi-family apartment building and unit owners' associations of common interest communities. Status: 01/28/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Transportation and Energy

Motor Vehicle Registration Card Information

Expand Electric Vehicle Charging Station Grants

Concerning Overweight Vehicle Permits for Divisible Loads

overweight vehicles with two- or three- axle divisible loads.

Status: 03/14/2014 Senate Committee on Appropriations refer to Committee of the Whole

House: Mitsch Bush and Coram; Senate: Tyler

Senate: King

AGNC- SUPPORT

Senate: Jones; House: Duran

This bill removes the requirement that a motor vehicle registration card contain a person's address and a signed statement sweating that the person has motor vehicle insurance. The signed statement requirement is moved to the application for registration.

The bill exempts sludge waste vehicles operated by a city, county, municipal utility, or special district from wheel and axle load restrictions. The bill also creates an annual fleet permit fee of \$2,000 plus \$35 per vehicle for

Status: 03/13/2014 Introduced in House- Assigned to Transportation and Energy

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grants from the Electric Vehicle Grant fund to include

SB 14-131

Water Flexible Markets

House: Fischer; Senate: Schwartz

Colorado water law prohibits speculation in water rights. Under the anti-speculation doctrine, an applicant who wishes to change the beneficial use of an irrigation water right must identify for the water court the specific use for which the water will actually be used. This bill excludes flex use from the anti-speculation doctrine and describes the procedures for approval of a flex use change-in-use decree and a flex use substitute water supply plan. It allows a holder of an irrigation water right to change the beneficial use to any beneficial use. This holder can then implement fallowing, regulated deficit irrigation, reduced consumptive use cropping, or other alternative cessation of agricultural irrigation on the property that is served by the water right.

Status: 02/05/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy **Colorado Water Congress- SUPPORT Colorado River District- OPPOSE Unless Amended**

Oppose Federal Special Use Permit Water Rights

House: Sonnenberg; Senate: Roberts

This bill deems as speculative the acquisition of a water right by the United States government as a result of a transfer or conveyance required as a condition of a special use permit for entering or using federally owned land. Such a water right is forfeited by the United States and reverts to the prior owner. Colorado water law prohibits speculation in water rights.

Status: 03/12/2014 Senate Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs Witness Testimony and/or Committee **Discussion Only**

Colorado Water Congress- SUPPORT AGNC- SUPPORT

Hvdroelectric Generation Incentive

House: Coram: Senate: Schwartz

This bill facilitates the development of hydroelectric energy systems. It requires the State Electrical Board in the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) to allow a motor to be installed as a generator if the installation would be approved but for the fact that the motor is not being used in a manner corresponding to its nameplate. In addition, it designates the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to coordinate the state review of proposed hydroelectric energy projects as part of the federal licensing process. Finally, the bill adds community hydroelectric energy facilities with a capacity of 10 megawatts or less as a source of distributed renewable energy for local communities and requires the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to promulgate corresponding rules by October 1, 2014. Status: 03/13/2013 Senate Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy Refer to Committee of the Whole

Increase Water Right Diligence from 6 to 10 Years House: Vigil

Under current law, owners of conditional water rights must file for a finding of reasonable diligence with the Water Judge every 6 years until the water right has been decreed absolute or NEW! abandoned. This bill would increase the diligence period from 6 to 10 years. Status: 03/14/2014 Introduced in House- Assigned to Agriculture, Livestock & Natural Resources

Limit Use of Agriculture Water for Lawn Irrigation

Senate: Roberts; House: Vigil, Coram

As amended, this bill would require a committee to investigate the issues raised by the bill as originally introduced, including: the identification and quantification of the best practices to limit municipal outdoor water consumption; and proposed legislation to facilitate the implementation of those best practices.

Status: 02/24/2014 Introduced in House- Assigned to Agriculture, Livestock and Natural Resources **Colorado Water Congress- SUPPORT**

Water

HB 14-1026

HB 14-1028

HB 14-1030

HB 14-1320

Transfer Water Efficiency Savings to Instream Use

Senate: Schwartz

This bill defines "water efficiency savings" and allows water efficiency savings to be changed or loaned only to the Colorado Water Conservation Board for instream use. Water Efficiency Savings is defined as the portion of a water right used solely for agricultural irrigation or stock watering purposes in water division 4, 5, 6, or 7 that is non-consumptive under existing practices and that results from efficiency measures. The bill also allows water efficiency savings to be changed or loaned, pursuant to existing water court and water loan statutes, only to the Colorado water conservation board, only for instream use, and only if:

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- The application was filed within 2 years after the diversions were decreased due to efficiency measures;
- The change or loan will not materially injure decreed water rights; and
- The change or loan will not adversely affect Colorado's interstate compact entitlements or obligations.

Status: 03/14/2014 Senate Third Reading Passed Colorado Water Congress- SUPPORT

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State Water Plan: Public Review and GA Approval

Senate: Roberts and Schwartz; House: Fischer and Coram

The bill requires the Colorado Water Conservation Board to hold a hearing on a draft state water plan within each basin roundtable, update the plan based on public comments, and present the draft plan to the water resources review committee. The committee must vote on whether to introduce legislation that would approve the plan. The plan would not be incorporated into official state water policy unless the General Assembly approves the legislation. Governor Hickenlooper previously issued an Executive Order that directed the CWCB to commence work on the Colorado Water Plan and to submit a draft to the Governor by December 2014. The plan is set to be completed by December 2015.

Status: 02/13/2014 Senate Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy Refer Amended to Appropriations Colorado Water Congress- SUPPORT

Pesticide Inspection Water and Wastewater Systems

Senate: Schwartz; House: Fischer

Under current law, pesticide storage and handling at water and wastewater treatment facilities is subject to regulation by two different state agencies. The Colorado Department of Agriculture (CDA) has the authority to control and inspect any facility that is used to store, mix, or load pesticides in commercial quantities. The Colorado Department of Public Health and

Environment (CDPHE) inspects public water supply facilities when necessary to enforce safe drinking water standards, and inspects wastewater facilities regulated by the state's discharge permit system. Operators of water treatment facilities, who use chemicals classified as pesticides for water treatment, are also subject to certification by CDPHE. This bill exempts water and wastewater treatment facilities from the scope of CDA's authority to regulate the storage of pesticides.

Status: 03/13/2014 House Third Reading Passed AGNC- SUPPORT

Water Conservaton Initiatives

Senate: Hodge and Roberts

The bill requires local governments to consider whether tap fees should be reduced if a developer commits to the implementation of water efficiency and conservation measures with regard to irrigated landscapes, including open space and residential lawns, within the subdivision. This bill also prohibits county and municipal subdivision regulations form mandating a minimum percentage of a subdivision that must consist of irrigated vegetation or requiring the irrigation of medians.

Status: 02/13/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy CML- OPPOSE

Colorado Water Congress- OPPOSE

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SB 14-115

SB 14-142

Tax Credit for Property Destroyed by a Natural Cause

House: Singer; Senate: Nicholson

This bill establishes an income tax credit for a taxpayer that owns real or business personal property that was destroyed by a natural cause. The credit is equal to the property tax paid, and the credit is only valid for the year it was destroyed.

Status: 03/12/2014 House Committee on Finance Refer Amended to Appropriations

Water Infastructure Natural Diaster Grant Fund

House: Young: Senate: Jones

This bill creates the Natural Disaster Grant Fund and directs the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment to award grants from the fund to local governments, including local governments who accept on behalf of not-for-profit public water systems, for the planning, design, construction, improvement, renovation or reconstruction of domestic wastewater treatment works and public drinking water systems that have been impacted, damaged, or destroyed in connection with a natural disaster. The bill appropriates \$12 million to the fund and the unappropriated balance of the Nutrients Grant fund.

Status: 03/13/2014 Senate Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Energy refer to Appropriations CML, AGNC, Colorado Water Congress, Colorado River District- SUPPORT

Nonresident Disaster Workers Exemption from Income Tax

House: Nordberg; Senate: Keflas

Individuals from other states are liable to pay Colorado income tax on income derived from all sources within Colorado. This bill exempts nonresident individuals who perform disaster emergency in the state. Status: 03/13/2013 Senate Committee on Finance refer to Appropriations

Prohibit Agricultural Burn

House: Hamner

This bill expands the authority of county governments to regulate fires. Under the bill, counties may ban or restrict agricultural burning on "red flag" days, when red flag warning or fire weather watches have been issued by the National Weather Service. As amended in the Senate Local Government Committee, this bill does not impact the ability of Counties to regulate fireworks.

Status: 03/14/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed with Amendments **Colorado State Fire Chiefs- SUPPORT**

Change Wildfire Mitigation Tax Deduction to Credit

House: Exum; Senate: Nicholson

The bill changes the wildfire mitigation income tax deduction to the wildfire mitigation income tax credit. An income tax deduction reduces a taxpayer's taxable income, the amount to which the tax rate is applied. A tax credit reduces a taxpayer's tax liability by taking a dollar-for-dollar reduction in what is owed by what the credit allows. The bill authorizes the credit of up to 50% of the costs incurred (capped at \$2,500) in performing wildfire mitigation measures. Credits may be carried forward 5 years.

Status: 01/29/2014 House Committee on Finance refer to Appropriations **Colorado State Fire Chiefs- SUPPORT**

Create Wildfire Information & Resouce Center

Senate: Roberts

This bill creates the Wildfire Information and Resource Center (WIRC). The Center is charged with collecting wildfire-related information and links in an on-line resource for homeowners, fire professionals, the media, and educators. The WIRC must present information related to: current wildfires and prescribed burns; wildfire prevention and preparation; statewide fire conditions; fire training; funding for wildfire mitigation; and other research and information at the discretion of the director of the DFPC.

Status: 01/14/2014 Senate Committee on Local Government Refer Unamended to Appropriations **Colorado State Fire Chiefs- SUPPORT**

Wildfire and Flood Bills

HB 14-1009

SB 14-008

HB 14-1002

HB 14-1003

HB 14-1007

Grand Valley Catholic Outreach City Funding of Previous Projects

St. Benedict's Place, 217 White Avenue, 2008

Infill/Redevelopment Grant:

٠	Manhole Repair	\$ 2,00	0
•	Fire Hydrant	\$ 8,85	8
•	Utilities Undergrounding	<u>\$ 61,20</u>	0
	Total	\$ 72,05	8

Community Development Block Grant

•	Landscaping & Irrigation	\$ 60,500
٠	Site Concrete	<u>\$ 39,500</u>
	Total	\$100,000

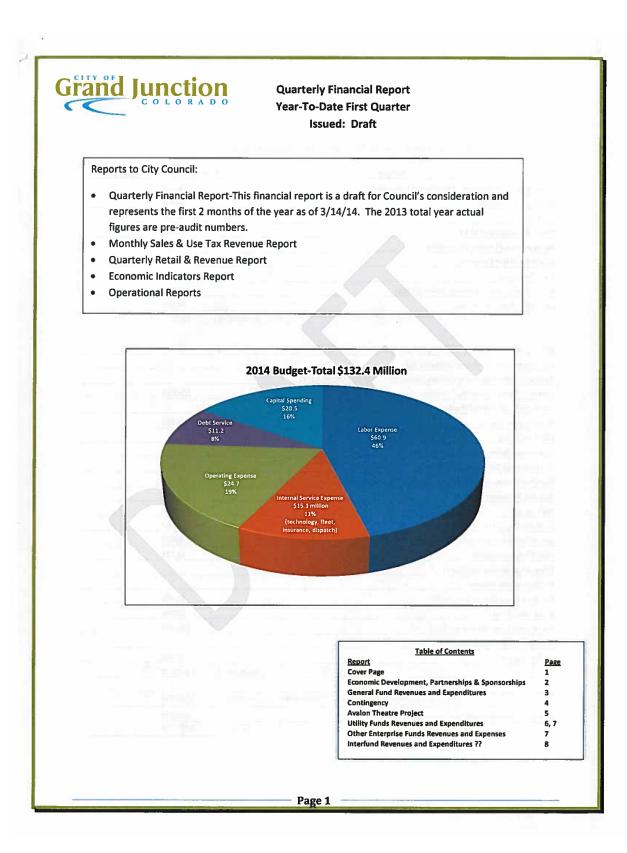
St. Martin Place I, 415 S. 3rd, 2011

Fees Covered:

•	Development Fee	\$	450
٠	Water Tap Fee	\$	2,950
٠	Sewer PIF	\$	25,568
٠	Open Space Fee	\$	11,450
•	Parks Fee	\$	5,771
٠	ТСР	\$	18,088
•	School Impact Fee	<u>\$</u>	5,520
	Total	\$	69,797

Community Development Block Grant

•	Appliances	\$	50,000
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Economic Development, Partnerships, Sponsorships

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Partner		4 Adopted	2014 YTD
Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado	\$	8,200	
Chamber of Commerce	_	6,000	
Club 20		4,000	
National League of Citites		3,813	
Metropolitan Planning Organization		33,967	
Colorado Water Congress		5,400	
5.2.1 Authority		126,000	
Parks Improvement Advisory Board (PIAB)		14,000	_
Colorado Municipal League		40,061	
s	ubtotal \$	241,441	
Grand Junction Housing Authority-Village Park	s		
Law Enforcement Training Center (LETC)	1	1.	
Colorado Mesa University-Campus Expansion (10 yrs ending in 2017)			
Colorado Mesa University-Classroom Building (15 yrs ending in 2027)	k.,	500,000	
Colorado West Mental Health			
Grand Valley Transit	11	419,885	
USA ProCycling			
Downtown Business Improvement District		13,466	
Pro Mountain Bike Race (Epic Rides)		10,000	
Standing Sponsorships (Toy Run, Military Ball, Hospice Gala, etc)		10,000	
Housing Resources		5,000	
Kids Voting		5,000	
Business Incubator		53,600	
Grand Junction Economic Partnership		40,000	1
Riverfront Commission		17,121	
Museum of Western Colorado			83
Hilltop-Latimer House			
Western Slope Center for Children		30,000	
Mesa Land Trust		10,000	
Mesa Land Trust-Monument Trail		150,000	
Purchase of Struthers Property		-	
Maker's Space		40,000	
s	iubtotal \$	1,304,072	
Economic Development, Partnerships, Spons	iorships \$	1,545,513	
Economic Development Contingency		500,000	
	TOTAL \$	2,045,513	

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GENERAL FUND REVE	NUE AND E	XPENDITUR	ES (Janu	ary & Febru	ary)	
Estimated Beginning Fund Ba	alance To Date	2013		2014 Pre-Audit \$ 23,280,496	2014 Pre-Audit \$ 23,280,496	
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		2013			2014	
	Prior 1Q	Total Year	% of Total	Current 1Q	Adopted	% of
Revenue:	TYD Actual	Actual Pre-Audit		YTD Actual	Budget	Budge
Taxes Charges for Service	\$9,478,010	\$51,967,799	18%	\$8,895,325	\$51,866,028	17%
Interfund Revenue	793,667 90,958	8,104,689	10%	378,817	7,589,707	5%
Intergovernmental	12,593	1,142,441 843,809	1%	101,322	1,253,905 894,967	8% 1%
Fines, Licenses & Permits	139,078	962,324	14%	145,074	868,850	17%
All Other Revenue	7,595	294,776	3%	7,502	225,157	3%
Total Revenue	\$10,521,901	\$63,315,838	17%	\$9,534,590	\$62,698,614	15%
Other Sources: Total Transfers in	1 .	\$79,842	-		6704 34F	
i otal i ransters in		\$79,842	0%		\$794,245	0%
		N.	7			
	1	2013			2014	1
	Prior 1Q	Total Year	% of Total	Current 1Q	Adopted	% of
Expenditures:	TYD Actual	Actual Pre-Audit	Prior Year	YTD Actual	Budget	Budge
Labor and Benefits	\$5,413,203	\$40,761,242	13%	\$5,436,780	\$41,997,301	13%
Utilitles	271,598	2,758,329	10%	244,511	2,926,211	8%
Operating	283,946	1,531,347	19%	202,824	2,247,079	9%
Contract Services	189,275	2,091,668	9%	186,522	2,143,690	9%
Operating & Field Supplies	169,479	1,774,379	10%	230,661	1,150,953	20%
Equipment	81,582	331,350	25%	132,001	303,026	44%
Economic Development, Partnerships, Sponsorships	867,063	2,266,460	38%	438,527	1,545,513	28%
Interfund Charges	1,555,002	9,533,547	16%	1,539,034	9,703,359	16%
Capital Outlay Total Expenditures	42,315 \$8,873,463	1,017,274 \$62,065,596	4%	48,324 \$8,459,184	593,012 \$62,610,144	8% 14%
	00,073,403	\$00,003,330	24/4	40,433,204	202,020,144	14/4
Other Uses-Transfers Out to Other Funds:						
Downtown Development Authority TIF	-	\$333,880	0%	-	\$356,268	0%
Sales Tax Capital Improvements	· ·	197,647	0%		•	n/a
Major Capital Improvement Projects	· · ·	2,406,861	0%	•	· ·	n/a
Transportation Capacity	· ·	1,877,545	0%	<u> </u>	·	n/a
Two Rivers Convention Center	· ·	172,461	0%	· ·	84,641	0%
Lincoln Park Golf Course	· · ·	18,055	0%	•		n/a
Riverside Parkway Early Debt Retirement	. ·	2,350,111	0%	· ·	2,159,727	0%
Total Transfers Out		\$7,356,560	0%	•	\$2,600,636	0%
		Co	ntingency	1,269,067	1,269,067	
	1	2012 0- 41-01		2011	2014	
Estimated Ending Fund Ba	ance To Date	2013 Pre-Audit \$ 23,280,496		2014 \$ 23,086,835	2014 \$ 20,293,508	
	% for the Arts			\$ 100,002	\$ 100,002	

CONTINGENCY as o	f Fe	bruary 2	Bth,	2014			
	E	y Council conomic relopment		Avalon Theatre	City Manager		TOTAL
	Dev	elopment		Ineatre	Manager		TOTAL
Beginning Balance at 2014 Adopted Budget	\$	500,000	\$	469,067	\$ 300,000	\$	1,269,00
Uses: XYZ Project							
Total Uses		0	-	•	0	-	
Supplementally Appropriated Contingency Per Council Action X date	s		s	<u> </u>	s -	\$	
Per council Action & date	-		*			-	
Ending Balance at March 31st, 2014	\$	500,000	\$	469,067	\$ 300,000	\$	1,269,0
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AVALON THEATRE PROJECT-2014 Adopted Project

		ACTUAL	
Project as of 3/14/14	TOTAL BUDGET	COSTS	% RECEIVED
SOURCES OF FUNDS		1000	
Contribution from City of Grand Junction	3,110,476	241,409	8%
Contribution from Downtown Development Authority	3,000,000	401,486	13%
Contribution from Avalon Theatre Foundation Board	1,100,000	710,933	65%
DOLA	1,000,000		0%
Gates & Boettcher	25,000		0%
Reimbursement from State	22,445		0%
TOTAL SOURCES	8,257,921	1,353,828	16%
	TOTAL BUDGET	ACTUAL COSTS	% EXPENDED
USES OF FUNDS			
UTILITY SERVICE & IMPACT FEES:	12 7	Contraction of the second seco	
Utility Charges	15,000	18,004	120%
Utility Development Impact Fees (XCEL, Water Sewer)	10,000	8,388	84%
Impact Fees (Permits, etc.)	27,000	20,831	77%
SUBTOTAL UTILITY & IMPACT FEES	\$ 52,000	47,222	91%
		TIPEE	5170
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES			
Architectural	1,027,285	973,578	95%
Soft Costs - Other	4,000	4,200	105%
Program & Other Specialty Consultants	94,000	80,876	86%
Material Testing & Inspection	20,000	17,504	88%
Reproduction & Reimbursable	20,000	14,876	74%
SUBTOTAL PROFESSIONAL SRVS.	\$ 1,165,285	1,091,033	94%
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FURNITURE FIXTURES & EQUIPMENT			
IT Computer/Cabling/Phone/Data Backbone/Distr.	113,000	90,330	80%
Furniture & Accessories	170,476	85,238	50%
Equipment SUBTOTAL FURNITURE, FIXTURES & EQ.	68,472 \$ 351,948	475 500	0%
SUBIUTAL FURNITURE, FIXTURES & EQ.	\$ 351,948	175,568	50%
TOTAL SOFT COSTS	\$ 1,569,233	1,313,823	84%
CONTINGENCY:			
Building Contingency	\$ 26,660		
Contaminated Soils	S -		
TOTAL CONTINGENCY	\$ 26,660		
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HARD COSTS	1 1 m		
Construction (Structural)	\$ 5,539,893	3,139,430	57%
Builder Contingency	\$ 86,183		0%
Other Construction Costs (Fees, Insurance & Bonding)	\$ 394,316		0%
TOTAL HARD COSTS	\$ 6,020,392	\$ 3,139,430	52%
TOTAL USES	7,616,285	4,453,253	58%
	1010,200	4,400,200	5076
BUDGET VARIANCE	\$ (641,636)		

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UTILITY FUNDS REVENUE AND EXPENSES (January & February)

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Estimated Beginning Net Posi	tion To Date	2013 \$ 2,657,016	- 11	2014 Pre-Audit \$ 2,567,986	2014 Pre-Audit \$ 2,567,986	
		2013			2014	
Operating Revenue:	Prior 1Q TYD Actual	Total Year Actual Pre-Audit	% of Total Prior Year	Current 1Q YTD Actual	Adopted Budget	% of Budget
Charges for Service	\$529,992	\$4,698,287	11%	\$620,067	\$5,428,930	11%
Interfund Revenue	= _ C _	605,322	0%		705,660	0%
Intergovernmental	2,875	22,092	13%	2,261	140,800	2%
Interest		13,489	0%	· · · · ·	12,574	0%
Other	700	52,685	1%	700	56,647	1%
Total Revenue Operating Expenses:	\$533,567	\$5,391,875	10%	\$623,028	\$6,344,611	10%
Labor and Benefits	\$390,123	\$2,722,930	14%	\$358,763	\$2,778,592	13%
Operating	120,528	837,388	14%	109,027	909,137	12%
Interfund Charges	85,441	764,960	11%	88,723	843,103	11%
Total Expenditures	\$596,092	\$4,325,278	14%	\$556,513	\$4,530,832	12%
Operating Income (Loss) Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	(\$62,525)	\$1,066,597		\$66,515	\$1,813,779	
Capital Proceeds	\$8,500	\$47,600	18%	\$2,950	\$48,500	6%
Debt Service	(138,938)	(510,967)	27%	(126,307)	(496,601)	25%
Capital Outlay	(50,877)	(692,260)	7%	(221,851)	(1,681,500)	13%
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	(\$181,315)	(\$1,155,627)	16%	(\$345,208)	(\$2,129,601)	16%
Change in Net Position	(\$243,840)	(\$89,030)		(\$278,693)	(\$315,822)	
Estimated Ending Net Pos	Hon To Date	2013 Pre-Audit \$ 2,567,986		2014 \$ 2,289,293	2014 \$ 2,252,164	

	1	2013		2014 Pre-Audit	2014 Pre-Audit	
Estimated Beginning Net Posl	tion To Date	\$ 117,482		\$ 116,257	\$ 116,257	
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		2013			2014	
	Prior 1Q	Total Year	% of Total	Current 1Q	Adopted	% of
Operating Revenue:	TYD Actual	Actual Pre-Audit		YTD Actual	Budget	Budget
Charges for Service	\$37,251	\$229,676	16%	\$39,262	\$240,728	16%
Interest	•	497	0%	-	476	0%
Total Revenue Operating Expenses:	\$37,251	\$230,173	16%	\$39,262	\$241,204	16%
Labor and Benefits	\$12,450	\$90,155	14%	\$12,094	\$91,713	13%
Operating	\$12,490 2,999	111,882	3%	2,554	130,719	2%
Interfund Charges	1,004	30,661	3%	786	28,794	3%
Total Expenditures	\$16,453	\$232,698	7%	\$15,434	\$251,226	6%
Operating income (Loss)		(\$2,525)		\$23,828	(\$10,022)	
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	400,750	(++,5+5)		+	(0-0)00-0	
Capital Proceeds	\$520	\$1,300	40%	\$0	\$1,040	0%
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	\$520	\$1,300	40%	\$0	\$1,040	0%
Change in Net Position	\$21,318	(\$1,225)		\$23,828	(\$8,982)	
222			<u></u>			
		2013 Pre-Audit		2014	2014	
Estimated Ending Net Post	ition To Date	\$ 116,257		\$ 140,085	\$ 107,275	

Grand Junction		
	UTILITY FUNDS REVENUE AND EXPENSES (Janu	iary & February)
Solid Waste		
Sewer		

