

Annual Reports

OF THE

Commissioners

of the City of Grand Junction, Colo.
and Summary of Council Proceedings



For the Fiscal Year Ending Dec. 31, 1919

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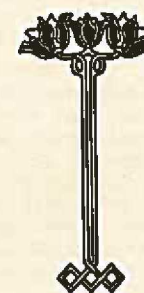
66. Publicity Records and Reports.—Each of said commissioners shall keep a record book in which shall be recorded a brief, but comprehensive record of all department affairs under his charge as soon as performed and shall quarterly render to the city council, a full report of all operations of such department, and shall annually, and oftener if required by the city council, make a synopsis thereof for publication. All such records shall be kept open for public inspection. The council shall provide for the publication of such annual or other reports, and of such portion of the quarterly reports, as to it may seem advisable. Each commissioner shall also make and keep a complete inventory and permanent record of all the personal property of his department and what disposition, if any, has been made of the same.—Article VII., Section 66 of the City Charter.

The executive and administrative power, authority and duties of the city are distributed among five departments:

- Department of Public Affairs
- Department of Water and Sewers
- Department of Finance and Supplies
- Department of Highways
- Department of Health and Civic Beauty

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ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 287

The Annual Appropriation Ordinance of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, Providing for the Expenses and Liabilities of the City of Grand Junction for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1st, A. D. 1920, and Ending December 31st, A. D. 1920.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado:

Section 1. That the following sums of money, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same are hereby appropriated for the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses and liabilities of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, for the fiscal year beginning January 1, A. D. 1920, and ending December 31, A. D. 1920, to-wit:

First—For the Contingent Fund.....	\$ 5,000.00
Second—For salaries of City Officers and Employees.....	9,550.00
Third—For Lighting the Streets and Public Buildings.....	13,972.00
Fourth—For Maintaining the Police Department.....	6,080.00
Fifth—For Maintaining the Fire Department.....	8,560.00
Sixth—For Maintaining, Improving and Repairing the Streets and Alleys, and Water for Irrigation.....	16,500.00
Seventh—For Maintaining the Health Department.....	6,475.00
Eighth—For Maintenance and Repairs City Sewers.....	600.00
Ninth—For Maintaining, Extending, Repairing and Operating the City Water Works.....	15,200.00
Tenth—For Care and Improvement of the Public Parks.....	8,000.00
Eleventh—For Maintenance of the Free Public Library.....	3,000.00
Twelfth—For Special Assessment in Paving District and Water Frontage Assessment	905.00
Thirteenth—For Interest on Water Bonds.....	28,250.00
Fourteenth—For Principal on General Bonds.....	2,000.00
Fifteenth—For Interest on General Bonds.....	1,760.00

Sec. 2. That for the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses and liabilities of the said City of Grand Junction, Colorado, for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 1920, and ending December 31, 1920, there shall be and hereby is levied and assessed upon all the taxable property, situated within the corporate limits of the City of Grand Junction, both real and personal, the following amounts for special and general taxes, to-wit:

First—For the purpose of defraying the expenses and maintenance of the Free Public Library, a tax of four-tenths (.4) of one mill on each dollar of said property so assessed or to be assessed.

Second—For the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses and liabilities of the said City of Grand Junction, and for the payment of interest on outstanding bonds and warrants and for the payment of a portion of the bond indebtedness of said City, a tax of nine and six-tenths (9.6) mills on each dollar of said property so assessed or to be assessed.

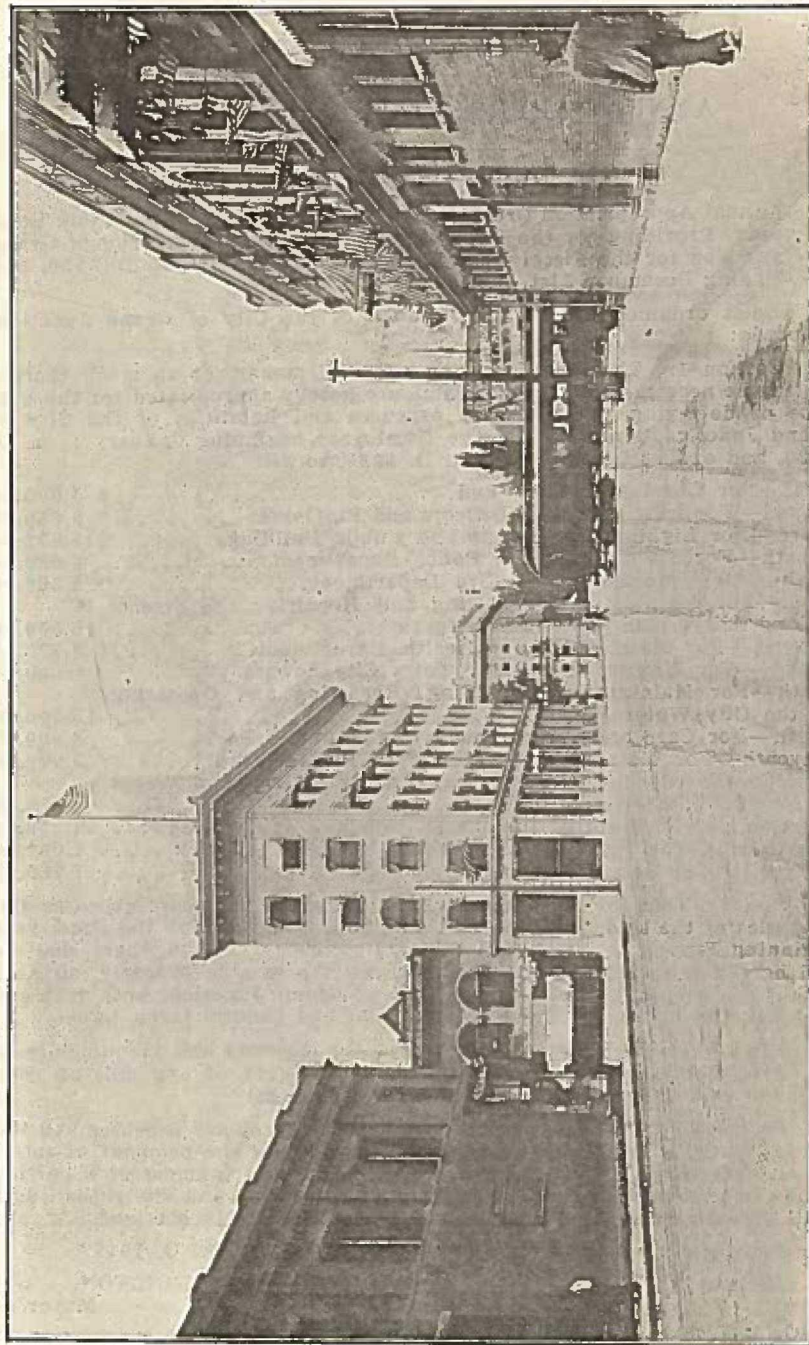
Passed and adopted this 25th day of November, A. D. 1919.

(SEAL)

CHAS. E. CHERRINGTON, Mayor.

Attest:

CHARLES K. HOLMBURG, City Clerk,



FIFTH AND MAIN STREETS

SUMMARY OF COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

YEAR 1910

January 7—Resolution adopted authorizing payment of \$350.00 for work done on Purdy Mesa road to Kannah Creek Intake, in accordance with resolution passed January 2, 1917.

January 14—Quarterly reports of Commissioners received. Depository bond of G. V. National Bank accepted.

January 21—Annual reports of Commissioners received. Resolution passed petitioning Federal and State governments to establish permanent labor employment agency in this city.

January 28—Quarterly and annual reports of Commissioners accepted, and annual reports ordered printed in pamphlet form. The expenditure of \$100.00 for street shade trees authorized.

February 4—Motion carried authorizing the purchase of 40 acres of land, more or less, adjoining the city reservoirs.

February 25—Resolution passed instructing city engineer to make survey and estimates of proposed sewer extension to relieve congested condition of sewers. Annual report of Public Librarian received. Resolution passed authorizing payment of \$522.50 for land purchased adjoining city reservoirs. Bolton road drag ordered purchased. Barton & Terrill awarded city hauling for one year.

March 4—Purchase of addition to Riverside Park authorized and warrant for \$25.00 in payment of same ordered drawn, \$25.00 having been paid on same by residents of the West Side. Ordinance No. 277, providing for an emergency appropriation for enlargement of outlets of Sewer Districts Nos. 1 and 2, passed. Vitrified sewer pipe ordered for sewer extension.

March 11—Appropriation of \$100.00 made for maintenance of Orchard Mesa cemeteries. F. J. Gilley appointed assistant fire chief.

March 18—Philip Marten given permission to connect with sewer in District No. 3. Joseph Stewart, manager of Electric company appeared before Council and explained cause of poor electric lights and promised that trouble would be remedied as soon as possible.

March 25—Depository bond of U. S. Bank and Trust Co. accepted. Ordinance No. 278, concerning salaries, and Ordinance No. 279, concerning weights and measures, passed.

April 1—The purchase of one Ford one-ton chassis for use of Fire Department as auxiliary hose truck authorized; also purchase of necessary iron rods for the arching and extension of water pipe across Fifth street bridge.

April 15—Quarterly reports submitted. Motion passed requesting the G. J. Electric, Gas & Manufacturing Co. to paint the trolley and wire poles over the city.

April 23—Resolution passed ordering sidewalk constructed in front of certain lots in Keith's Addition. Ordinance No. 280, licensing second-hand stores, passed.

April 20—Motion passed permitting Purdy Mesa ranchers to tap Kannah Creek pipe line. Resolution passed permitting C. C. Whipple to connect his house with sewer in District No. 3. Motion passed appropriating \$21.00 for advertising Victory Loan drive. Motion carried to extend water line in Lincoln Park.

May 6—Resolution passed ordering property on North Spruce street to be connected with sewer; also resolution ordering Commissioner of Health and Civic Beauty to remove and destroy all the common barberry (*berberis vulgaris*) now growing in the several parks of the city, said order being in compliance with request of the U. S. department of agriculture. Resolution passed permitting property on South Fifth street to connect with sewer.

May 20-22—The report of the audit of the city's books and accounts by C. H. Fulton, certified public accountant, submitted, read and accepted. Resolution passed requesting school board to close public schools on account of the epidemic of scarlet fever.

May 27—Ford runabout ordered purchased for Water Department, the price to be \$614.20. Ordinance No. 281, a building ordinance, passed and adopted.

June 3—Petition received from members of Fire Department asking increase in salaries. Carload of cast iron pipe for Water Department ordered purchased.

June 10—Quarterly reports of Commissioners and city officers accepted. Ordinance No. 282, an ordinance in reference to venereal diseases, passed. Motion carried to transfer \$4,000.00 from Water Fund to Water Sinking Fund.

June 17—Water meter ordered installed at the Currie canning factory. City offices ordered closed every Saturday afternoon during months of June, July and August.

June 21—Resolution passed to join with Pueblo and other cities in protesting against the high price of gasoline and asking representatives in Congress to cause an investigation to be made. J. E. Ragan employed to audit city's books and accounts. Ordinance No. 283, providing for an emergency appropriation for maintenance of the public parks, passed. The purchase of 25 barrels of Tarvia authorized.

July 1—Commissioners Blackstone and Holmburg appointed special committee to arrange for band concerts in the city parks. Telephones in certain city offices ordered discontinued. Commissioner of Finance and Supplies authorized to sell old Thomas auto truck for \$100.

July 15—Petition received from citizens of West Side for sewer extension. Ordinance No. 284, concerning salaries, passed. Quarterly reports of Commissioners submitted. D. & R. G. band employed to give concerts in parks. The Daily Sentinel designated as official paper.

July 22—Resignation of F. R. Hall, city engineer, received and accepted. Resolution passed cancelling certain tax sale certificate, erroneously issued, covering property in Capitol Hill subdivision.

July 20—Communication from the G. J. Electric, Gas & Mfg. Co. in reference to increase in gas rates received. J. E. Ragan employed to check up books of Electric company covering its gas plant. Resolution passed ordering re-installation of telephones in city offices.

August 5—Purchase of one ton of pig lead for Water Department authorized; also purchase of necessary lumber for repair of grand stand, bleachers and exhibition hall in Lincoln Park. Ordinance No. 285, providing for an emergency appropriation for maintenance of the Health Department, passed. Capt. J. J. Vandemoer appointed city engineer.

August 12—Report of condition of Firemen's Pension Fund submitted by Secretary Hynes, showing a balance of \$546.97 in fund. James Purcell granted permission to construct stairway in rear of building at 417 Main street.

August 19-23—Report of semi-annual audit of city's books and accounts by J. E. Ragan submitted, read and accepted. Commissioner of Finance and Supplies authorized to purchase lump coal for season for use of City Departments from Juanita Sales Co. at \$6.20 per ton. The purchase of 5,000 pounds of bacon and 200 pounds of prunes from U. S. government at Omaha, Nebr., authorized, the same to be sold at cost to the people of Grand Junction and vicinity. Arc light ordered placed at the intersection of Ute avenue and Tenth street.

August 26—Report of investigation of the G. J. Electric, Gas and Mfg. Co.'s gas plant made by J. E. Ragan. Resolution passed approving increase of rates for gas to \$1.50 per thousand feet, with minimum charge of 75 cents for each consumer. Quarterly reports approved and accepted.

September 2—Report of J. E. Ragan, submitting statement of gross receipts of the G. J. Electric, Gas & Mfg. Co. from sale of electric current, received. Report referred to Commissioner of Finance and Supplies with instructions to collect the difference in percentage due the city from the said company.

September 5—Resolution passed declaring in favor of the employment of a nurse to guard health of children in the public schools, the wages of the said nurse to be paid by the school board for the first six months and by the city for the last three months of the school term.

September 23-30—City Engineer instructed to make preliminary survey of the proposed Riverside Drive from Fifth street bridge to the Main street bridge. Resolution passed instructing Mayor and City Clerk to sign contract with the Receiver of the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad Co., providing for the payment of assessment for sidewalk on South Fifth street.

October 7-9—Resolution passed to submit proposed charter amendment in reference to salaries of Commissioners to the qualified electors at the next general election; also resolution to submit proposed charter amendment in reference to changing termination of elective offices; also resolution submitting ordinance in reference to Fire Department. E. E. Neil given permission to connect with sewer in District No. 3. Resolution passed declaring it the sense of the Council that an intercepting sewer district should be organized to carry the sewage of Districts Nos. 1, 2 and 4.

October 14—Petition of D. T. Stone and others presented to the Council, asking the Council to provide in next year's budget sufficient funds to extend side lights on Main and Second streets. Petition referred to Mayor with recommendation of the Council that the petition be complied with.

Resolution passed to submit ordinance to the qualified electors, providing for waiving by the City of the payment of \$1,000 coming due in 1921 from the G. J. Electric, Gas & Mfg. Co. Public Library board asked increase of appropriation for maintenance of Public Library for the next year to \$3,000. Quarterly reports of Commissioners submitted. October 20 designated as the day for the submission of department estimates for the next fiscal year to the Commissioner of Finance and Supplies.

October 21—Officers of election appointed for the several voting precincts. Quarterly reports accepted.

October 28—Communication received from principals of public schools, asking Council to appropriate \$300.00 for playground work next summer. Annual City estimate submitted by Commissioner of Finance and Supplies.

November 5—Request of members of Fire Department to employ one extra man, one man to be allowed off duty for 24 hours every fifth day, refused. Ordinance No. 286, providing for an emergency appropriation for the Fire Department, passed. Annual tax-levying resolution passed. C. B. Rich, Henry Tupper and S. B. Eskridge appointed to serve on canvassing board in places of Commissioners Garber, Blackstone and Holmburg.

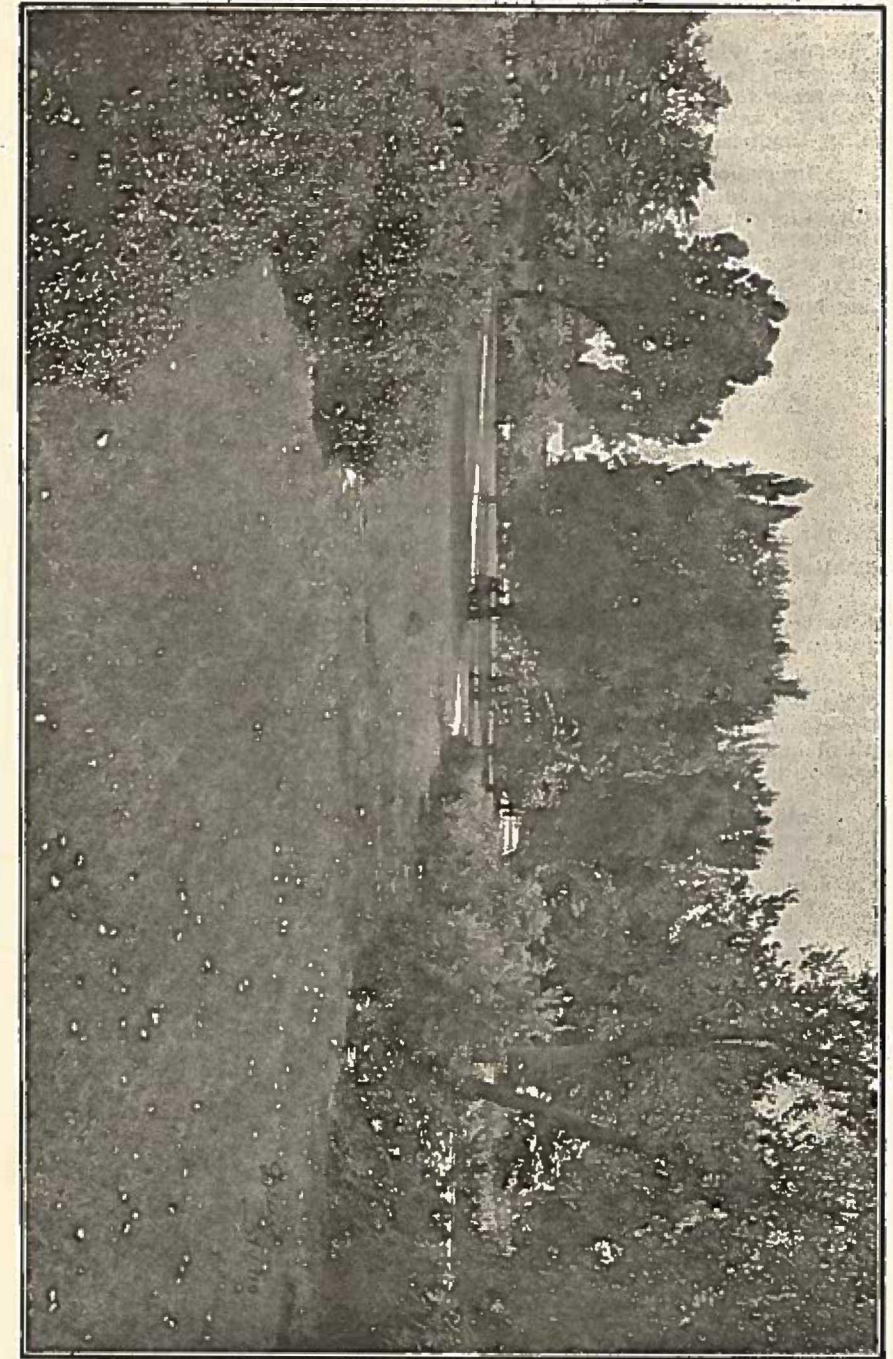
November 6—Report of canvassing board, giving results of general election held November 4th, submitted. Report accepted, and Chas. M. Garber declared elected Commissioner of Water and Sewers, Ben J. Snyder, Commissioner of Finance and Supplies, L. E. Blackstone, Commissioner of Highways, and Charles K. Holmburg, Commissioner of Health and Civic Beauty. Second Charter Amendment declared adopted.

November 12-18—Petition of West Side residents received, asking Council to form a sewer district of certain parts of the City not having sewers. City Treasurer ordered to pay unpaid bill of Red Cross flu hospital of \$51.25 out of balance of \$117.68, profits of sale of bacon and prunes and turn balance into general fund. Resignations of Firemen Gilley, Gedney and Garber accepted.

November 25—Ordinance No. 287, the annual appropriation ordinance passed and adopted; also Ordinance No. 288, levying a special water frontage assessment. Commissioner Vorbeck tendered his resignation as Commissioner of Finance and Supplies.

December 2-3—Communication received from Ben J. Snyder, advising Council that he had decided not to qualify for the office of Commissioner of Finance and Supplies, to which office he was elected November 4. Resolution passed appointing J. F. Whittaker Commissioner of Finance and Supplies to fill unexpired term of H. F. Vorbeck and also to fill office beginning January 1, 1920, to which Ben J. Snyder was elected. C. L. Downing, J. G. Caffee and Vernon Shepardson appointed regular firemen by the Mayor. List of non-voters at the last city election submitted by the City Clerk. December 15, 18 and 22 designated as days for sitting of Council committee to hear reasons for retention of names on registration lists. Ordinance No. 289, regulating street traffic, passed. Resolution passed, declaring intention of Council to create Intercepting Sewer District No. 6; also Sewer District No. 5.

December 16—Report of City's cash receipts from June 30 to December 15, 1919, made by J. E. Ragan, public accountant. Resignation of Commissioner Vorbeck accepted, and J. F. Whittaker appointed Commissioner of Finance and Supplies. Commissioner Vorbeck retired and Com-



SCENE IN WHITMAN PARK

missioner Whittaker took his seat in the Council. Resolution passed settling controversy between City and the G. J. Electric, Gas & Mfg. Co. in reference to its payment of three per cent of receipts for electric current. Bids for sewer pipe referred to Commissioner of Water and Sewers and City Engineer.

December 23-26—Resolution passed authorizing City Treasurer to place \$1,000 belonging to Firemen's Pension Fund in savings account. City Clerk instructed to have 3,000 copies of traffic ordinance printed in pamphlet form. Bid of Biggs-Kurtz Hardware Co. for sewer pipe accepted and order placed with said firm for sewer pipe to be delivered February 1, 1920. Resolutions passed adopting details and specifications and describing boundaries of Sewer Districts Nos. 5 and 6.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Grand Junction, Colorado, February 10, 1920.

To the Honorable Board of City Commissioners, Grand Junction, Colo.
Gentlemen:

Following is my annual summary of the expenditures of the several departments under my supervision for the year, 1919. These amounts are shown in detail in my quarterly reports for the year:

Light Department	
First quarter	\$1,392.88
Second quarter	2,070.60
Third quarter	1,998.63
Fourth quarter	2,813.50
	\$ 8,275.61
Police Department	
First quarter	\$ 809.61
Second quarter	1,200.77
Third quarter	1,914.94
Fourth quarter	1,133.96
	\$ 5,059.28
Fire Department	
First quarter	\$3,875.53
Second quarter	1,998.40
Third quarter	2,299.64
Fourth quarter	1,997.81
	\$10,171.38
Public Library	
First quarter	\$ 515.38
Second quarter	462.48
Third quarter	803.59
Fourth quarter	714.73
	\$ 2,496.18
Total amount expended.....	\$26,002.45

Respectfully submitted,
CHAS. E. CHERRINGTON,
Commissioner of Public Affairs.

ANNUAL REPORT OF COMMISSIONER OF WATER AND SEWERS

Grand Junction, Colo., January 2, 1920.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Grand
Junction, Colo.

Gentlemen:

Herewith I submit the annual report of the Department of Water and Sewers for the year 1919. The expenditures of the department are shown in detail by the following statement:

WATER FUND

Account of—	
Office Expense	
Clerical work, postage, telephone, etc.....	\$ 209.79
Printing and stationery.....	162.55
Miscellaneous—Refund water rentals, etc.....	28.75
	\$ 401.09
Pipe Line and Reservoirs	
Labor and team work.....	\$ 436.75
Tools and supplies.....	52.18
Miscellaneous—Land bought, telephone, auto service, meals for men, etc.....	747.63
	\$ 1,236.56
Street Mains—Construction and Repairs	
Labor and team work.....	\$4,213.77
Pipe and supplies.....	4,235.16
Miscellaneous	205.63
	\$ 8,654.56
Equipment	
Repairs and renewal machinery and tools.....	\$ 953.91
Live stock—replacement and keep.....	228.32
	\$ 1,182.23
Kannah Creek Intake	
Caretaker and extra labor.....	\$ 962.00
Material and supplies.....	40.63
Miscellaneous—Road to intake, telephone, auto service, etc.	210.45
	\$ 1,213.08
	\$12,687.52

SEWER FUND

Account of—	
Sewers—Maintenance and Repairs	
Labor and team work.....	\$ 625.76
Material and supplies.....	355.31
Miscellaneous—claims and damages.....	13.00
	\$ 994.07
Total expended by Department.....	\$13,681.59

NOTATIONS

Construction and Repairs

Besides the general repair work done during the year, the following new pipe was put in, replacing old pipe: Cast-iron pipe, 2,790 feet, distributed as follows:

- Colorado avenue, between 12th and 14th streets, 936 feet.
- Gunnison avenue and 8th street, 180 feet.
- Chipeta avenue, between 10th and 12th streets, 624 feet.
- Grand avenue, between 12th and 14th streets, 850 feet.
- South 5th street, near bridge and Struthers avenue, 200 feet 12-inch cast.
- Steel pipe, 1,304 feet, distributed as follows:
 - Three arches on Fifth street bridge, 450 feet 12-inch steel.
 - Pitkin avenue, between 7th and 8th streets, 65 feet.
 - Ute avenue and 14th street, 54 feet.
 - Teller avenue, between 7th and 8th streets, 62 feet.
 - Seventh street, between Ouray and Chipeta avenues, 43 feet.
 - North avenue, between Hill and Teller, 380 feet 2-inch pipe.
 - West Colorado avenue from Plank avenue east, 250 feet 2-inch.

Sewer Construction

To temporarily relieve the congested sewer conditions, a cross line of 550 feet of 12-inch sewer was put in between Seventh and Eighth streets and between South and Ute avenues.

Recommendations

I would recommend that greater storage of water be provided for by the construction of an additional reservoir. As will be recalled, the Council last year authorized the purchase of additional land for this purpose. In case of an emergency, like a possible break in the Kannah Creek pipe line, the extra storage would provide the city with water until repairs could be made. Also in case of fire, another reservoir would insure against a shortage of water.

It will be necessary the coming season to repair portions of the wooden pipe on the Kannah Creek line.

The total receipts of the department for the year, as shown by the report of the Commissioner of Finance and Supplies, was \$49,036.80.

Respectfully submitted,
CHAS. M. GARBER
Commissioner of Water and Sewers.

ANNUAL REPORT OF COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE
AND SUPPLIES

Grand Junction, Colo., Dec. 31, 1919.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Grand Junction.

Gentlemen:

The attached is my annual report for the year 1919:

Very truly yours,

J. F. WHITTAKER,
Commissioner of Finance & Supplies.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance Jan. 1, 1919.....\$ 25,977.74

RECEIPTS

Water Fund

Metered water	\$12,432.94
Rented water	33,533.12
Tank water	544.75
Street sprinkling	300.00
Fire hydrants	1,440.00
City parks	250.00
Tap permits	193.50
Old pipe and junk sold..	230.49
Meter deposits	111.00
Sundries, receipts	1.00

Total water

\$ 49,036.80

GENERAL FUNDS

Licenses	
Dogs	\$ 347.00
Express	243.40
Jitney	150.00
Plumber	20.00
Auctioneer	77.50
Cigarette dealers	517.50
Billiard and pool.....	223.25
Theaters and shows.....	175.00
Peddlers, street stands and hawkers	255.00
Second hand dealers....	55.00
Ferris wheel and merry- go-round	170.00
Junk dealers	37.50

Total licenses

\$ 2,271.15

County treasurer, tax collection	53,634.60	
Telephone Co., percentage	1,046.15	
Gas & Electric Co., percentage	2,171.20	
Lincoln Park gate percentage	929.47	
Grease trap cleaning.....	1,361.00	
Police court costs.....	159.00	
Dairy inspection fees.....	42.00	
City scales	363.70	
Hay sold	143.52	
Old fire wagon and auto chassis sold	280.00	
Surplus from sale of bacon	66.43	
Sundries & Misc. sold...	17.15	
Total general		62,485.37

MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS

Library		
Tax collections	\$ 2,393.65	
Police court fines.....	435.00	
		\$ 2,828.65
Water Sinking Fund		
Frontage assessment	\$ 5,587.68	
Transferred from water..	4,000.00	
Improvement bonds paid..	8,750.00	
Int. on Impt. bonds.....	263.29	
		18,600.97
Paving District No. 1		
Assessments paid		12,837.60
Paving District No. 2		
Assessments paid		10,856.82
Paving District No. 3		
Assessments paid		2,243.87
Paving District No. 4		
Assessments paid		406.39
Paving and Sidewalk No. 5		
Assessments paid		1,637.27
Sidewalk District No. 1		
Assessments paid		1,088.11
Sidewalk District No. 2		
Assessments paid		2,210.39
Sewer District No. 3		
Assessments paid		2,102.22
Sewer District No. 4		
Assessments paid		351.42
Firemen's Pension Fund		
Recd. from state auditor..	\$ 940.09	
Int. on deposit.....	11.30	
		951.39
		\$167,637.27
Total receipts		\$193,615.01

DISBURSEMENTS

Water Fund		
Warrants paid	\$12,304.74	
Int. on bonds.....	28,325.00	
Com. and Exch.....	98.33	
Tfrd. to water sinking...	4,000.00	
		\$ 44,738.07
Library Fund		
Warrants paid	\$ 2,390.39	
Com. on taxes.....	48.99	
		2,439.38
General Fund		
Warrants paid	\$67,532.64	
Bonds paid	2,000.00	
Int. on bonds paid.....	1,925.00	
Com. on taxes paid.....	1,099.46	
Fiscal agent's Com.....	3.52	
		72,560.62
Firemen's Pension Fund		
Deposited to savings account		1,516.36
Water Sinking Fund		
Investment Grand Junction Imp. Dist. bonds and Int.	\$ 7,866.27	
Water bonds paid.....	10,000.00	
		17,866.27
Special Sewer Fund		
Warrants paid		122.33
Paving District No. 1		
Bonds paid	\$11,000.00	
Int. on bonds paid.....	1,702.51	
Com. and Exch.....	8.71	
		12,711.22
Paving District No. 2		
Bonds paid	\$ 8,500.00	
Int. on bonds paid.....	2,081.74	
Com. and Exch.....	13.60	
		10,595.34
Paving District No. 3		
Bonds paid	\$ 2,000.00	
Int. on bonds paid.....	409.58	
Com. and Exch.....	2.84	
		2,412.42
Paving District No. 4		
Bonds paid	\$ 600.00	
Int. on bonds paid.....	106.08	
Com. and Exch.....	.87	
		606.95
Paving and Sidewalk No. 5		
Warrants paid	\$ 10.35	
Bonds paid	1,000.00	
Int. on bonds paid.....	516.33	
Com. and Exch.....	2.48	
		1,529.16

Sidewalk District No. 1			
Bonds paid	\$ 500.00		
Int. on bonds paid.....	247.39		
Com. and Exch.....	.22		
		747.61	
Sidewalk District No. 2			
Bonds paid	\$ 1,000.00		
Int. on bonds paid.....	974.58		
Com. and Exch.....	2.50		
		1,977.08	
Sewer District No. 3			
Bonds paid	\$ 1,500.00		
Int. on bonds paid.....	768.42		
Com. and Exch.....	4.05		
		2,272.47	
Sewer District No. 4			
Bonds paid	\$ 200.00		
Int. on bonds paid.....	67.73		
Com. and Exch.....	.16		
		267.89	
Total disbursements ...		\$172,358.17	
Balance ...		\$ 21,261.84	
FUND BALANCES			
General Fund		Overdraft	Balance
Balance Jan. 1, 1919....	\$ 8,291.05		
Receipts ...	62,485.37		
	\$70,776.42		
Disbursements ...	72,560.62		
Overdraft ...		\$ 1,784.20	
Water Fund			
Balance Jan. 1, 1919....	\$14,380.85		
Receipts ...	49,036.80		
	63,417.65		
Disbursements ...	44,728.07		
Balance ...		\$ 18,689.58	
Library Fund			
Overdraft Jan. 1, 1919...	\$ 41.98		
Disbursements ...	2,439.38		
	2,481.36		
Receipts ...	2,828.65		
Balance ...		347.29	
Firemen's Pension Fund			
Balance Jan. 1, 1919....	\$ 564.97		
Receipts ...	951.39		
	1,516.36		
Placed in savings Acct.	1,516.36		
Balance ...		00.00	

Water Sinking Fund			
Balance Jan. 1, 1919....	\$ 779.67		
Receipts ...	18,600.97		
	19,380.64		
Disbursements ...	17,866.27		
Balance ...		1,514.37	
Special Sewer Fund			
Balance Jan. 1, 1919....	\$ 122.87		
Disbursements ...	122.33		
Balance54	
Paving District No. 1			
Balance Jan. 1, 1919....	\$ 445.13		
Receipts ...	12,837.60		
	13,282.73		
Disbursements ...	12,711.22		
Balance ...		571.51	
Paving District No. 2			
Balance Jan. 1, 1919....	\$ 306.52		
Receipts ...	10,856.82		
	11,163.34		
Disbursements ...	10,595.34		
Balance ...		568.00	
Paving District No. 3			
Balance Jan. 1, 1919....	\$ 97.00		
Receipts ...	2,243.87		
	2,340.87		
Disbursements ...	2,412.42		
Overdraft ...		71.55	
Paving District No. 4			
Balance Jan. 1, 1919....	\$ 412.83		
Receipts ...	406.39		
	819.22		
Disbursements ...	606.95		
Balance ...		212.27	
Paving and Sidewalk No. 5			
Balance Jan. 1, 1919....	\$ 378.21		
Receipts ...	1,637.27		
	2,015.48		
Disbursements ...	1,529.16		
Balance ...		486.32	
Sidewalk District No. 1			
Overdraft Jan. 1, 1919...	\$ 4.24		
Disbursements ...	747.61		
	751.85		
Receipts ...	1,088.11		
Balance ...		336.26	

Sidewalk District No. 2			
Overdraft Jan. 1, 1919....\$	59.98		
Disbursements	1,977.08		
		2,037.06	
Receipts		2,210.39	
Balance			173.33
Sewer District No. 3			
Balance Jan. 1, 1919....\$	321.12		
Receipts	2,102.22		
		2,423.34	
Disbursements		2,272.47	
Balance			150.87
Sewer District No. 4			
Overdraft Jan. 1, 1919....\$	16.28		
Disbursements	267.89		
		284.17	
Receipts		351.42	
Balance			67.25
		\$ 1,855.75	\$ 23,117.59
Less overdraft			1,855.75
Balance			\$ 21,261.84



WASHINGTON PARK
Free Camping Ground for Auto Tourists.

*analyze the accounts
for this year particularly
the \$ 9,029.17 & 1,052.85 accts.*

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF
HIGHWAYS

Grand Junction, Colo., Jan. 2, 1920.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Grand
Junction, Colorado:

Gentlemen:

Herewith is submitted the annual report of the Commissioner of High-
ways for the year, 1919. The following statement shows in detail the ex-
penditures of the department:

HIGHWAYS FUND

Account of—	
Labor and team work; street cleaning and construction.....	\$ 9,029.17
Live stock; replacement and keep.....	1,988.18
Equipment; repairs and renewal.....	717.61
Construction; crosswalks, culverts and bridges.....	786.65
Water for irrigation and sprinkling.....	300.00
Miscellaneous; supplies, fuel, oil, repair pavement, etc.....	1,052.85
Total	\$13,874.46

General Street Work

Following is a brief summary of the work done by my department
during the year:

Sixteen street crossings were constructed in different parts of the city.

The paving on Second street was repaired at a cost of \$600.00.

Forty blocks were surfaced with cinders and 25 blocks with gravel.

In all 120 culverts were put in in different parts of the city.

We expect to continue the surfacing of streets with cinders and gravel
as much as possible.

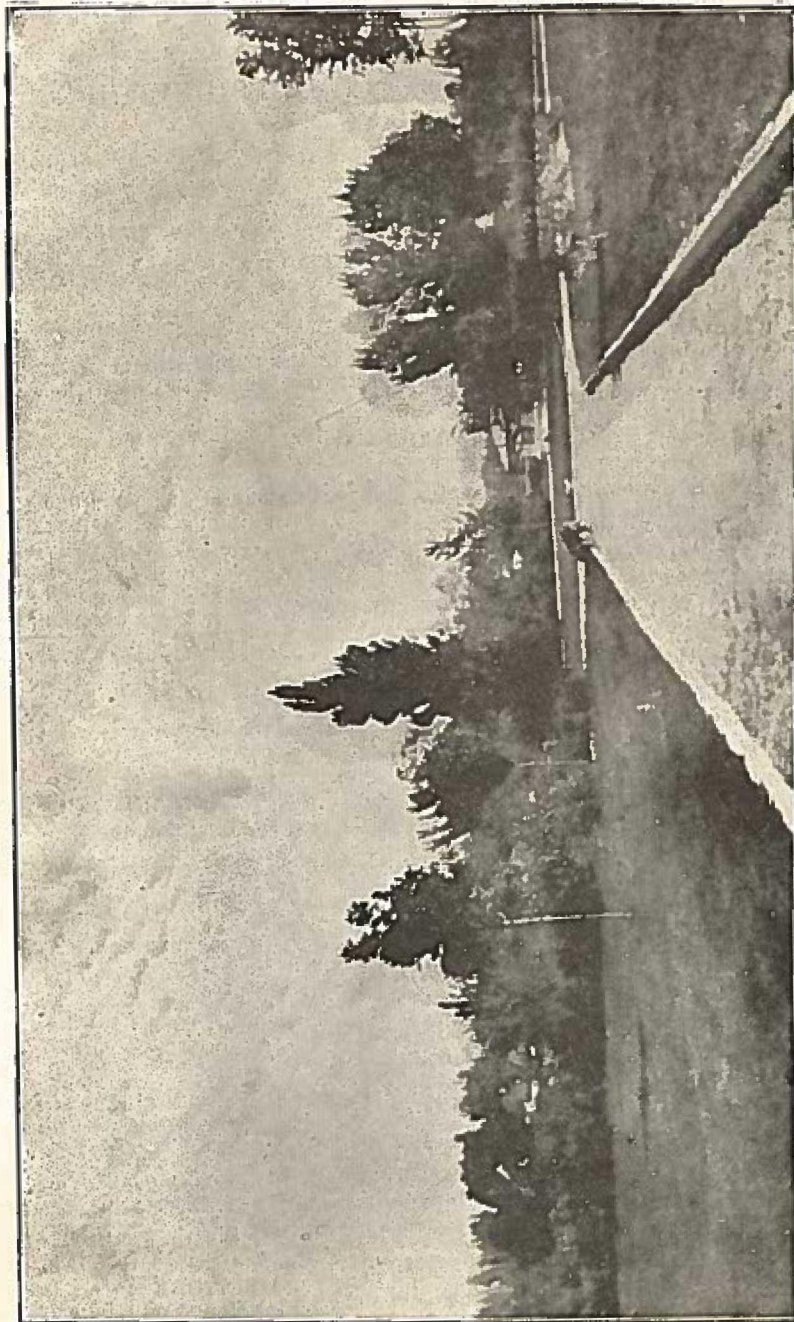
Our alfalfa farming at Lincoln Park has proved a great success. An
abundance of hay for our stock was raised, and "some to burn."

Recommendations

I would recommend that a curb and gutter district be formed each
year until we have better drainage of our streets. The uniform grading
of the streets is impossible until this is done.

I would also recommend that the ordinance in reference to curb
lines be amended so as to make the curb line on 80 ft. streets the same
as on 100 ft. streets, which is 22 feet from the lot line.

Respectfully submitted,
L. E. BLACKSTONE,
Commissioner of Highways.



SCENE IN EMERSON PARK

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH AND CIVIC BEAUTY

Grand Junction, Colo., Dec. 31, 1919.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Grand
Junction, Colorado:

Gentlemen:

The annual report of the Department of Health and Civic Beauty is submitted herewith. The expenditures of the department are shown in the following statement:

HEALTH FUND

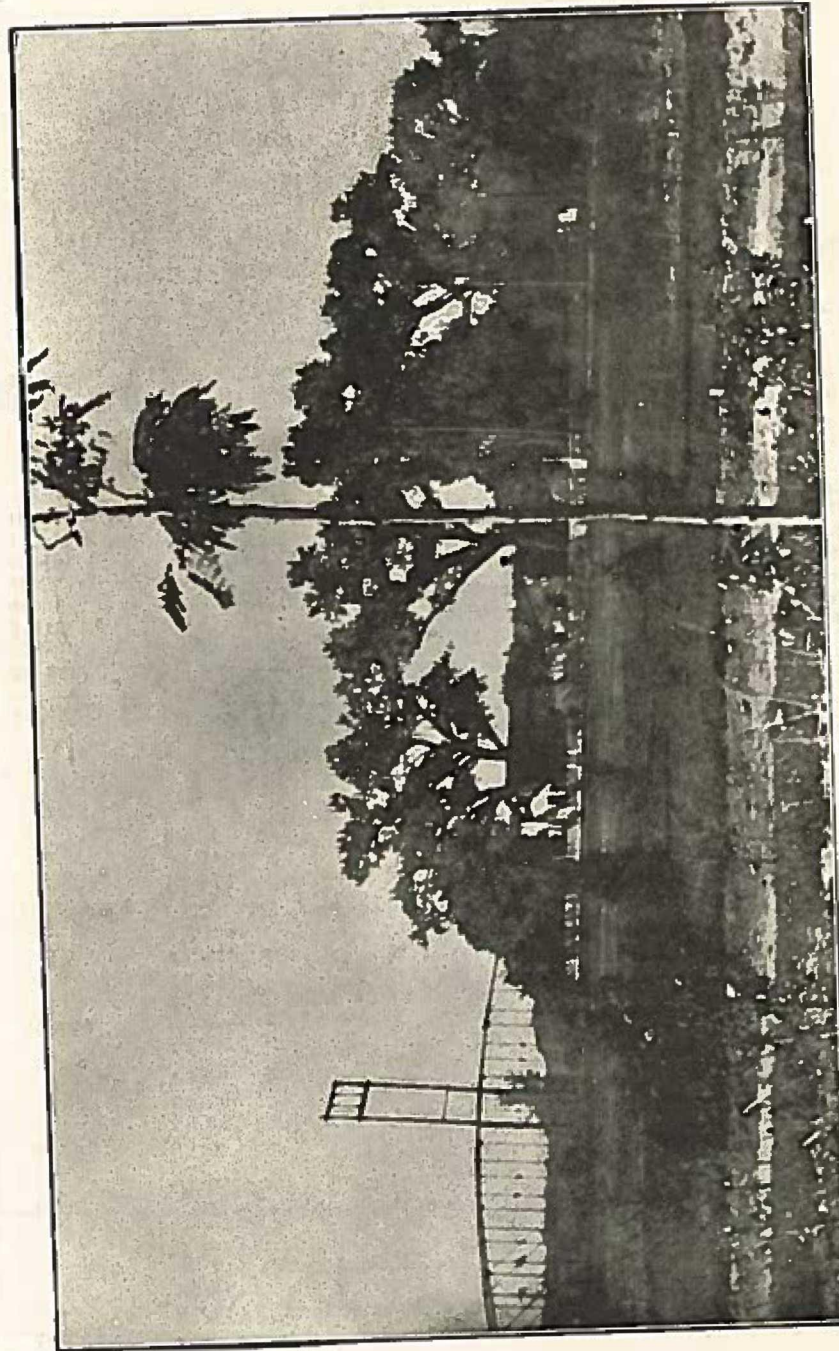
Account of—

Garbage disposal and grease trap cleaning.....	\$ 1,443.50
Cleaning alleys and disposal of trash.....	3,343.85
Red Mesa Hospital; maintenance and repairs.....	1,305.38
Stationery, printing, advertising and postage.....	32.25
Equipment; repairs and renewal.....	36.00
Health officer; drugs and supplies.....	21.10
Miscellaneous: Supplies, fumigating material, care of con- tagious cases, etc.....	277.63
Total ...	\$ 6,559.71

PARK FUND

Account of—

Whitman Park	
Improvements; labor and material.....	\$ 28.60
Maintenance; labor	659.00
Miscellaneous; water, fertilizer, tools, and supplies.....	179.21
	\$ 866.81
Hawthorne Park	
Improvements; labor and material.....	\$ 15.43
Maintenance; labor	713.25
Miscellaneous; water, fertilizer, tools and supplies.....	144.37
	873.05
Emerson Park	
Improvements; labor and material.....	\$ 84.56
Maintenance; labor	609.50
Miscellaneous; water, fertilizer, tools and supplies.....	150.55
	844.61
Washington Park	
Improvements; labor and material.....	3.20
Riverside Park	
Improvements; labor and material.....	\$1,447.42
Maintenance; labor	418.50
Miscellaneous; water, tools, supplies, additional land	117.75
	1,983.67



VIEW OF RIVERSIDE PARK

Lincoln Park	
Repairs and improvements; labor and material....	\$1,661.38
Maintenance; labor	174.15
Miscellaneous; tools, supplies, insurance, telephone	90.18
	1,925.71
Total	\$ 6,497.05
Total expended by Department	\$13,056.76

NOTATIONS

As shown in the above statement, the cost of maintaining the Health Department for the year was \$6,559.71. There were \$1,361.00 collected for cleaning grease traps and \$42.00 for dairy permits, a total of \$1,403, making the net cost of maintaining the Health Department, \$5,156.71.

There were \$6,497.05 expended for the improvement and maintenance of the public parks, the greater portion of which (\$3,909.38) was spent in Riverside and Lincoln Parks. The receipts from Lincoln Park for percentage of gate receipts at ball games and the stock show and fair, and for hay and wood sold, was \$1,076.09, making the net expenditures for parks \$5,420.16.

General Health Conditions

Outside of the influenza and scarlet fever epidemics in the first six months of the year, the health conditions of the city were good. There were 99 cases of scarlet fever reported. The number of cases of influenza is estimated to have been about 500.

Six cases of smallpox were reported during the year. There were no cases of diphtheria reported.

Only one case of typhoid fever was reported.

Vital Statistics

According to the report of the Health Officer, there were 175 births in the city during the year, 89 being males and 86 females; 169 were white, five Mexican and one negro.

The total number of deaths, all causes, was 133, of which 69 were males and 64 females; 129 were white, three Mexican and one negro. Estimating the population of the city to be 10,000, the annual death rate would be 13.3 per thousand.

Clean-up Work

The city scavengers, with some extra help during clean-up week, collected and hauled to the dumping grounds, 3,190 loads of trash, ashes and manure, and cleaned 1,375 grease traps.

During the year 34 complaints of insanitary conditions were made to the Commissioner, and 54 notices were served by him to abate nuisances and remedy conditions.

Bacteriological examinations of the water supply were made a number of times by the City Health Officer. No colon bacilli were found at any time.

The City Health Officer made calls as follows: To the city jail 8, to the Red Mesa Hospital 22. Number of patients seen at office 40.

The Commissioner issued 25 permits to sell milk during the year.

Work of City Clerk

As City Clerk, the Commissioner issued 194 general licenses and 283 dog licenses,

1919

1,055 per load

The number of city warrants drawn on the several funds was 2,071, the total amount of which was \$81,868.18.

The minutes of 60 regular and special meetings of the Council were recorded.

As inspector of weights and measures, the Commissioner, under the new ordinance, inspected and tested 54 scales of various kinds, 50 of which were passed and four condemned.

Maintenance and Improvement of Parks

Park improvements were mainly at Riverside and Lincoln Parks.

At Riverside Park the ground was graded and made ready for planting early in the season. A sidewalk and curb were constructed along West Colorado avenue, on the north side of the park, and parking seeded to grass. Trees and shrubs were planted according to plan. The walks were laid out and graded and 800 feet of concrete coping was constructed.

A year ago Riverside Park was a common dumping ground; at the end of the season it was all in lawn (except the south end, which was acquired last spring) and planted with trees and shrubbery. In a few years this tract of land will make an attractive little park, and its location along the river bank will tend to make it a popular place for rest and recreation.

In order to prepare the grounds and buildings at Lincoln Park for the holding of the Inter-Mountain Stock Show and Fair, considerable repair work had to be done. The grand stand and bleachers were repaired and made safe. New tables and shelves were constructed in the exhibition hall, and the broken lights in the building were replaced. Four hundred feet of new stock sheds were built along the fence on the west side and the old sheds were repaired. The old band stand was moved to the east of the grand stand. Some further improvements and repairs are contemplated for the park the coming season.

City Beautification

What has been done in the past few years in the way of the improvement of the City's parks should be considered as only a beginning of a comprehensive plan of city beautification. As I stated in one of my former reports, every man's home should be made a part of the city park system by connecting the parks with parked streets. This may be done by organizing curb and gutter districts of the streets to be thus treated and improved, similar to sidewalk districts. This would insure a continuous and unbroken line of curb and gutter. Until this is done, the present "ragged" appearance of our streets will obtain, and the proper and systematic grading of the streets is impossible. The inauguration of some such general scheme for the beautification of the city would tend to draw many more people here to make their permanent home, and would add to the financial value as well as to the real comfort and enjoyment of every residence property so treated.

Grand Junction may be said to be now at the point where its citizens must decide whether the city shall remain in the class of country towns or grow to the stature of a modern city. Cities grow not of themselves, but by and through the efforts of its progressive people.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES K. HOLMBURG,
Commissioner of Health and Civic Beauty.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK AND AUDITOR

Grand Junction, Colo., Jan. 2, 1920.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado:

Gentlemen:

Herewith I beg to submit my annual report of the expenditures of the several departments of the city government for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1919; also a statement of the total cash revenues reported by the city treasurer, together with a statement of the assets and liabilities as taken from the books and records of the city.

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

Departments	Appropriation	Expenditures
PUBLIC AFFAIRS		
Lights for streets and public buildings.....	\$ 9,000.00	
Arc lights		\$ 7,959.16
City buildings		292.15
Lamps, posts and conduits.....		24.30
		<u>\$ 8,275.61</u>
Unexpended appropriation		724.39
	<u>\$ 9,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 9,000.00</u>
Police Department	\$ 5,240.00	
Regular and special police.....		\$ 4,142.05
Bootlegging cases		62.50
Meals for prisoners.....		38.85
Disposal of dead animals.....		21.50
Miscellaneous; fuel, supplies, hospital service, telephone, etc.		794.38
		<u>\$ 5,059.28</u>
Unexpended appropriation		180.72
	<u>\$ 5,240.00</u>	<u>\$ 5,240.00</u>
Fire Department	\$ 8,880.00	
Emergency appropriation	1,500.00	
Regular and call firemen.....		\$ 5,257.62
Building and equipment.....		2,841.71
Fuel, supplies, etc.....		632.05
Water for fire hydrants.....		1,440.00
		<u>\$10,171.38</u>
Unexpended appropriation		208.62
	<u>\$10,380.00</u>	<u>\$10,380.00</u>

Public Library	\$ 2,500.00	
Librarian and assistants		\$ 1,667.90
Building, grounds and equipment		171.90
Books and publications		455.53
Supplies, fuel and printing		200.85
		<u>\$ 2,496.18</u>
Unexpended appropriation		3.82
	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00

WATER AND SEWERS

Water Department	\$13,580.00	
Office expense		\$ 401.09
Pipe line and reservoirs		1,236.56
Street mains		8,654.56
Equipment		1,182.23
Kannah Creek intake		1,213.08
		<u>\$12,687.52</u>
Unexpended appropriation		892.48
	\$13,580.00	\$13,580.00
Sewers	\$ 200.00	
Emergency appropriation	800.00	
Maintenance and repairs		\$ 981.07
Miscellaneous		13.00
		<u>\$ 994.07</u>
Unexpended appropriation		5.93
	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00

FINANCES AND SUPPLIES

General Fund	\$ 5,300.00	
Office expense; supplies, etc.		\$ 953.40
Legal advertising, court costs		225.18
Printing and stationery		552.73
Expense election and registration		731.45
Building and equipment		157.65
City real estate; payment on lots		162.00
City forestry		112.87
Insurance, taxes and bonds		165.45
Public benefit; rest room, cemeteries, band con- certs, charities, publicity, sewer survey, etc.		1,466.67
Miscellaneous; fuel, auto service, refund licenses, etc.		387.95
		<u>\$ 4,915.35</u>
Unexpended appropriation		384.65
	\$ 5,300.00	\$ 5,300.00
Salaries; City officers and employes	\$ 9,300.00	
Commissioners		\$ 7,500.00
City attorney		900.00
City health officer		480.00
City hall janitor		420.00
	\$ 9,300.00	\$ 9,300.00

Special Assessments	\$ 942.72	
Payment special assessments		\$ 942.72
	\$ 942.72	\$ 942.72

HIGHWAYS

Streets and Alleys; construction and repairs	\$13,875.00	
Labor and team work		\$ 9,029.17
Live stock and equipment		2,705.79
Sidewalks, crosswalks, gutters and culverts		786.65
Water for irrigation and sprinkling		300.00
Miscellaneous		1,052.85
		<u>\$13,874.46</u>
Unexpended appropriation54
	\$13,875.00	\$13,875.00

HEALTH AND CIVIC BEAUTY

Health Department	\$ 5,200.00	
Emergency appropriation	1,500.00	
Garbage disposal and grease trap cleaning		\$ 1,443.50
Cleaning alleys		3,343.85
Red Mesa Hospital		1,305.38
Health officer		21.10
Equipment and supplies		445.88
		<u>\$ 6,559.71</u>
Unexpended appropriation		140.29
	\$ 6,700.00	\$ 6,700.00

Parks; care and improvement	\$ 4,500.00	
Emergency appropriation	2,000.00	
Whitman Park		\$ 866.81
Hawthorne Park		873.05
Emerson Park		844.61
Washington Park		3.20
Riverside Park		1,983.67
Lincoln Park		1,925.71
		<u>\$ 6,497.05</u>
Unexpended appropriation		2.95
	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00

REVENUES

General Fund	
Balance Jan. 1, 1919	\$ 8,291.05
Receipts—	
General taxes	\$53,634.60
Licenses	2,271.15
City scales	363.70
Municipal court; costs	159.00
Grease traps; cleaning of	1,361.00
Mtn. States Telephone & Tel. Co., per cent.	1,046.15
G. J. Electric, Gas & Mfg. Co., per cent.	2,171.20
Miscellaneous	1,478.57
	<u>\$62,485.37</u>
Total	\$70,776.42

Water Fund	
Balance Jan. 1, 1919.....	\$14,380.85
Receipts—	
Rated and metered water.....	\$45,966.06
Fire, highways and park departments.....	1,990.00
Tank water	544.75
Miscellaneous	535.99
	<u>\$49,036.80</u>
Total ...	\$63,417.65

Library Fund	
Overdraft Jan. 1, 1919.....	\$41.98
Receipts—	
Taxes	\$ 2,393.65
Municipal court; fines.....	435.00
	<u>\$ 2,828.65</u>
Total, less overdraft.....	\$ 2,786.67

Miscellaneous Funds

The receipts and disbursements of the several public improvement district funds are shown in the report of the Commissioner of Finance and Supplies.

SUMMARY OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

General Funds	
Total revenues; receipts all sources and balance..	\$70,776.42
Expenditures; Department of—	
Public affairs	\$23,506.27
Finance and supplies.....	15,158.07
Highways	13,874.46
Health and Civic Beauty.....	13,056.76
Water and sewers; sewers.....	994.07
	<u>\$66,589.63</u>
Cr. Balance	\$ 4,186.79
Water Fund	
Total revenues; receipts and balance.....	\$63,417.65
Expenditures—	
Maintenance water department.....	12,687.52
	<u>\$50,760.13</u>
Cr. Balance	\$ 2,828.65
Library Fund	
Total revenues; receipts.....	\$ 2,828.65
Expenditures—	
Maintenance public library.....	\$ 2,496.18
Overdraft Jan. 1.....	41.98
	<u>\$ 2,538.16</u>
Cr. Balance	\$ 290.49

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Assets	
Cash in treasurer's hands (all funds) Jan. 1, 1920.....	\$ 21,261.84
Water sinking fund, bond.....	500.00
City hall	12,000.00
Fire house and jail.....	14,000.00
Public library	5,000.00
City parks	50,500.00
Part of block 84.....	3,000.00
Lots owned by the city.....	7,000.00
City water system.....	705,000.00
City sewer system.....	200,000.00
Equipment fire and police departments.....	9,300.00
Equipment and supplies water department.....	5,300.00
Equipment and supplies highways department.....	12,500.00
Equipment health and park departments.....	1,000.00
Equipment City offices.....	700.00
	<u>\$1,047,061.84</u>
Total assets	\$1,047,061.84

Liabilities

Water bonds outstanding Jan. 1, 1920.....	\$ 555,000.00
Funding bonds outstanding Jan. 1, 1920.....	14,000.00
Park (Lincoln) bonds outstanding Jan. 1, 1920.....	20,000.00
	<u>\$ 589,000.00</u>
Total liabilities	\$ 589,000.00
Amount of assets over liabilities.....	\$ 458,061.84

LIABILITIES OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS

The outstanding bonded indebtedness of the several public improvement districts on January 1, 1920, was as follows:

Paving district No. 1.....	\$ 27,500.00
Paving district No. 2.....	30,000.00
Paving district No. 3.....	5,500.00
Paving district No. 4.....	1,500.00
Paving and sidewalk district No. 5.....	8,500.00
Sewer district No. 3.....	12,000.00
Sewer district No. 4.....	1,000.00
Sidewalk district No. 1.....	3,750.00
Sidewalk district No. 2.....	12,500.00
	<u>\$102,250.00</u>
Total	\$102,250.00

Total bonded indebtedness of City and public improvement districts

The water bond indebtedness of the city was reduced \$10,000.00 during the year. The bonded indebtedness of the several public improvement districts was reduced \$26,200.00

The total assessed valuation of the City of Grand Junction, as reported and certified to by the county assessor for the year 1919-20, is \$7,452,393.00.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES K. HOLMBURG,
 City Clerk and Auditor.

CITY OFFICIALS

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Every Tuesday at 4 o'clock p. m.

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