

RESOLUTION NO. 112-07

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF GJ CORE (CONSERVING OUR RESOURCES EFFICIENTLY) TO PROMOTE CONSERVATION AND REUSE OF OUR RESOURCES

Recitals:

Local governments are in a unique position to implement and coordinate local action that will lead to significant and real reductions in energy use by influencing land use, transportation, building construction, waste management and management of City facilities and operations. Local government actions taken to conserve resources and increase energy efficiency provide multiple local benefits by decreasing pollution, creating jobs, reducing energy expenditures, enhancing urban livability and sustainability, and saving money for the City government, its businesses and its citizens.

In addition, other conservation measures, specifically water conservation and recycling, are vital to maintaining and enhancing the high quality of life we enjoy in the Grand Valley. The Council believes that as responsible citizens and stewards of the Grand Valley, the City must take a leadership role in conserving our resources.

One of the Solutions listed in the 2005-2006 Strategic Plan is: “A Balance of Character, Economy and Environment: Our community will encourage the values that reflect our small town character while supporting a strong, diverse and growing economy. We will continue to live in a well planned environment supported by exceptional services and physical infrastructure with a commitment to preserving, conserving and re-using resources”. One of the Goals to achieve that solution is: “Continue to promote conservation, reuse and development of our resources”.

The City has implemented a number of energy and resource conservation programs and policies including, emphasis on fuel economy in fleet replacement, modifications at the water treatment facility and Persigo Wastewater Treatment Plant to reduce energy demands, numerous water conservation measures, an expanding recycling program and facilities upgrades to reduce energy demands.

The City has formed an energy conservation team, GJ CORE (Conserving Our Resources Efficiently) to assess and monitor the progress of proposed initiatives and current conservation practices, work to introduce new practices, and explore new conservation opportunities from other communities and outside entities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO that the City Council supports the efforts of GJ CORE to promote conservation and efficient use of our resources.

PASSED on this 30th day of July, 2007.

ATTEST:

/s/: Stephanie Tuin
City Clerk

/s/: James J. Doody
President of Council