

## History of the Grand Junction City Hall

1884 - Lowell Elementary School built on Rood Avenue

1925 - Lowell Elementary is converted to Mesa Junior College

1939 - City Library built on White Avenue

1948 - Mesa Junior College Building condemned due to structural problems

1950 - City of Grand Junction acquires Mesa Junior College Building. The top floor is removed and the building is remodeled and reopened as the Grand Junction City Hall. A renovation project joins the City Library on White with the Lowell Elementary/Mesa Junior College/City Hall building on Rood Avenue. The two buildings are joined into an expanded City Hall.

1987 - An elevator is added for handicap accessibility

1996 - A structural engineering study finds the sandstone foundation of the old Lowell Elementary building is crumbling, and the mortar holding the load-bearing masonry walls together is weak.

1998 - City Council votes to replace both buildings with a new structure in the same location

1999 - April – City employees vacate City Hall for a temporary location while the old structure is demolished

2000 - August 26 – Dedication of a new 48,000 square foot City Hall building