

Facts About the Riverside Parkway

- Largest capital improvement project in Grand Junction history
- \$110 million total project cost
- 7 miles long
- 3 and 5-lane urban roadway providing connections across southern Grand Junction
- Connects 3 state highways and crosses 2 major railways
- Built within 5 years
- 100% locally funded
- Billboards will not be allowed within 300 feet of the Parkway
- 135 properties had to be acquired and relocated and \$20 million was spent to forge agreements
- Construction began fall 2005 and completed in 2008 (15 months ahead of schedule)
- Construction on Phase I began October 2005
- Phase II construction launched July 2006
- Phase III started fall 2007
- Costs:
 - Construction cost \$68.5 million (Phase I, II, III)
 - Right-of-way acquisition and relocation costs \$20 million
 - Street lighting, together with consolidation and rerouting of utilities \$6.5 million
 - Design, construction engineering and administrative costs \$15 million
- Raised, xeriscaped medians of crushed granite, bark mulch and native shrubs and trees
- New bike lanes along entire length of Parkway with several connectors to existing Riverfront trail system
- 4 new vehicle bridges
- 2 new pedestrian bridges
- 1 new pedestrian tunnel
- 2 bridges widened
- 10' widening and new asphalt overlay on the U.S. 50 bridge across the Colorado River
- 48' lengthening of the Broadway 340 bridge to accommodate the Riverside Parkway below
- More than 9,500 cubic yards of concrete for all six bridges
- 6,000 cubic yards of concrete for the retaining walls
- 255,000 lbs of structural steel reinforcement
- 500,000 cubic yards of earth was moved
- 60,000 linear feet of pipe installed
- 44,000 cubic yards of material used for retaining wall construction
- 2.3 million lbs of steel reinforcement
- More than 71,000 tons of asphalt
- In excess of 700 trees, 9,980 shrubs, and 2,430 perennials were planted
- More than 120 craftsmen and construction personnel from SEMA Construction and many sub-contractors
- 35+ pieces of heavy equipment were brought in from around Colorado
- Over 20 public meetings held throughout the three-year planning period prior to construction



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Riverside Parkway Celebration Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Friday, August 15, 2008

10:00 a.m.

5th Street Bridge near Western Colorado Botanical Gardens



The City of Grand Junction would like to take this opportunity to thank the many parties who played such a significant role in making the Riverside Parkway project

A SUCCESS:

General Contractor:
SEMA Construction

Consulting Engineer:
Carter Burgess Jacobs Engineering

Subcontractors:
 Abco Contracting Company, Inc.
 Advanced Foundation Systems
 AFCC Steel
 Apelon Utility Construction, Inc.
 B & B Contractors
 B & J Painting Company
 Barner Rebar Inc.
 Bowman Construction Supply Inc.
 CC Enterprises
 Clarke & Company, Inc.
 Clayco Construction, Inc.
 Encon Colorado, LLC
 Gonzales Construction Company
 Grand Junction Pipe & Supply
 Grand Junction Ready Mix Corp.
 Ground Engineering Consultants
 Independent Painting & Coat
 Infrasource Underground Services
 JD Fields & Company, Inc.
 JD Steel
 Les Matson Construction
 Ludwig Cassion Drilling, Inc.
 Mays Concrete Inc.
 Mountain Valley Contracting
 SEMA Precast
 Slaton Bros., Inc
 Standard Electric
 Taylor Fence Company
 United Companies
 Universal Industrial Sales, Inc.
 Utah Pacific Bridge & Steel
 Walsh Environmental Scientists
 Whitewater Building Materials
 WHL Construction Company
 Your Way Safety & Sign Supply

Other Project Partners:

Big R Manufacturing
 Bresnan Communications
 Charlotte Robinson
 Colorado Department of Local Affairs
 Colorado Department of Transportation
 Colorado National Guard
 Colorado Public Utilities Commission
 Grand Valley Drainage District
 Grand Valley Power
 Grand Valley Sanitation District
 H.C. Peck Associates
 Holland and Hart
 MA Concrete Construction
 Mesa County
 Mesa County Valley School District
 Mesa State College
 Quest
 Rippy's Utility Locating Service
 River City Consultants
 Rolland Engineering
 S & S Landscaping and Supply
 Souder Miller & Associates
 Transportation Resource Services, Inc.
 Tri-State Generating
 Union Pacific Railroad
 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
 Ute Water Conservancy District
 Walsh Environmental
 Xcel Energy
 Yeh Associates

City of Grand Junction Departments and Divisions:

City Council
 Administration
 Finance
 Fire Department
 Information Services
 Parks and Recreation
 Police Department
 Public Works and Planning
 Traffic
 Utilities and Streets

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Presentation of the Colors
 Grand Junction Police Department Chief's Honor Guard

The National Anthem
 Kalinda Theobold

A Thank You to the Community
 Mayor Gregg Palmer
 City of Grand Junction

Transportation
 Russell George, Executive Director
 Colorado Department of Transportation

Doug Aden, Chairman, State Transportation Commission

Those Who Made the Project a Success and Next Steps
 Tim Moore, Director of Public Works and Planning
 City of Grand Junction

Jim Shanks
 Riverside Parkway Project Manager
 City of Grand Junction

Engineering the Riverside Parkway
 Jay Brasher, Director of Engineering
 Jacobs Engineering

Plaque Unveiling

Ribbon Cutting

Vintage car procession along the Riverside Parkway

Please join us for refreshments following the ceremony

The Riverside Parkway will be opened to all traffic at 2:00 p.m.

Immediately following the ribbon cutting and continuing until 2 p.m., two buses with tour guides will provide a tour of the Parkway beginning at the Botanical Gardens and out to Bananas Fun Park. Along the way you will see the new pedestrian bridges, the new entrance to the Riverside neighborhood at Hale Avenue, learn about the construction challenges of extending the Highway 340 bridge one hundred feet to the west to allow the Parkway to go beneath it, and learn about the construction of the 25 Road bridge and pedestrian bridge. You'll also learn about the connections to the Riverfront Trail system, and some of the challenges of acquiring right-of-way and relocating businesses and residences for this project.