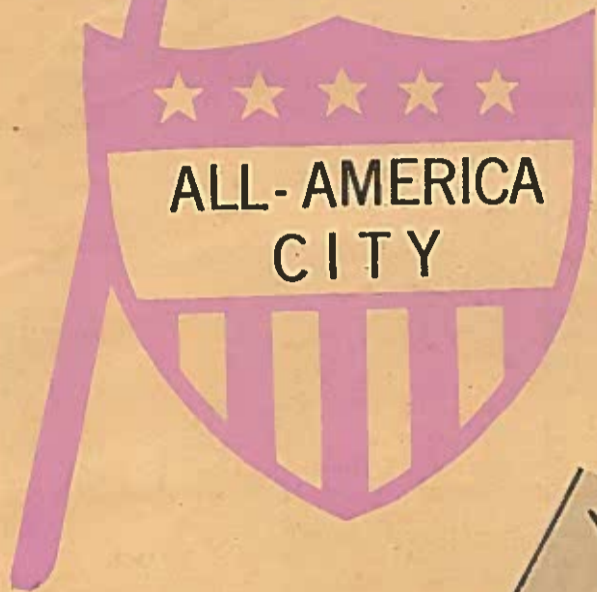
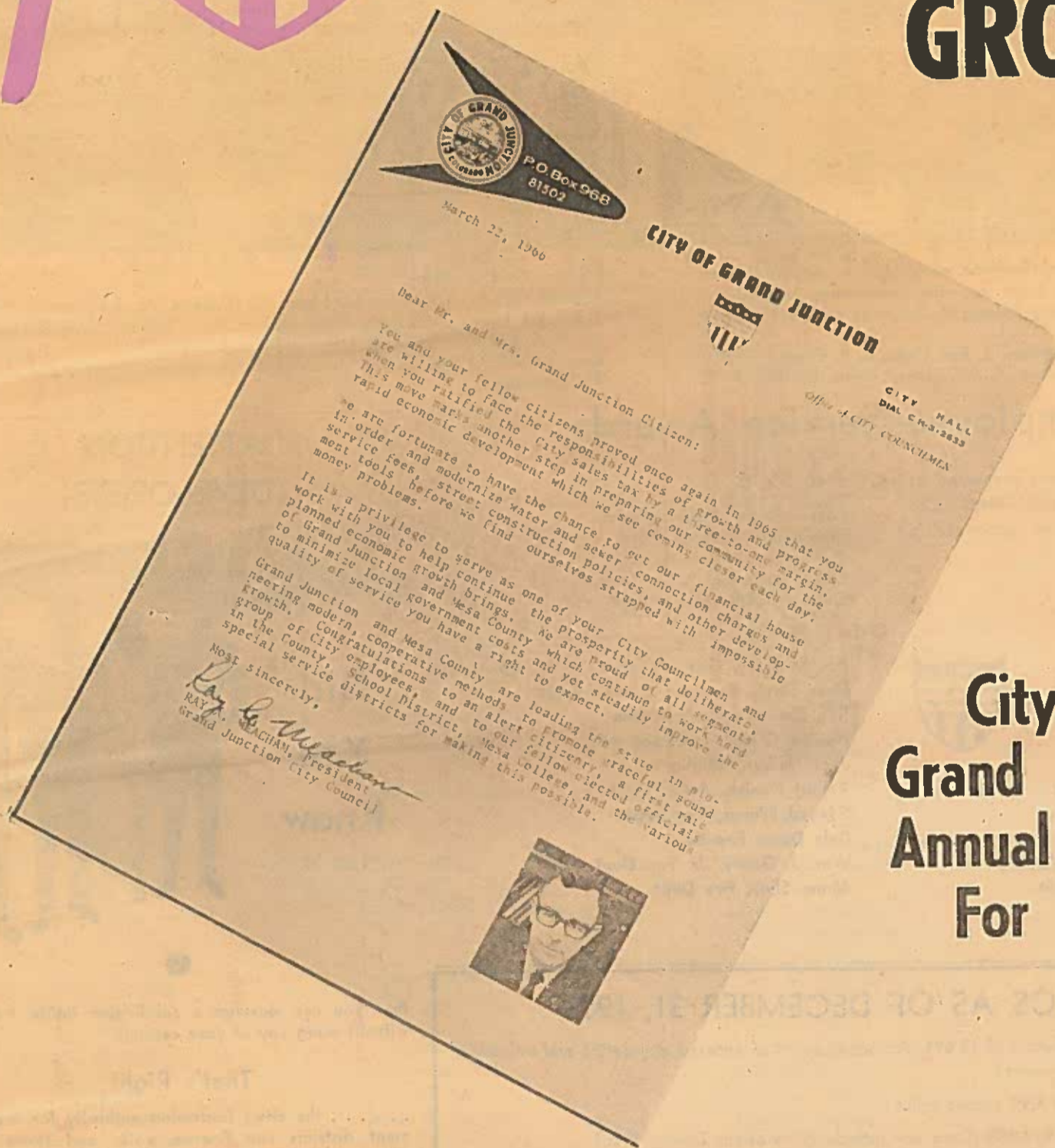


PROGRESS

TO DATE



HELPS PLANNED AREA GROWTH



City Of Grand Junction Annual Report For 1965

**FIRST
INCORPORATED
1881**



**HOME RULE
CHARTER
1909**

SAFETY PROGRAM PAYS OFF

On-the-job safety was the primary aim of a concentrated safety program conducted for all City employees during 1965. As a result the total number of accidents decreased and vehicle accidents were cut sharply with only two occurring during the year.

The safety programs were conducted once a month in the civic auditorium at 4 p.m. with all employees required to attend. The program format was under the direction of a five-member employee safety committee consisting of three departmental representatives, the personnel director and the Operations director.

The Park department showed the greatest improvement in the accident ratio with only three reportable accidents during the year. The most serious accident resulted in the death of one Utility Department man from lethal sewer gases. Two other employees were hospitalized in this incident.

The sincere gratitude of all City employees is extended to the Public Service Co. Safety Division, Union Carbide, American Gilsonite, the State Workmen's Compensation Department and the many others who helped present the excellent safety programs during 1965.

AUTOMATED PAYROLL

Another big step in City-County cooperation is the preparation of City payroll checks on data processing equipment in the Mesa County Court House. The City provides some of the equipment and part-time operators as well as sharing the cost. The result is a time and money saving in routine payroll accounting and more detail check stub information. Each deduction is listed separately as well as vacation and sick leave days earned and taken to date.



Twenty-four City supervisors and foremen completed a special 10-hour Safety School presented by the State Industrial Commission in February, 1966. City Manager Joe Lacy congratulates the group as they receive their certificates of completion.

Bottom row, left to right—L. G. Hicks, J. Earl Clark, B. B. Green, Wesley J. Miller, Dave Franklin, Paul Savoya, C. W. Moore, Chas. Griffith, R. T.

Mantlo, Fred Mattison.

Top row, left to right—Everett Morris, D. D. Davis, W. J. Devenney, Fred J. Snyder, Harry L. Stoddart, Frank Willers, R. J. Strouse, Wm. D. Trusty, Jr., Carl A. Davis, Robt. A. Daniels, Mike J. Chesnick.

Not present for the picture were Joe Brady, Dewey Hamby, and J. T. Vanlandingham.

1965 Employee Service Awards

The following service awards were presented at the Annual Awards Dinner, Dec. 5, 1965. Many more employees than those listed have been recognized in previous years.

OVER 20 YEARS

Anthony Kovach, Sanitation
Fred Gonzales, Sanitation
R. T. Mantlo, Fire Dept. Lieut.
Charles Griffith, Fire Dept. Lieut.
Orville Hannigan, Fire Dept.
Wesley Miller, Cemetery



OVER 15 YEARS

Lynn Taylor, Purchasing Agent
Fred Snyder, Maint. Supt. Public Works
Wayne Warren, Foreman, Utilities

OVER 10 YEARS

Pheral Green, Public Works
Ernest Latto, Public Works
J. T. Logue, Lieut.—Police Dept.
Loren Anderson, Police Dept.
Carrol McKissen, Fire Dept.

OVER 5 YEARS

Joe M. Lacy, City Manager
Dean Davis, Foreman, Public Works
Roy Zimmerman, Sanitation
Nadine O'Neil, Development
Jack Neilsen, Utilities
Robert Daniels, Police Dept.
Edward Billings, Fire Dept.
Dale Dean, Fire Dept.
Wm. J. Geary, Jr. Fire Dept.
James Shue, Fire Dept.

ATTENTION DEVELOPERS



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City Hall

A well-planned subdivision will assure the most competitive financing for your customers. Get the details today.

CITY STATISTICS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1965

POPULATION: 22,550 (1960 Census of 18,694 plus actual count of annexed population and estimated internal development.)

AREA: 3,194.03 acres: 4.99 square miles

ASSESSED VALUATION: \$36,914,880 (Does not include Annexations During 1965)

WATER SYSTEM CAPACITY: 38,500 persons

NOW SERVING: 29,000 persons*

SEWER SYSTEM CAPACITY: 30,000 persons

NOW SERVING: 22,741 persons*

(*Including those inside and outside City Limits)

PAVED STREETS: 89.40 miles; 898 blocks

UNPAVED STREETS: 9.25 miles; 100 blocks

PARKS: 9 parks, covering 149 acres

EMPLOYEES: 207 (full-time, only)

SOURCE: Mesa County Assessor: U.S. Census, 1960;
City Utility, Public Works, Parks and Personnel Records.

Walker Field Activity-1965



YEAR	FRONTIER AIR LINES	UNITED AIRLINES	TOTAL	PER CENT CHANGE	Total Flying Operations	PER CENT CHANGE
	(a)	(b)			(c)	
1962	17,476	6,142	23,618	—	63,426	—
1963	21,950	8,030	29,980	+27%	61,844	-2.5%
1964	26,350	8,533	34,883	+16%	60,398	-2.3%
1965	29,866	10,645	40,511	+16%	62,988	+4.3%

(a) Eleven scheduled flts/day.
 (b) Two scheduled flts/day.
 (c) From F A A Control Tower Log



Airport Major Industrial Attraction

Walker Field Airport Manager Bus Byrom works under direction of the City-County Airport Board to Keep airport facilities up with growing demands.

Runway lengthening in 1965 and overlay strengthening in 1966 are required to handle Boeing 727 jet planes of both Frontier and United Airlines in 1967.

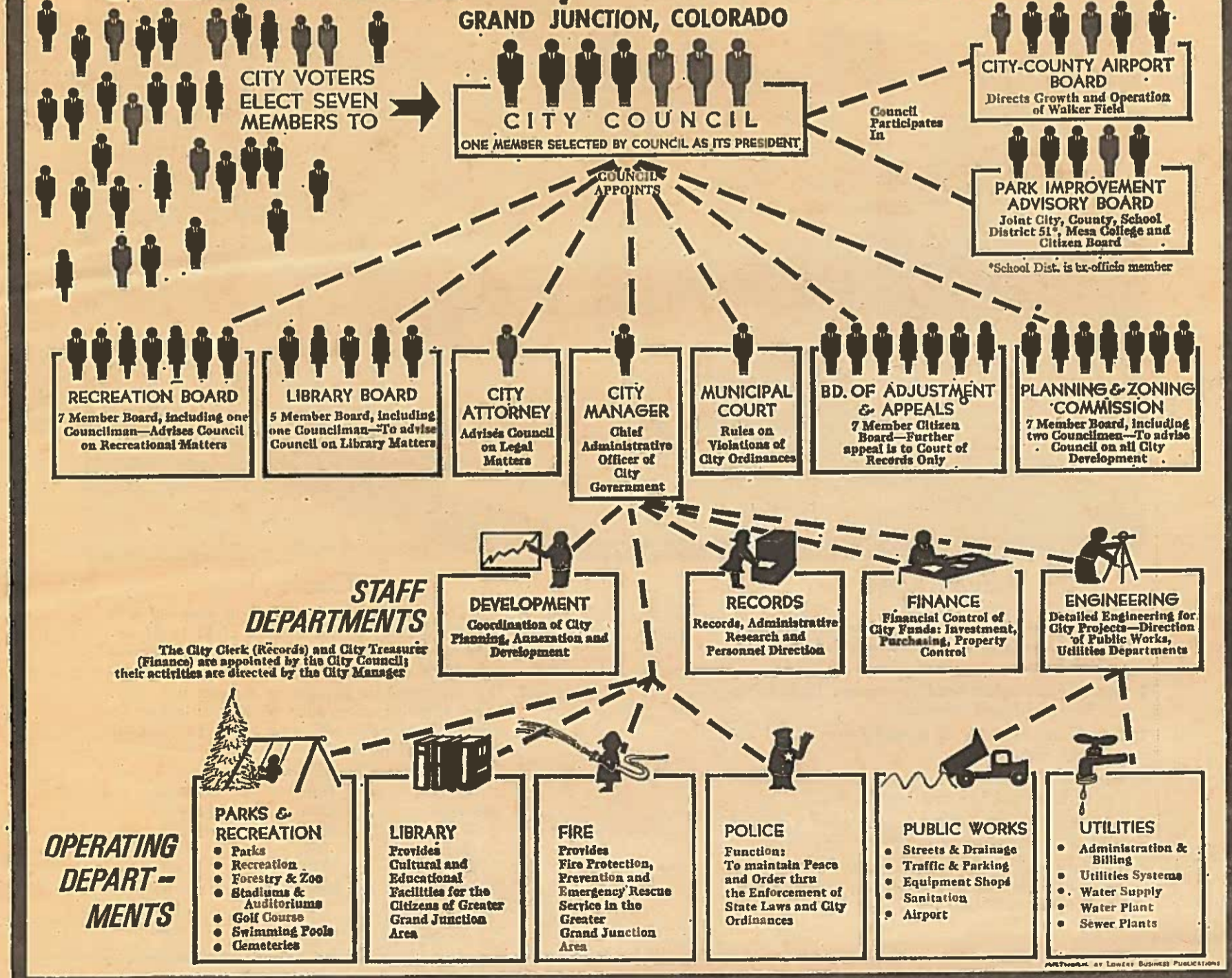
Electronics manufacturing firms moving to Grand Junction in recent years have cited excellent air facilities as a major factor in their relocation and ex-

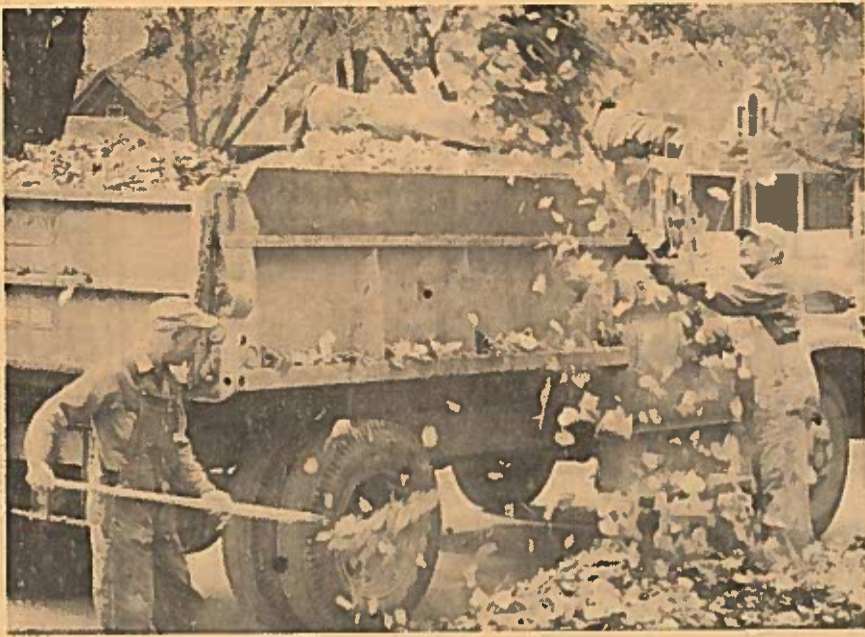
pansion. Special tourist charter airliners regularly land skiers from California on weekends to travel on to Aspen.

Other 1966 improvements planned are new aircraft parking aprons, terminal remodeling and landscaping and relocation of hangers.



ORGANIZATION of your CITY GOVERNMENT





Handling nature's Fall litter the old way.



The new way is eight times faster.

Street Projects Rate Top Priority

Some long-awaited street reconstruction projects got underway in 1965 thanks to revenues raised by the city sales tax. Twelfth street from Glenwood to Elm Ave., Grand Ave. from 17th to 19th St. and 1st St. from North Ave. to Lorey Drive highlighted the construction work.

A late start caused by having to wait for the April election forced delay of final completion of the construction work to spring, 1966. Fifteenth Street from North Ave. to Orchard Ave. and many other residential streets and alleys were included in the project.

A major storm sewer to take flood waters under the railroad tracks from 7th street and 5th street was completed thus minimizing future flooding to the heavy commercial and industrial areas south of Ute Avenue.

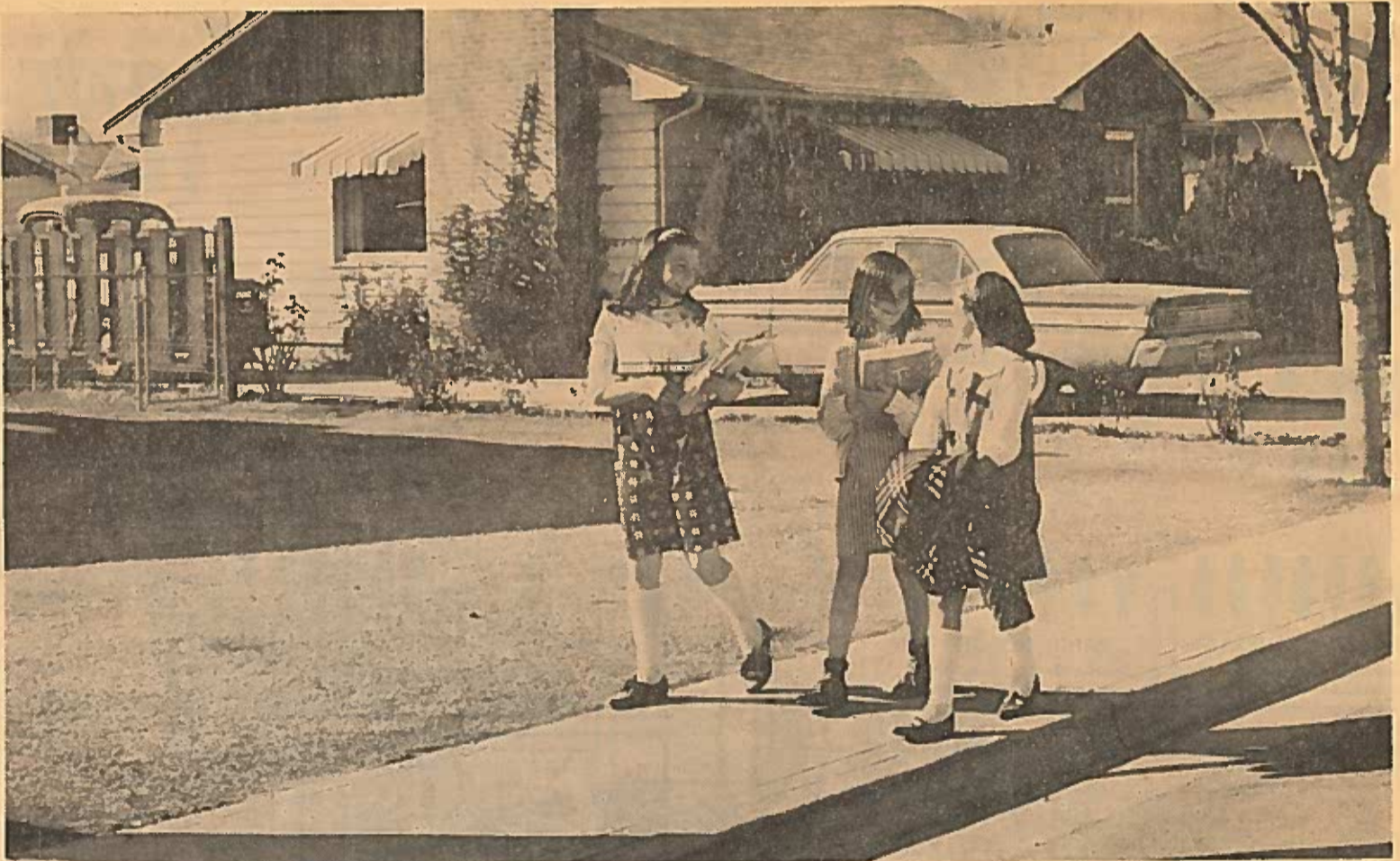
Petitions are now being prepared for the 1966 paving district. Streets petitioned by property owners and those placed into the district by the City Council (major traffic streets only) will be built to required widths including curb, gutter and sidewalk. However only \$8.00 per front foot will be assessed to property owners even though actual costs run between \$11 and \$15 per front foot.

Petitions must be signed by the owners of more than one-third of the front footage. Assessments on all streets will apply no further back than 150 feet with a decreasing percentage applied to five equal zones. The property touching the improved street will pay over 50% of the assessable cost in all cases.

Paving assessments may be paid upon notice of completion or over a 10-year period plus 6% interest per year on the unpaid balance. Contact the City Engineer's office for further details.



WHY STREET PAVING PAYS DOUBLE DIVIDENDS



Advantages:

1. Makes streets far safer with vehicles contained by curbs and children and adults provided attractive walking lanes.
2. Encourages neighborhood to improve landscaping and home and yard upkeep.
3. Adds more to value of property than actual assessment cost.
4. Eliminate dust and mud thereby minimizing damage to household furniture, carpets, etc.
5. Minimizes flooding potential since water is carried away in carefully designed pattern.
6. Regular street sweeping, flushing, sealcoating keep neighborhoods cleaner and assure no more assessments for 20 to 40 years.

Cost:

1. The cost is \$8.00 per front foot of property with the City picking up the balance of \$3 to \$7 depending on street width needed, storm sewers required and other construction features.
2. The assessment is payable in a lump sum when billed following completion of the project or in monthly installments with your house payment, at the option of the landowner.
3. Typical costs are as follows.

Front footage	Total Cost	Monthly Payment*
50 ft	\$400.	4.23
70 ft	560.	5.93
90 ft	720.	7.62

*Includes principle and interest. Balance can be paid in full anytime.

How to begin:

Contact City Engineer's office to discuss blocks to be included. Petition will be prepared for you at no charge by the engineering department. Owners of at least one-third of the frontage involved must sign the petition or it cannot be included in the district.

AREA SEWER UNDER STUDY

Official action to initiate an area-wide sewer engineering study and construction of the \$150,000 Horizon Drive sewer line marked a major change in area development policy of the City Council in 1965. The primary objectives of the change are to (1) provide adequate sewer service within a comprehensive plan at the most reasonable cost for long-range development, and (2) to finance the sewer through tap fees and service charges in order to avoid property tax burdens in and around the City.

5 REQUIREMENTS

Tap fee formulas of other cities and sewer districts are under study in order to set the fees. These studies show that the new fee structure must meet five requirements to do the job:

1. Provide enough funds for anticipated future cost as well as for operating and expanding the City sewer treatment plants and other facilities connected with an urban sanitation sewer system.

2. Provide enough revenue to begin a revolving fund to offset the cost of enlarging major collecting mains and the sewer plants which will have to obviously be faced in the future.

3. Provide a municipal sewer to each individual concerned with present development as well as future development at a cost which is the same or less than they could individually provide comparable sewer facilities.

4. Provide a pattern which can reasonably be expected to match the ultimate demands of an area-wide sewer system, whether done by the City itself or by a special sewer district entity.

5. Match the pattern of outside-inside City charges of 2-1 for water service as set in the Charter, since City taxpayers have provided the basic sewer facility over the years and must guarantee all sewer bond issues with the City's property taxing authority.

Water Group Recommends New Tanks; Reviews Supply, Plant & Rate Needs

Two four-million gallon water storage tanks are scheduled for construction near the City filter plant on Orchard Mesa in 1966. The tanks and other water plant improvements are expected to defer major plant reconstruction until 1971.

The two tanks will store treated water now stored in open reservoirs near the plant. The reservoirs will then be used to store a reserve supply of untreated water for emergency use. The plan was worked out by the Council's water committee consisting of Harry Colescott, chairman, Herb Wright, Bob Evans, Councilmen, City Manager Joe Lacy and City Engineer Dave Hickman.

The aim of the committee, in keeping with Council directives, is to minimize the need for additional water bonds and still keep up with water plant and system improvements and replacements. All present bonds will be paid in 1971 thus making available over \$200,000 per year for capital construction.

The committee is charged with the responsibility of advising Council on all matters pertaining to the water system. Consideration of purchase of additional water rights and reservoir storage capacity, various contractual arrangements with the Ute water district and analysis of water rates are matters regularly under study by the committee.

Grand Junction water rates are among the lowest in the state at the present time.

ALREADY PAID

Property inside the City on the effective date of the new tap fee schedule and already served by sewer will pay a minimum fee for sewer connection since these lines have already been constructed. Areas inside which have been in previous sewer districts will be given full credit for past sewer assessments for future connections.

A special concept for construction of future sewer mains outside the city is necessary since the City's bond authority does not apply to these areas. Provisions are being considered whereby developers of outside property can advance the full cost of sewer construction and be repaid from tap fees of their own and other development which will be served by the lines.

A decision on the amount and financial concepts for sewer service is expected in April 1966. The area-wide engineering study will get underway this summer.

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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHED

STREETS	\$219,233.
Widen 12th st. Glenwood to Elm	\$30,000
West Sherwood Drive Reconstruction	8,613.
Widen 5th St. Belford to North Ave.	3,180.
Storm Sewer Under Railroad Near 7th St.	46,840.
Old Street Renewal	32,000.
Build Residential Streets*	98,600.*
LIGHTING	\$9,100.
Signals at 12 & Orchard, 7th & Bookcliff	\$6,700.
Change over School Signals to new type	2,400
New Street Lights on 15th, North Ave. to Orchard and 12th St., Belford to Elm Ave. Also 70 other locations	(Power Cost Only)
AIRPORT	\$124,950.
Extend Main Runway**	\$82,800.**
Taxiway Extension**	14,750.**
Repairs and Sealcoat RW 4/22	14,000.
Water Distribution System	13,400.
BUILDINGS	
1957 Police Building Bonds	\$22,080.
Accrual for Fire Station No. 3 (1968)	10,000.
Other Building Renovation	13,730.
WATER	\$274,514.
1948 & 1955 Water Bonds	\$218,514.
Water & Sewer Line Replacement & Extensions	6,000.
Water Rights Purchase	20,000.
Other Pressure & Storage Improvements	30,000.
SEWER	\$78,526.
1957 Sewer Plant Bonds	\$42,845.
Misc. Plant Improvements	4,000.
1965 New Sewer Line Extension (Partial Payment on Horizon Drive Sewer)	31,681.
PARKS	\$ 40,304.
1956 Lincoln Park Pool Bonds	\$6,575.
Park Plans, Tennis and Stadium Improvements	4,885.
Sherwood & Lilac Park Shrubs & Water	2,541.
GJHS Lights (PIAB)	425.
West Stadium Rest Rooms, City***	2,525.***
West Stadium Rest Rooms, PIAB	10,204.
Other Parks and Cemetery Improvements	13,449.
1965 TOTAL	\$792,437.

* City net; balance assess district bonds.
 ** City-County net, other half Federal
 *** Joint Projects with PIAB
 **** Contingent on further cooperative study.

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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM SCHEDULED

STREETS	\$ 166,800.
Widen 7th Street, Grand Ave. to Main St.	\$20,000.
Widen 7th Street, Bookcliff to Patterson*)	
Widen 12th Street, Elm to Walnut Ave.*	82,500.*
Build residential street as petitioned*	
Indian Wash culvert enlargement	15,000.
Old street and alley renewal	49,300.
LIGHTING	\$ 9,132.
Signals at 6th & Rood and 4th & Colorado	\$6,400.
New street lights on 7th, Grand to Main	2,732.
Improved street lights on Orchard, Grand, Gunnison and Elm	(Power cost only)
AIRPORT	\$ 119,866.
Strengthen main runway** (with airline loan aid)	\$24,000.**
Tower garage and relocate Hangars**	20,600.**
Aircraft parking areas **	68,000.**
Terminal remodeling	7,266.
BUILDINGS	\$ 102,525.
1957 Police Building Bonds	\$22,525.
Regional Library Bonds****	52,000.****
Accrual for Fire Station No. 3 (1968)	10,000.
Other building renovation	8,000.
Capital Reserves, future projects	10,000.
WATER	\$ 579,520.
1948 & 1955 water bonds	\$224,520.
Two 4MGD water storage tanks	300,000.
Water and sewer line improvements	25,000.
Water plant improvements	15,000.
Reservoir improvements	15,000.
SEWER	\$ 85,097.
1957 sewer plant bonds	42,810.
Air mapping share (with County)	8,000.
Sewer plant improvement accrual	34,287.
PARKS	\$ 81,331.
1956 Lincoln Park Pool bonds	\$ 6,400.
Cemetery gates and accrual	10,156.
Lighted softball field***	7,000.***
Two tennis courts ***	5,000.***
PIAB contributions and miscellaneous projects	7,775.
18-hole golf course accrual****	45,000.****
1966 TOTAL	\$1,144,271.

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Annexation Cuts Household Costs

AVERAGE ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD COSTS

Homeowners have found annexation saves them money in annual operating costs. Regular monthly service charge savings offset city taxes by more than \$30. per year for a \$14,000 house. (see table)

TAXES MINOR ITEM

The City property tax levy of 15 mills assures regular street and alley maintenance, street light installation, frequent and regular police patrol and stepped up fire protection and prevention service. The rural fire district levy of 1.6 mills is dropped automatically upon annexation leaving a net increase of only 13.4 mills or 19%.

The first payment of City property tax is not due for over a year after the effective date of annexation even though City services are provided immediately.

WATER & SEWER

Water rates are lowered immediately if the area is already served by the City system. No additional tap charge is made for water service even if lines must be replaced or enlarged. Monthly sewer charges are made only after lines are installed and connections completed. The monthly sewer charge is \$1.25.

In areas where water or sewer line construction is required, such work is normally underway within 90 days after annexation. Customers who connect on to water or sewer systems at the time of construction may pay tap charges which pay for the lines in a lump sum or over a ten-year period, as they wish. Tap charges are now being revised. For current information on them please call the City Development Department, 243-2633.

PAVED STREETS

Paving, curbs, gutters and sidewalks are constructed in residential streets only after a petition is received from the property owners affected. The Council may place major traffic streets into paving districts. In either case the assessment is \$8 per front foot even though the actual cost currently runs from \$11 to \$15 per front foot depending on the width of street required. Storm sewers necessary for developing areas are provided at City expense.

Zoning for newly-annexed areas is worked out by the Planning commission recognizing existing development, plans already made for proposed development and the longrange economic benefit to the owner. Extensive study precedes the many hearings to afford everyone concerned a chance to shape the future character of the area.

Property owners who are considering development are urged to contact the City Development Department for information which can save a great deal of money in both the short and long run and result in a more salable product. There is no charge for this service. Call 243-2633.

The following costs are the estimated AVERAGE ANNUAL costs for a household with these characteristics:

Frame House, 6 years old
1200 sq. ft., ground floor
3 bedrooms, 1 bath
Unfinished basement
Carport

Gas forced air heat
Electric cooking
Market value, \$14,000
Assessed value, \$4,200.
7000 sq. ft. lot,
unpaved street



ITEM OR SERVICE	BEFORE ANNEXATION	AFTER ANNEXATION	DIFFERENCE
Water	\$81.48*	\$21.60**	\$ — 59.88
Sewer	Septic tank	15.00	+ 15.00
Taxes	289.67	344.27	+ 54.60
Trash Haul	24.00★	15.00	— 9.00
Fire Insurance	40.00	23.00	— 17.00
Natural Gas ★★	103.84	96.56	— 7.28
Electricity ★★	115.92	107.76	— 8.16
TOTAL	\$654.91	\$623.19	\$ — 31.72

(Annual Savings)

* Includes \$16.68 — average estimate of private water company operation charges.

** Based on monthly use of 5000 gals. allowed for monthly bill of \$1.80.

★ Average cost of trash hauling service in adjacent County areas.

★★ Estimated by Public Service Co.

1965 Sales Tax Receipts

BUSINESS AREAS, 1965 TOTALS

Zone	1965 \$	1965 %
Zone I—Shopping Park	\$127,975.	27.1%
Zone II—Central Area (except shp. pk.)	115,373.	24.4%
Zone III—Teller Arms-Gibson's	60,343.	12.8%
Zone IV—North Ave. (excl. III)	71,809.	15.2%
Zone V—Other Areas	96,944.	20.5%
TOTAL	\$472,444.	100.0%

MERCHANDISE TYPES, 1965 TOTALS

Merchandise Type	1965 \$	1965 %
Grocery Stores	93,110	19.7%
Auto Dealers	35,586	7.5%
Drug Stores	16,974	3.6%
Cafes, Hotels & Motels	33,800.	7.2%
Service Stations	11,082	2.3%
Clothing, Shoe, Dept. Stores	123,684	26.2%
Package Liquor Stores	9,999.	2.1%
Others	148,209	31.4%
TOTAL	\$472,444	100.0%

City Bonds Outstanding

Dec. 31, 1965

Not Including Improvement District

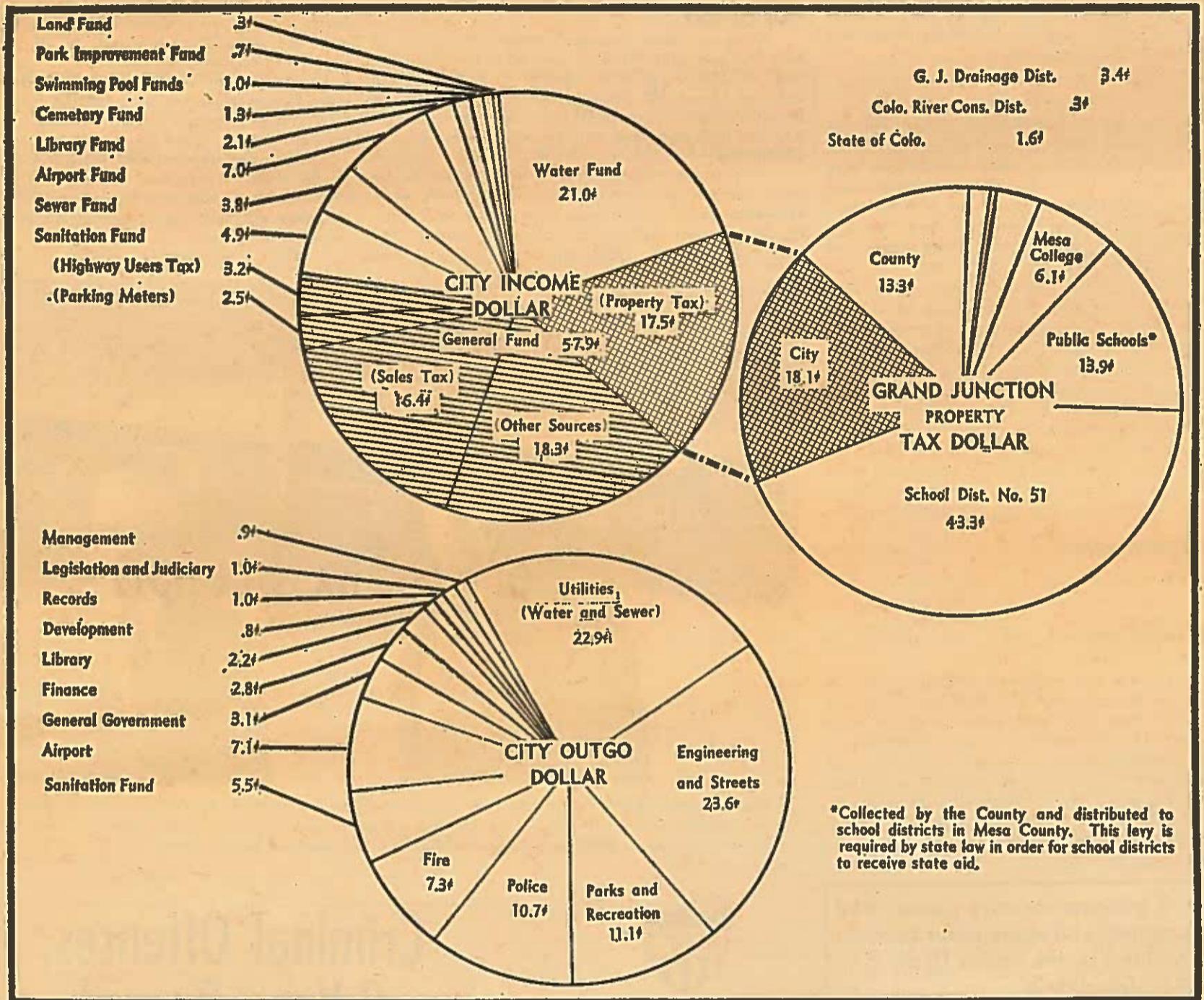
Year	Sewer Bonds (1)	Police Bldg. Bonds (2)	Lincoln Park Pool Bonds (3)	District Water Bonds (4)	Total Bonds
1966	42,810.00	22,525.00	6,400.00	223,900.00	295,635.00
1967	42,715.00	21,955.00	7,200.00	219,625.00	291,495.00
1968	42,590.00	22,370.00	6,960.00	215,012.50	286,932.50
1969	37,510.00	18,815.00	6,720.00	210,400.00	273,445.00
1970	36,490.00	18,305.00	6,480.00	35,787.50	97,062.50
1971	35,470.00	17,795.00	6,240.00	Paid	59,505.00
1972	32,480.00	18,270.00	Paid		50,750.00
1973	Paid	Paid			Paid
Totals	270,065.00	140,035.00	40,000.00	904,725.00	1,354,825.00

NOTES

- \$460,000 issue for 15 years, March, 1957, for construction of south side sewer plant and remodeling of west side plant.
- \$240,000 issue for 15 years, March, 1957, for construction of new police building and jail.
- \$80,000 issue for 15 years, April, 1956, for construction of Lincoln Park Swimming pool.
- Two different issues for general enlargement and improvement of water system. (\$395,000 in 1948 and \$1,500,000 in 1955.)

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INCOME & OUTGO COMPARISON



NOTE: Apparent variances between outgo and income, either higher or lower, are due to cash carried over from previous year or remaining in the fund on Dec. 31, 1965 and carried over into the next fiscal year. This applies to percentages in chart above as well as to dollar amounts in table below.



1965 Revenue & Expenses

REVENUE FUNDS

General Fund	\$1,731,539.40
Property Tax	(521,545.92)
Sales & Use Tax	(490,516.36)
Highway Users Tax	(96,874.51)
Parking Meters	(75,772.20)
Other Sources	(546,830.41)
Water Fund	626,690.40
Sanitation Fund	145,224.18
Sewer Fund	113,012.63
Airport Fund	207,459.50
Library Fund	63,319.11
Cemetery Fund	38,234.46
Swimming Pool Funds	29,634.90
Park Improvement Funds	19,643.64
Land Fund	10,438.69
TOTAL	\$2,985,196.91*

*Balance of \$341,194.17 carried over into 1966 accounts.

DEPARTMENT EXPENSES

Utilities (Water & Sewer)	\$ 606,297.11
Engineering & Streets	624,194.75
Parks & Recreation	292,840.51
Police	282,189.73
Fire	193,933.65
Sanitation	144,961.63
Airport	186,739.39
General Government	81,809.30
Finance	74,541.96
Library	57,767.87
Development	22,422.36
Records	25,604.29
Legislation & Judiciary	27,174.83
Management	23,525.36
TOTAL	\$2,644,002.74

Chief Analyzes 1965 Accident Picture

By POLICE CHIEF KARL JOHNSON

Those people who were involved in a traffic accident in the City of Grand Junction during 1965 shared their experience with 1,683 other drivers who were involved in a total of 953 traffic accidents. These accidents caused injury to a total of 244 people and resulted in an estimated property damage of \$281,454.

This loss does not include the loss of income, nor the cost of treatment per injuries received, the suffering and permanent handicap that some will have to live with, nor does it include the fines and penalties that were assessed against more than half of the drivers who were involved in these accidents.

WHERE?

An analysis of the accidents in Grand Junction during 1965 shows that, contrary to popular belief, more accidents occurred between intersections than within intersections. There were 385 accidents at intersections and 560 between intersections, with 8 classed as non-highway. However, those accidents that did occur at intersections were generally more severe than those that occurred between intersections.

Accidents occurring between intersections were usually the result of following too close to the car ahead, backing into traffic or emerging from alleys and private driveways without yielding to other traffic.

Accidents were more frequent in a business area, with 530, than in any other. Those occurring in residential areas were second, with 344. Although business district streets represent only a small fraction of the total street mileage, the heavier volume of traffic within a business district and possibly a tendency to be preoccupied on the part of the driver while driving in a business area accounts for the accident rate.

COLLISIONS & AGES

The most frequent type of accident was a collision, 846 of them, with another vehicle. Collisions with fixed objects were next with 75, and there were 14 collisions with pedestrians, 10 with bicycles and 9 were classed as non-collision.

Drivers in the age group of 18 and 19 were involved in more accidents, 208, than any other age group; with those in the age 24 to 25 group being involved in the least number, 62. Other age groups and their accident involvement included under 16 years of age, 25; 16 and 17, 162; 20 and 21, 120; 22 and 23, 63; 26 to 30, 142; 31 to 35, 111; 36 to 40, 117; 41 to 45, 111; 46 to 50, 124; 51 to 55, 103; 56 to 60, 83; and those over 60 years of age, 146.

WOMEN DRIVERS

The contention that women are the poorest drivers was not upheld. Only 562 female drivers were involved compared to 1,074 male drivers. It is doubtful that there are twice as many male drivers as female to balance the ratio.

The most dangerous day of the week for traffic accidents was on Friday, with 192 accidents. The safest day was Sunday, with only 93. Other days and their accidents totals were Monday, 140; Tuesday, 107; Wednesday, 133; Thursday, 124; and Saturday, 165.

TIME OF DAY

More accidents occurred between the hours of 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM, than any other period of the day, 189. Next was from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM, with 158 and from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 PM with 119. The fewest number of accidents occurred between 4:00 AM and 6:00 AM when traffic is at its lowest volume.

DRINKING

Among the violations which were found to be most frequent as a major factor in accidents were, failure to yield right of way to a vehicle in 293 instances; careless driving, 247 accidents; following too closely, 84. In all, 1,048 separate violations were

charged to drivers. A total of 32 of these were charged with drunken driving; another 63 had been drinking, but not to the extent that their driving ability was definitely impaired.

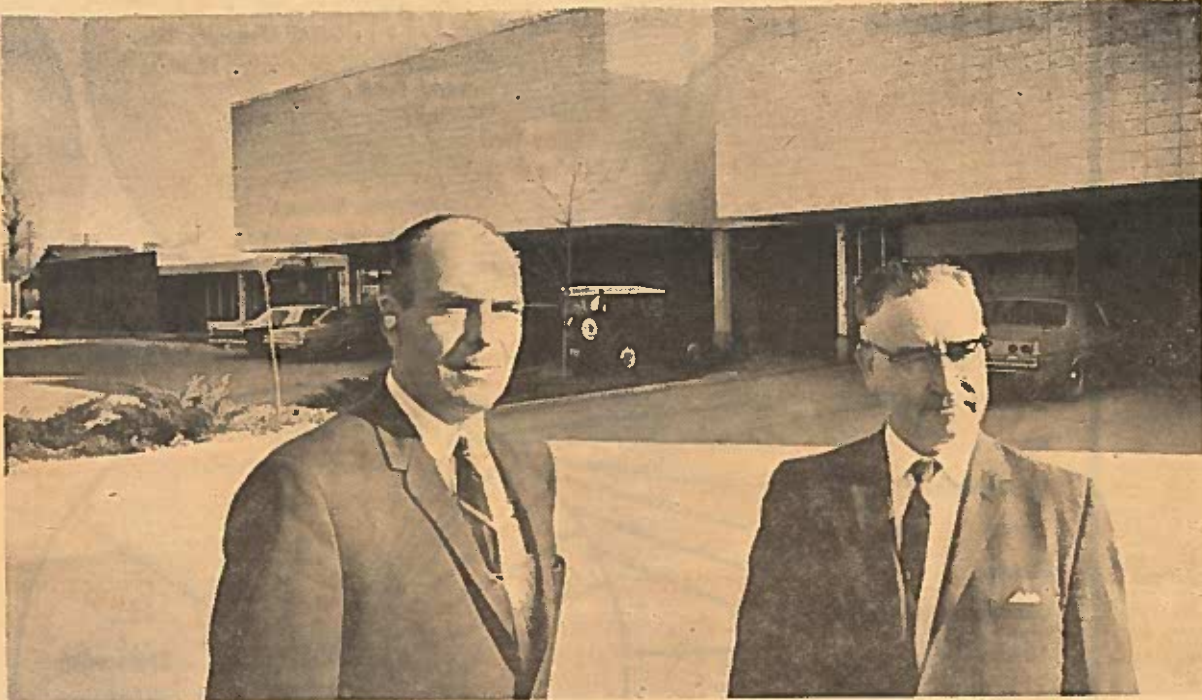
Weather conditions have little effect on the accident rate, 701 accidents occurred during clear weather, 67 during rain and 26 while it was snowing. 156 accidents occurred while the weather was overcast or cloudy.

HUMAN FAILURE

In only 25 accidents were defective vehicles found to be a contributing factor, in 22 of these the brakes were the defective equipment. All of this tends to prove that accidents are caused by human failures not by faulty equipment, poor highways, bad weather and other factors which are often blamed for the accident rate; and since human factors are most frequently involved, they should be the easiest to correct.

It only requires that each individual driver assume his full share of individual responsibility for full compliance with all rules and regulations of the road and not allow anything else to occupy his attention while driving.

Safety is everybody's business!



Mesa County Sheriff Ray Reese (left) and Police Chief Karl Johnson discuss City-County jail operation. This modern facility, the first of its type in Colorado has eliminated double costs to both City and County taxpayers while providing a modern law enforcement headquarters.

Home & business security checks, bad check control and many other services are provided by the Police Dept. Call 242-2522 for details.



Criminal Offenses, 3-Year Record

	1963	1964	1965
Murder	0	2	0
Rape	0	4	0
Robbery	3	2	4
Aggravated Assault	6	10	6
Burglary	136	183	183
Larceny	554	632	615
Auto Theft	44	55	41
Drunkenness	505	806	721
Disorderly Conduct	114	84	139
Vagrancy	57	65	18
Forgery	33	17	20
Fraud & Embezzlement	61	74	48
Liquor Law Violations	50	29	21
All other except Traffic	474	519	704
			35
TOTALS	2,037	2,482	2,555

1965 figures do not include 3682 non-traffic offenses which were handled by the police during the year. These were either unfounded or handled by "on the spot" action. (Included were such matters as family and neighborhood disputes, lost children, trash burning, prowler calls, etc.)

City Traffic Record

	1963	1964	1965
Total number vehicle accidents	876	905	953
Number of persons killed in traffic	0	2	0
Number injured in traffic accidents	166	182	244
Estimated damage from traffic accidents	\$234,768	\$232,497	\$281,454
Total number traffic summonses issued*	24,064	27,669	27,280
Speeding violations	1,111	1,258	1,161
Stop signs and signals	676	529	560
Careless Driving	329	341	401
Parking violations	20,379	23,962	23,782
All other traffic violations by summons	1,578	1,579	766

*Includes 1610 warning tickets issued to tourists during 1965, 1590 in 1964, 2139 in 1963 and 1905 in 1962. In addition 575 courtesy parking tickets were issued to tourists from 43 states and 3 Canadian provinces.

Municipal Court Report

	1963	1964	1965
Persons charged for traffic violations	21,294	24,881	24,351
Found guilty as charged	20,154*	23,880*	20,465
Persons charged for non-traffic violations	889	1,043	1,131
Found guilty as charged	771	803	1,023
Jury trials for the year	20	7	7
Court trials for traffic violations	1,045	1,061	1,162
Court trials for non-traffic violations	855	1,043	981

*Includes those persons appearing before Traffic Violations Bureau and paying fine without court hearing.



Municipal Judge Frank Balderson, appointed January 5, 1966.

CARELESS BURNING MAJOR FIRE CAUSE

Careless burning caused 24 per cent of the fires fought in 1965 by the Grand Junction Fire Dept. Some 28 fires in the city and 39 in the Grand Junction Rural Fire District were started in this manner.

Flammable liquids started 57 fires, children with matches 37 fires and electrical problems another 34 fires in Grand Junction and its suburbs. These four causes accounted for 82 per cent of all 1965 fire calls.

FIRE LOSSES

The \$144,000 loss at the W. R. Hall warehouse in June was the largest for the year. A January fire at KEXO Radio on North Ave. started the year with a \$42,000 loss.

Two restaurant fires added to the loss total with \$23,000 loss at Old Mexico Foods in March and later the Gay Johnson restaurant fire costing \$30,000. The largest loss at a residential fire was the Frank Gibbs home, \$30,000.

INSURANCE RATING

The periodic inspection by the Mountain States Fire Rating Bureau reconfirmed Grand Junction current fire rating as among the lowest in the state. The new Fire station built in 1963 and new heavy duty pumping apparatus bought in 1964 helped hold the rating.

NEW SNORKEL

Plans in 1966 to increase the fire fighting capability include the purchase of a \$54,000 "snorkel" fire fighting truck to reach tall buildings. At the present time the top levels of St. Mary's hospital, the VA hospital, the First National Bank building and the ten-story Mountain States Telephone building cannot be reached by firemen except by pressure hoses.

The Grand Junction department is manned by 32 firemen. They serve the City and the suburban area within a five-mile radius under a contract with the Grand Junction Rural Fire District.



Never too young to learn fire prevention The City's annual program through the schools helps make tomorrow's mothers and fathers aware of ways to make the home more "fire-proof".

Five Year Fire Record

	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
Fire, City	167	159	159	166	176
Fire, Rural	157	160	167	182	141
Rescue, Total	429	652	577	662	738
All Other Calls	106	93	122	110	113
Estimated Loss*	\$222,297	\$34,585	\$131,874	\$141,487	\$151,937
Loss Per Capita*	\$11.40	\$1.68	\$6.22	\$6.90	\$6.66

*Inside City Only

Two children died from small fire at 1225 N. 1st in Feb.



LIBRARY USE BOOMS



Head Librarian George Van Camp confers with Mrs. Dorothy Biggs, reference center librarian, on some of the many research questions from other Western Slope towns processed by the Grand Junction Library.

City library circulation increased over 20,000 in 1965 over 1964, the largest one-year jump in the library's history. With the addition of 4,377 new volumes in 1965 the shortage of space is becoming acute.

NEW LIBRARIAN

George Van Camp became head librarian in August. He formerly served the Niles, Michigan, library before coming to Grand Junction. Miss Betty Goff resigned to take a position with the Mesa College Library.

Among the steps taken to improve library service was the extension of open hours from 57 to 68 per week in March when the library began remaining open on Mondays. A total of 1,127 obsolete or worn out volumes were withdrawn from library shelves during the year to keep the collection up-to-date.

REGIONAL CENTER

As the Western Slope Recreational Materials Center, the library processed over 4,000 requests from the 41 libraries in the region. It filled over half of those completed and forwarded the rest to the bibliographic center.

This activity and building up of a strong reference collection were supported by federal funds administered through the state library. Grand Junction's benefit from this is proven by the more than 20% of the requests filled from other libraries for Grand Junction users.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

A Regional Library Advisory Committee was named by the City Council in the Fall of 1964 to study the need for increased library service to Grand Junction and Mesa County. Miles Kara was named chairman of the group with Max Krey and Charles Lumley of Grand Junction, Mrs. Marjorie Stout of Fruita and Mrs. Robert McKelvie of Collbran serving as members. The committee's report is expected shortly.

CIRCULATION	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
Adult & Teen					
Fiction	44,585	46,582	51,807	51,250	54,239
Non-Fiction	37,623	36,073	43,638	44,139	57,228
Other (clipping, pictures, records, maps, Interlibrary loans)	14,852	5,863	1,276	1,115	1,547
Total Adult	97,060	88,518	96,721	96,504	113,014
Juvenile					
Fiction	29,501	27,011	34,325	38,079	10,935
Non-Fiction	5,278	5,480	6,773	8,929	42,974
Other					18
Total Juvenile	34,329	32,491	41,098	47,008	53,927
TOTAL CIRCULATION CARDS ISSUED	131,389	121,009	137,819	143,512	166,941
Adult (including teen)	2,332	2,576	2,805	2,748	3,136
Juvenile	743	694	740	749	825
Total	3,075	3,270	3,545	3,497	3,961

Cemeteries Consolidated

The City of Grand Junction Parks department assumed the ownership and full responsibility for three major cemeteries adjacent to the City's cemeteries on Orchard Mesa. On Jan. 1, 1966 cemeteries owned by the Masonic Lodge, the International Order of Odd Fellows and the Catholic church were turned over to the city.

The land turned over comprised about 29 acres with some 1500 available burial sites. Also turned over were perpetual care funds totalling about \$64,000 from the Masons and Odd Fellows and title to a large undeveloped cemetery tract from the Catholic church.

The burial site purchase price and grave openings remain the same as those previously set by the city with the exception of higher opening charges for Sunday and Monday morning funerals when over-time labor must be used.

Plans are included in the 1966 budget to construct standard archways over the entry ways into each cemetery area showing city ownership and the original name of the area.



City Park and Cemetery crewmen assemble a new storage and work shop building for the extra work brought on by cemetery consolidation. More paved driveways and new entry arches the planned for 1966.



Recreation Director Frank Bradley helps the newly-formed Grand Junction Teen Council plan dances and other programs their members suggested. The work of the Teen Council has done more than any other effort to tailor teen programs to their current tastes.

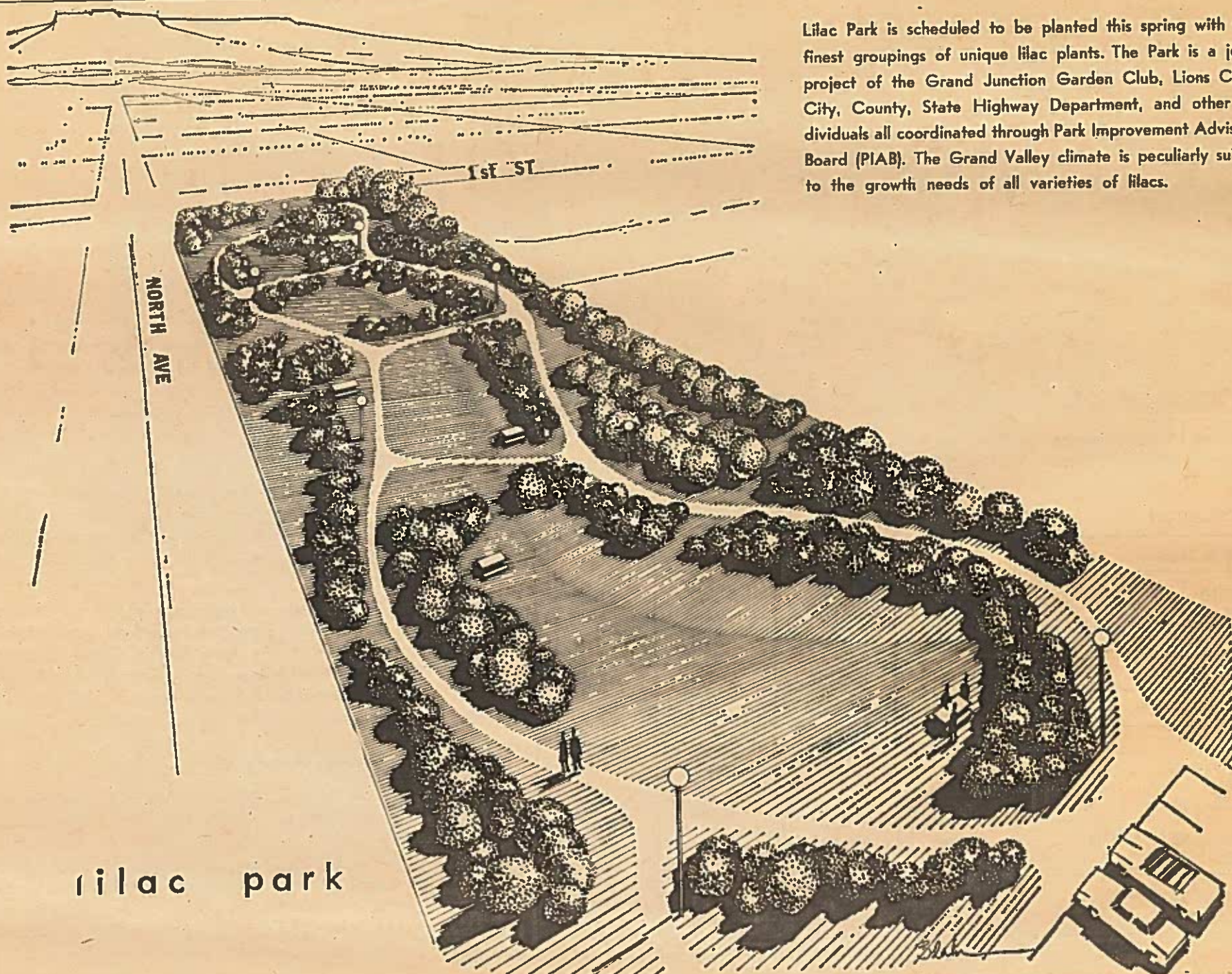
Recreation Growing

The eighteen City-sponsored recreation activities showed an attendance of 120,541 in 1965, an increase of 32,292 over 1964. The 1965 total is also 44,456 higher than 1963.

Total revenue for 1965 was \$27,417, an increase of \$1,691 over 1964. All of this money is placed into the City's General Fund except that for use of Moyer Pool for the Learn-to-Swim program (\$1,317). Total additional general fund money necessary to operate the Recreational Division in 1965 was about \$18,900.

The eighteen programs and their total 1965 participation were: Golden Age Club, 7,535; Junior Rifle Club, 540; Dance Instruction, 3,406; Square Dance Instruction, 369; High School Teen Dances; 8,684; Tennis Instruction, 4,264; Learn-To-Swim, 24,142; Softball 35,730 and Model Airplane Club, 1,377.

Other programs were: Archery, 1,162; Volleyball, 2,090; Basketball, 12,961; Learn-to-ski, 2,248; Bridge Instruction, 811; Dolphins Swim Team, 3,540; Baton Instruction, 469; Women's Exercise Class, 63, and Supervised Park Play Program, 8,369.



Lilac Park is scheduled to be planted this spring with the finest groupings of unique lilac plants. The Park is a joint project of the Grand Junction Garden Club, Lions Club, City, County, State Highway Department, and other individuals all coordinated through Park Improvement Advisory Board (PIAB). The Grand Valley climate is peculiarly suited to the growth needs of all varieties of lilacs.

TWO NATIONAL AWARDS

Grand Junction won a "Distinguished Service Award" in the "national cleanest town" contest conducted by the paint and varnish industry in 1965. Littleton was the only other first place Colorado city out of the 24 top plaques presented by Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson in Washington in February 1966.

The City also won first place in cities of 25,000 and under in the annual nation public relations award contest sponsored by the National League of Cities. The campaign to inform Grand Junction voters on the need for a city sales tax won the award.

Mayor Pro-tem C. E. McCormick attended the annual convention of the National League in Detroit to receive the presentation in July.

The Cleanest Town contest was held in the city by the newly formed Women's division of the Chamber of Commerce. Alice Rinc was president of the group and Hazel Newton served as chairman of the drive.

The plaques signifying the awards will be displayed in the lobby of the City Hall along with the All-American City award presented in 1963.

Parks Survey

Mesa County residents will have the opportunity to voice their opinions on any proposal for new recreational facilities in a post-card survey to be made in April. The Park Improvement Advisory Board (PIAB) representing Grand Junction, Mesa County, School District 51 and Mesa College will use this means for formulating a long-range plan.

NEEDS

Included in requests in recent months are facilities such as neighborhood parks, indoor swimming pool, skating rink, more outdoor pools, art center, tennis courts, rodeo and fair grounds, youth center, picnic areas, multi-purpose center, ball fields and an 18-hole golf course.

Federal funds are now available on a matching basis for communities to build such facilities. This is possible only IF the region has a coordinated plan and a cooperative legal structure to finance and operate the community's share of the overall program.

AREA WIDE

Initial studies indicate that a recreation district with a limited mill levy would be the best answer. The area could be county-wide or limited to Fruita, Palisade, Grand Junction, Fruitvale, Clifton, the Redlands, Orchard Mesa and the areas in between.

To minimize the tax-supported portion, it is proposed that user's fees will continue to pay for the major portion of the recreational programs. Private funds and donations will continue to be encouraged to further limit the tax responsibilities of the area.

Upon completion of the survey, PIAB will make recommendations to the four major taxing bodies as to the next step to increase living enjoyment for area residents as well as attract more industry with improved facilities.

ANNUAL REPORT

This report is prepared annually to inform Grand Junction citizens about their city government so that they may take a more active part in its future. It has cost approximately .10c per person to prepare and distribute in order to inform Grand Junction citizens about City operations involving over \$2,000,000.00 per year. It also provides a current picture of City operations to help attract potential industries. More copies available at City Hall at no extra charge.

Full-time City officials (all appointed) who have assisted in the preparation of this report include:

Joe M. Lacy City Manager
 Helen C. Tomlinson City Clerk
 William Manchester Finance Director
 Don Warner Development Director
 Davis C. Hickman City Engineer
 Alvin Wing Operations Director
 Gustav Byrom Traffic-Airport Mgr.
 Karl M. Johnson Police Chief
 Frank E. Kreps Fire Chief
 Ralph Stocker Parks Director
 Frank Bradley Recreation Director
 George Van Camp Librarian



Hazel Newton and Mayor Ray Meacham admire the two national awards won by Grand Junction in 1965, the "cleanest town" award and "best public relations program".

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 1155 N. 4th St.

All Other Councilmen Are Alternates

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Police Aid 242-2522
 (Including Dog Control)
 Fire Calls 242-1234
 Department Business 242-2900
 Rescue Calls 242-2900
 Water Breaks 243-2633
 After Hours 242-2522
 Sewer Stoppage 243-2633
 After Hours 242-2522

Water Bills
 Purchasing
 Planning and Zoning
 Annexation
 Sewer Information
 Dead Animals
 City Licenses

ALL OTHER BUSINESS—243-2633

Trash and Garbage
 Parks and Tree Care
 Council Meetings
 Municipal Court
 Personnel
 Cemeteries
 Weed Control
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 Recreation
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YOUR 1965-1967 CITY COUNCIL



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980 Pinyon Ave.
McCormick Enterprises
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1112 Elm Ave. Retired
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Council District E Term Expires: May 1, 1969

HERBERT M. WRIGHT

448 Bookcliff Drive, Home Appliance Co.
Councilman at Large Term Expires: May 1, 1969

Appointed administrative officials who regularly attend Council meetings are Gerald Ashby, City Attorney, appointed Sept. 1956; Mrs. Helen C. Tomlinson City Clerk, appointed Oct. 26, and Joe M. Lacy, City Manager, Appointed Feb. 1960. All three serve for indefinite terms.

