

Grand Junction, Colorado, October 3, 1914.

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction convened in regular adjourned session at 10 o'clock a. m., in the City Hall, with Mayer Cherrington in the chair.

The following Commissioners, upon call of roll, responded as present: Cherrington, Verbeck, Rankin, Carson, Holmburg.

City Attorney Tupper was present.

The following bills having been approved by heads of departments and audited, were read by the Clerk:

<u>No.</u>	<u>Fund.</u>	<u>Claim of</u>	<u>Amount.</u>	<u>For</u>
18,066	Highways	J. A. Hendriksen	\$36.25 ✓	14 1-2 days labor
67	Police	A. L. Halligan	25.00 ✓	Police service
68	"	John J. Allison	9.25 ✓	7 days police service
69	Fire	Carl Saul	75.00 ✓	Services Fireman

Moved by Commissioner Carson, seconded by Commissioner Rankin, that the bills as read be allowed and warrants ordered drawn for the several amounts.

The motion being put, each Commissioner as his name was called voted as follows: Cherrington, yea; Verbeck, yea; Rankin, yea; Carson, yea; Holmburg, yea.

All the Commissioners having voted yea, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the bills allowed.

On motion of Commissioner Carson, seconded by Commissioner Rankin, the Council adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Council re-convened at 2 o'clock p. m., in the City Hall, with Mayer Cherrington in the chair.

Upon call of roll, the following Commissioners responded as present: Cherrington, Verbeck, Rankin, Carson, Helmburg.

City Attorney Tupper was present.

Moved by Commissioner Helmburg, seconded by Commissioner Carson, that the Council proceed to canvass the returns of the special municipal election held October 1st, 1914, in the several voting precincts of the city.

The motion carried, and the Council then proceeded to canvass the returns of said special election.

After the canvass had been duly made, the Council, acting as a canvassing board, made the following report:

We, the undersigned, acting as a canvassing board hereby certify that we have canvassed the returns of the special municipal election held in the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, on October 1st, 1914, and from said canvass find

(1) That the following votes were cast:

Precinct	9	10	11	12	16	Total
	232	293	273	232	350	1380

(2) On the ordinance submitted entitled "An Ordinance Concerning the Appraisement and Valuation of the Electric, Power and Gas Plants now Operated under Franchises from the City of Grand Junction" the following votes were cast:

Precinct	9	10	11	12	16	Total
For	123	142	108	75	126	574
Against	95	147	156	150	215	763
						Majority against 189

(3) On the Charter amendment to Section 35, Article 4 of the Charter, equalizing the salaries of the five city commissioners so that each will receive the same amount, to-wit: \$125 per month, the following votes were cast:

Precinct	9	10	11	12	16	Total
For	78	83	99	76	152	488
Against	132	169	156	125	165	747
						Majority against 259

(4) An amendment to Section 35, Article 4 of the Charter equalizing the salaries of the five city commissioners so that each will receive the same amount, to-wit: \$110 per month, the following votes were cast:

Precinct	9	10	11	12	16	Total
For	104	109	109	76	154	552
Against	91	121	127	115	137	591
						Majority against 39

(5) An amendment to Section 72 of the Charter providing for the appointment by the City Council of a bank as depository of the city's funds and enabling the city to collect interest on the cash balances deposited with said bank, the following votes were cast:

SPECIAL ELECTION held in the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, on the 1st day of October, A. D. 1914.

SAMPLE BALLOT

ORDINANCE SUBMITTED

Shall the ordinance known as "An Ordinance Concerning the Appraisal and Valuation of the Electric Light, Power and Gas Plants now operated under franchises from the City of Grand Junction" become a law of the City of Grand Junction? This proposed ordinance provides for the hiring of an experienced engineer, who will appraise the value of the electric light, power and gas plants in the City of Grand Junction with a view of determining the feasibility of the ownership of said plants by the city.

	9	10	11	12	16
For the Ordinance	123	142	108	75	126
Against the Ordinance	95	147	156	150	215

The voter shall prepare his ballot by marking a cross (X) in the appropriate place above, opposite the words of his choice.

CHARTER AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

FIRST CHARTER AMENDMENT: An amendment to Section 35, Article 4, of the Charter, equalizing the salaries of the five city commissioners so that each will receive the same amount, to-wit: \$125.00 per month. Under the charter provisions as now existing, the Commissioner of Public Affairs and the Commissioner of Water and Sewers each receive \$125.00 per month, and the Commissioner of Finance and Supplies, the Commissioner of Health and Civic Beauty and the Commissioner of Highways each receive \$100.00 per month.

	9	10	11	12	16	
Shall the Amendment be Adopted	Yes	78	83	99	76	152
	No	132	169	156	125	165

The voter desiring to vote for the measure shall mark a cross (X) in the blank space to the right and opposite the word "Yes"; a voter desiring to vote against the measure shall mark a cross (X) in the blank space to the right and opposite the word "No."

SECOND CHARTER AMENDMENT: An amendment to Section 35, Article 4 of the Charter equalizing the salaries of the five city commissioners so that each will receive the same amount, to-wit: \$110.00 per month. Under the charter provisions as now existing, the Commissioner of Public Affairs and the Commissioner of Water and Sewers each receive \$125.00 per month, and the Commissioner of Finance and Supplies, the Commissioner of Health and Civic Beauty and the Commissioner of Highways each receive \$100.00 per month.

	9	10	11	12	16	
Shall the Amendment be Adopted	Yes	104	109	109	76	154
	No	91	121	127	115	137

The voter desiring to vote for the measure shall mark a cross (X) in the blank space to the right and opposite the word "Yes"; a voter desiring to vote against the measure shall mark a cross (X) in the blank space to the right and opposite the word "No."

THIRD CHARTER AMENDMENT: An amendment to Section 72 of the Charter, providing for the appointment by the City Council of a bank as depository of the city's funds and enabling the City to collect interest on the cash balances deposited with such bank. Under the charter provisions as now existing, the cash funds of the city must be deposited in the city's banks in proportion to the capital stock, such deposits not drawing interest.

	9	10	11	12	16	
Shall the Amendment be Adopted	Yes	127	177	196	130	247
	No	69	66	52	59	63

The voter desiring to vote for the measure shall mark a cross (X) in the blank space to the right and opposite the word "Yes"; a voter wishing to vote against the measure shall mark a cross (X) in the blank space to the right and opposite the word "No."

FOURTH CHARTER AMENDMENT: An amendment to Section 96, striking out the present provisions of the Charter prohibiting charging water rates over and above the cost of maintenance and interest on the cost of construction. This amendment will permit a sinking fund not now authorized.

	9	10	11	12	16	
Shall the Amendment be Adopted	Yes	94	123	149	107	169
	No	98	114	91	91	129

The voter desiring to vote for the measure shall mark a cross (X) in the blank space to the right and opposite the word "Yes"; a voter desiring to vote against the measure shall mark a cross (X) in the blank space to the right and opposite the word "No."

the following...
and read by the Clerk:

Precinct	9	10	11	12	16	Total	
For	127	177	196	130	247	877	Majority for 568
Against	69	66	52	59	63	309	

(8) An amendment to Section 96 striking out the present provisions of the Charter prohibiting charging water rates over and above the cost of maintenance and interest on the cost of construction, the following votes were cast:

Precinct	9	10	11	12	16	Total	
For	94	123	149	107	169	642	Majority for 119
Against	98	114	91	91	129	523	

We and each of us do now in the presence of each other by and for the said City certify these matters and the canvass aforesaid were made by us as members of said City Council and as members of said Board of Canvassers on the 3rd day of October, 1914.

Chas. E. Cherrington
 Commissioner of Public Affairs and
 Ex-officio Mayor.

Charles K. Holmburg
 Commissioner of Health and Civic Beauty
 and Ex-officio City Clerk.

Frank Carson
 Commissioner of Water and Sewers.

H. E. Vorbeck
 Commissioner of Finance and Supplies.

J. W. Rankin
 Commissioner of Highways.

It was moved by ^{Com.} Vorbeck, seconded by ^{Com.} Carson, that the canvass and abstract of votes of the special election held on October 1st, 1914, as made and certified by the City Council and Board of Canvassers on the 3rd day of October, 1914, be and the same is hereby accepted approved and adopted, and that the clerk is hereby directed to enter the same at length on the minutes of this meeting. The motion being put by the mayor, the commissioners voted as follows as their names were called:

Cherrington, Aye.

Carson, Aye.

Vorbeck, Aye.

Rankin, Aye.

Holmburg, Aye.

All the votes being in the affirmative, the Mayor thereupon declared the motion carried and adopted, whereupon the following ^{resolution} ~~motion~~ was introduced by Commissioner Vorbeck and read by the Clerk:

RESOLUTION.

Whereas a proposed Charter amendment to Section 72 of the Charter was submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the City of Grand Junction at a special election held on October 1st, 1914, said proposed amendment being submitted upon a petition of 10% or more in numbers of those who voted for Governor at the November, 1913, election, said Charter amendment amending said Section 72 to read as follows, to-wit:

"72. Public Moneys. The Commissioner of Finance and Supplies shall, under the power and control of the City Council, have the direct management of the revenues of the city except as otherwise provided by this charter or by ordinance. He shall be ex-officio city treasurer, with the usual duties and powers of that office.

"The cash balances of the city in the hands of the city treasurer shall be deposited by the same in any bank or

banks that shall agree to pay the highest rate of interest to the city on such balances, and the Commissioner of Finance and Supplies shall, not later than the 1st day of December of each year, give a written notice to each bank in the city that on a certain day not later than two weeks thereafter the City Council will open bids of the banks of the city for the city depository for the ensuing year. Such bids must be accompanied by an agreement that such bank which shall be selected as such city depository will pay registered six per cent city warrants at par. In the event that no bids are submitted or that all bids are equal, then the City Council shall designate such city depository for the next calendar year. Provided, however, that such depository shall be required to furnish a good and sufficient surety bond for the securing of such depository balance. Nothing herein shall prevent said treasurer, under the orders of the city council, from temporarily having such funds otherwise deposited, provided that as soon as practicable he shall re-deposit such deposits.

"No demand for money against the city shall be approved, allowed, audited or paid unless it shall be in writing, dated, and sufficiently itemized to identify the expenditure and shall first be audited by the Commissioner at the head of the department creating the same.

"The Council shall by ordinance provide a system for the collection, custody and disbursement of all public moneys, and a system of accounting for the city, establishing as nearly as may be, a uniform system of municipal accounting, such system to be in accord with the provisions of this charter".

And, whereas, at said special election 877 votes were cast in favor of the adoption of said amendment and 309 votes were cast against the adoption of said amendment, there being a majority of 568 votes in favor of the adoption of said amendment, and

Whereas, there was also submitted a proposed charter amendment to Section 96 of the charter to the vote of the qualified electors of the City of Grand Junction at a special election held on October 1st, 1914, said proposed amendment being submitted upon a petition of ten per cent or more in numbers of those who voted for Governor at the November, 1913, election, said charter amendment amending said Section 96 to read as follows, to-wit:

"96. Rates - Regulations - Fines. The City Council shall by ordinance fix rates, establish regulations for the use of water by consumers, provide for the orderly adminis-

tration of the department, and impose fines and penalties for the violation thereof. Such ordinance shall establish a uniform system of rates for the use of water by consumers, from which rates there shall be no rebates or reductions, it being the intent hereof to prevent any consumers of water from having any advantage or favor over other consumers, by contract or otherwise, except as herein provided.

"All consumers of water living outside of the city limits shall pay not less than double the rates so established and fixed for users within the city limits."

And, whereas, at said special election 642 votes were cast in favor of the adoption of said amendment and 533 votes were cast against the adoption of said amendment, there being a majority of 119 votes in favor of the adoption of said amendment,

Therefore, be it resolved, that the said amendment to Section 72 and the said amendment to Section 96 be and the same hereby are declared to have carried at the said special election and the clerk of the City of Grand Junction is hereby authorized and instructed to publish once in the official newspaper of the City of Grand Junction within ten days after said election the full text of each of said amendments to the charter and he is further authorized and instructed to file with the Secretary of State of Colorado two copies of the said amendments officially certified by him, showing the vote for and against each of the said two amendments.

It was moved by ^{Com.} Carson and seconded by ^{Com.} Vorbeck that the resolution as read be passed and adopted. Motion being put by the mayor the commissioners voted as follows as their names were called:

- Cherrington, Aye.
- Carson, Aye.
- Vorbeck, Aye.
- Rankin, Aye.
- Holmburg, Aye.

All the votes being in the affirmative, the mayor declared the resolution passed and adopted.

Moved by Commisniener Carson, seconded by Commisniener Vorbeck, that the Council adjourn.

The metien carried and the Council then adjourned.

Charles K Holmburg
City Clerk.