

Grand Junction, Colorado  
October 16, 1917

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction convened in regular session at four o'clock p. m., in the City Hall, with Commissioner Rankin, acting Mayor, in the chair.

Upon call of roll, the following Commissioners responded as present: Rankin, Vorbeck, Blackstone, Holmburg. Absent: Commissioner Cherrington.

The minutes of the regular meeting of October 9th and adjourned session of October 11th were read and approved.

The quarterly report of the Commissioner of Water and Sewers and the quarterly report of the City Treasurer were submitted and read, and on motion of Commissioner Vorbeck, seconded by Commissioner Blackstone, the same were referred to the Auditor.

The quarterly report of the City Clerk and the quarterly report of the Commissioner of Health and Civic Beauty were submitted and read, and on motion of Commissioner Holmburg, seconded by Commissioner Blackstone, the same were referred to the Commissioner of Finance and Supplies.

The quarterly report of the Public Librarian was submitted and read, and on motion of Commissioner Holmburg, seconded by Commissioner Vorbeck, the same was accepted and ordered placed on file.

The quarterly report of the City Health Officer was submitted and read, and on motion of Commissioner Holmburg, seconded by Commissioner Blackstone, the same was accepted and ordered placed on file.

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

No.	Fund.	Claim of	Amount.	For
24,882-90	Highways	Labor Account	\$309.00	Labor and team work
891	Health	Labor Account	50.00	Labor
892-94	Water	Labor Account	112.50	Labor
895-98	Park	Labor Account	84.50	Work in Parks
899	General	West. Union Tele. Co.	2.00	Clock rent

900	General	Excelsior Laundry Co.	2.50	Towel supply
901	General	G. J. Daily News	1.65	Pub. notice
902	Highways	B. C. Iseminger	1.90	Dry cells, etc.
903	Highways	A. P. Ramsay	1.00	Repair work
904	Highways	F. C. Cotton	50.62	Alfalfa hay
905	Highways	O. H. Ellison Lumber Co.	3.55	Lumber
906	Water	James Woods	12.35	Meals, etc.
907	Water	Hendrie & Bolthoff Co.	48.43	Corp. cocks and valve
908	Water	B. C. Iseminger	1.80	Repair work
909	Water	Juanita Sales Co.	1.30	Coal
910	Water	J. A. Dixon	1.00	Plumbing work
911	Water	J. W. Mattingly	10.00	Auto service
912	Water	L. Schmidt & Sons	3.60	Wrenches
913	Park	F. J. Vosburg	1.50	Supplies bought
914	Sidew. #2	Richard E. Meserve	46.30	Surveying grades
915	Sidew. #2	D. O. Tawney	11.27	Ass'g City eng.
916-17	Water-Gen	Hampson Bros. & Valdez	3.15	Merchandise
918-19	Gen-Fire	J. A. Hendrickson	9.00	Painting roof
920-21	Gen-Fire	R. J. Patterson	9.00	Painting roof
922	Police	A. O. Shaff	.50	Hauling dead dog
923	Police	Chas. E. Cherrington	15.00	Money advanced
924	Fire	West. Slope Auto Co.	2.80	Polish, etc.
925-28	Misc.	Fred M. Campbell	10.64	Elect. supplies
929-31	Misc.	Continental Oil Co.	12.52	Oil and gasoline

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

The motion being put, upon call of roll, the Commissioners voted

as follows: Rankin, yea; Vorbeck, yea; Blackstone, yea; Holmburg, yea.

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

Moved by Commissioner Holmburg, seconded by Commissioner Blackstone, that the Commissioner of Finance and Supplies be authorized to sell the city's concrete mixer for \$500.00.

The motion being put, upon call of roll, the Commissioners voted as follows: Rankin, yea; Vorbeck, yea; Blackstone, yea; Holmburg, yea.

All the Commissioners present having voted yea, the motion was declared carried.

A proposed People's Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance Contracting for Electric Current for Municipal Purposes, to be Furnished by The Grand Junction Electric, Gas and Manufacturing Company, its Successors and Assigns, to the City of Grand Junction, Colorado," was introduced and read.

The following resolution was thereupon introduced and read:

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the streets of the City of Grand Junction are now being lighted by The Grand Junction Electric, Gas and Manufacturing Company, under a Contract between the said Company and the said City, which contract will terminate February 11th, 1918, and

WHEREAS, the said lights now in use are of a form and character that have grown out of date and it is desired by both the said City and the said Company that a new contract be entered into, which shall provide for newer and more up to date lighting and for a revision of the prices therefor, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of said City and the said Company has caused to be prepared an Ordinance contracting for electric service for municipal purposes to be furnished to the said City by the said Company, which Ordinance the said Company has heretofore agreed to accept if the said Ordinance is adopted by the qualified electors of the City of Grand Junction at the regular election to be held November 6th, 1917, and

WHEREAS, under the Charter of the said City, the question of entering into a Contract for service for a ten (10) year period must be submitted to the qualified electors of the said City for their adoption and ratification.

THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, that at the regular municipal election to be held in said City on November 6th, 1917, which election is hereby called for said date, the question of adopting the said Ordinance described in this resolution be and the same hereby is submitted to the qualified electors of the said City of Grand Junction, Colorado, for their adoption or rejection. The votes shall be by ballot of the form hereinafter provided and said election shall be in all respects as near as may be in the manner prescribed by the laws of the State of Colorado and the Charter of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado in cases of election for municipal officers.

Moved by Commissioner Vorbeck, seconded by Commissioner Blackstone, that the resolution as introduced and read be passed and adopted.

The motion being put, upon call of roll, the Commissioners voted as follows: Rankin, yea; Vorbeck, yea; Blackstone, yea; Holmburg, yea.

All the Commissioners present having voted yea, the motion was declared carried and the resolution passed and adopted.

A proposed People's Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance in Reference to the Salaries of the Commissioners of the City of Grand Junction," was introduced and read.

The following resolution was thereupon introduced and read:

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Public Affairs and the Commissioner of Water and Sewers, under the Charter, receive a monthly salary of \$125.00 and the remaining three Commissioners receive a salary of \$100.00 per month, and

WHEREAS, in the opinion of the City Council, each member of the City Council should receive an equal monthly salary of \$125.00, and

WHEREAS, Section 35 of the Charter provides that the question of changing or fixing the salaries of the Commissioners of the said city may be submitted to the qualified electors of said city at any regular election; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Concerning the Salaries of the Commissioners of the City of Grand Junction" be and the same is hereby submitted to the qualified electors of the said city at the regular election to be held November 6, 1917, for their adoption or rejection.

Moved by Commissioner Holmburg, seconded by Commissioner Blackstone, that the resolution as introduced and read be passed and adopted.

The motion being put, upon call of roll, the Commissioners voted as follows: Rankin, yea; Vorbeck, yea; Blackstone, yea; Holmburg, yea.

All the Commissioners present having voted yea, the motion was declared carried and the resolution passed and adopted.

The following resolution was introduced and read:

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, does not now possess a public park sufficient in size to permit of the playing of base ball or other games, or the holding of fairs and other large meetings, and

WHEREAS, there lies adjacent to the said City a field of forty acres which has been improved by the building of a grandstand and other buildings for the holding of fairs, and by the growth of a large number of shade trees, the said tract of land being described as follows, to-wit: The Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter (NW1/4 NW1/4), Section Thirteen (13), Township One (1) South of Range One (1) West of the Ute Meridian in Mesa County, Colorado, subject to rights of way for roads and ditches already established, and

WHEREAS, the owner of said described real estate desires to sell the same for the price of Twenty Thousand Five Hundred (\$20,500.00) Dollars and has given, for a valuable consideration, to the said City of Grand Junction, Colorado, an option to purchase the said real estate and the improvements thereon, free and clear of all encumbrances, for Twenty Thousand Five Hundred (\$20,500.00) Dollars, the said option to expire April 1st, 1918, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of said city has caused to be prepared an Ordinance authorizing and instructing the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, to purchase the said real estate and authorizing the issuance and sale of Bonds for the purpose of securing money with which to pay for said real estate.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, that at the regular municipal election to be held in said City on November 6th, 1917, which election is hereby called for said date, at said election the question of adopting the said Ordinance described in this Resolution be, and the same hereby is, submitted to the aualified electors of the said City of Grand Junction, Colorado, for their adoption or rejection; that at said regular election the question of the issuance and sale of bonds described in said Ordinance be, and the same is hereby submitted to the qualified tax-paying electors of the said City of Grand Junction, Colorado, under the law, for

their adoption or rejection; that the questions so submitted shall be voted on at the said election at the following designated polling places, to-wit:

- Precinct No. 9: Polling place at City Hall
- Precinct No. 10: Polling place at 226 Main St
- Precinct No. 11: Polling place at the Y.M.C.A. Building
- Precinct No. 12: Polling place at 122 North Seventh St
- Precinct No. 16: Polling place at 222 North Seventh St

The votes shall be by ballot of the form hereinafter provided and said election shall be in all respects, as near as may be, in the manner prescribed by the laws of the State of Colorado and the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, in cases of election for municipal officers.

The ballots to be used in voting shall be provided and furnished by the City Clerk to the judges of election and by them to be furnished to the voters, and on the question of the adoption or rejection of the said Ordinance shall be substantially in the following printed form:

REGULAR ELECTION  
 HELD IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION,  
 COLORADO, ON THE SIXTH DAY OF  
 NOVEMBER, A. D. 1917.

OFFICIAL BALLOT

Question submitted:

Shall the Ordinance known as:

"An Ordinance providing for the purchase by the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, of the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter (NW1/4 NW1/4), Section Thirteen (13), Township One (1) South of Range One (1) West of the Ute Meridian in Mesa County, Colorado, subject to rights of way for roads and ditches already established, to be used for a public park for the said City and the inhabitants thereof, and providing for the creation of an indebtedness on behalf of the said city by the issuance and sale of its bonds in the sum of Twenty Thousand Five Hundred (\$20,500.00) Dollars, for the purpose of paying for the said real estate." become a law of the City of Grand Junction?

FOR THE ORDINANCE	
AGAINST THE ORDINANCE	

The voter shall prepare his ballot by marking an "X" in the appropriate place above specified opposite the words of his choice, and then deposit the ballot in the ballot box prepared for its reception.

The form of ballot to be used in voting on the issuance and sale of bonds described in the said ordinance to be submitted to the qualified tax-paying electors of the said City of Grand Junction, Colorado, shall be in substantially the following printed form:

REGULAR ELECTION  
HELD IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION,  
COLORADO, ON THE SIXTH DAY OF  
NOVEMBER, A. D. 1917.

OFFICIAL BALLOT

Question submitted:

Shall the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, issue and sell City Bonds in the aggregate sum of Twenty Thousand Five Hundred (\$20,500.00) Dollars in the form of and for the purpose designated in the Ordinance entitled:

"An ordinance providing for the purchase by the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, of the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter (NW1/4 NW1/4), Section Thirteen (13), Township one (1) South of Range one (1) West of the Ute Meridian in Mesa County, Colorado, subject to rights of way for roads and ditches already established, to be used for a public park for the city and the inhabitants thereof, and providing for the creation of an indebtedness on behalf of the said City by the issuance and sale of its Bonds in the sum of Twenty Thousand Five Hundred (\$20,500.00) Dollars for the purpose of paying for the said real estate."

FOR THE BONDS	
AGAINST THE BONDS	

The voter shall prepare his ballot by marking an "X" in the appropriate place above specified opposite the words of his choice, and then deposit the ballot in the ballot box prepared for its reception.

The foregoing questions shall be placed on separate ballots, which ballots when voted shall be deposited in separate ballot boxes.

The vote cast at said election on the said questions submitted as aforesaid shall be canvassed and returned and the return made and the results declared in the same manner, as near as may be, as is now provided by the laws of the State of Colorado, and the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, for the canvassing, return and the declaring of the results of votes cast at elections for municipal officers.

A notice of the time and place of said election shall be published in the Daily News and the Daily Sentinel, newspapers of general circulation, printed and published in the City of Grand Junction, County of Mesa, State of Colorado, not less than fifteen days before such election, and it shall also be published in each of the two said newspapers for three successive days before such election, and also a copy of such notice shall be posted in the places of voting in the respective election precincts at least fifteen days before such election, announcing the date, place and object of the election, and the City Clerk is hereby charged with the duty of effectuating this provision, and the proposed ordinance heretofore referred to shall be published in the said the Daily Sentinel after the said electionm as required by the Charter of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado.

Said notice of said regular election shall be in substantially the following form:

PUBLIC NOTICE

REGULAR ELECTION

In pursuance of the laws of the State of Colorado and the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, and in conformity with the Resolution of the City Council, public notice is hereby given that a regular election of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, will be held at the places herein designated in the various election precincts in the said City on the Sixth day of November, 1917. At said election the question of the adoption or rejection of an ordinance known as:

"An ordinance providing for the purchase by the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, of the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter (NW1/4 NW1/4), Section Thirteen (13), Township one (1) South of Range one (1) West of the Ute Meridian in Mesa County, Colorado subject to rights of way for roads and ditches already established, to be used as a public park for the said city and the inhabitants thereof, and providing for the creation of an indebtedness on behalf of the said City by the issuance and sale of its bonds in the sum of Twenty Thousand Five Hundred (\$20,500.00) Dollars, for the purpose of paying for the said real estate."



will be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado. At said election suitable ballots will be provided and furnished to the voter, by which he may express his choice on the question submitted. Only duly qualified electors of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado will be permitted to vote at said election on said question.

At said election the following question will also be submitted to the qualified tax-paying electors, under the law, of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado:

Shall the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, issue and sell City Bonds in the aggregate sum of Twenty Thousand Five Hundred (\$20,500.00) Dollars, in the form of and for the purpose designated in the ordinance entitled:

"An ordinance providing for the purchase by the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, of the North-West quarter of the Northwest quarter (NW1/4 NW1/4) Section Thirteen (13), Township One (1) South of Range one (1) West of the Ute Meridian in Mesa County, Colorado, subject to rights of way for roads and ditches already established, to be used as a public park for the City and the inhabitants thereof, and providing for the creation of an indebtedness on behalf of the said City by the issuance and sale of its Bonds in the sum of Twenty Thousand Five Hundred (\$20,500.00) Dollars, for the purpose of paying for the said real estate."

At said election suitable ballots will be provided and furnished the voter by which he may express his choice on the question submitted.

Only duly qualified, taxpaying electors, under the law of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, will be permitted to vote at the said election on the said question.

The election will be held and the vote canvassed and the return made and the result declared in the same manner as is now provided by the laws of the State of Colorado and the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, in cases of election for municipal officers.

Such election will be held between the hours of seven o'clock A. M. and seven o'clock P. M. in the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, at the following designated polling places in the several election precincts of the said City:

Precinct No. 9: Polling place at City Hall  
Precinct No. 10: Polling place at 226 Main St.  
Precinct No. 11: Polling place at Y.M.C.A. Building  
Precinct No. 12: Polling place at 122 North Seventh St.  
Precinct No. 16: Polling place at 222 North Seventh St.

By order of the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado.

By  
City Clerk.

If, after the election has been held as provided in the foregoing resolution, and the result declared by resolution of the City Council, it should appear therefrom that the Ordinance herein designated has been approved and adopted by a majority of the qualified electors of the said City voting at said election, then such Ordinance shall be duly numbered and published after said election, in accordance with the Charter of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado.

And if it shall appear therefrom that the Bonds by said ordinance provided have been adopted and approved by a majority of the qualified tax-paying electors of the said City voting at the said election, then said Bonds shall be issued and sold in the manner and as by said Ordinance provided.

Moved by Commissioner Vorbeck, seconded by Commissioner Blackstone, that the resolution as introduced and read be passed and adopted.

The motion being put, upon call of roll, the Commissioners voted as follows: Rankin, yea; Vorbeck, yea; Blackstone, yea; Holmburg, yea.

All the Commissioners present having voted yea, the motion was declared carried and the resolution passed and adopted.

The following resolution was introduced and read:

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Junction is the owner of the North half of Block 84, in said City, and the County of Mesa is the owner of the South half of said Block, and

WHEREAS, School District No. 1 of Mesa County is the owner of Block 95, in said City, which block is now being used for School purposes, and

WHEREAS, it is desired by many people that an exchange be effected by which the City would become the owner of the West half of said Block 95, the County the owner of the East half of said Block 95 and the said School District the owner of Block 84, subject to certain reservations and exceptions.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that an Ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance Concerning the Exchange by the City of Grand Junction

and County of Mesa of Block 84 of said City for Block 95 of said City, now owned by said School District No. 1" be submitted to the vote of the qualified electors of said City for their adoption or rejection at the regular election to be held November 6th, 1917.

Moved by Commissioner Holmburg, seconded by Commissioner Blackstone, that the resolution as introduced and read be passed and adopted.

The motion being put, upon call of roll, the Commissioners voted as follows: Rankin, yea; Vorbeck, yea; Blackstone, yea; Holmburg, yea.

All the Commissioners present having voted yea, the motion was declared carried and the resolution passed and adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holmburg, seconded by Commissioner Blackstone, that the Commissioner of Finance and Supplies be authorized and instructed to contract for the purchase of one earload of coal for the several city departments, as per bid submitted by the Juanita Sales Co. of September 28th, quoting a price of \$5.25 per ton.

The motion being put, upon call of roll, the Commissioners voted as follows: Rankin, yea; Vorbeck, yea; Blackstone, yea; Holmburg, yea.

All the Commissioners present having voted yea, the motion was declared carried.

On motion of Commissioner Vorbeck, seconded by Commissioner Blackstone, the Council then adjourned.

/s/ Charles K. Holmburg  
City Clerk.