

Grand Junction, Colorado  
November 14, 1917

Pursuant to adjournment, the City Council of the City of Grand Junction convened at four o'clock p. m., in the City Hall, with Mayor Cherrington in the chair.

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

City Attorney Tupper was present.

A proposed emergency ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance Providing for an Emergency Appropriation for the Maintenance of the Department of Water and Sewers," was introduced and read.

Moved by Commissioner Vorbeck, seconded by Commissioner Holmburg, that the proposed ordinance as read be passed and adopted as emergency ordinance.

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

All the Commissioners having voted yea, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the proposed ordinance passed and adopted as an emergency ordinance.

Moved by Commissioner Holmburg, seconded by Commissioner Vedder, that the ordinance just passed be numbered 258 and ordered published in the official newspaper of the city.

The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Council.

A proposed ordinance, entitled "The Annual Appropriation Ordinance of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, Providing for the Expenses and Liabilities of the City of Grand Junction for the Fiscal Year beginning January 1, 1918, and ending December 31, 1918," was introduced and read.

Moved by Commissioner Vorbeck, seconded by Commissioner Vedder, that the proposed ordinance as read be passed for publication.

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

All the Commissioners having voted yea, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the proposed ordinance passed for publication.

The following resolution was introduced and read:

RESOLUTION.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, that for the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses and liabilities of the said city of Grand Junction for the next fiscal year, beginning January 1, 1918, and ending December 31, 1918, there shall be and hereby is levied and assessed upon all the taxable property situated within the corporate limits of said city of Grand Junction, both real and personal, the following amounts for special and general taxes, to-wit:

FIRST. For the purpose of defraying the expenses and maintenance of the free Public Library a tax of three-tenths of one mill on each dollar of property so assessed or to be assessed.

SECOND. For the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses and liabilities of the said city of Grand Junction and for the payment of interest on outstanding bonds and for the payment of a portion of the bonded indebtedness of said city a tax of seven and four-tenths mills on each dollar of said property so assessed or to be assessed; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to certify to the foregoing levy to the County Clerk and Recorder and also to the County Assessor of Mesa County, Colorado, as required by the Statutes of the State of Colorado, and as provided also by the Charter of the City of Grand Junction.

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

The motion being put, each Commissioner as his name was called voted as follows: Cherrington, yea; Vedder, yea; Vorbeck, yea; Blackstone, yea; Holmburg, yea.

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

Moved by Commissioner Vorbeck, seconded by Commissioner Blackstone, that the following resolution be passed and adopted:

Resolution.

Whereas

The greatest burden resting upon the people of Grand Junction is the \$571000.00 of outstanding water bonds, and,

Whereas

There is at this time no adequate provision made for the reduction of this burden; and,

Whereas

\$50000.00 of this bonded debt becomes due and payable on April 1st. 1923, the payment of which at maturity, should be provided for by creating an adequate sinking fund, and,

Whereas

The most equitable method for providing funds for such a sinking fund is through a water main special assessment for such an amount as will accumulate a sufficient amount by April 1st. 1923 for the payment of the \$50000.00 of the bonds when they become due at that date. Be it therefore

Resolved

That the annual special assessment for water main frontage be fixed for 1918 at .5 per front foot instead of .2 as has been the amount so assessed in the past several years.

Moved by Commissioner Holmburg, seconded by Commissioner Vedder, that the resolution as read be amended by striking out the words "5 per front foot," and inserting in their place the words "4 cents per front foot."

The motion being put, upon call of roll, the Commissioners voted as follows: Cherrington, yea; Vedder, yea; Vorbeck, no; Blackstone, no; Holmburg, yea.

A majority of the Commissioners having voted yea, the motion was declared carried and the amendment adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holmburg, seconded by Commissioner Vedder, that the resolution as amended be passed and adopted.

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

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

Moved by Commissioner Vedder, seconded by Commissioner Holmburg, that the Commissioner of Finance and Supplies be authorized and instructed to order 500 feet of 4-inch east iron pipe and one cast tee, for connecting water line on South avenue between 6th and 7th streets.

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

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

On motion of Commissioner Vorbeck, seconded by Commissioner Holmburg, the Council adjourned until Friday, November 16, at 4 o'clock p. m.

/s/ Charles K. Holmburg  
City Clerk.