

Grand Junction, Colo.

March 24 1926

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction met in special session at 7:30 o'clock P.M. with President Bell presiding. All the Councilmen were duly notified of the meeting. Those present and answering at roll call were Councilmen Bear, Ellison, Fairley, Logsdan, Meders, Moslander & Bell. City Manager Thompson, City Attorney Hinman and City Clerk Peck were present.

The following communication from the Grand River Valley Railway Company was read by the Clerk:

THE GRAND RIVER VALLEY RAILWAY COMPANY

A. E. CARLTON, PRESIDENT

SPENCER PENROSE, VICE-PRESIDENT

CHAS. L. TUTT, SECRETARY & TREASURER

J. STEWART, GENERAL MANAGER

A. E. ANDERSON, GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

Grand Junction, Colorado.

March 20, 1926.

To The Honorable City Council,
City of Grand Junction, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that this Company will abandon and cease to operate its trackage in the City of Grand Junction located on South Avenue commencing at the point of intersection at Fourth Street and extending to Seventh Street, this to take effect immediately before such time as paving of South Avenue shall commence.

In advising you of our decision, we beg to state that this trackage is unprofitable and unnecessary to the operation of our system in your city and we believe that it will be to the best interests of the property owners within this area to have the track removed so that solid paving can be extended over the street.

We beg to state that this action is not taken for the purpose of avoiding the cost of paving and that we expect to pay the cost of paving the area covered by our franchise.

Very truly yours,

Grand River Valley Railway Co.,
By/s/ A.E. Anderson

General Sup't.

E.L. Dorr, Secretary of the Strange-MaGuire Paving Company also requested that the Grand River Valley Railway Company be permitted to remove their tracks on South Avenue.

Councilman Meders moved, seconded by Councilman Fairley that the President of the Council be instructed and authorized to sign a contract on behalf of the City with the Grand River Valley Railway Company and the Strange-MaGuire Paving Company said contract to permit the Grand River Valley Ry. Co. to remove their street railway tracks from South Ave, between Fourth and Seventh Streets under certain conditions stated in said contract. Upon which motion the following vote was cast: Councilmen voting "YEA": Bear, Ellison, Fairley, Logsdan, Meders, Moslander & Bell. Councilmen voting "NAY", None. All the Councilmen voting "YEA" the President declared the motion carried.

Professor R.E. Tope appeared before the Council requesting that the City of Grand Junction pay for minor repairs, lights, gas, water and the cost of connecting chemistry tables to the sewer at the Old Lowell School building, said building to be used by the Junior College.

Upon motion of Councilman Moslander, seconded by Councilman Meders and unanimously carried the request of Mr. Tope was granted.

Leroy Wood was present and asked the Council to cooperate with the Veterens of Foreign Wars in the planting of memorial trees along the highway leading to the Municipal Cemetary.

Upon motion of Councilman Fairley, seconded by Councilman Meders the matter was referred to the City Manager.

The surety bond of the Strange-Maguire Paving Company required by their contract for the construction of Paving District No. 16 was presented. The same having the approval of the City Attorney. Upon motion of Councilman Moslander, seconded by Councilman Logsdan the bond was approved and ordered filed.

Councilman Ellison moved, seconded by Councilman Bear that the City Auditor be authorized and instructed to advertise for bids for the construction of Paving District No. 15, the letting of the contract to be subject to the creation of the district and

the sale and approval of the bonds for said District. Said bids to be opened at 7:30 o'clock P.M., April 14th 1926 or as soon thereafter as the matter could be taken up. The motion being put all the Councilmen voted "YEA" and the President declared the motion carried and the Auditor so instructed.

A proposed ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2 OF ORDINANCE NO. 391, PASSED AND ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 16TH, 1925, AND ENTITLED 'AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING ASHES; THE STORAGE AND DEPOSIT THEREOF IN; RECEPTACLES AND PITS; THE REQUIREMENTS OF CONSTRUCTION OF ASH PITS; AND RECEPTACLES FOR ASHES AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF'" was introduced and read. Upon motion of Councilman Fairley, seconded by Councilman Bear the proposed ordinance was passed for publication.

There being no further business to come before the meeting the council adjourned upon motion of Councilman Fairley, seconded by Councilman Bear.

/s/ Fred A. Peck

City Clerk