

Grand Junction, Colorado

March 25, 1931

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction met in regular adjourned session at 7:30 o'clock P. M. Those present and answering at roll call were: Councilmen Bear, Glassford, Hall, Hirons, Penberthy, Sievert, and Rogers. City Attorney Adams, City Manager Soderstrum, and City Clerk Tomlinson were present.

Election notice

The following notice was presented and read:

ELECTION NOTICE

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO

NOTICE OF GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, THE 7th DAY OF APRIL, A. D. 1931.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A general Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday, the 7th day of April, A. D. 1931, at the polling places hereinafter designated in the City of Grand Junction, Colorado.

That said general municipal election will be held at the several polling places in the several districts and voting precincts of the City of Grand Junction, in the state aforesaid, as follows:

DISTRICT "A" - City Voting Precinct No. 9-First Ward - Polling Place - City Hall

DISTRICT "B" - City Voting Precinct No. 10-Second Ward - Polling Place - Western Slope Garage

DISTRICT "C" - City Voting Precinct No. 11-W. Third Ward - Polling Place - Y.M.C.A.

DISTRICT "D" - City Voting Precinct No. 12 Fourth Ward - Polling Place - Mutual Motors Garage, 112 South Seventh Street.

DISTRICT "E" - City Voting Precinct No. 16 E. Third Ward - Polling Place - Christian Church.

Upon the date and at the places designated aforesaid, the polls will be open from the hour of 7 o'clock A. M. to and including, and will be closed at the hour of 7 o'clock P. M. The ballots to be used in voting will be prepared and furnished by the City Clerk to the Judges of the election, to be by them furnished to the voters. The election will be held and conducted as nearly as may be, in the manner prescribed by law, in the case of elections

for municipal officers. Registration for the said election will take place in the manner now provided by law. That at said election the following proposed ordinances will be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Grand Junction for their adoption or rejection:

First: An Ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION TO ACQUIRE, OWN, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE AN ELECTRIC PLANT AND SYSTEM FOR FURNISHING ELECTRICITY FOR LIGHT AND POWER PURPOSES TO THE CITY AND ITS INHABITANTS, PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, AND OPERATION OF SUCH PLANT AND SYSTEM."

Second: An Ordinance "PROVIDING FOR THE EXCHANGE OF TWO PARCELS OF LAND BELONGING TO THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS;

Parcel 1. That part of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter (SE1/4 SE1/4) of Section thirty six (36), Township one (1), North, Range One (1) west, Ute Meridian, lying and being below the so-called High Line Canal, containing approximately 3.6 acres.

Parcel 2. That part of the north half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter (N1/2 NE1/4 NE1/4) of Section one (1) Township one (1) south, Range one (1) west; Ute Meridian, lying and being below the so-called High Line Canal, containing approximately 8.3 acres.

FOR A PARCEL OF LAND BELONG TO M. S. PATTERSON AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

That part of the east half of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter (E1/2 NW1/4 NW1/4) of Section six (6), Township one (1) south, Range one (1) east Ute Meridian, lying and being above the so-called High Line Canal, containing approximately 11 acres.

That at said election a member of the City Council will be elected from each of two election districts (i.e. Districts "B" and "C") and one member of the City Council will be elected from the City of Grand Junction at large, each of said Councilmen to be elected for the regular four-year term.

That the candidates who have been placed in nomination for Councilmen are as follows:

DISTRICT "B"

H. S. Manning
Dave M. Roberts

DISTRICT "C"

J. W. Hadden
Allen L. Holcombe

CITY AT LARGE

Ernest M. Gillpatrick
Frank R. Hall

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The City Council of the City of Grand Junction has caused this notice to be published and posted as required by law and dated this 25th day of March, A. D. 1931.

Helen C. Tomlinson
City Clerk

It was moved by Councilman Glassford and seconded by Councilman Hall that the foregoing notice be published in the Daily Sentinel and copies posted at the various polls, according to the Charter and the ordinances of the City of Grand Junction. Motion carried.

Request to install flood lights

Mr. Winterburn presented a request that Jones Bros. Tire Service be allowed to install flood lights on the corner of 7th and Rood Avenue. It was moved by Councilman Penberthy and seconded by Councilman Glassford that the request of Jones Bros. for a flood light on the corner of 7th and Rood be granted. Motion carried.

Ord. Concerning Mun. light plant

The Proof of Publication to the ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION TO ACQUIRE, OWN, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE AN ELECTRIC PLANT AND SYSTEM FOR FURNISHING ELECTRICITY FOR LIGHT, AND POWER PURPOSES TO THE CITY AND ITS INHABITANTS, PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF SUCH PLANT AND SYSTEM", was presented. It was moved by Councilman Penberthy and seconded by Councilman Hirons that the Proof of Publication be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

The following resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, On March 22, 1930, an agreement was entered into in writing between the City of Grand Junction and M. S. Patterson in the words and figures following:

"AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, Made and entered into in duplicate this 22d day of March, 1930, by and between The City of Grand Junction, a municipal corporation, party of the first part, hereinafter called the City, and M. S. Patterson of the County of Mesa, State of Colorado, party of the second part, WITNESSETH:

THAT WHEREAS The City is the owner of two parcels of land in said Mesa County, described as follows, to-wit:

Parcel 1. That part of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter (SE1/4 SE1/4) of Section thirty-six (36), Township one (1) north, Range one (1) west, Ute Meridian, lying and being below the so-called High Line Canal, containing approximately 3.6 acres;

Parcel 2. That part of the north half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter (N1/2 NE1/4 NE1/4) of Section one (1), Township one (1) south, Range one (1) west, Ute Meridian, lying and being below the so-called High Line Canal, containing approximately 8.3 acres;

AND WHEREAS Said second party owns a certain parcel of land in said Mesa County, described as follows, to-wit:

That part of the east half of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter (E1/2 NW1/4 NW1/4) of Section six (6), Township one (1) south, Range one (1) east, Ute Meridian, lying and being above the so-called High Line Canal, containing approximately 11 acres;

AND WHEREAS It is the desire of the City Council and the City Manager of said City to exchange Parcels 1 and 2 above described with second party for his said parcel of land, and such exchange cannot be consummated unless it is approved by the duly qualified electors of said City;

AND WHEREAS Said second party is willing to make such exchange, in the event said electors authorize the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, In consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants herein contained, the City hereby agrees with the second party as follows, to-wit:

To submit to the duly qualified electors of said City a proposal to exchange said lands with second party.

If such exchange is not adopted by the electors of said City, the City agrees to buy the above-described lands of second party, and second party agrees to sell the same to said City, for the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400.00), such sale and purchase to be consummated as soon as practicable after such election.

Possession is hereby granted by the City to second party of its said two parcels of land, and possession is hereby granted by second party to said City of his said parcel of land, as above described.

In the event of such exchange, each party hereto shall furnish the other party with a duly certified abstract of title showing

such party to have a good and merchantable title to said premises, and second party shall furnish such abstract to the City in the event of the sale of his said land to said City. The second party shall pay all taxes assessed on his said premises until such exchange or sale is consummated.

In the event of the failure of the taxpayers to ratify such exchange of property, the party of the first part agrees that it will re-imburse the party of the second part for the value of all work done and materials used in improving said parcels of land which the City proposes to exchange.

WITNESS The corporate name of the City, by its proper officers thereunto duly authorized by a resolution of its Council, and the seal of said City, and the hand and seal of the second party, the day and year first above written.

THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION

By/s/ Fred A. Rogers

President of the Council

ATTEST:

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson

City Clerk

(SEAL)

/s/ M. S. Soderstrum

Second Party

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the City Council of the City of Grand Junction:

Section 1. That the City Council does hereby submit to electoral vote for adoption or rejection, at the general municipal election to be held in the City of Grand Junction on the 7th day of April, 1931, the following ordinance:

"PEOPLE'S ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXCHANGE OF TWO PARCELS OF LAND BELONGING TO THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

Parcel 1. That part of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter (SE1/4 SE1/4) of Section thirty-six (36), Township one (1) north, Range one (1) west, Ute Meridian, lying and being below the so-called High Line Canal, containing approximately 3.6 acres;

Parcel 2. That part of the north half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter (N1/2 NE1/4 NE1/4) of Section one (1), Township one (1) south, Range one (1) west, Ute Meridian, lying and being below the so-called High Line Canal, containing approximately 8.3 acres;

FOR A PARCEL OF LAND BELONGING TO M. S. PATTERSON AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

That part of the east half of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter (E1/2 NW1/4 NW1/4) of Section six (6), Township one (1) south, Range one (1) east, Ute Meridian, lying and being above the so-called High Line Canal, containing approximately 11 acres.

WHEREAS The following-described parcels of land situate in Mesa County, Colorado, to-wit:

Parcel 1. That part of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter (SE1/4 SE1/4) of Section thirty-six (36), Township one (1) north, Range one (1) west, Ute Meridian, lying and being below the so-called High Line Canal, containing approximately 3.6 acres;

Parcel 2. That part of the north half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter (N1/2 NE1/4 NE1/4) of Section one (1), Township one (1) south, Range one (1) West, Ute Meridian, lying and being below the so-called High Line Canal, containing approximately 8.3 acres;

are now owned by the City of Grand Junction;

AND WHEREAS The following-described parcel of land situate in Mesa County, Colorado, to-wit:

That part of the east half of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter (E1/2 NW1/4 NW1/4) of Section six (6), Township one (1) south, Range one (1) east, Ute Meridian, lying and being above the so-called High Line Canal, containing approximately 11 acres;

is now owned by M. S. Patterson;

AND WHEREAS The acquisition of the said land of M. S. Patterson by the City will increase and consolidate the lands of said City now owned and used by it as a Municipal Air Port;

AND WHEREAS Said parcels owned by the City are substantially of the same value as the parcel owned by M. S. Patterson;

AND WHEREAS The City Council and M. S. Patterson have agreed to exchange said lands, without further consideration to either party;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED By the City Council of the City of Grand Junction and be it ordained by the electors of the City of Grand Junction upon referendum by the City Council thereof:

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, by its President and City Clerk, under the seal of the City, is hereby authorized and directed to convey by good and sufficient deed of conveyance to the said M. S. Patterson the parcels of land heretofore described as belonging to the City, upon the execution and delivery to the City by the said M. S. Patterson of a good and sufficient deed of conveyance of the parcel of land heretofore described as belonging to him and upon the furnishing to the City of a duly certified abstract of title showing said M. S. Patterson to have a good and merchantable title to said tract of land."

Section 2. That said proposed ordinance be published once in full in the Daily Sentinel, a daily newspaper of the City of Grand Junction, in its issue of March 26, 1931, and if a majority of the qualified electors voting on said proposed ordinance at the general municipal election to be held in the City of Grand Junction on the 7th day of April, 1931, shall vote in favor thereof, the same shall be again published once in said daily newspaper as soon as the results of said election shall be canvassed and declared as provided by law.

Section 3. That the City Clerk shall, in the manner provided by law and the Charter of the City of Grand Junction, include in the notice calling the general municipal election of April 7, 1931, a notice that said People's Ordinance No. _____ will be submitted to electoral vote for adoption or rejection at said election, and the ballots used when voting upon said proposed ordinance shall state the nature of the ordinance in terms sufficient to identify it, and, on separate lines, the words "for the ordinance" and "against the ordinance".

It was moved by Councilman Hall and seconded by Councilman Hirons that the resolution be passed and adopted as read. Upon which motion the following vote was cast: Councilmen voting YEA - Bear, Hall, Hirons, Glassford, Penberthy, Sievert, Rogers. Councilmen voting NO - None. All the Councilmen voting YEA, the President declared the motion carried.

Election Clerks & Judges appointed

It was moved by Councilman Glassford and seconded by Councilman Bear that the following clerks and judges serve on the election boards for the general municipal election to be held April 7th, 1931. Motion carried.

FIRST WARD

RECEIVING BOARD

COUNTING BOARD

Judges	Mrs. Nora Lockett Mrs. H. O. Bear Mrs. O. E. Boston	Mrs. J. O. Ponsford Mrs. Anna Lindhard Mrs. Dudley Rodd
Clerks	Mrs. Myrtle Friend Mrs. Harry Russell	Mrs. Chas. Schmidt Mrs. L. R. Getty

SECOND WARD

Judges	Mr. Wm. Hafey Mrs. C. W. Derryberry Mrs. A. M. Woody	Mrs. Theora Lyen Mrs. Geo. Gorham Mrs. Martha Rogers
Clerks	Mrs. Hazel Lindenschmitt Mrs. W. A. Craft	Mrs. Lillian Rogers Mrs. J. I. Davis

W. THIRD WARD

Judges	Mr. C. B. Aupperlie Mrs. J. A. Barraclaugh Mrs. C. C. Beye	Mr. Ralph Lockard Mrs. Inez Eaves Mrs. F. H. Vandebos
Clerks	Mrs. Effie Glass Mrs. John Crosby	Mrs. Mary Brusse Mrs. Agnes Goodrick

FOURTH WARD

Judges	Mrs. Carrie McKenzie Mrs. J. C. Corson Mrs. Jas. Hards	Mr. C. V. Lary Mrs. L. A. Boyes Mrs. A. E. Peck
Clerks	Mrs. Benice Pearson Mrs. S. J. Lennox	Mrs. Guy Atkins Mrs. Marie Nowlan

E. THIRD WARD

Judges	Mrs. Ida Rhone Mrs. W. A. House Mrs. Otney Kendall	Mrs. Paul Prinster Mrs. E. L. Vinton Mrs. J. W. Rader
Clerks	Miss Ethel Matlack Mrs. John Hall	Mrs. Emilie Antles Mrs. T. J. Peters

Request to change Auctioneer license

Mr. A. E. Templeman, jeweler, appeared before the Council to request that the ordinance concerning auctioneers be changed to allow auction sales to be held after 6 o'clock P. M. All protest from other jewelry firms in the City was filed, requesting that the ordinance remain as it now is. No action concerning the change of the ordinance was taken by the Council.

Councilman Hall moved and Councilman Hirons seconded the motion that the City Manager be requested to secure data from a few other Cities of approximately the same size as Grand Junction, as to what their ordinances are concerning auction sales, the hours and license fee. Motion carried.

Councilman Hirons was excused at this time.

Jewett bond filed

The bond of Mr. Jewett, Cement Contractor, having been approved as to form, by the City Attorney was presented. It was moved by Councilman Bear and seconded by Councilman Penberthy that the bond be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

Re tax certificates

The following letter was introduced and read:

HENRY TUPPER SILMON SMITH CHARLES HOLMES

TUPPER, SMITH & HOLMES
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
FAIR BUILDING
GRAND JUNCTION, COLO.

March Twenty-fifth 1931

To the Honorable Mayor
City Council, and Manager of the City of Grand Junction

Gentlemen:

Andrew Brandon is a young man friend of the undersigned who is trying to get a home for himself and family.

There is a small and very undesirable tract in Milldale known as Lot 23, and the West Half of Lot 22, in Block 12 of Milldale Subdivision.

Neither the taxes nor special assessments on this property have been paid since 1925 with the exception of the general taxes for 1926.

There is a sidewalk tax of \$24.96 with interest amounting to \$8.41. The water main tax is \$11.65 with \$4.69, interest; a sewer tax of \$32.60 with \$13.11, interest; all owned by the City and totalling \$69.21, principal; and \$26.21, interest.

The certificates held by the City of Grand Junction are Nos. 28485, 28486, 26576, 26577, 26660, 26661.

The general taxes for 1924 and 1925 are held by the Tax Service Corporation in the sum of \$48.18, principal; with \$26.06, interest.

The 1927, 1928 and 1929 general taxes are held by Mesa County in the sum of \$69.98; and \$15.17, interest.

Redemption fees will be approximately \$5.75.

The 1930 general taxes are in addition amounting \$21.80, and 1931 specials to \$10.64 making a total of \$293.00 which is, in my opinion, materially more than the property is worth.

I am asking, on behalf of this young man, for a reduction from the various owners of these certificates; and, if possible, to get it cut down to a total that the young man can handle so that he can go ahead.

It is at best a most undesirable property; and we hope that you will see fit to discount the interest; and, if possible, a material part of the principal.

Yours very truly,
/s/ Silmon Smith

It was moved by Councilman Penberthy and seconded by Councilman Glassford that the City Council abate the interest amounting to \$26.21, in the above tax matter. Upon which motion the following vote was cast: Councilmen voting YEA - Bear, Glassford, Hall, Sievert, Penberthy, Rogers. Councilmen voting NO - None. All of the Councilmen present voting YEA, the President declared the motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Glassford and seconded by Councilman Bear that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson

City Clerk