

Grand Junction, Colorado

June 3rd, 1931

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

The minutes of the regular meeting held May 20th, the regular adjourned meeting held May 27th and the special meeting held June 1st were read and approved.

Cutting Weeds

The matter of cutting weeds at this time was brought up. It was suggested that the City ordinance concerning the date for cutting weeds be changed from July 1-15 to June 1-15. No definite action was taken.

Resolution concerning Electric Franchise

The following resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the proposed Ordinance granting a franchise to the Public Service Company of Colorado was presented to the City Council of the City of Grand Junction on this third day of June, 1931, and

WHEREAS, Said Ordinance must be passed and adopted by the City Council and referred to a vote of the qualified tax-paying electors of said City for their approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;

1. That said proposed Ordinance be given Ordinance Number _____
2. That said proposed Ordinance be and the same is hereby passed and adopted by the City Council on the first reading thereof.
3. That said proposed Ordinance be submitted to the qualified tax-paying electors of said City for their approval or rejection at a special election to be held on Tuesday, the thirtieth day of June, 1931.
4. That notice of said election be given by the City Clerk by publication of said proposed Ordinance daily for ten successive days prior to said election in The Daily Sentinel, the sole daily newspaper of general circulation, published in said City, together with a notice by the City Clerk that on said date said

Ordinance will be submitted to the qualified tax-paying electors for their approval or rejection.

5. That the City Clerk also publish said proposed Ordinance once a week for six successive weeks in said Daily Sentinel, together with a notice that at the regular meeting of said Council, to be held the fifth day of August, 1931, said proposed Ordinance will be taken up by said Council for final consideration as to its final adoption and passage, in accordance with law.

6. That said City Clerk also give such notice of registration and such other notices as shall be required by law.

7. That said publications be commenced by the City Clerk when the Public Service Company shall have deposited with the City Treasurer a sum to be determined by him to be adequate to defray all the expenses of all such publications so required, together with all other lawful expenses of holding such special election.

It was moved by Councilman Hiron and seconded by Councilman Roberts that the resolution as read be passed and adopted.

Roll was called with the following result: Councilmen voting AYE: Bear, Hall, Hiron, Holcombe, Roberts, Sievert, and Glassford.

Councilmen voting NAY: None.

All of the Councilmen voting AYE, the President declared the motion carried, and the resolution duly passed and adopted.

The following resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City Council, the City Manager and the City Attorney have given considerable study to the terms and provisions of the proposed franchise to the Public Service Company of Colorado, and

WHEREAS, a year ago, acting upon the advice of C. A. Winder, Rate Expert of Fort Worth, Texas, and with the consent of the Public Service Company, rates granting a reduction of \$19,000.00 a year were established by the Council and now under the proposed franchise a further reduction in electric rates is offered approximating \$11,300.00 a year, together with a reduction in street-lighting payments of \$984.00 a year, together with a franchise tax of not less than \$6,000.00 annually, and

WHEREAS, if the proposed franchise is adopted a new power plant will be built near the City by the Redlands Irrigation Company, a new power plant will be built by the Government for the Grand Valley Water Users' Association at Palisade and connecting lines and improvements will be made by the Public Service Company in and around the City aggregating an expenditure within the next year of more than \$600,000.00 which will result in great benefits

to the Redlands district, the Grand Valley Reclamation Project, the City generally and in much-needed work for Grand Junction citizens.

NOW THEREFORE, in submitting this proposal to a vote of the qualified tax-paying electors of this City, the City Council is of the opinion that the proposal is fair in all respects and offers proper safe-guards to the City and its inhabitants, including complete control of both rates and service, and therefore the Council recommends to the electors that the proposed ordinance be adopted.

Councilman Holcombe moved and Councilman Roberts seconded the motion that the resolution be passed and adopted as read. Roll was called with the following result: Councilmen voting AYE: Bear, Hall, Holcombe, Hirons, Roberts, Sievert, Glassford. Councilmen voting NAY - None. All of the Councilmen voting AYE, the President declared the motion carried.

Councilman Hirons moved and Councilman Holcombe seconded the motion that the meeting adjourn.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson
City Clerk