

Grand Junction, Colorado

December 15, 1932

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: Councilman Bear, Glassford, Hirons, Holcombe, Sievert and President Hall. City Councilman Roberts was absent. City Manager Soderstrum, City Attorney Adams, and City Clerk Tomlinson were present.

Request that State Board appoint City Clerk as Registrar of Vital Statistics

The following resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

IT APPEARING TO THE CITY COUNCIL That the statutes of the State of Colorado, provide for the appointment of a Registrar of Vital Statistics each two years by the State Board of Health and that such statutes further provide that in incorporated towns & cities, in which the City Clerk receives a fixed salary, in lieu of fees, no compensation shall be paid for performing the duties of Registrar of Vital Statistics.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the State Board of Health be requested to appoint the City Clerk of the City of Grand Junction as Registrar of Vital Statistics for said City for the ensuing two years, and that a certified copy of this resolution be forthwith transmitted to the Secretary of the State Board of Health for its action thereon.

It was moved by Councilman Holcombe and seconded by Councilman Bear that the foregoing resolution be passed and adopted as read. Roll was called with the following result; Councilmen voting Aye - Bear, Glassford, Hirons, Holcombe, Sievert, and Hall. Councilmen voting No - None. All of the Councilmen present voting Aye, the President declared the motion carried.

1933 Budget

The Council considered the 1933 budget in detail. It was moved by Councilman Hirons and seconded by Councilman Sievert that the budget be approved, accepted and ordered filed. Roll was called with the following result: Councilmen voting Aye, Bear, Hirons, Holcombe, Glassford, Sievert, and Hall. Councilmen voting No - None. All of the Councilmen present voting Aye, the President declared the motion carried.

5th Street

The following resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, It appears that Fifth Street, in Grand Junction, forms a convenient link for carrying State Highway No. 6 across said City, within the corporate limits thereof, and

WHEREAS, It is mutually desired by the officials of said City and the officials of the State Highway Department that the said street, from the north city limits to the south city limits, as shown on the sketch attached hereto, be used as such connecting link, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That this Council agrees not to authorize or permit the installation of signs, semaphores, or signals which will give any local intersecting street a status outranking said Fifth Street, with the exception of Main Street, not to authorize or permit any construction or encroachment on the right of way; not to establish any curb lines nor cause or permit any curbing to be constructed on the said street with the curb lines less than thirty-six (36) feet apart; and to require that all parking of vehicles on the said Fifth Street be made parallel to the right of way side lines from the south city limits north to Pitkin Avenue, and in those portions of said street from Pitkin Avenue north to the north city limits where the distance between curb lines is thirty-six (36) feet or less.

The written approval of this action by the State Highway Engineer shall constitute an agreement between the parties, and shall be binding upon the successors of both parties.

It was moved by Councilman Glassford and seconded by Councilman Hirons that the resolution as read, be passed and adopted. Roll was called with the following result: Councilmen voting Aye, Bear, Glassford, Hirons, Holcombe, Sievert, Hall. Councilmen voting NO - None. All of the Councilmen present voting Aye, the President declared the motion carried.

Grand Valley Trust Agreement

It was moved by Councilman Glassford and seconded by Councilman Holcombe that the City Manager be authorized to sign a lease with M. Copeland for land below the reservoir which he has been leasing for the past several years. This lease to run from August 1st, 1932 to May 1st, 1933. Motion carried.

The following resolution was presented;

BE IT RESOLVED That a certified copy of the resolution passed September 7th, 1932, wherein the Grand Valley National Bank and The City of Grand Junction entered into a Trust Agreement, be transmitted to Mr. William Weiser, President of said bank with the request that such certified copy be mailed by him to the

Comptroller of the Currency with the request that the agreement set forth in said resolution be approved by him, and that a copy of the letter so to be written by Mr. Weiser be placed on file with the City Clerk and made of record, and that the answer of the Comptroller to such letter be given to the City for its files.

It was moved by Councilman Sievert and seconded by Councilman Bear that the resolution as read be passed and adopted. Roll was called with the following result: Councilmen voting Aye, Bear, Hirons, Holcombe, Sievert, and Hall and Glassford. Councilmen voting No-None. All of the Councilmen present voting Aye, the President declared the motion carried.

5th Street right of way for bridge

The following resolution was presented and read:

A RESOLUTION ALTERING AND CHANGING THAT PORTION OF SOUTH FIFTH STREET IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION NECESSARY TO PROVIDE A MORE DIRECT APPROACH TO THE NEW STATE HIGHWAY BRIDGE TO BE CONSTRUCTED ACROSS THE COLORADO RIVER, AS PARTICULARLY SHOWN ON THE PLAT SHOWING SUCH PROPOSED ALTERATION, ATTACHED HERETO AND BY THIS REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF.

WHEREAS The State Highway Department of the State of Colorado has notified the City of Grand Junction that it will, within a short time let a contract for the construction of a new bridge and its approaches, across the Colorado River, on South Fifth Street in said city;

AND WHEREAS The north approach to said proposed structure is substantially entirely within the limits of said city;

AND WHEREAS Said Highway Department has requested the city to procure additional rights of way within the city limits, covering the north approach to said bridge, by reason of the fact that said Highway Department has no legal authority to acquire land or rights of way for streets in said city, either by purchase or by condemnation;

AND WHEREAS It will be necessary for the pipe line of the water supply of the city to be carried across said bridge, and said Highway Department has agreed that the city may install and maintain its pipe line across said bridge;

AND WHEREAS, Said Highway Department has proposed to sustain the expense of the following construction details of the north approach to said bridge, within the corporate limits of the city, to-wit:

Rebuild all sidewalks and pavement destroyed or covered by new highway fill, extend all lead service pipes, move meter boxes and fire plugs to a point back of the new curb line; extend sewer

manholes to conform to new highway grade line; remove and rebuild all catch basins affected; remove and replant all small trees; and completely remove all large trees.

which said proposal, together with other matters in connection with said project, is contained and set forth in certain letters to the City Manager from the Highway Department, now on file, reference to which is hereby made;

AND WHEREAS It appears to the City Council that it is without discretion in the premises, and that a refusal on the part of the city to comply with the demands of the Highway Department will result in the abandonment of the project by the Bureau of Public Roads of the United States and said Highway Department;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the portion of South Fifth Street in the City of Grand Junction, from the point marked "PC 110 plus 69.2", on the plat marked "Exhibit A", hereto attached, to the south boundary line of said city, be and it is hereby altered and changed in conformity with said plat, so as to provide a more direct approach to said new state highway bridge across the Colorado River and in accordance with the plans and specifications of said bridge now on file in the office of the State Highway Engineer of the State of Colorado;

That the City Manager of this city be and he is hereby authorized and directed to negotiate with the several owners of the lands necessary to be acquired in the alteration of said portion of said street, and to agree, if possible, with them upon a reasonable compensation for such lands, and that he shall report his action in the premises as soon as possible to the Council for its approval or rejection;

That, in the event the City Manager is unable to obtain a proposal for compensation to the owners of such lands, satisfactory to the Council, the City Attorney shall forthwith institute condemnation proceedings for the acquisition by the city of said lands, or any part thereof for which the Council has been unable to make any satisfactory purchase agreement, as well as for the assessment of such special benefits as, in the opinion of the commissioners appointed in such proceedings, it is determined will accrue to private property by reason of such improvement, and that said City Attorney shall prosecute such proceedings to final determination, as is provided by the terms of Section 9076, et seq., Compiled Laws of Colorado of 1921;

That the lands necessary and required for the proper alteration and change of said street are described as follows, to-wit:

PARCEL NO. 1. A plot of ground for highway purposes, lying in the SE1/4 NW1/4 of Sec. 23, T. 1 S., R. 1 W. of the Ute P. M., more fully described as follows: Beginning at a point 827.62 feet west of and 175 feet north of the center of said Section 23; thence

west 7 feet; thence from a tangent course of N. 08° 24' E. northeasterly along a curve to left whose radius is 676.3 feet for a distance of 77 feet; thence east 0.4', more or less, to the west line of Fifth Street, in Grand Junction, Colorado; thence south along the west line of said street to the point of beginning.

PARCEL NO. 2. A plot of ground for highway purposes, lying in the SE1/4 NW1/4 of Sec. 23, T. 1 S., R. 1 W. of the Ute P. M., more fully described as follows: Beginning at a point 827.62 feet west and 125 feet north of the center of said Section 23; thence west 13.4 feet; thence from a tangent course of N. 12° 41' E. northeasterly along a curve to left whose radius is 676.3 feet for a distance of 51 feet; thence east 4 feet, more or less, to the west line of Fifth Street, in Grand Junction, Colorado; thence south along the west line of said street to the point of beginning.

PARCEL NO. 3. A plot of ground for highway purposes, lying in the SE1/4 NW1/4 of Sec. 23, T. 1 S., R. 1 W. of the Ute P. M., more fully described as follows: Beginning at a point 827.62 feet west of the center of said Section 23; thence west 580 feet; thence from a tangent course of N. 23° 58' E. northeasterly along a curve to left whose radius is 676.3 feet for a distance of 133 feet; thence east 16.4 feet, more or less, to the west line of Fifth Street, in Grand Junction, Colorado; thence south along the west line of said street to the point of beginning.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; That the City Manager be and he is further authorized and directed to make such changes and alterations in the pipe line of the water supply of the city, to and upon such new bridge, as may be provided in the plans and specifications therefore now on file, reference to which has heretofore been made.

It was moved by Councilman Sievert and seconded by Councilman Hirons that the resolution be passed and adopted as read. Roll was called with the following result: All Councilmen present voted Aye and President declared the motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Glassford and seconded by Councilman Hirons that the meeting adjourn.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson
City Clerk

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STATE OFFICE BUILDING



CHAS. D. VAIL
STATE HIGHWAY ENGINEER

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~~DENVER, COLORADO~~

Grand Junction, Colo.
June 17, 1939.

Mr. J. P. Soderstrum,
City Manager,
Grand Junction, Colo.

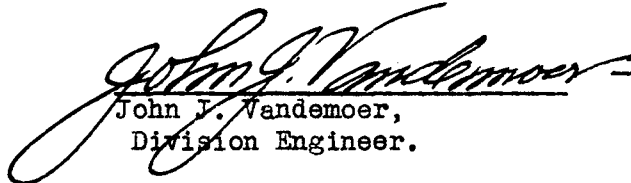
NRM 299-E

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith we hand you photostatic copy of Resolution
designating Fifth Street in Grand Junction, as a part of State Highway
No. 6.

This Resolution is dated December 15, 1932, and is to complete your
files.

Yours very truly,


John J. Vandemoer,
Division Engineer.

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Grand Junction, Colo.

Feb. 1, 1933.

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colo. met in regular session at 7:30 o'clock P. M. All members were present. Among others, the following proceedings were had and taken, to-wit:

The letter from Mr. O. T. Reedy of the State Highway Department requesting that the City Council modify the resolution heretofore passed on December 15th, 1932, with reference to the State Highway within the City of Grand Junction, and particularly requesting the elimination of the words "or less" in connection with the width of streets for parallel parking, having been considered by the Council, it was duly moved by Councilman Glassford and seconded by Councilman Sievert that the said resolution be and it is hereby amended by striking therefrom the words "or less" from the last line of the Third paragraph of said resolution.

All members of the Council voted AYE on the motion, and it was declared carried by the President.


I HEREBY CERTIFY That the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a motion spread on the minutes of the meeting held Feb. 1st 1933, as shown by the records in my hand remaining.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of said City this 13th day of December, A. D. 1933.

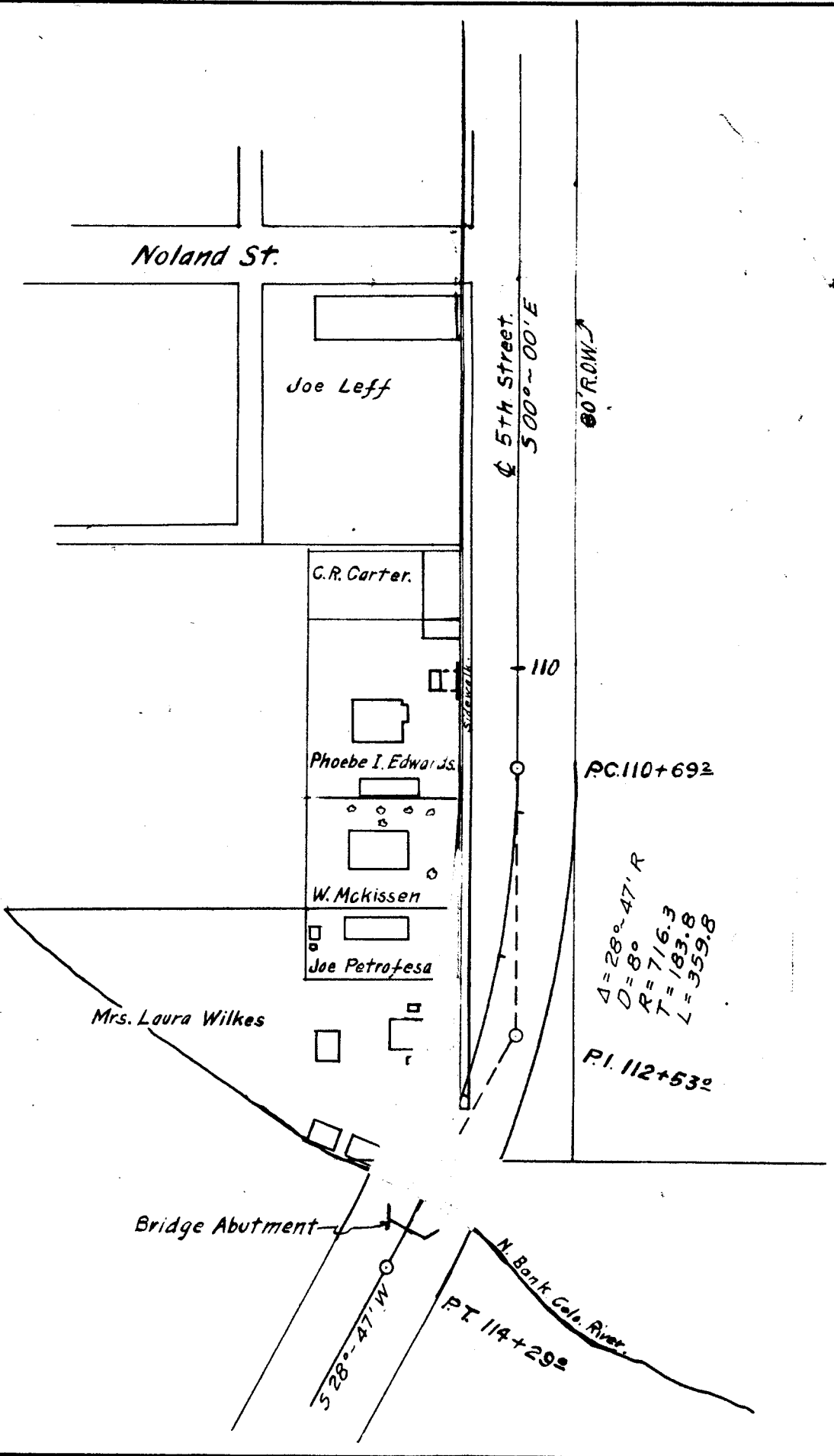
City Clerk

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT The foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution as passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, at its regular adjourned meeting held December 15th, 1932.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of said City, this 17th day of December, A. D. 1932.



City Clerk



R.O.W. MAP
North Approach
Fifth St. Bridge
F.A.P. 299-C
100' = 1"

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DENVER, COLORADO

Grand Junction, Colorado

December 5, 1932

Mr. J. P. Soderstrum
City Manager,
Grand Junction, Colo.

Dear Sir:--

To date we have not, except in a verbal way, reported to you that the State Highway Department has appropriated a sum of money to construct a bridge over the Colorado River near Fifth Street.

It is the purpose of this letter to report to you the facts concerning the above information, setting forth the nature of the improvements as affecting the City property.

We are informed by our Denver Office that the present bridge will be dismantled after the new structure has been placed. This means that the City pipe lines on either side of the present bridge will have to be moved. In a letter from Mr. Maloney dated November 25th, it is indicated that brackets are being provided on the new bridge to permit the City of Grand Junction to install a new 16" water line on the east side of the structure, the City to pay the cost of the steel, approximately 5000 lbs., at the contract unit price.

Concerning the north approach of the bridge, which lies almost entirely within the City limits, we will explain the nature of our improvement in detail. From the north abutment of the new bridge, Station 114+00, which is a point at the edge of the river and near the south limit of the City, we propose to construct a fill section on a 3% grade, same being on a curve with a radius of 716.3 feet, to connect with the center line of your pavement on Fifth Street. This curve ends at Sta. 110+69.2, and our grade meets the grade of the present pavement at Sta. 110+00. From Sta. 110+00 back to Sta. 100+00, the proposed limit of the new project, our center line and grade will be identical with the center line and grade of the present Fifth Street pavement.

J.P.Soderstrum

December 5, 1932

Enclosed you will find sketches showing the center line of our proposed curve departing from the center line of Fifth Street at Sta. 110/69.2 . Our right of way line, which is parallel to this center line and 40 feet distant therefrom, cuts into the properties of Mrs. Winnie McKissen, Joe Petrofessa, and Mrs. Laura Wilkes, on the west side of Fifth Street. The State Highway Act, under which we are operating, gives us no authority to buy or otherwise acquire land for right of way purposes within the corporate limits of a City, and we are therefore submitting to you an individual sketch of each property affected, together with a full legal description of the land required, and we are asking the City of Grand Junction to purchase the same for this improvement.

The properties of Mrs. McKissen and Joe Petrofessa are not seriously damaged by our improvement, or by the loss of the land we are asking of them. On the Wilkes property it will be necessary to move the buildings, and, due to our highway fill, the frontage on this tract of land will have to be adjusted for business purposes. In this connection, we wish to state that we are recommending to our people that this property be filled some 3 to 4 feet with excess material excavated from a proposed channel change in the river.

It is proposed to construct a 56 foot paved section from Sta. 100/00 to the end of the bridge at Sta. 114/00, unless a narrower section can be agreed upon with the Bureau of Public Roads. This wide pavement, as you will see, requires a great many changes to be made in the matter of drainage, lead service pipes, water plugs, and the removal of trees. All of these items of expense, including new sidewalks where destroyed or covered by our improvement, will be taken care of by the State Highway Department.

Yours very truly,

AHB:EHP


A.H. Batten

Resident Engineer.

Dec. 5, 1932.

Mr. E. B. Adams,
City Attorney,
Grand Junction, Colo.

Dear Sir:

Re: FIFTH STREET BRIDGE & COMBINED IMPROVEMENTS

On November 16th the county commissioners requested that I call upon them in the afternoon relative to securing right of way for the new bridge to be constructed at the south end of Fifth Street. This being the first inference that I had received that the City of Grand Junction was in any way involved with the construction of the said bridge. I, therefore, called upon you to accompany me to this meeting, at which time the county commissioners presented 3 tracts or parcels of land over which a right of way was necessary, and requested that the City of Grand Junction secure this said right of way.

After investigating what details I could with the State Highway Department through its local representative, Mr. J. J. Vandemoer, I find substantially the following facts pertaining to such construction:

The State Highway Commission has definitely decided to build a new bridge across the Colorado River at the south end of Fifth Street and located down stream from the present structure. It was originally contemplated to continue the bridge across the Colorado River on a straight line if possible, the center line of the new bridge being a prolongation of the center line of Fifth Street as now established. Upon investigation by the Bridge Engineer of the Highway Commission, it was found that this location would cost approximately \$50,000.00 more than the location finally decided upon. It was, therefore, decided to locate the new bridge down stream from the present structure so that the center line of the south end of the new bridge would be approximately 40 feet down stream from the center line of the present structure, and connecting with the center line of Fifth Street in the best method possible.

This new line necessitates creating an 8° curve to the west from the center line of Fifth Street starting at a point approximately 270 feet north of the city limit line, or approximately 270 feet north of the south line of Struthers Avenue. The width of Fifth Street at this point is 80 feet, and inasmuch as the construction of this new bridge is to be partly paid for by federal aid, the Bureau of Public Roads has set down some very fixed rules and standards that it insists must be followed. One of these is that the full width of 80-foot right of way be secured 40 feet on either side of the proposed center line of the new bridge.

Inasmuch as this portion of this proposed curve lies within the city limits, it necessitates the purchasing of right of way over 3 tracts of land, therefore the City of Grand Junction has been called upon to secure this same said right of way being across the pieces or parcels of land owned by Mrs. Winnie McKisson, Joe Petrafeso and Mrs. Laura Wilkes.

According to the plans and specifications submitted by the Highway Commission, the grade of the north approach of the new bridge will be raised somewhat from the present paving grade. The new grade will start approximately 200 feet north of the city limit line and raise on a 3% grade, so that the finished grade at the city limit line or the south line of Mrs. Wilkes' property will be approximately 6½ feet higher than the present grade; approximately 3½ feet higher at the south line of Joe Petrafeso's property and approximately 2 feet higher on his north line. In order to pacify Mrs. Wilkes, the Highway Commission through Mr. Vandemoer has agreed to haul in extra dirt and fill her property up to a satisfactory grade and to make easy approach to the grade of the new highway, said fill being made to a distance back from the new right of way line equal at least to the distance of the tract which must be secured for the right of way purposes and also to make her property still usable for the purpose of filling station and tourist park use. In order to use this right of way strip, it is necessary to move the building now occupied as a filling station back from the present location about fifty feet and place the same on a new foundation of a height equal to the amount of fill placed. There are also other buildings to be raised on account of such fill, but not involving so great an expense as that of moving the filling station. I will submit a detailed estimate of this entire amount of work together with a diagram of the same in the near future.

On the original plans of the bridge and approach the present pavement of Fifth Street south of the railroad tracks was not to be disturbed, with the exception of that portion actually used in the construction of the north

approach to the bridge. The present pavement is 28 feet in width from curb to curb and the width of the roadway on the new bridge is to be 24 feet in the clear. In the past few days, however, the Bureau of Public Roads has requested and insisted that the present pavement be widened to a distance of 56 feet between curb lines with a 6-foot shoulder behind the curb. This means that the property on South Fifth Street instead of having a parking space of 19 feet between the sidewalk and curb, will be cut back to only a 5-foot parking or lawn space on that portion of Fifth Street north of the north approach of the bridge. This means that the approach itself will be widened also, bringing the fill closer to the abutting property by 14 feet than was originally contemplated, therefore, utilizing more of the proposed right of way strip than was originally intended. This widening to 56 feet would throw the fill of the approach right up against the abutting property, and might give owners a just claim for damage. To offset this condition, Mr. Vandemoer has requested that the width be not set at 56 feet, but preferably to a lesser distance. No word has been received relative to this request however.

This proposed extra width of paving as well as the cost of the bridge and approaches will be constructed and paid for by the state as a part of this project, and the City of Grand Junction will not be called upon to pay any portion of such construction other than the furnishing of right of way. As I see the situation at the present time from what information I have secured, the only place that the City of Grand Junction itself would become involved in any way would be in connection with the construction and location of the north approach to the bridge, and from the standpoint of right of ways required, together with whatever claim for damage that the abutting property owners might demand.

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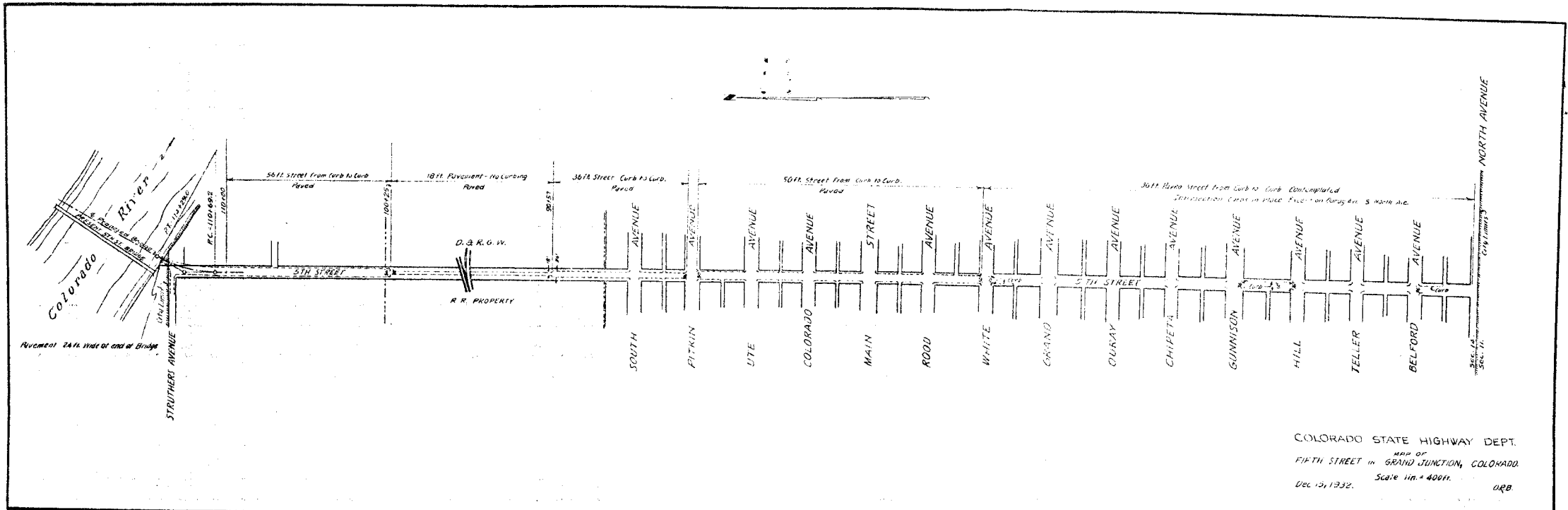
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COLORADO STATE HIGHWAY DEPT.
 MAP OF
 FIFTH STREET IN GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO.
 Dec. 15, 1932. Scale 1 in. = 400 ft. ORB.