Grand Junction, Colorado

December 18, 1936

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met in regular adjourned session at 7:30 o'clock P.M. Councilmen present and answering at roll call were: Holcombe, Groves, Boston, Carson, Enstrom, and President Oates. Councilman Ross was absent. City Manager Soderstrum, City Attorney Bowie and City Clerk Tomlinson were present.

The Daily Sentinel having made an error and failed to publish Ordinance No. 559, the annual appropriation ordinance, which had been passed as an emergency ordinance, and requiring publication on the day following the passage, it was reported that consideration would again have to be given to this ordinance. It was therefore moved and seconded that on account of the fact, that Chas. E. Ross was still ill and unable to come to the Council room, the Council would adjourn to his home at 844 Grand Ave. Motion carried.

Upon adjourning to Mr. Ross' home, the meeting was called to order with all members of the Council present.

The following entitled ordinance was introduced and read: "AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING CERTAIN SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1st, 1937, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1937, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY".

It was moved by Councilman Groves and seconded by Councilman Carson that the ordinance be passed and adopted, numbered 560 and published. Roll was called on the motion with the following result: Councilmen voting AYE* Ross, Holcombe, Groves, Boston, Carson, Enstrom, and Oates. Councilmen voting NO - None. All of the Councilmen voting AYE, the President declared the motion carried, and the ordinance duly passed and adopted.

It was then moved and seconded that the Council adjourn back to the Council Chamber at the City Hall for the balance of the meeting.

The Council then met at the City Hall with President Oates presiding and Councilmen Holcombe, Groves, Boston, Carson and Enstrom present.

The following was then the course of business:

Pursuant to the Resolution adopted at its regular meeting held on the 16th day of December, 1936, the Council proceeded to hear the matter of the license issued to James McGillis for the sale of fermented malt beverages at retail at the premises numbered 101 North First Street, in the City of Grand Junction, formerly known as the Tavern Inn and now known as the Log Cabin Inn.

The City Clerk reported that due notice of such hearing was served upon said James McGillis on the 17th day of December 1936, in accordance with the aforesaid Resolution.

The Chief of Police reported that said James McGillis, then in confinement in the City Jail declined to appear before the City Council in response to such notice.

It was also reported to the City Council by the Chief of Police and the City Attorney that said James McGillis had consulted and received the advice of counsel, and inasmuch as no application was made for any continuance of the hearing, the Council proceeded to receive and consider the evidence in such matter.

The Chief of Police reported to the Council that, subsequent to the issuance of license to said James McGillis, he had ascertained from the Sheriff of Salt Lake County, Utah, that said James McGillis has the following record of conviction of crime in the courts of the State of Utah, to-wit:

"8-10-35, Salt Lake County, Utah as James McGillis, charge Sale of Alcohol Beverages. Released on bond, 8-10-35. 8-13-35 sentenced to 30 days Co. Jail; 27 susp. to leave town. 8-17-35 arrested on Contempt of Court charge and ordered to serve 30 days. Released 8-17-35 on an appeal bond of \$500.00.

9-6-35, SALT LAKE COUNTY, UT., as James McGillis, charge, Sale of Alcohol Beverages. Released on bond, 9-6-35. 9-24-35 found guilty by Jury. 9-28-35 sentenced to 50 days Co. Jail. Appealed to Dist. Court. Rel. on bond. 11-1-35 sentenced to 90 days Co. Jail; stay of execution granted if deft. leave for Denver within 24 hours."

The City Clerk has on file in her office, and the City Councilmen were informed of the fact that the application made by said James McGillis for issuance of such license contained representations to the effect that he had not been convicted of a felony or crime in any court of record of any state of the United States and that he was of good character and reputation.

It was also brought to the attention of the Council that the laws of the State of Colorado, in effect at the time when such license was issued and subsequent thereto, provide, among other things, that the licensee, to be entitled to such license, shall be of good character and reputation, and shall never have been convicted of a felony or crime in any court of record in any state of the United States.

The Chief of Police further reported to the Council that said James McGillis, by reason of the aforesaid record of his conduct in the State of Utah, and his acts and conduct in the operation of the above mentioned premises under such license, the details of which were related, was not at the time of his application for license, and is not now, a person of good character and reputation, and that he has been and is operating such premises under such license in a manner detrimental to the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Grand Junction.

At the conclusion of such hearing, and after due consideration of the evidence presented, Councilman Holcombe presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

It Is Hereby Resolved by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, that the license issued by said City to James McGillis on the 27th day of August, 1936, to sell fermented malt beverages at retail at the premises numbered 101 North First Street, in said City, then known as the Tavern Inn and now known as the Log Cabin Inn, be and the same is hereby revoked forthwith, and that the City Clerk of said City be and is hereby directed to notify the Secretary of State of the State of Colorado, as well as said James McGillis, of the revocation of said license.

Councilman Groves seconded the motion for adoption of such resolution; and, upon roll call, the vote upon the motion was as follows:

Councilmen voting voting aye:	Councilmen voting voting no: None
Holcombe	
Groves	
Boston	
Carson	
Enstrom	
Oates	

All of the councilmen having voted in favor of such motion, the president declared the resolution duly adopted.

Mr. Soderstrum brought up the matter of employing an architect to draw up tentative plans for a public library building. The following resolution was then introduced and read:

WHEREAS, an urgent need exists for a new public library building to serve the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, and

WHEREAS, it is contemplated that financial aid may be procured from the United States Government in the erection of said building, which would require that Architectural services be employed in the preparation of the application to the United States Government, and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost for the building project is as follows:

Total cost of building project . . . \$72,727.00

Grant requested of United States Government-45% 32,727.00

Amount financed by the City of Grand Jct. . . . 40,000.00

THEREFORE, Be It Resolved, that the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, enter into an Agreement with Robert K. Fuller of Denver, Colorado, for the required Architectural services for the said building and furthermore, that he be authorized and empowered to prepare the necessary preliminary drawings and engineering data as required in the Application Forms by the United States Government.

This resolution approved and adopted this 18th day of December, 1936.

It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Holcombe that the resolution be passed and adopted as read. Roll was called on the motion with the following result: Councilmen voting AYE - Holcombe, Groves, Boston, Enstrom, Carson and Oates. Councilmen voting NO - None. All of the Councilmen present voting AYE, the President declared the motion carried.

Mr. Soderstrum read a letter from the Colorado State Board of Health in which they called attention to the fact that the City of Grand Junction is discharging sewage into the river which is a menace to public health and contributes to the contamination and pollution of Colorado streams. They stated that it would be necessary for the City in the very near future to plan to build a sewage disposal plant, and suggested that they investigate P.W.A. funds that might be available for this purpose.

It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Groves that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson City Clerk