

Grand Junction, Colorado

July 26, 1939

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: Ross, Holcombe, Campbell, Luebbert, Carson, Treece and President Boston. City Manager Soderstrum, City Attorney Hinman, and City Clerk Tomlinson were present.

Mr. Soderstrum reported that he had written to the National Safety Council and to Mr. Sam Neeley who is the head of the State Safety Council, regarding the matter of changing the traffic code to conform to the state law in the matter of right-of-way at intersections. He read letters that he had received from both places. The matter was tabled for the present until more information can be secured.

Mr. Frank Belanski wishes to purchase the triangular tract of land on West Main Street just at the end of the Main Street bridge. He previously owned this tract of land and constructed a slab refreshment stand upon it.

The following resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

IT IS RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, that J. P. Soderstrum, as City Manager of said City, is hereby appointed, authorized and directed, in its name and behalf, to sell the following described tract of land, viz: Beginning at the southeast corner of Lot 2, Block 3 of the Grand River Subdivision in the City of Grand Junction, Mesa County, Colorado, thence west 202.33 feet, thence No. 63° 23' E. 201.4 feet. thence southeasterly along the right-of-way for the approach to the Colorado State Highway to the point of beginning; owned by said City and not used or held by it for any park or governmental purpose, for not less than the sum of \$300.00, upon such terms and conditions as he, in his discretion, may determine; and provided that said property shall be used only as provided by the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Grand Junction, at the present time, that is, District "C" use; and that said City Manager shall execute and deliver a good and sufficient quit claim or special warranty deed of conveyance of said property to the purchaser thereof, and to cause the seal of said City to be affixed thereto and attested by the City Clerk.

It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Campbell that the resolution be passed and adopted as read. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Ralph Spence offer \$1.00 for each of the County and City tax sale certificates against Lots 27 and 28, Block 2. The delinquent County taxes amount to \$79.14 and the City specials to \$34.92. The property has been appraised at \$175.00, but a quiet title suit will be necessary.

It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Holcombe that the City Treasurer be instructed to sell and assign Special Assessment Tax Sale Certificates Nos. 26673-4 for the sum of \$1.00, providing the purchaser and assignee thereof pay or settle the general taxes on the property in question within such period, and providing that at any time within thirty days from and after this date, the transaction is closed. Roll was called on the motion with members of the Council voting AYE. - Holcombe, Carson Treece and Boston. Councilmen voting NO - Ross, Luebbert and Campbell. The President declared the motion carried.

Requests were made by the Full Gospel United Workers League and also the N.Y.A. for permission to use the Lincoln Park Auditorium Kitchen for canning projects. It was moved by Councilman Luebbert and seconded by Councilman Carson that the requests be denied. Motion carried.

Mr. Soderstrum stated to the Council that a controversy had arisen over whether or not the Fire Department should take care of fires outside of the City limits. Letters were read from the Mt. States Inspection Bureau and the matter discussed at length. It was finally decided that the Fire Department should not answer any alarms from outside the City limits excepting for industrial institutions, but that they should protect the property immediately inside the City limits at all times.

Dr. Munro received notice from the State Board of Health that Grand Junction cannot secure a certified accepted water supply from the Federal Board of Health as long as hopper toilets are permitted in the City, due to contamination of the water supply by cross connections. There are about 300 of these installations in the City. The present plumbing code prohibits the installations of new hopper toilets, but there are the old ones to be considered.

The matter was discussed and the City Manager instructed to notify all owners of property where hopper toilets are installed that their use should be discontinued, and also that premises should be metered where there installations are not immediately changed.

The matter of appointing a Board of Adjustment was brought up and discussed, but no action taken.

When the D.R.G.W. R.R. fenced off Main Street, they had their crew continue down the right-of-way line in a southeasterly direction in front of properties for a distance of two blocks, thus closing Colorado Ave. onto the right-of-way property. This

was done by order of Mr. Ridgeway, chief engineer from Denver. It was decided that the property owners effected by this fence should get together and employ legal counsel to start suit against the Railroad Company to force them to open this right-of-way, and that the City should join in the action.

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

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson  
City Clerk