

Grand Junction, Colorado

June 21, 1944

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met in regular session at 7:30 o'clock P. M. Councilmen present and answering at roll call were: Carson, Harris, Robb, Boston, Treece, Campbell and President Hoisington. Also present were City Manager Brownson, City Attorney Banks and City Clerk Tomlinson.

The minutes of the regular meeting held June 7th, the regular adjourned meeting held June 8th and the special meeting held June 16th were read and approved.

This was the time set by the City Council for hearing those interested in the change of zoning on 7th and North Avenues. Mrs. Pinger, who had filed the petition for changing the southeast corner in question spoke to the Council and explained to them why they desired to have the zoning changed. Mrs. Johnson, owner of the corner grocery on the northwest corner also spoke to the Council in favor of changing the zone. Mr. Phil. Dufford, who owns the property at 1107 North 7th and Mr. Howard Russell, 1026 North 7th, spoke against having the zoning changed. There were several other property owners present who opposed the change, also.

It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Harris that the application of Helen Pinger to amend the zoning map to change Lots 9 to 12 inclusive, Block 5 and the south 50 feet of Lot 18 in Capitol Hill Subdivision, from Residence "A" Use District to Business "A" Use District be rejected. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

An application of Lewis E. Austin and Ann L. Austin for a restaurant liquor license for the Avalon Cafe and 609 Main Street was presented. A letter was read from Chief of Police, Joe Keith in connection with this application. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Robb that the application be approved and license be granted when the State license has been received. Motion carried.

Mrs. John Moss presented an application for a 3.2 beer license for the restaurant at 101 North First St. A letter was read from the Chief of Police in regard to this applicant. It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Treece that the request for 3.2 beer license of Mrs. Moss be approved and license granted. Motion carried.

A committee representing the various farm labor groups, Mr. J. P. Helman, for the Holly Sugar Corp., Mr. Echternach, the Peach Industry, Mr. Miller, the Canning Industry, Mr. Luellen, 4-H Clubs and Mr. Tilton, were present and protested the removal of the buildings from Camp DG-2-C. They stated that they thought the

Council should use every effort to keep the buildings in Mesa County, as there was a definite need for them to house agriculture labor for the 1944 season. Also that the City definitely had a chance to claim the buildings under the clause in the lease which provides that in case the U.S. Government did not release the property, the buildings would revert to the owner of the property on which they were built.

After lengthy discussion it was moved by Councilman Campbell and seconded by Councilman Harris that the City Manager be instructed to wire to our Senators and Representatives in Washington that there is a definite need for the buildings in Camp DG-2C for agriculture interests in Mesa County and also on account of the possibility of needing them to house hospital labor, and that they desire to have the buildings left on the present premises. Motion carried.

The Harbert Lumber Co. made application for permission to extend the driveway 71 feet in front of their premises at 204 North Avenue. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Boston that the request be granted. Motion carried.

It was suggested that the City present a plan to the County Commissioners for County zoning. Mr. S. R. DeBoer spoke to the Council and explained what other counties are doing in this connection.

President Hoisington appointed a committee as follows - Councilmen Campbell, Harris and Carson - to get in touch with the County Commissioners and get some plan for zoning started.

A report of the activities of the Police Department and Municipal Court, with annual figures for 1941, 1942, 1943 and the first five months of 1944 was made. The report was referred to the Police Committee.

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

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson  
City Clerk