

Grand Junction, Colorado

July 11, 1945

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: Treece, Hoisington, Robb, Boston, Carson, Campbell and President Harris. Also present were City Manager Brownson, City Attorney Banks and City Clerk Tomlinson.

The minutes of the regular meeting held June 20th and the special meeting held June 26th were read and approved.

Petitions of remonstrance to the sale of the U.S.O. building were received from Beta Sigma Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha Sorority, Grand Junction Recreation Commission, Grand Junction Parent Teacher Association, and The Welcome In Club. It was moved by Councilman Campbell and seconded by Councilman Carson that the petitions be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

A petition for an arc light at the corner of Second and Teller Avenue was presented. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Campbell that the City Manager investigate the availability of material for the construction of street lights at this time, and that he advise the signers of the petition concerning this installation. Motion carried.

Mrs. Glen E. Orvis made an offer for the tax certificates on Lots 7 to 10 inclusive, Block 153, being located in the 1000 block on the south side of Pitkin Avenue. The delinquent taxes on the property amount to \$347.19 County Generals, and \$230.88 City Specials, making a total of \$578.07, for which an offer of \$25.00 is made. The estimated cost of acquiring title is \$174.84 in addition to the \$25.00 offer. The assessed valuation of this property is \$200.00

It was moved by Councilman Campbell and seconded by Councilman Treece that the City Treasurer be authorized to sell and assign Special Assessment Tax Sale Certificates Nos. 26901-4; 28049-52; 28461-4; for an amount equal to the same percentage of the face value of said Certificates as the Board of County Commissioners authorize for the sale of the General Property Tax Certificates held by Mesa County on the property in question; provided that the said Special Assessment Tax Certificates shall not be sold for less than \$10.00; and provided further that the purchaser or assignee thereof shall pay or settle for the General Tax Certificates and after the date authorized by the Board of County Commissioners for the sale of the said General Property Tax Certificates. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Henry L. Price made an offer for the tax sale certificates on Lots 15 and 16, Block "S", Keith's Addition, located at 13th and

Pitkin. The delinquent taxes on the property amount to \$413.43 County Generals, and \$46.55 City Specials, making a total of \$459.98 for which an offer of \$6.00 is made. The estimated cost of acquiring title is \$99.69 and the assessed valuation is \$80.00.

It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Campbell that the City Treasurer be authorized to sell and assign Special Assessment Tax Sale Certificates Nos. 14003-4 for an amount equal to the same percentage of the face value of said Certificates as the Board of County Commissioners authorize for the sale of the General Property Tax Certificates held by Mesa County on the property in question; provided that the said Special Assessment Tax Certificates shall not be sold for less than \$.65; and provided further that the purchaser or assignee thereof shall pay or settle for the General Tax Certificates and after the date authorized by the Board of County Commissioners for the sale of the said General Property Tax Certificates. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

A bond for Tony Perry as Auctioneer was presented, having been approved as to form by the City Attorney. It was moved by Councilman Campbell and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the bond be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

A bond for James Ambrose dba Ambrose Plumbing and Heating Co. was presented. There was a slight error in the working of the bond, which Mr. Banks wished to have changed. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Boston that the bond be accepted and filed as soon as it has been approved as to form by Attorney Banks. Motion carried.

Charles A. Willsea, Secretary-Treasurer, Intermountain Veteran's Association, requested that the week of July 16 to 21 be set aside as Veteran's Memorial Week. It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that a Proclamation be issued by the President of the Council calling the week of July 16 to 21 "Veteran's Memorial Week". Motion carried.

Robert M. Porter of the A.E. Borsehell Agency requested an adjustment on the water bill for the property at 124 - 134 North Sixth St. for the quarter ending June 30th. They could not secure a plumber for a week in order to repair leaking plumbing fixtures and the bill was in excess of \$26.00, whereas it usually runs between \$13.00 and \$17.00 each quarter.

It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the water bill for 124-134 North Sixth Street be adjusted for the amount of \$20.00. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Irene Thompson, Secretary, Church of God requested that the City furnish water without charge for the parsonage which they

have purchased at 559 Gunnison Avenue. Other parsonages located throughout the City are not required to pay water rent. It was moved by Councilman Boston and seconded by Councilman Treece that the request be granted. Motion carried.

James Fuoco presented a petition for the annexation of Lots 4 to 12 inclusive, Block 1, Carpenter's Subdivision No. 1, which is located on the west side of North First Street. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Harris that the City Council defer action on this petition until the City Manager can secure further information as to cost, procedure, etc. Motion carried.

City Manager Brownson reported that he and City Attorney Banks had written the following letter in connection with County Zoning:

Mr. A. W. Luellen, Chairman
Mesa County Planning Commission
120 North Fourth Street
Grand Junction, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

The City of Grand Junction's participation in the cost of developing a County Zoning Resolution and master plan for portions of Mesa County has been discussed by the Mesa County Planning Commission, the City Council, and the County Commissioners. Members of the Planning Commission suggested the City contribute to the extent of \$1,200 to \$1,500, and the City Council tentatively agreed to this proposal providing that definite arrangements are made to include a study of the platting problems of areas contiguous to Grand Junction. It is felt that the City is justified in contributing to the expense of the Planning Commission if the work includes the adoption of a master plan of these fringe areas to serve as a guide for the future growth and development of Grand Junction.

It is suggested that the master plan include a detailed study and platting of a minimum area described approximately as follows:

Beginning at a point on Grand Avenue, one-fourth mile west of First Street; thence north to Patterson Road; thence east along Patterson Road to the center line of Sec. 12; thence south along said line, which corresponds to Nineteenth Street in Slocomb's Addition to the R.O.W. of the Denver and Rio Grand Western Railroad; thence southwesterly along said R.O.W. to the City limit line.

It would also seem advisable to give consideration to an extension of platting of Orchard Mesa Heights.

The City is prepared to contribute to this expense in the amount indicated upon your acceptance of the general provision

herein stated, and the approval of the Mesa County Commissioners. It is proposed that payment will be made directly to Mr. McCrary, the Planning Consultant whom you have retained, or as salary payments to such assistants as it will be necessary to hire in the prosecution of the work.

It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Treece that the City Council approve the letter as written by the City Manager and City Attorney. Motion carried.

A petition was filed by property owners in Slocomb's Addition asking that their streets be sprinkled at least twice a day until the dust is settled and then once per day. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Harris that the City Manager explain to these petitioners that the City has no equipment for sprinkling streets, has had none for at least ten years, and that none is available at the present time. Also explain to them that as soon as materials are available it would be advisable for them to petition to have the streets paved. Motion carried.

A proposed lease with Western Air Lines was read and discussed. Mr. Brownson was requested to get in touch with Ogden and Pocatello Air fields and find out what charges are made for services at these fields.

The Proof of Publication to the Proposed Ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance Amending Section 29 (a) of Ordinance 529 As Amended by Section 3 or Ordinance No. 675", was presented and read. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Boston that the Proof of Publication be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

It was then moved by Councilman Boston and seconded by Councilman Robb that the Ordinance be brought up for final passage. Motion carried.

The Ordinance was then read and upon motion of Councilman Boston and seconded by Councilman Robb the Ordinance was passed, adopted, numbered 684 and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council present voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Matters pertaining to the lease of Walker Field with Eddie Drapela were discussed.

The rate of pay for extra duty firemen and Call men was brought up and discussed. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Boston that the rate of pay for Callmen for the Fire Department and extra duty firemen be set at \$1.00 for the first hour and \$1.00 for each succeeding hour served. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council present voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman

Boston that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson
City Clerk