

Grand Junction, Colo.

May 1, 1946

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, O'Daniel, Boston, Day, Carson and President Harris. Also present were City Manager Fritz, City Clerk Tomlinson and Chief of the Department of Public Works and Planning, Carl Bennett. City Attorney Banks was absent.

The minutes of the regular meeting held April 17th and the special meeting held April 24th were read and approved with a minor correction as suggested by City Manager Fritz.

President Harris pointed out that it has been traditional to reorganize the Council at the first meeting in May and that he was tendering his resignation as President at this time.

It was moved by Councilman Treece and seconded by Councilman Day that Porter Carson be elected as President of the Council for the ensuing year.

It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that Mr. Robert O'Daniel be elected as President of the Council. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman O'Daniel and seconded by Councilman Carson that Mr. B. H. Day be elected as President of the Council. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Day and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the nominations be closed. Motion carried.

A written ballot was taken with the following result: Carson 5, Day 1, O'Daniel 1. A majority of the votes having been cast for Mr. Carson he was duly sworn in to office and presided over the balance of the meeting.

Mr. Roussin, who made an application for a water tap for his property on Orchard Mesa again appeared before the Council. Mr. Fritz reported that he had gone over the ground on Orchard Mesa Heights with Mr. Roussin but that nothing had been done as yet in connection with this property being annexed to the City and no petitions had been taken out. It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the matter be tabled for further investigation. Motion carried.

Mr. E. H. Carter of R. J. Tipton and Associates attended the meeting of the Council and explained to the Council the plans for developing the improvements of the Water system. He stated that they hoped to have plans and specifications ready for the next meeting of the Council for the advertising of the repairs for the

large reservoir, and in about four weeks would be ready to advertise for the new river crossing. Considerable discussion was had in connection with all the proposed improvements and repairs to the water system.

Telegrams were read from Senators Milliken and Johnson stating that the airport conference bill was now ready for the signature of President Truman. Several other matters pertaining to the airport improvement program were discussed.

Under a People's ordinance dated Aug. 18, 1925, the necessary procedure for the sale of city street property on South Seventh Street was outlined. Recently the S. J. Miller Packing Co. through their attorney, Tom Yonge, have desired to purchase a strip 15' x 162' on South Seventh Street, 96 feet south of the D. & R. G. W. R. R. right of way. A valuation of \$200.00 was placed on this strip, in accordance with the required procedure. It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Treece that the matter of the sale of property to S. J. Miller Packing Co. be referred to City Attorney Banks for his approval, and after his approval, the City Manager, President of the Council and City Clerk shall be instructed to issue a special warranty deed and complete the transaction. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Samuel Herrera submitted a bid of \$20.00 for the taxes on Lots 10 and 11, Block 6, Carpenter's Add. No. 2, located at West Grand Ave. and Vine Street. After the title is cleared, his total cash outlay will be approximately \$160.00. There are \$89.92 County and \$15.00 City taxes against the property, with the assessed valuation as \$60.00 and the appraised valuation \$100.00.

It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman O'Daniel that the City Treasurer be authorized to sell and assign Special Assessment Tax Sale Certificates Nos. 22612 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 Special Assessment Tax Certificates shall not be sold for less than \$3.00, 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.

Otto Bauman submitted a bid of \$600.00 for six lots, Lots 1 to 6, Block 153, with the intent of erecting a warehouse on them, on the condition that the zoning be changed from Residence "C" to Industry "A" District.

The following resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

IT IS RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, that Herbert D. Fritz as City Manager of said City, is hereby appointed, authorized, and directed, in its name and behalf to sell Lots 1 to 6, Block 153, City of Grand Junction, County of Mesa, and State of Colorado, owned by said City and not used or held by it for any park or governmental purpose, for not less than the sum of \$600.00, upon such terms and conditions as he, in his discretion, may determine, and to 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 Treece and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the resolution be passed and adopted. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

William Layden offered \$125.00 each for Lots 23, 24, 25, and 26, Block 134 for the purpose of erection of low-cost dwellings to be moved in from Naturita. The following resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

IT IS RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, that Herbert D. Fritz as City Manager of said City, is hereby appointed, authorized, and directed, in its name and behalf to sell Lots 23, 24, 25, and 26, Block 134, in the City of Grand Junction, County of Mesa, and State of Colorado, owned by said City and not used or held by it for any park or governmental purpose, for not less than \$500.00, upon such terms and conditions as he, in his discretion, may determine, and to 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 O'Daniel and seconded by Councilman Boston 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.

The U. S. Army Recruiting State has requested permit for the erection of cloth banner signs and direction arrows for recruiting purposes. The City Manager reported that he would favor a request for a limited time only, and recommended that the cloth banner signs be erected for one month and the direction arrows for six months. It was moved by Councilman O'Daniel and seconded by

Councilman Hoisington that the request as outlined by the City Manager be granted. Motion carried.

Mrs. Norgaard for the Daughters of Union Veterans requested permission to hold tag day on Saturday, May 18th. It was moved by Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Harris that the request be granted. Motion carried.

A request for a license for a shooting gallery to be located on the north side of Main Street between the Key shop and the Shoe Shine Parlor is made by F. O. Swartz. It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman O'Daniel that the matter be referred to the Chief of Police, to be reported back to the Council at the next meeting.

It was moved by Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Harris that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson
City Clerk