

Grand Junction, Colorado

May 7, 1947

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: Harper, Hoisington, Brown, Boston, Martin, Harris and President Carson. Also present were City Manager Fritz, City Clerk Tomlinson and Chief to Dept. of Public Works and Planning, Bennett. City Attorney Banks was absent.

The minutes of the regular meeting held May 5th were read and approved.

Mr. Paul Yetter of the Public Service Co. appeared before the Council and presented a proposed street lighting contract. This contract is to take the place of the expired franchise for street lighting, and is an agreement for four years, to expire at the time the general franchise for electric service in the City of Grand Junction terminates. The Council discussed the contract, and it was moved by Councilman Boston and seconded by Councilman Brown that the matter be laid over until the next regular meeting of the Council and until the City Attorney has an opportunity to check the agreement. Motion carried.

The matter of sprinkling restrictions and the supply of water at the present time was brought up and discussed. The reservoirs have not had an opportunity to fill since the completion of repairs and the unusually hot weather has required that people use more than the usual amount of water for sprinkling, and therefore the water supply was dangerously low. It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Martin that the City Manager be instructed to stop all sprinkling immediately and continue "No-Sprinkling" until the reservoirs are filled. Motion carried.

Mr. Enstrom and Mr. Susman appeared before the Council in regard to a driveway or driveways for the American Legion and Masonic Temple. It was decided that the Masonic Temple driveway would be enlarged and when the street-widening program on Rood Avenue is constructed, that a double driveway be allowed at this location.

It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that as soon as the reservoirs are filled and the water shortage relieved, that the new water restrictions be advertised and that the zones I, II, and III be continued but that the watering hours be limited to 5 to 9 A. M. and 5 to 10 P.M. Motion carried.

Some discussion on metering all water used in the City was had.

Wesley Hayden, Manager of Grand Junction Transit Lines and Attorney Tom Younge appeared before the Council and discussed

matters pertaining to the operation of taxicabs and buses in the City. Reports, maps, etc. were given to each member of the Council for further study. Proposals from the Colorado Springs Transit Co., George E. Martin, Vice President, were also given to each member of the Council for their consideration. The matter to be brought up again at a later meeting.

A proposed ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 30 (b) OF ORDINANCE NO. 529 CONCERNING PARKING OF MOTOR VEHICLES", was presented and read. It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Martin that the ordinance be passed and adopted as an emergency ordinance, numbered 748 and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

A proposed ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 28, 29, 30, 31 and 32 OF ORDINANCE NO. 481, KNOWN AS THE BUILDING CODE AND CONCERNING SIGNS," was introduced and read. It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Harper that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

Two plats in Northeast Addition were presented, one for Prospect Park and the other an un-named ten-acre tract. It was moved by Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Brown that May 21st be set as the date of hearing for these two plats. Motion carried.

Some time ago Rev. O. Sundal started excavation for a residence in what was to become an extension of Texas Avenue at 15th Street. At the request of City officials he held up the construction of his basement. He has offered the City a tract of land 56' x 110' for \$485.00, so that Texas Ave. can be extended to 15th Street.

In the alley west of Seventh Street, to the rear of 1421 North Seventh Street, is a structure owned by E. R. Joy. This garage was built on property not belonging to Mr. Joy, and is now in the dedicated alley right-of-way. City Attorney Banks has ruled that ownership by prescription is sufficiently strong to involve the City in litigation if a settlement out of Court is not made. Mr. Joy would settle for \$300.00.

It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Harper that the City Manager be authorized to pay Rev. Sundal \$485.00 for the Texas Avenue right-of-way and Mr. Joy \$300.00 for the alley right-of-way. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

A proposed ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF SIXTH STREET", was presented and read. It was moved by Councilman Boston and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

The general site plan of Walker Field, which has been worked up jointly with CAA, District Airport Engineer MacDonald and Architect Musick was presented with Mr. Bennett explaining the plan to the Council. It was moved by Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Harris that the plan be approved. Motion carried.

City Manager Fritz reported that slow progress was being made in acquiring the new dump site. The Council suggested that Mr. Fritz write to Congressman Rockwell and Senators Johnson and Milliken and seek their assistance in expediting the acquisition of this land.

A petition was received for the installation of street lights at the corners of Fourteenth Street and Mesa, Texas, and Elm Avenues. Also on Grand Avenue between First and the viaduct and on 13th and Ute. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Harris that the City Manager work with the Public Service Company in getting the lights installed which have been petitioned. Motion carried.

President Carson appointed the following committees to work with him during his term of office as President.

Labor mediation board - Carson, Harris and Martin  
Public Safety, Fire, Police, Health - Harper and Hoisington  
Public Works, Sewer, Streets, Water, Airport - Harris and Martin  
Finance, Audit-Bond Issues, Budget, Parks, Cemetery - Brown and Boston

It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Brown that the following appointments be made for the ensuing term \*- Herbert D. Fritz, City Manager; Francis I. Stringer, City Treasurer; Virgil P. Groves, Judge of the Municipal Court; John C. Banks, City Attorney; and Helen C. Tomlinson, City Auditor and Ex-Officio City Clerk. Motion carried.

Extension of the Trust Agreements between the City and the First National Bank for a two-year term, for the handling of the "City of Grand Junction General Obligation Bond and Interest Fund" and one between the City and the United States Bank of Grand Junction for the handling of the City of Grand Junction Special Improvement District Bond and Interest Fund", were presented. It was moved by Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Harris that the agreements be extended. Motion carried.

Mr. Bennett presented an assortment of street signs which he has been collecting and studying for the past several months. It was moved by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilman Harris that the City Manager be authorized to purchase street signs from the Highway Products Co. of Detroit, Michigan, the signs to be made up like the sample shown to the Council with Schotch-lite material. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the

Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

The 20-30 Club of Grand Junction has asked for permission to reconstruct the gates to Potter's Field on the Gunnison River road.

Eugene Longo presented an application for the renewal of his 3.2 beer license. It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Boston that the request be granted. Motion carried.

A meeting of the Colorado Public Health Association will be held in Colorado Springs on May 16th and 17th. Dr. Vagneer is to attend the meeting and Councilman Harper was requested to attend as an official representative of the City of Grand Junction.

Two proclamations were presented. "Swim for Health Week", June 23- to 28, and "National Fraternal Week". It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Martin that the President of the Council be authorized to sign these two proclamations. Motion carried.

An invitation from the Lions Club was presented, requesting members of the Council and City officials and wives to attend a program and dance at the new Teen-Age Canteen building on Tuesday evening May 13th.

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

/s/Helen C. Tomlinson  
City Clerk