

Grand Junction, Colorado

May 17, 1950

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met in regular session at 7:30 o'clock P. M. Councilman present and answering the roll call were Harper, Carson, Hanson, Colescott, Martin, Dufford and President Hoisington. Also present were City Manager Toyne and City Clerk Tomlinson. City Attorney Banks was absent.

The minutes of the regular meeting held May 3rd were read and approved.

President Hoisington then presented his resignation as President of the City Council. It was moved by Councilman Dufford and seconded by Councilman Carson that the resignation be accepted. Motion carried. It was then moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Colescott that Councilman Al Martin be nominated for the office of President of the Council. Motion carried. Councilman Harper moved and Councilman Hanson seconded that the nominations be closed and that a unanimous vote of the Council be cast for Councilman Martin as President. Motion carried.

Councilman Martin was then sworn into office as President of the Council by the City Clerk and presided during the balance of the meeting.

Councilman Hoisington thanked all of the members of the Council and city officials especially Mrs. Tomlinson, Mr. Burton and Mr. Keith for their cooperation during his term of office during the past year. He stated that it had been a very busy year and that he had greatly appreciated everyone's help.

Messrs. Tyler, Williams and McInturf from the Continental Oil Company were present and stated that they were constructing a new filling station building at the northwest corner of 7th & Main and that they hoped to make the building of porcelain on a metal frame construction. This would not conform to the building code as it only has a one hour fire resistance. The code calls for four hour fire resistance construction in the fire limits. This building will be very close to the building on the west and to the north and if the building complied with the code, it would be necessary to use piling which might cause damage to these other buildings. This building of porcelain would be lighter weight and could be placed on an ordinary foundation. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Dufford that the request be granted, inasmuch as there were materials being used in the construction of buildings which were not even thought of when the building code was adopted. Motion carried.

Mr. Merriman, representing the Fairmont 4 H Club, appeared before the Council and requested that the statement they had received for use of the auditorium for 4 H Club work in the amount of \$30.00 be reduced to \$15.00. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the request be granted and that

the 4 H Club pay \$15.00 for the use of the auditorium. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." President declared the motion carried.

This was the date set for hearing on the application of Jas. O. Sparlin for a retail liquor store license for the Grand Liquor Store at 357 Main. No protests having been filed, it was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Hanson that the license be granted. Motion carried.

Application for the renewal of 3.2 beer licenses for Arthur Burgess, Black and White Grocery, 904 No. 7th and Eugene Longo, 322 So. 2nd, were presented. It was moved by Councilman Dufford and seconded by Councilman Hanson that these licenses be renewed. Motion carried.

Mr. B. V. Warren presented an application for a 3.2 beer license at 727 Third Avenue. He is purchasing this location from Thressa Pantuso. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Colescott that this license be advertised in accordance with state law and that hearing be held on the 21st of June. Motion carried.

Petitions were presented for changing of zoning. These had been presented to the Board of Adjustment at a meeting on May 12th.

(a) Lots 10 to 17 inclusive, Block 23, from Residence C to Residence E. These lots are located at 12th and Teller and the Board of Adjustment recommended that the zoning be changed.

(b) Lots 13 to 21 in Block 5 and Lots 1 to 7 in Block 4 from Residence A to Business A. These lots are all located on the south side of North Ave. between 7th and 9th. In the original petition for change, the only lots requested to be changed were Lots 13 and 14 in Block 5 but the Board of Adjustment felt that if any changes were made, the whole area should be changed and recommended that way to the Council.

(c) Lots 6 to 16 in Block 7 and Lots 1 to 10 in Block 6 from Residence B to Business A. This property being on the south side of North Avenue between 5th and 7th. The Board of Adjustment recommended this change.

It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Dufford that the petitions be accepted and filed and that a hearing be advertised for June 7th and that all property owners in this area be notified by letter to appear before the Council on that date if they were not in favor of the change of zoning. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Hanson that the City Treasurer be authorized to purchase \$3,750.00 Artificial Lighting Dist. #3 bonds and \$20,500 Paving Dist. No. 48 bonds from monies which he has on hand in pension funds and perpetual care funds. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

City Manager Toyne reported that he had had an estimate made for installing celotex block ceiling in one large room and one small room in the upstairs rooms of the fire station and for painting the downstairs fire engine room and these upstairs rooms, the total cost to be approximately \$500.00. A previous estimate had been given to the Council for making storage space in the old city hall for one fire truck in the amount of \$1,000.00. The Council were of the opinion that these two projects should be completed as soon as possible, and the following emergency ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING A SPECIAL APPROPRIATION TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT," was presented and read. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the Ordinance be passed and adopted as an emergency ordinance, numbered 808 and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with all Councilmen voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried and the ordinance duly passed and adopted.

The estimated cost of painting the Lincoln Park Auditorium two coats is \$840.00 and for one coat, \$480.00. It was moved by Councilman Hanson and seconded by Councilman Carson that the City Manager be instructed to take informal bids on a two-coat painting job for the Lincoln Park Auditorium and that the work be done as soon as possible. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

The following list of excessive water users for Zone 2 was presented showing the water consumed for 1950, the 1949 charge for a comparable period and the adjustment of the bill as determined by the City Manager and Bookkeeper. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Harper that the recommendation be followed and the same form of letter signed by the City Manager be sent to these people as were sent out previously to those users in Zone 1 whose water bills were adjusted. Motion carried.

EXCESSIVE WATER BILLS -- ZONE II

<u>Address</u>	<u>Consumption</u>	<u>1950 Charge</u>	<u>1949 Charge</u>	<u>Adjust to</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
719 Winters	33,500	10.45	8.10	8.10	Leaky toilet - new one installed.
338 Ouray <input type="checkbox"/>	155,300 <input type="checkbox"/>	33.80 <input type="checkbox"/>	11.75 <input type="checkbox"/>	11.75 <input type="checkbox"/>	Line broke in Jan. -- new one installed in about five days. <input type="checkbox"/>

215 Chipeta□	93,400□	21.68□	9.65□	9.65□	Toilet leak -- had repaired immediately .
529 Chipeta□	94,500□	21.91□	9.65□	9.65□	Toilet and faucet leak. Repaired 5- 8-50. □
146 Ouray -- two houses□	100,200□	26.49□	9.65 8.65□	18.30□	Toilet and faucet leak. Repaired immediately . □
559 Gunnison□	126,400□	24.84□	9.65□	9.65□	Toilet leak -- repaired.
138 Rood□	328,100□	63.86□	9.65□	9.65□	Service line leak -- now repaired. □
827 Rood□	58,600□	14.91□	9.65□	9.65□	Unable to contact. □
345 Grand□	67,200□	16.57 Pd□	9.65□	9.65□	No leak reported here. □
329 Ouray□	73,000□	17.72□	9.65	9.65	Toilet leak -- repaired.
440 Ouray□	122,800□	27.43□	11.56□	11.56□	Called 5-2- 50 -- having plumber repair any defective plumbing. □
1135 Gunnison□	62,500□	15.67□	9.65□	9.65□	Toilet leak -- repaired. □

251 Rood <input type="checkbox"/>	117,400 <input type="checkbox"/>	26.41 <input type="checkbox"/>	10.70 <input type="checkbox"/>	10.70	Leaky toilet -- repaired.
1335 Ouray <input type="checkbox"/>	48,800 <input type="checkbox"/>	13.00 <input type="checkbox"/>	10.70 <input type="checkbox"/>	13.00 <input type="checkbox"/>	No leak reported. <input type="checkbox"/>
1206 Main <input type="checkbox"/>	110,700 <input type="checkbox"/>	20.16 <input type="checkbox"/>	11.75 <input type="checkbox"/>	11.75 <input type="checkbox"/>	Leak in service line -- new one installed. <input type="checkbox"/>
337 White <input type="checkbox"/>	52,600 <input type="checkbox"/>	13.74 <input type="checkbox"/>	8.65 <input type="checkbox"/>	8.65 <input type="checkbox"/>	Leaky toilet -- repaired. <input type="checkbox"/>
307 N. 3rd St.	52,400	13.65	8.65	8.65	Service line -- repaired.
727 Main St. (Jan. 31 bill) <input type="checkbox"/>	99,200 <input type="checkbox"/>	26.49 <input type="checkbox"/>	11.35 <input type="checkbox"/>	11.35 <input type="checkbox"/>	Service line -- repaired. <input type="checkbox"/>

Some discussion was had concerning the over-all water rate set-up, and it was pretty well agreed that some definite rate would have to be made before January 1st, 1951, and some of the complicated formulae now being used in the bookkeeping office abandoned and one yearly rate for all users be established.

The Avalon Garden Plat is ready for hearing. This plat covers the area between the 15th and 16th blocks north of Texas Avenue. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Hanson that the plat be advertised for hearing on June 7th. Motion carried.

A sketch for a driveway for the New Method Laundry was presented to the Council. They are remodeling their building and now while Rood Avenue is being widened, they would like to have permission to cut the curb for a new driveway ten foot wide in a location east of their present driveway which will be eliminated. They also asked for an additional 18 foot lay-back curb. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Dufford that the request be granted subject to the approval of the City Manager, City Engineer and Chief of Police. Motion carried.

Bonds for David Hinkle and Dode Curtright, Electrical Contractors, were presented. On account of the fact that City Attorney Banks has been out of town, these bonds had not been approved as to form. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the bonds be accepted and that licenses be issued as soon as the City Attorney has approved them. Motion carried.

The American Legion is sponsoring a carnival to be located on the westside, and Councilman Colescott requested that the city refund the license fees to the recreation department for use for westside recreational facilities. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Harper that the carnival license fees be put into the recreation fund and earmarked for westside facilities. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." President declared the motion carried.

Grand Junction Chapter No. 9, Disabled American Veterans, have asked that June 3rd be designated as Forget-Me-Not Day, and that they be granted permission to sell Forget-Me-Nots on the street, and that the President issue a Proclamation setting this day aside as Forget-Me-Not Day. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Dufford that the request be granted and that the President of the Council be authorized to sign a Forget-Me-Not Day Proclamation and any other Proclamations that he approves without authorization of the rest of the Council. Motion carried.

Mr. Jacobs, High School Band Director, is planning on summer outdoor concerts under the recreational program. He would like to have one concert on June 13th in the front yard at the City Hall Building using the steps as a band stand. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Colescott that the request be granted. Motion carried.

An emergency ordinance was presented repealing free use of Moyer Pool on Mondays, in accordance with the Council's instructions at the previous meeting. It was reported that a number of citizens were protesting discontinuing of Monday as a free day at the pool. It was moved by Councilman Dufford and seconded by Councilman Colescott that the ordinance be tabled until the next meeting of the Council and that the matter be given some publicity so that those who were not in favor of having Monday as a free day discontinued could be present and be heard before the Council. Motion carried.

Mrs. Ela reported the Grand Junction Garden Club and also the Elks Lodge have requested that they be allowed to have the Colorado State flag owned by the City; the Garden Club to use it May 20th for the flower show at Lincoln Park and the Elks club to use it May 27th in the Elks Parade. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Hanson that the requests for use of the flag be granted.

City Engineer Burton would like to purchase approximately 5,000 yards of crushed surfacing material. It was moved by Councilman Hanson and seconded by Councilman Harper that the City Engineer be authorized to ask for informal bids for 5,000 yards of gravel. Motion carried.

Mr. Blair Burwell was present and stated that they were building a uranium reducing plant at the old Holly Sugar site and they needed from 10,000 to 50,000 gallons of water per day for their operations. It was moved by Councilman Carson and

seconded by Councilman Hanson that the Minerals Engineering Co. be guaranteed a sufficient water supply to operate their plant. Motion carried.

The Colorado Municipal League conference will be held in Loveland June 8, 9, & 10. The City Manager is planning to go and asked permission for the City Attorney to go if he desires to. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Dufford that Mr. Toyne and Mr. Banks and any member of the Council who may desire to go to the conference at Loveland be permitted to go with the city paying expenses. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." President declared the motion carried.

Councilman Carson asked what had happened to the plans and estimates for the public toilets which were to be built in the small parks in the city. Mr. Moore had employed an architect to draw up plans for these buildings and they were in the hands of Mr. Stocker, Park Superintendent, for estimate of cost. It was moved by Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Dufford that the City Manager be instructed to go into the matter of building toilet facilities in the small parks and report back to the Council.

Councilman Carson also requested that the project of building a new city auditorium be again investigated and the committee which had been appointed some years ago be asked to again go into this matter.

Councilman Hoisington moved and Councilman Colescott seconded the motion that the City Attorney investigate thoroughly the state law which prohibits cities from building up so-called surpluses, and to see if some way could not be worked out whereby money for a building fund could be set aside each year until a sufficient sum had been acquired to build a police station and jail, fire station, auditorium or whatever might be desired and necessary. Motion carried.

A letter from the Grand Junction Vocation School thanking the City Council for the use of the auditorium; a letter from the Colorado Highway Planning Committee extending thanks for the cooperation of the city employees in preparing maps and forms for the Colorado Highway Planning Committee were read. Also a letter from the City of Scottsbluff, Nebraska with a resolution passed by their city council at a special meeting held at 10:00 a.m. May 4, 1950, commending their City Manager, Mr. T. E. Thompson, on the completion of twenty-five years of service as a City Manager. Exactly twenty-five years previous to the date of this meeting, he had been sworn in as City Manager of Grand Junction. It was moved by Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Dufford that these letters be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Dufford and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the meeting adjourn.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson
City Clerk

