

Grand Junction, Colorado

October 5, 1950

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met in regular session at 7:30 P. M. Councilmen present and answering roll call were Harper, Carson, Colescott, Hanson, Walt, Hoisington and President Martin.

It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Hanson that the minutes of the regular meeting held September 20th be approved as read. Motion carried.

DOG SITUATION AND ROUND. A delegation from the Mesa County Humane Society headed by Miss Dewey, Mrs. Krogh, Mrs. Candell, and Mr. Lowe appeared before the Council regarding the dog pound. A letter was read from Bernice Armstrong giving her ideas on how to control the dog situation. It was finally decided that the City Manager should take the necessary steps to put proper partitions in the present dog pound and to provide running water in the pens and the suggestion was made that the Humane Society Committee find a suitable location for the dog pound and report back to the Council for further study on their part as to means of financing.

VALLEY AIR LEASE. Mr. Norman Hotchkiss appeared before the Council in behalf of the Valley Air Service asking that the Valley Air lease with the City for use of Walker Field be transferred to the Rader Flying Service. Mr. Cran Rader has purchased the Valley Air Service subject to the transfer of the lease by the City. It was moved by Councilman Hanson and seconded by Councilman Walt that the City Manager and City Clerk be authorized to sign the transfer of the Valley Air lease to the Rader Flying Service with the understanding that any unpaid bills owing by Valley will be taken care of by the Rader Flying Service. Motion carried.

HASTY CAB REQUEST FOR SPECIAL DOWNTOWN PARKING SPACES. Mr. Gus Muckenthaler appeared before the Council and asked for special parking spaces for his cabs in the downtown area. It was moved by Councilman Hanson and seconded by Councilman Carson that the matter be referred to the City Manager and Chief of Police to meet with Mr. Muckenthaler and also Mr. Crosby of the 57 Cab Service to work out this problem. Motion carried.

CLIFF SAWTELLE REQUESTS LAY BACK CURB. Mr. Cliff Sawtelle appeared before the Council and asked permission to break the curb and put in a lay back on Ute and 5th St. The lay back curb would be about 87 feet. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Colescott that the matter be referred to the City Manager and Chief of Police with authority to act in the best interest of the City. Motion carried.

TABLE SUSMAN-GORDON REQUEST FOR 24 INCH LANDING STRIP. Mr. Rudy Susman asked for permission to build a landing strip twenty-four inches in width next to the curbing on Rood between 15th and 17th and 17th between Rood and White. They stated that if at any time the City desires the owners to widen the landing strip to a regulation four foot sidewalk, the owners would agree to do so.

Mr. Gordon, who was interested also in this proposition, spoke to the Council concerning the further development of this area. The sidewalks in the older part of town are all on the property line and curb sidewalks are quite a deviation from the normal appearance. It was moved by Councilman Hanson and seconded by Councilman Colescott that the matter be tabled for two weeks and the City Manager and the Council look the property over, and also that Mr. Susman and Mr. Gordon get the opinion of the people in the neighborhood on whether or not they all want curb sidewalks. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 812 - ELECTRICAL ORDINANCE AND AMENDMENT. The Proof of Publication to the proposed ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 479 AS AMENDED CONCERNING THE ELECTRICAL CODE," was presented and read. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the proof of publication be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Colescott that the ordinance be called up for final passage. Motion carried.

The following proposed amendment was then read:

"Section 15. That Section 24 of Ordinance No. 479, as amended, shall be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 24. Ordinance does not apply to city employees nor to certain work done by power, telephone and telegraph companies.

(a) None of the provisions of this ordinance shall apply to any person regularly employed by the City of Grand Junction, in doing such work for said City, under the supervision of the Electrical Inspector.

(b) None of the provisions of this ordinance shall apply to work done or services performed by a public power company pursuant to a franchise granted by the City of Grand Junction or to employees of such franchise holders engaged in such work.

(c) None of the provisions of this ordinance shall apply to work done or services performed by a public telephone or telegraph company in the conduct of its communication services business or to employees of such companies engaged in such work."

It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Harper that the amendment be included in the ordinance. Motion carried. The amended ordinance was then read and it was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Walt that the ordinance be passed and adopted as amended, numbered 812 and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The president declared the motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 813 - SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS. The Proof of Publication to the proposed ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS," was presented and read. It was moved by Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Hanson that the Proof of Publication be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

It was then moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Walt that the Ordinance be called up for final passage. The Ordinance was then read and upon motion of Councilman Hanson and seconded by Councilman Hoisington was ordered passed, adopted, numbered 813 and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 814 - ANNEXING SHERWOOD ADDITION. The Proof of Publication to the Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION," was presented and read. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Walt that the proof of publication be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

It was then moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Harper that the ordinance be called up for final passage. The ordinance was then read and upon motion of Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Harper was passed, adopted, numbered 814, and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 815 - VACATING PORTION POPLAR AVENUE. The Proof of Publication to the Proposed Ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF POPLAR AVENUE IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION," was presented and read. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Walt that the proof of publication be accepted and filed.

It was moved by Councilman Hanson and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the ordinance be called up for final passage. Motion carried. The ordinance was then read and it was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Harper that the ordinance be passed and adopted, numbered 815 and published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

VISUAL LEAK WATER BILLS NOT TO BE ADJUSTED. At the meeting of the Council on September 20th, a letter had been read asking that the Council set a policy for excessive water bills when they are caused by leaks that are known by the consumer. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Carson that excessive water bills caused by visual leaks and especially when it is known that there are leaking fixtures and they are neglected, are not to be adjusted. Motion carried.

TO ADVERTISE CULLEY APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE AT 145 NO. 4th. Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Culley are requesting a restaurant liquor license at 145 No. 4th St., the old 4th St. Safeway Store. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that this license be advertised for hearing on Nov. 1st. Motion carried.

RENEW MARK 3.2 BEER - 811 SO. 7th. Kenneth G. Mark and Frances H. Mark are applying for a renewal of their 3.2 beer license for Southside Grocery at 811 So. 7th. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Walt that the renewal be granted. Motion carried.

GOODWILL-RECREATION AGREEMENT REFERRED TO CITY ATTORNEY. A proposed agreement with the Goodwill Industries granting the Recreation Department the use of the auditorium or gymnasium in their building at 1020 So. 5th was presented and read. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Hanson that this agreement be referred to the City Attorney, and that it be brought up again at the next meeting of the Council at which time Mr. Gene Hanson can also be consulted. Motion carried.

PETITION FOR FLUORINE IN WATER. A petition was presented which had been signed by members of Hawthorne P.T.A. requesting that the City put fluorine in their water supply. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Walt that the petition be accepted and filed and that the situation be studied. Motion carried.

Mr. Burton reported that he had recently talked to Dr. Robert A. Downs, Director of Public Health, Dentistry, Colorado State Board of Health, on the subject of fluorine and that Dr. Downs would be visiting in the Grand Junction area soon and would contact city officials then.

ZONING CHANGES. This was the date set for hearing for changing zoning on the north and south sides of White Ave. between 17th and 19th from Residence B. District to Residence C. District. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Hanson that the area be zoned as Residence C. Motion carried.

Mr. Toyne reported that he had investigated the zoning of 1st St. Addition and also College Subdivision, and that he would recommend the changes as approved by the Board of Adjustment. The people who had complained and protested the zoning

changes were satisfied to go along with it after having talked to the City Officials. It was moved by Councilman Hanson and seconded by Councilman Carson that the 1st St. subdivision excepting Brown's Addition be zoned as Business B. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Hanson that College Subdivision be zoned as Residence A. Motion carried.

REPORTED SLOCOMB'S ADDITION ZONING VIOLATIONS TO BE INVESTIGATED. It was reported by President Martin that there are several apartments being put in houses in Slocomb's Addition which is contrary to the zoning ordinance for Residence A district. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Hanson that the City Manager be instructed to investigate and see if the the zoning ordinance is being violated. Motion carried.

TABLE MESA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL REQUEST FOR CURB SIDEWALK. Mesa Memorial Hospital asked permission to construct a five foot curb walk on both Grand Ave. and Tenth St. around their new hospital. It was moved by Councilman Hanson and seconded by Councilman Carson that the matter be tabled until the next meeting so that the Council and City Manager and City Engineer can have a little more time to study the situation. Motion carried.

CANCEL TAX SALE CERTIFICATES #35375 & 35376. Mr. Hagie wrote a letter to the Council and stated that in 1938 Mesa Co. made an offer of \$100 to the Council to purchase the outstanding tax sale certificates on the E1/2 of Lot 13 and Lot 14, Block 101. Through some error certificates No. 35375 and 35376 for Pav. District No. 17 in the amount of \$360.97 were left out when the settlement was made. Mr. Mike Stranger who owns the property now is trying to clear up all these matters and has requested that the two certificates be cancelled inasmuch as they were probably included in the original bid. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Hanson that the City Treasurer be authorized to cancel Tax Certificates No. 35375 and 35376. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

ADJUST ORCHARD MESA PIPELINE WATER BILL. Mr. Del Willis, Secretary of the Orchard Mesa Pipeline Co. is asking for a reduction in their Oct. 1st water bill. Their bill was \$402.98 where it is usually around \$90.00. They found on checking that there was a leak near the duck pond on Orchard Mesa with the water going right down into the slough near the pond so it was very difficult to tell there was a leak. He stated that Columbus School would pay their water bill and were putting the meter on the outside again so that the Water Co. could have a better check on leaks. The total amount of water used on the ten meters for which Mr. Willis is responsible is \$90.84. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Walt that this water bill be adjusted in the amount of \$90.84. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

REFER G. J. DRINAGE CO. AGREEMENT TO CITY ATTORNEY. Mr. Toyne stated that he had been in conference with the Grand Junction Drainage District,

County Commissioners and Mr. Brownson regarding the drainage across No. 7th St., the alley between 6th and 7th and across 6th St. There is a thirty inch treated steel pipe across 7th, and to fix this whole area to take care of the drainage would be a cooperative deal. He presented an agreement stating that each would assume a certain amount of the operation, the Grand Junction Drainage Co. doing the work and the City maintaining it after it is constructed. The City's share under this plan would be \$1,260. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Hanson that the agreement be referred to Mr. Banks, City Attorney, to check and try to work out some kind of cooperative agreement whereby the other organizations would assume part of the maintenance on the pipe. Motion carried.

TO DRAFT FIRE LIMITS ORDINANCE ON NORTH AVENUE. Mr. Toyne asked that fire limits be established on North Avenue for the protection of the business buildings. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Harper that the City Attorney prepare an ordinance protecting the North Avenue business districts from fire hazards. Motion carried.

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

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson  
City Clerk