

Grand Junction, Colorado  
April 2, 1952

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

It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that Councilman Harper serve as President Pro Tem in the absence of President Hanson. Motion carried. Councilman Harper presided during the meeting.

It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Ela that the minutes of the regular meeting held March 19th be approved as written. Motion carried.

A. J. STUCKER ON LABOR UNION CONTRACT. Mr. A. J. Stucker representing the Teamsters Union, Local No. 6, appeared before the Council regarding the contract with the city employees and the Teamsters Local #6 which is being re-negotiated at this time. Mr. Jack Stirling representing the Building and Construction Trades Council on the Western Slope in which he represents fourteen unions with about one hundred members each, spoke to the Council and explained why a union contract with the employees was advisable, and also not contrary to the Charter.

Mr. Stucker stated that the Daily Sentinel had stated in the issue of March 19th that there would be no important items on the agenda for that evening and in the next Daily Sentinel the report was made of a delegation of businessmen who had appeared before the Council protesting the negotiation of a union contract. President Pro Tem Harper stated that the Sentinel was correct when they informed the public there was no important matters on the agenda on March 19th; that few if any of the Councilmen knew there would be a large delegation attending the meeting or that the matter of the union agreement would be brought up.

Mr. Carl McElvain representing the Grand Junction Trades and Labor Assn., and who is Vice-President of the State Federation of Labor, also spoke to the Council in favor of negotiating an agreement.

Mr. Stucker read a letter from Mr. R. F. May, Denver Attorney, regarding legal matters in connection with the union agreement being written in conformity with the City Charter, and in which Mr. Banks' opinion to the Council was upheld. Mr. Stucker asked that the City continue its negotiations and approve a suitable contract as soon as possible.

President Pro Tem Harper thanked all those who were present for their interest and assured them that due consideration would be given to all points in question when the contract comes before the Council for consideration.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE - PAVING DIST. #49. The following proposed ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE WHOLE COST OF THE IMPROVEMENTS MADE IN AND FOR PAVING AND SIDEWALK DISTRICT NO. 49, IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 178, ADOPTED AND APPROVED THE 11TH DAY OF JUNE, 1910, AS AMENDED: APPROVING THE APPORTIONMENT OF SAID COST TO EACH LOT OR TRACT OF LAND OR OTHER REAL ESTATE IN SAID DISTRICT: ASSESSING THE SHARE OF SAID COST AGAINST EACH LOT OR TRACT OF LAND OR OTHER REAL ESTATE IN SAID DISTRICT: AND APPROVING THE APPORTIONMENT OF SAID COST: AND PRESCRIBING THE MANNER FOR THE COLLECTION AND PAYMENT OF SAID ASSESSMENTS," was introduced and read. It was moved by Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Walt that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

PASS ORDINANCE #851 - CREATING POLICE DEPT. The Proof of Publication to the proposed ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE CREATING A POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, AND DEFINING THE POWERS AND DUTIES THEREOF," was introduced and read. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the Proof of Publication be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

It was then moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Colescott that the ordinance be called up for final passage. The Ordinance was then read and upon motion of Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Hoisington was passed, adopted, numbered 851 and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council present voting "AYE." President Pro Tem Harper declared the motion carried.

PASS ORDINANCE #852 - CREATING FIRE DEPT. The Proof of Publication to the proposed ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE CREATING A FIRE DEPARTMENT IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, AND DEFINING THE POWERS AND DUTIES THEREOF," was introduced and read. It was moved by Councilman Hoisington 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 Walt that the ordinance be called up for final passage. Motion carried. The Ordinance was then read and upon motion of Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Ela was passed, adopted, numbered 852 and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council present voting "AYE." President Pro Tem Harper declared the motion carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE - PROHIBITING UNMARRIED PERSONS FROM REGISTERING IN HOTELS, ETC.

The following proposed ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING UNMARRIED PERSONS FROM REGISTERING OR ROOMING TOGETHER AS MAN AND WIFE IN ANY HOTEL, ROOMING HOUSE OR OTHER PLACE IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, AND PROVIDING A PENALTY THEREFOR," was introduced and read. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Walt that the ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE - PROHIBITING LARCENY. The following proposed ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING LARCENY AND THE BUYING AND RECEIVING OF STOLEN GOODS AND PROVIDING A PENALTY THEREFOR," was introduced and read. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Ela that the ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

RENEW 3.2 BEER LICENSE - H. L. SENTER, TRADE CENTER. Mr. H. L. Senter, dba Trade Center, 435 No. 1st, presented an application for renewal of his 3.2 beer license. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Ela that the application for 3.2 beer license be approved and license granted. Motion carried.

ZONING CHANGE GRANTED-12TH & CHIPETA TO RES. B. This was the date set for hearing for change of zoning at 12th and Chipeta from Residence A to Residence B. There were no protests filed against the change in zoning. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Ela that the zoning change be granted and an ordinance be prepared making such change. Motion carried.

ZONING REQUEST - TO HOLD HEARING APR. 16. (12th & Teller to Bus. AR) The Board of Adjustment held a meeting on Monday, March 31st, to consider the request for changing zoning on Lots 10 to 17, Block 23, at 12th and Teller from Residence E. To Business AR District. The Board recommended that this change be made. It was moved by Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Carson that notice be given for hearing to be held at the next regular meeting of the Council, and that all property owners in the neighborhood be notified of the proposed change. Motion carried.

GRANT CARNATION DAY MAY 3, 1952. The United Spanish War Veterans Auxiliary requested permission to sell carnations on the street Saturday, the 3rd day of May. It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Ela that the request be granted. Motion carried.

GRANT POPPY DAY MAY 24, 1952. The American Legion Auxiliary requested permission to sell poppies on the streets on Saturday, May 24th, 1952. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Ela that this request be granted. Motion carried.

RENT STABILIZER WOODS AFFIRMS RENT DECONTROL. A letter from Mr. Tighe E. Woods, Director of Rent Stabilization, was read in which he affirmed the

decision of the Council and issued an amendment to the rent regulations decontrolling rents in Grand Junction effective March 21, 1952.

WATER BILL ADJUSTMENT. Mrs. Dorothy Brown, 428 W. White Ave., requested an adjustment in her water bill due to a service line leak. A total of 417,500 gallons of water went through the meter during this quarter amounting to \$39.60. This is the first time she has used her minimum. It was moved by Councilman Ela and seconded by Councilman Carson that the water account for Mrs. Brown be adjusted at the minimum price for 9,000 gallons. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council present voting "AYE." The President Pro Tem declared the motion carried.

AUTHORIZE ACTUARY TO STUDY PENSION PLAN. City Treasurer Fred Hagie reported that he had written to an actuary asking about what it would cost to have an examination of the City Employees Pension Fund accounts and recommendations as to whether or not it was a workable plan. He asked that the Council defer any action on cancelling the plan until he has heard from the actuary. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that Mr. Hagie be given permission to secure the services of an actuary and have a report on the pension plan made as reasonably as possible and as soon as can be arranged. Motion carried.

CITY DUMP. City Manager Toyne reported that there were signs at the City Dump on the Redlands directing traffic. The man who takes care of the dump is there on Sundays and with the exception of animals, there is no barring of any refuse so far as the use of the dump is concerned.

MESA COUNTY HEALTH DEPT. MEETING. The Mesa County Health Dept. has invited the Council and the County Commissioners to meet with them on April 4th at 8:00 P. M. to hear the report of Dr. Martin Baum who has recently been conducting a survey of the meat inspection problems in the City.

REPORT ON KANNAH CREEK WATERSHED. City Manager Toyne reported that the Kannah Creek water shed measurement shows 8 ft. 7 in. of snow at the present time where last year it was less than 6 ft. The water content is 37.7 in. and the average water content for the past 5 years has been 24.6 in.

GRANT RIVERSIDE SCHOOL CARNIVAL FEES. Councilman Colescott stated that Riverside School in trying to promote playground equipment and improvements and asked the Council if they would be willing to donate the license fees to them should they be able to secure a carnival in the near future. The Council agreed that they would go along to help in a manner of that kind where they could not donate actual cash out of the budget.

CLEAN UP CAMPAIGN. Councilman Carson again stressed the importance of a city-wide clean up campaign.

It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Colescott that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson  
City Clerk