

April 16, 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, Walt and President Hanson. Also present were City Manager Toyne, City Clerk Tomlinson and City Attorney Banks.

It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the minutes of the regular meeting held April 2, 1952 be approved as written. Motion carried.

TO INVESTIGATE JUNK NEXT TO 1507 ROOD. Mr. Jess Burrows and Mrs. Beyrer appeared before the Council in regard to some junk that is on the lots next to 1507 Rood Ave. The property next door was at one time used for a repair shop or garage and when the owner moved his business, he left old cars and trucks and junk on the lots. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the matter be referred to the City Manager and City Attorney to investigate regarding non-conforming use and to try to get the lots cleaned up. Motion carried.

TRAFFIC LIGHT-7th & Grand. A large delegation of people appeared before the Council in regard to traffic lights at 7th and Grand Ave. Petitions were filed asking that a light be placed at this intersection. A letter was filed from the Grand Junction Council of Club Women urging the installation of traffic lights at this intersection. Senator Howard Shults spoke on the subject quoting figures as to the amount of traffic during peak periods of the day. Mark Schmidt and his two sons also spoke in favor of installing traffic lights at this point. Ralph Schmidt, being a patrolman at Lowell School, told the Council of some of the trouble they have in getting the children across the street at the present time.

Councilman Harper suggested that inasmuch as it would be sometime before a traffic light could be installed, that it might be well to place a patrolman at this intersection during the hours when traffic is at its peak. Chief of Police Joe Keith told the Council that there were a number of intersections in the City where traffic lights were needed and that 7th & Grand was possibly one where the largest number of youngsters were involved. He also stated that he could not put officers on duty directing traffic at all of the schools at the same time as the number of men he had available for this purpose was very limited.

It was moved by Councilman Carson that the Chief of Police be instructed to put a policeman at the intersection of 7th and Grand Ave. on the hours needed until school is out and that the City proceed to install traffic lights at this intersection as quickly as possible. There was no second to this motion so Councilman Carson withdrew it.

It was moved by Councilman Ela and seconded by Councilman Walt that the City put a patrolman at the intersection of 7th and Grand during peak periods every day for the next two months. Roll was called on the motion with the following results:

Councilmen voting "AYE:" Ela, Harper, Colescott, Walt, Hoisington
Councilmen voting "NAY:" Carson and Hanson

A majority of Councilmen voting "AYE," the President declared the motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Walt that a study be made of the traffic light situation and if it is at all possible, install lights at 7th and Grand and other intersections after consideration of the budget. Roll was called on the motion with the following results:

Councilmen voting "AYE:" Ela, Harper, Colescott, Walt and Hoisington
Councilmen voting "NAY:" Carson and Hanson

A majority of Councilmen voting "AYE," the President declared the motion carried.

TO INVESTIGATE TRUCK PARKING NORTH AVE. Mr. Harry Bahm and Attorney Jas. Dufford representing Mr. C. O. Detrick, owner of the Pioneer and La Siesta Motels, and Mr. Thoele, owner of the Star Motel, appeared before the Council regarding the parking of large transport trucks on North Avenue. It was stated that these truck drivers park these huge transports sometimes leaving the trailers for as long as thirty-six hours or more and at other times they park for a period of three or four hours and leave the motors running. They also leave the motors running while they go into the restaurants to eat. They asked that some solution to their problem be made so that the driveways into the motels would be open and that some relief for those desiring to sleep could be had. The matter of restricted parking in the daytime from thirty minutes to one hour and to prohibit overnight parking was considered as a relief to these property owners.

It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the problem be turned over to the City Manager, City Attorney and Chief of Police to work out and report back to the Council at the next meeting. Motion carried.

POSTPONE VALEY COSTER 3.2 BEER LICENSE. This was the date set for hearing on the application for a 3.2 beer license for Valey Coster at 811 So. 7th. Petitions were filed in favor of granting the license and also opposing the granting of the license. A map had been prepared by the engineering department showing the location of the petition signers. The Pastors of the Latin American Assembly of God Church and the Pentacostal Holiness Church were also present and protested the granting of this license. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Walt that consideration of this license be postponed until the next regular meeting of the Council. Motion carried.

ZONING CHANGE (12th & Teller.) This was the date set for hearing on the change of zoning for Lots 10 to 17, Block 23 (12th & Teller) from Residence "E" to Business "AR" district. There were no protests filed.

PASS ORDINANCE #853 - LARCENY. The Proof of Publication to the 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 Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Harper that the Proof of Publication be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Ela 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 Carson and seconded by Councilman Hoisington was passed, adopted, numbered 853 and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

PASS ORDINANCE #854 - UNMARRIED PERSONS. The Proof of Publication to the 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 Walt and seconded by Councilman Ela 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 Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Harper was passed, adopted, numbered 854 and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

PASS ORDINANCE #855 - PAV. DIST. #49. The Proof of Publication to the 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 Walt and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the Proof of Publication be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

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

The ordinance was then read and upon motion of Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Hoisington was passed, adopted, numbered 855 and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE - BONDS FOR CITY EMPLOYEES. A proposed ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR BONDS FOR CITY EMPLOYEES AND REPEALING ORDINANCES NO. 185 and 303 AND ALL OTHER PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH," was introduced and read. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Walt that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

ZONING CHANGE. (12th & Chipeta & 12th & Teller) The following proposed ordinance was introduced and read:

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 755 AND THE ZONING MAP INCORPORATED THEREIN.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO:

SECTION 1. That Section 1 of Ordinance No. 755 and the Zoning Map accompanying said Ordinance be and it is hereby amended by changing the boundary linen and designation of districts so that

Lots 1, 2, and 3, Block 1, Dundee Place shall be changed from Residence "A" to Residence "B" District. (Southeast corner of 12th & Chipeta.)

Lots 10 to 17, Block 23, City of Grand Junction from Residence "E" to Business "AR" District. (12th & Teller)

Passed and adopted this _____ day of _____, 1952.

/s/

President of the Council

ATTEST:

/s/

City Clerk

It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Walt that "Lots 1, 2, and 3, Block 1, Dundee Place shall be changed from Residence "A" to Residence "B" District. (Southeast corner of 12th & Chipeta)" be stricken from the proposed ordinance. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Walt that the proposed ordinance as amended be passed for publication. Motion carried.

LAPPEL TAG DAY - MAY 17. The Daughters of Union Veterans requested permission to sell lapel tags on May 17th. It was moved by Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Ela that this request be granted. Motion carried.

\$3,500 & \$1,000 TO MESA CO. HEALTH DEPT. A letter from Mr. Frank W. Pond, President of the Mesa County Department of Public Health, was read in which he stated that due to the fact that the Mesa County Health Department had received additional funds from the State and School District #51, the Board finds that it would be possible to carry the full milk and meat inspection program as now carried on if the City would give 21,000 additional to the \$3,500 which was originally contemplated in the 1952 budget.

He also stated that the Board of Health would like to go on record as approving the formation of a committee to assist in the coordination of investigating the financing of the operation of the Board of Public Health following the evaluation of the Health Department by professional consultants before the 1953 budget is considered.

It was moved by Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Ela that the City Council rescind the action which they took on March 5th withdrawing the amount of money appropriated in the Health budget for 1952 from the use of the Mesa County Health Department and that \$1,000 be added to this budget and placed at the disposal of the Mesa County Health Department so that they can continue with their full program of meat and milk inspection for the year 1952.

Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

WATER BILL ADJUSTMENTS. Mr. Lawrence Onan, Pastor of the Columbus Community Church, wrote a letter to the Council regarding leakage of water at their church. They are on the Olson Orchard Mesa Water Line. Over 79,000 gallons of water went through their motor for which they were charged \$79.00 by the Water Company. Discussion by the Council was to the effect that they had recently made a motion to not allow any reductions for leaks to outside users through master meters.

It was suggested that Mr. Onan take this matter up with the Orchard Mesa Water Co. Mr. Reeves, Bookkeeper, stated that the Company itself did not have any intention of asking the City for a reduction in the bill.

It was moved by Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Ela that the request be denied. Motion carried.

Mrs. Mary S. Gent, 511 W. Colo., requested an adjustment due to a service line break. 87,700 gallons amounting to \$19.61 was billed her on April 1st. She has never used more than the minimum.

Mrs. Mary Martucci, 522 W. Main St., requested an adjustment due to a service line leak. 102,800 gallons amounting to \$22.22 was billed her on April 1st, and she has never before used more than the minimum amount of water.

It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Walt that these two water accounts be adjusted to the minimum of \$6.10 each. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

PETITION BY EMPLOYEES TO DROP PENSION PLAN. A petition was presented signed by thirty-seven employees of the City of Grand Junction asking that they be relieved from working under the ordinance known as the employees pension fund and that they be placed under the protection and benefits of Social Security.

It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Carson that the petition be placed on file and when the actuary report is available, a meeting of the employees be called and this matter be gone into. Motion carried.

APPROVE 9TH NAVAL DISTRICT SUBLEASE. The 9th Naval District, Public Works Office, are leasing the quonset hut which they erected on property leased to them by the City of Grand Junction at the Municipal Airport to the Colo. Civil Air Patrol and request the approval of the City. It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the request be granted and the City Manager instructed to proceed with signing the agreement. Motion carried.

TO ADVERTISE LIQUOR LICENSE - Chas. Boyes, Copeland's. An application for a drug store liquor license by Chas. A. Boyes, General Partner, for Copeland's Cut Rate Drug Store was read. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Colescott that this license be advertised for hearing on May 4, 1952. Motion carried.

AUDITOR RAGAN'S REPORT REFERRED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE. The report of Mr. Jas. E. Ragan, Auditor, on the financial audit for the City for 1951 was presented. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Harper

that this report be referred to the Finance Committee for report to the Council. Motion carried.

TO INVESTIGATE T. B. DRIGGERS' SIDEWALK. Mr. T. B. Driggers appeared before the Council and stated that his sidewalk at 1717 Cannell was about to cave in. This matter was referred to the City Manager for checking.

ACCEPT STOCKER'S PLAN FOR USE OF MOYER POOL. City Manager Toyne read a report from Mr. Stocker, Park Superintendent, concerning the Red Cross "Learn to Swim" program in connection with the recreation program for the coming summer. He approved using the pool four mornings a week for the "Learn To Swim" program leaving the other two free for free day as provided in the provisions made by Mr. Moyer at the time the pool was given to the City. The ordinance now provides for 3 free days, Monday, Wednesday and Saturday from 9:30 to 5:30.

It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that Mr. Stocker's program be approved, and if necessary, that the ordinance concerning free days at the pool be changed. Motion carried.

TO HAVE COUNCIL MEETING ON PERSONNEL RULES & REGULATIONS. It was decided to hold a Council meeting in the near future to consider the Personnel Rules and Regulations which City Manager Toyne has prepared.

TO CHECK CONDITION OF ALLEY - 6th & 7th bet. Pitkin & South. Councilman Walt brought up the condition of the alley between 6th and 7th, Pitkin and South, and asked all members of the Council to go down and take a look at the condition of this alley.

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

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson
City Clerk