

Grand Junction, Colorado
May 6, 1953

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction met in regular session at 7:30 P. M. Councilmen present and answering roll call were McCormick, Harper, Severson, Colescott, Wright, Lowe and President Pro Tempore Walt. Also present were City Attorney Groves, City Manager Toyne and City Clerk Tomlinson.

It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Lowe that the minutes of the meeting held May 4th at 10:00 A. M. be approved as read. Motion carried.

COLESCOTT ELECTED PRES. OF COUNCIL. President Walt called for nominations for the office of President of the Council for the ensuing year. It was moved by Councilman Severson and seconded by Councilman Harper that Councilman C. A. Walt be nominated for President. It was moved by Councilman McCormick and seconded by Councilman Lowe that Councilman Colescott be nominated as President for the ensuing year. Councilman Harper moved that the nominations be closed. A written ballot was then taken and was tallied by the City Attorney and City Clerk and showed the following result:

Councilman Harry O. Colescott 4 votes
Councilman C. A. Walt 3 votes

President Colescott then took the chair.

EXTEND TRUST AGREEMENTS. An extension of the Trust Agreement with the United States Bank of Grand Junction for "City of Grand Junction Special Improvement District Bond and Interest Fund" and an extension of the Trust Agreement with the First National Bank for "City of Grand Junction General Obligation Bond and Interest Fund" were presented and read.

It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Lowe that these agreements be approved and signed by the President of the Council and attested by the City Clerk. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS OF PERSONNEL. It was moved by Councilman McCormick and seconded by Councilman Walt that the following officers: City Manager, City Attorney, City Auditor & Clerk, City Treasurer and Judge of the Municipal Court, being appointees by the Council, serve at the will of the Council. Motion carried.

GRANT LIQUOR LICENSE TO ROPER & SILVEY. This was the date set for hearing on the application of Messrs. C. E. Roper and R. G. Silvey for a liquor license for the Western Cafe at 122 South 5th Street. It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Walt that the application for Messrs. Roper and Silvey be

approved and a restaurant liquor license be issued when the state license has been received. Motion carried.

GRANT BEER LICENSE FOR WARREN GROCERY. This was the date set for hearing on the application of Clara E. Warren for a beer license for a grocery store at 451 South 5th St. It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Lowe that the application be granted. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #873. Misc. Licenses. The Proof of Publication to the proposed ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1 OF CHAPTER 51 OF THE 1952 COMPILED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION (being Section 8 OF ORDINANCE NO. 722) CONCERNING MISCELLANEOUS LICENSES" was introduced and read. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Severson that the Proof of Publication be accepted and filed.

It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Harper that the proposed ordinance be called up for final passage. Motion carried. The ordinance was then read and upon motion of Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Wright, Section 9 was changed to read as follows: "(9) For each traveling theatrical, vaudeville and other entertainment, Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) per day where one performance is to be given each day, and Five Dollars (\$5.00) for each additional performance given on any particular day." Motion carried.

It was then moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Harper that the ordinance be passed and adopted as amended, numbered 873 and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

TO CONSTRUCT WATER MAIN. City Manager Toyne reported on the matter of a water line to serve the Congregational Church on the west side of North 5th Street between Kennedy and Elm Court. He stated that this water main was in the City's plan for future development and would eventually serve the new High School and the area to the east and west of Fifth Street. It was not included in the 1953 budget as it had not been contemplated that water would be needed in this area this year. The cost of the project including fire hydrants, valves, mains, etc. would be approximately \$3,500. This could be appropriated to the Water Department later in the year if found to be necessary. It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Harper that the request from the Congregational Church be granted and that the City construct a water main to service North Fifth Street. Roll was called on the motion with all Councilmen voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

DENY LAYBACK CURB FOR V. A. PAULSON. City Manager Toyne also reported on the matter of a layback curb for V. A. Paulson at 1560 North Avenue. He stated that an agreement with the State Highway Dept. prohibits any parking on North Avenue in this area and that it was thought a layback curb in front of this building would

be a traffic hazard. It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Lowe that the request be denied. Motion carried.

REBATE PERMIT FEES TO MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH. The Lutheran Church of the Messiah, Alfred Nestler, Secretary, requested a refund of building permit fees paid by them to the City for the construction of their new parsonage at 11th and Teller. The building permit fee was \$50.00, the electrical fee, \$7.25 and plumbing fee \$5.00. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Walt that the fees paid to the City by the Messiah Lutheran Church be refunded to them. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

WATER BILL ADJUSTMENTS. (a) Mr. Eugene Perry, 739 Belford Ave., requested a water bill adjustment due to a service line leak which was discovered by the City and repaired by Mr. Perry as soon as he was notified. The meter reading showed a water usage of 83,700 gallons amounting to \$18.80. Last year, during this same period, the water consumption was 8,200 gallons with a minimum charge of \$6.10.

(b) Mr. W. A. Cline, 427 Ouray Ave., requested a water bill adjustment due to a service line leak which he discovered and immediately had repaired. The meter reading during this quarter showed 58,100 gallons amounting to \$18.99. During the same quarter last year, 25,100 gallons of water were used and amounted to \$10.30.

It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Walt that Mr. Perry's bill be adjusted to \$6.10 and Mr. Cline's bill be adjusted to \$10.30. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

(c) Mr. Raffle Santy, 529 Pitkin Ave., requested a water bill adjustment due to a flushbox leak which was discovered by the water dept. and repaired by Mr. Santy. The gallonage used was 88,500 gallons due to this leak. At this same period last year 23,400 gallons of water were used and amounted to \$6.96.

It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Wright that the request of Mr. Santy be denied. Motion carried.

(d) A letter from Mrs. Julia Phillips and Mrs. Mary Fasiano, 720-724 West Grand Ave., was read asking the Council to re-consider their policy in not granting water users outside the city limits any rebates for water lost through leakage. Councilman Harper stated that water to outside users was metered at the city limits and it is the responsibility of outside users to keep their own lines in repair and he felt that the policy of the Council in not granting rebates for water lost outside the city limits from leakage was very fair. Outside water users pay double city water rates but pay no costs for bonded indebtedness and other contingencies. It was moved by Councilman

McCormick and seconded by Councilman Harper that the request of Mrs. Phillips and Mrs. Fasciano be denied. Motion carried.

LOVELAND TUNNEL. A letter relative to Loveland Tunnel from Mr. Luke Smith, President of "Quick-Way" Truck Shovel Co. was read. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Walt that the City Clerk be instructed to write to Mr. Smith acknowledging receipt of his letter and send the letter to the Chamber of Commerce for consideration by their highway committee. Motion carried.

FISHING RODEO. A letter from Better Fishing Inc., asking the Council to sponsor a Boy & Girl Annual National Better Fishing Rodeo was read. This letter was referred to Councilman Severson to take up with the Recreation Department.

TABLE SCHIESSWOHL REQUEST FOR DRIVEWAY. A request from Mr. R. H. Schiesswohl asking for an extension of his driveway for the Phillips "66" Station on Colorado Avenue at Sixth Street was presented. He asked that two parking meters be removed and a layback curb be installed at the west side of his present driveway. It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Lowe that the request be granted. After discussion, Councilman Walt withdrew his motion with the consent of Councilman Lowe and moved that the matter be tabled until the next regular meeting of the Council to give the Council a chance to go by and check on the driveway. This motion was seconded by Councilman Lowe. Motion carried.

MT. STATES TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH CO. RATE HEARING. The Colo. Municipal League reported that they had employed the same man who was in charge of the League presentation at the telephone rate hearing at a previous time, and that cities in the state would participate financially for paying for expert witnesses to assist in the hearing before the P. U. C.

TABLE EXCHANGE CLUB REQUEST FOR LINCOLN PARK FIELD. The Exchange Club asked the Council for permission to use the facilities at Lincoln Park for the purpose of staging a rodeo about July 13, 14 and 15. They are interested in a community auditorium and would take this means of starting a fund for the construction of such an auditorium. It was moved by Councilman Lowe and seconded by Councilman McCormick that the Council investigate the use of the park facilities for a rodeo and get more definite information before action is taken. Also, that Eugene Hansen and Ralph Stocker be present at the next meeting when the matter will be further considered. Motion carried.

C. A. SUGGESTS ADOPTION PROCEEDINGS FOR COMPILED ORDINANCES. City Attorney Groves suggested that adoption proceedings be drawn up in compliance with the revised charter whereby the 1952 ordinances, building code, electrical code, plumbing code, etc., would be adopted by reference. City Attorney Groves was instructed to prepare these proceedings as rapidly as possible and present them to the Council.

CITY PENSION PLAN TO BE REVIEWED. City Attorney Groves also suggested that the City Employees Pension Plan be reviewed and definite action be taken as soon as possible. It was decided to review the pension plan before the Council as a whole.

COLLBRAN PROJECT. The City Attorney also stated that the forms for the petitions for the Collbran Project had been approved and would be ready for circulation in the near future.

Councilman Harper reported that he had attended one meeting on the Collbran Project and one meeting in Palisade at which time Palisade rejected the idea of entering into the conservancy district. He also stated that it would be necessary for the Council to decide on several matters of policy in connection with the Collbran Project and that meetings would be called in the near future to discuss the matter.

LIBRARY REPORT PRESENTED. City Manager Toyne distributed reports prepared by Virginia Mooring and her staff at the Library covering the work of the Library for the year 1952. This was a very attractive and well written report and Councilman Walt expressed the appreciation of the Council in receiving it and suggested that Miss Mooring be commended for preparing the very fine booklet.

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

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson
City Clerk