

Grand Junction, Colorado
March 3, 1954

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, Severson, Harper, Walt, Wright, Lowe and President Colescott. Also present were City Attorney Groves, City Manager Toyne and City Clerk Tomlinson.

It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Lowe that the minutes of the regular meeting held February 17th be approved as written. Motion carried.

APPROVE LIQUOR LICENSE CHANGE OF ADDRESS. This was the date set for hearing on the change of address for James O. Sparlin dba Grand Liquor Store from 357 Main Street to 443 Rood Avenue. It was moved by Councilman Lowe and seconded by Councilman Walt that the request be granted and Mr. Sparlin be given permission to move his liquor store to 443 Rood. Motion carried.

HEARING - LIQUOR VIOLATION. This was the date set for hearing for Mr. Howard Griffin dba Pete's Liquor Store. Mr. Griffin sold a half pint bottle of whiskey on February 4th to Billy Watkins, age 20, of 1228 Colorado Ave. Mr. Griffin was fined \$100 in Police Court on February 6th and Mr. Watkins was also fined \$50 for misrepresentation of age, having established his age by his older brother's drivers license.

Mr. and Mrs. Griffin were represented by George Graham, Attorney, who spoke in behalf of Mr. Griffin. Billy Watkins was also present and told of making the purchase. He stated that at the particular time of purchasing the half pint in question, he was not asked for any identification.

It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Walt, in view of previous action taken by the Council in similar cases, Mr. Griffin's license be suspended for seven days starting at 8:00 o'clock on March 4th. Motion carried.

Councilman McCormick stated that he would go along with the seven days suspension of this license on account of extenuating circumstances but that he would warn all liquor dealers that in the future so far as he was concerned, there would be no seven days suspension but the penalty would be much more severe.

PROP. ORD.-ANNEXING SUNGOLD PARK. The following entitled proposed ordinance was presented and read: AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION. It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman McCormick that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

REV. PERMIT TO CENTRAL CHEVROLET. Central Chevrolet Company asked for permission to place a small building of all steel construction on the corner of 5th and Colorado where there is to be a used car lot. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Walt that a revocable permit be granted to the Central Chevrolet Company for the construction of an all steel type building. Motion carried.

TO TRANSFER RENTAL CAR AGREEMENT. The Auto Rental Service Inc. requested permission to assign their agreement with the City as Avis Rent-A-Car System to Mr. Archie O. Reed of the Reed Truck Leasing Company. This agreement covers cars rented at Walker Field. Mr. Frank C. Gumaer, Jr., Vice-President of Auto Rental Service, Inc., Mr. Reed and George Graham, Attorney, were present. City Attorney Groves asked several questions concerning the basis upon which the fees would be paid to the City inasmuch as Mr. Reed planned to later on have an office in Grand Junction and a rental car service otherwise than at the airport.

It was moved by Councilman McCormick and seconded by Councilman Severson that the City consents to the assignment of the agreement of the Auto Rental Service Incorporated to Mr. Reed upon condition that the assignee enter into a further agreement with satisfactory clarification made of revenues upon which the City receives commissions to the satisfaction of the City Attorney and City Manager. Motion carried.

ACCEPT AND FILE BONDS. The following bonds were presented having been approved as to form by the City Attorney:

W. J. Pray	Cement Contractor
Ralph G. Botkin & Chas. L. Green dba Valley Gas & Elect. Co.	Gas Contractor
D. K. Platt Sheet Metal & Heating	Gas Contractor
W. B. Johnson Plumbing & Heating	Gas Contractor
Richard H. Lampshire	Gas Contractor
Stanley E. & Marie M. White dba Mt. Garfield Plumbing & Heating	Gas Contractor
Lane & Company	Gas Contractor
Cochran Outdoor Advertising Co.	Sign Contractor
Earl Stuller	House Mover
Charles F. Weems	Plumbing Contractor

It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Lowe that these bonds be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

BEER LICENSE RENEWALS. The following 3.2 beer licenses were presented for renewal: Robert E. & George Wieker, Wieker's Cigar Store, 541 Main Street, and Sylvester & Lela Lehn dba Circle Cafe, 319 So. 2nd Street. It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Severson that the applications be approved and renewals granted. Motion carried.

TO CORRECT TRAFFIC PROBLEM-5TH & NOLAND. It was brought up that the corner of 5th and Noland presented a traffic problem for trucks turning onto this narrow street. The traffic is sometimes backed up over the viaduct waiting for a large vehicle to get around the corner. It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Severson that the City Engineer, City Manager and Chief of Police investigate this intersection and see what solution could be made to improve this condition and make recommendations to the Council. Motion carried.

WATER BILL ADJUSTMENT. Mr. E. A. Lawton, 2218 Texas, presented an application for a water bill adjustment. His March 1st water bill amounted to \$19.96 and a year ago was \$6.10. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Walt that the amount of \$6.10 be approved as Mr. Lawton's payment for March 1st water bill. Roll was called on the motion with all Councilmen voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

SUBSIDY FOR AIRLINES. A letter from Frontier Airlines was read requesting the Council to lend their assistance in supporting the subsidy appropriation for airlines and asking that contact be made with the House Appropriations Committee approving such appropriation.

It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Lowe that the City Manager be instructed to write a letter to the House Appropriations Committee and inform them that the Council would appreciate their consideration in supporting the Civil Aeronautical Board's appropriation request for subsidy for local service airlines. Motion carried.

CURB CUTS GRANTED. Councilman Severson requested permission to change the driveways at his filling station at 5th and North Avenue. He asked for widened driveways on North Avenue and a suggestion was made that additional space be granted along 5th Street so that the street along the whole east side of the station could be widened making a better intersection at 5th and North Avenue to handle the tremendous amount of traffic on that corner.

It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Harper that Mr. Severson's request be granted and that the additional curb cuts be made on North Avenue and that the Chief of Police, City Engineer and City Manager determine the

policy of widening Fifth Street to a degree necessary to make a satisfactory intersection at Fifth and North. Motion carried. Councilman Severson abstained from voting.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT APPROVES ZONING CHANGE. The Board of Adjustment held a meeting at 4:00 P. M. and approved the change of zoning on the south side of North Avenue from 3rd Street to a point in Block 9 west of 5th Street not included in the present Business A zoning. They recommended to the Council that this area be changed from Residence B to Business A.

It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Wright that a hearing on this proposed zoning change be held April 7th, and that the residents in this area be notified personally of such hearing. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman McCormick and seconded by Councilman Severson that Mr. Jaynes, County Assessor, or someone from his office be invited to attend this meeting to explain the manner of assessing property in this locality. Motion carried.

ABANDONED ICE BOXES ETC. ORD. City Attorney Groves asked the Council about the ordinance concerning abandoned refrigerators, and it was agreed the ordinance to be drawn up by Mr. Groves should include storage of any iceboxes, refrigerators, etc. in private garages.

COLLBRAN PROJECT. City Attorney Groves reported on his trip to Washington at the request of the Collbran Project Committee. Congressman Aspinall requested that some local person go back to Washington and appear before the appropriations subcommittee as reclamation projects which had been approved but where no money had been appropriated for their construction were being considered by the appropriations committee. Mr. Groves stated that he asked that no money be appropriated for the Collbran Project until everyone in the project is ready and willing that the project go ahead. They all felt that government funds should not be spent until it is known whether the people in this area want the Collbran project. He testified that he would return and ask for money when they are ready to go ahead with the project.

It was tentatively agreed that the Council would pay \$125 and the County Commissioners would pay \$125 on the expenses of this trip and the rest to be borne by Mr. Groves personally. He advised the Council that it did not appear that anyone from his office would be able to attend the National Institute of Law Officers Conference, and that he had \$300 in his budget for dues and conference expenses that he would be glad to have the \$125 paid from his budget.

It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman Harper that Mr. Groves be paid \$125 as part of the expenses of his trip to Washington on behalf of the Collbran Project. Roll was called on the motion with the following results:

Councilmen voting "AYE:" Severson, Harper, Walt, Wright and President Colescott

Councilmen voting "NAY:" McCormick and Lowe

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

GAS RATES. City Attorney Groves also made a report on the matter of the jurisdiction of home rule cities to regulate gas rates, and stated that Boulder and Pueblo had filed appeals in the District Court, and that he was awaiting further word from the Municipal League on whether they wished Grand Junction to participate in these appeals.

ORD. #888. The following emergency ordinance was presented and read: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 17, CHAPTER 85 OF THE 1953 COMPILED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO. It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Lowe that the ordinance be passed, adopted as an emergency ordinance, numbered 888 and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

CITY ATTORNEY TO GET INFORMATION ON SERVICE CONTRACTS ON TV SETS. It was moved by Councilman McCormick and seconded by Councilman Severson that the City Attorney be instructed to get information on the matter of an ordinance to control dealers who sell service contracts for TV sets and the matter of bonding them to protect the owners of TV sets. Motion carried.

MARCH 10 MEETING WITH FIREMEN RE PENSION. City Manager Toyne reported that March 10th had been confirmed as the date for a meeting with the Fire Department for considering their pension plan.

RABIES IN DOGS. City Manager Toyne also reported that he had attended a meeting with the Mesa County Health Department concerning rabies in dogs.

TRAILER CAMP CONSIDERED. City Manager Toyne also reported that someone was contemplating establishing a trailer court at 23rd and North Avenue but that we have no regulations at the present time concerning the construction of trailer courts.

Councilman McCormick reported that he and Councilman Severson had been collecting data for the regulation of trailer courts and would have something for the Council possibly by the next meeting. The following Resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS it is the intention of the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, to establish standards for trailer camps in the near future and

WHEREAS there should not be any construction of any trailer camps in the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, until the adoption of said ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, that the Building Inspector be instructed not to issue permits for any trailer camp or property therefor of any type until further action of this Council.

It was moved by Councilman Walt and seconded by Councilman McCormick that the Resolution be passed and adopted as read. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Lowe that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson
City Clerk