

Grand Junction, Colorado
April 18, 1956

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction met in regular session at 7:30 P.M. Councilmen answering roll call were Shults, Orr, Harper, Colescott, Emerson and Pres. Wright. Councilman Lowe was absent. Also present were City Manager Toyne, City Attorney Groves and City Clerk Tomlinson.

It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Shults that the minutes of the regular meeting held April 4th be approved as written. Motion carried.

SPECIAL ELECTION RETURNS. The Council proceeded to canvass returns of the special election held April 17th and the following report of the Canvassing Committee was filed:

SPECIAL ELECTION, April 17, 1956

TALLY SHEET

We, the undersigned, acting as canvassing board, hereby certify that we have canvassed the returns of the special municipal election held in the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, on April 17th, 1956, and from the said canvass find the results to be as follows; that 249 ballots were cast in District "A"; that 450 ballots were cast in District "B"; that 435 ballots were cast in District "C"; that 320 ballots were cast in District "D"; and that 416 ballots were cast in District "E"; making a total of 1870 ballots cast in all the Districts at said election. The ballots cast were as follows:

PEOPLE'S ORDINANCE

"Shall there be adopted a People's Ordinance prohibiting persons from permitting dogs to be at large within the City of Grand Junction, Colorado - entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 59 OF THE 1953 COMPILED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, AND MAKING IT UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON OWNING OR POSSESSING A DOG TO PERMIT IT TO BE AT LARGE."

	<u>Dist.</u> <u>"A"</u>	<u>Dist.</u> <u>"B"</u>	<u>Dist.</u> <u>"C"</u>	<u>Dist.</u> <u>"D"</u>	<u>Dist.</u> <u>"E"</u>	<u>Total</u>
FOR THE ORDINA NCE	161	283	303	213	249	1209
AGAINST THE ORDINA NCE	93	164	132	104	163	656

						CHARTER AMENDMENT
FOR THE CHARTER AMEND.	128	258	260	170	238	1054
AGAINST THE CHARTER AMEND.	109	168	161	133	166	737

/s/ Harold H. Shults
/s/ Harry O. Colescott
/s/ William W. Orr
/s/ John S. Emerson
/s/ John C. Harper
/s/ Herbert M. Wright

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION
MESA COUNTY, COLORADO
SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

April 17, 1956

ABSTRACT OF VOTES CAST AT THE SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, ON TUESDAY, THE 17th DAY OF APRIL, 1956.

Question Submitted:

"Shall the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, contract an indebtedness on behalf of the City and upon the credit thereof, by issuing the negotiable coupon bonds of the City in the aggregate amount of \$240,000, for the purpose of erecting and equipping a public building to be used as a jail and police administration building?"

	Number of Votes Cast
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FOR THE PUBLIC BUILDING BONDS	1106
AGAINST THE PUBLIC BUILDING BONDS	629

We, the undersigned, the Board of Canvassers of the election returns of an election held in and for the City of Grand Junction, in the County of Mesa and State of Colorado, on Tuesday, the 17th day of April, 1956, called and held under the provisions of Ordinance No. 949, approved Mar. 7th, 1956, for the purpose of submitting to the duly qualified taxpaying electors of said City the question of authorizing the City Council of said City to contract an indebtedness on behalf of the City and upon the credit thereof, by issuing the negotiable coupon bonds of the City in the aggregate amount of \$240,000 for the purpose of erecting and equipping a public building to be used as a jail and police administration building, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct abstract of the votes cast at said election, as shown by the returns thereof.

WITNESS OUR HANDS AND THE SEAL OF SAID CITY, this 18th day of April, 1956.

/s/ Harold H. Shults
/s/ Harry O. Colescott
/s/ William W. Orr
/s/ John S. Emerson
/s/ John C. Harper
/s/ Herbert M. Wright

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DAY OF APRIL, 1956.

Question Submitted:

"Shall the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, contract an indebtedness on behalf of the City and upon the credit thereof, by issuing the negotiable coupon bonds of the City in the aggregate amount of \$460,000, for the purpose of extending and improving the sewer system of the City, such bonds to be issued from time to time within the lawful debt limit of the City?"

	Number of Votes Cast
FOR THE SEWER BONDS	1055
AGAINST SEWER BONDS	675

We, the undersigned, the Board of Canvassers of the election returns of an election held in and for the City of Grand Junction, in the County of Mesa and State of Colorado, on Tuesday, the 17th day of April, 1956, called and held under the provisions of Ordinance No. 949, approved March 7, 1956, for the purpose of submitting to the duly qualified taxpaying electors of said City the question of authorizing the City Council of said City to contract an indebtedness on behalf of the City and upon the credit thereof, by issuing the negotiable coupon bonds of the City in the aggregate amount of \$460,000 for the purpose of extending and improving the sewer system of the City, such bonds to be issued from time to time within the lawful debt limit of the City, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct abstract of the votes cast at said election, as shown by the returns thereof.

WITNESS OUR HANDS AND THE SEAL OF SAID CITY, THIS 18th day of April, 1956.

/s/ Harold H. Shults
/s/ Harry O. Colescott
/s/ William W. Orr
/s/ John S. Emerson
/s/ John C. Harper
/s/ Herbert M. Wright

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION
MESA COUNTY, COLORADO
SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

April 17, 1956

ABSTRACT OF VOTES CAST AT THE SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
HELD IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, ON TUESDAY, THE 17th
DAY OF APRIL, 1956.

Question Submitted:

"Shall the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, sell to the County of Mesa, State of Colorado, for the consideration of Ten Dollars to be paid upon delivery of deed,

an undivided one-half interest in and to the following property situate in Mesa County, Colorado, to-wit:

That part of Lots 1, 2, 7, 8, 9 and 10 of Jaynes Subdivision lying North and East of Right-of-Way of U. S. Government Highline Canal; also beginning at the E1/4 Corner of Section 25, Township 1 North, Range 1 West, Ute Meridian, thence North 840 feet, thence North 54° 57' West to a point 700 feet West of the Northeast Corner of the SE1/4 NE1/4 of said Section 25, thence West to the Northwest Corner of said SE1/4 NE1/4, thence South to a point 475 feet north of the SW Corner of said SE1/4 NE1/4 thence South 54° 57' East to a point 465 feet South of the E1/4 Corner of said Section 25, thence North 465 feet to the point of beginning and beginning at a point 415 feet East of the Southwest Corner of the NW1/4 SE1/4 of Section 30, Township 1 North Range 1 East Ute Meridian, thence North 54° 57' West to a point 840 feet North of the W1/4 Corner of said Section 30, thence South to the SW Corner of the NW1/4 SW1/4 of said Section 30 thence East to the point of beginning, also beginning at a point 190 feet North of the Southwest Corner of the SE1/4 NE1/4 of Section 31, Township 1 North, Range 1 East, Ute Meridian, thence North 55° 35' East to the Northeast Corner of the S1/2 NW1/4 NW1/4 of Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 1 East, Ute Meridian, thence North to the Northeast Corner of the NW1/4 NW1/4 of said Section 32, thence West to the Northwest Corner of the NW1/4 NW1/4 of said Section 32, thence South to the Southwest Corner of said NW1/4 NW1/4, thence West to the Northwest Corner of the SE1/4 NE1/4 of Section 31, Township 1 North, Range 1 East, Ute Meridian, thence South to the point of beginning, also the S1/4 of Section 30 the N1/4 of Section 31, the SW1/4 NE1/4 of Section 31, the SE1/4 NW1/4 of Section 31, the NW1/4 SE1/4 of Section 31, the SW1/4 of Section 31, Township 1 North, Range 1 East, Ute Meridian, that part of the NE1/4 NW1/4 of Section 6, and that part of the E1/2 NW1/4 NW1/4 of Section 6, Township 1 South, Range 1 East lying North of the U. S. Government Highline Canal?"

	Number of Votes Cast
FOR THE SALE OF SAID PROPERTY	1,404
AGAINST THE SALE OF SAID PROPERTY	295

WE, the undersigned, the Board of Canvassers of the election returns of an election held in and for the City of Grand Junction, in the County of Mesa and State of Colorado, on Tuesday, the 17th day of April, 1956, called and held under the direction of the City Council for the purpose of submitting to the duly qualified taxpaying electors of said City the question of authorizing the City Council of said City to sell to the County of Mesa, State of Colorado, for the consideration of Ten Dollars to be paid upon delivery of deed, an undivided one-half interest in and to the above described property

situate in Mesa County, Colorado, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct abstract of the votes cast at said election, as shown by the returns thereof.

WITNESS OUR HANDS AND THE SEAL OF SAID CITY, this 18th day of April, 1956.

/s/ Harold H. Shults
/s/ Harry O. Colescott
/s/ William W. Orr
/s/ John S. Emerson
/s/ John C. Harper
/s/ Herbert M. Wright

SPECIAL ELECTION RETURNS. The following resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, from the returns of the special municipal election held in the City of Grand Junction, April 17th, 1956, as shown by the report of the canvassing board just filed, it appears that there were 1209 votes cast in favor of and 656 votes cast against the ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 59 OF THE 1953 COMPILED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, AND MAKING IT UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON OWNING OR POSSESSING A DOG TO PERMIT IT TO BE AT LARGE," making a majority in favor of the adoption of said ordinance of 553 votes.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the said Ordinance was passed and adopted at said election; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the said ordinance be passed and adopted as a People's Ordinance No. 30, and that the Clerk be and is hereby ordered to publish said ordinance in The Daily Sentinel, as passed and adopted.

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

The following Resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, There was submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, at a special municipal election held on the 17th day of April, 1956, in the City of Grand Junction, the question of adopting an amendment to the Charter of

the City of Grand Junction, amending Section 96 of Article XII thereof to read as follows:

Section 96. Rates - Regulations - Fines. The City Council shall by ordinance fix rates, establish regulations for the use of water by consumers, provide for the orderly administration of the department, and impose fines and penalties for the violation thereof. Such ordinance shall establish a uniform system of rates for the use of water consumers, from which rates there shall be no rebates or reductions, it being the intent hereof to prevent any consumers of water from having any advantage or favor over other consumers, by contract or otherwise, except as herein provided.

Whenever the revenue from the waterworks system shall produce a surplus over and above the cost of maintenance and interest on the cost of constructions, it shall be the duty of the City Council to reduce the rates to consumers so that, as far as practicable, the people may receive the benefits of this department at not more than actual cost.

All consumers of water for domestic use outside of the City limits shall pay not less than double the rates so established and fixed for users within the City limits, and all consumers of water for manufacturing or industrial or school uses in connection with manufactories and industrial and schools located within a radius of four miles of Fifth and Main Streets in the City of Grand Junction, shall pay such rates as may be established and fixed by ordinance of the City Council; provided the City of Grand Junction, acting by and through the City Council, shall have authority and power to enter into contracts with governmental subdivisions of the State of Colorado, having tax levying powers, no portion of whose territory lies east of the west line extended of Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 1 West, Ute Meridian, and west of the east line extended of Section 17, Township 1 South, Range 1 East, Ute Meridian, for the sale of water, the aggregate water so sold not to exceed 1,000,000 gallons per day, at such rates as may be specified by the City Council.

WHEREAS, at said election 1054 votes were cast in favor of the adoption of said amendment and 737 votes were cast against said amendment, the majority being in favor of the adoption thereof.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the City Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and instructed to publish once in The Daily Sentinel of Grand Junction, Colorado, the full text of said Charter Amendment and she is further authorized and instructed to file with the Secretary of State two copies officially certified by her, within ten days after April 17th, 1956.

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

The Council having canvassed the returns of the special bond election held in said City on the 17th day of April, 1956, determined that there were 1,106 ballots for public building bonds and 649 ballots cast against the public building bonds and 1,055 ballots cast for sewer bonds and 675 ballots cast against the sewer bonds at said election. Whereupon the following resolution was duly introduced, read and on motion unanimously adopted.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS on the 17th day of April, 1956, there was duly submitted to the qualified, taxpaying electors of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, the question of authorizing the issuance of \$240,000 of bonds of said City for the purpose of erecting and equipping a public building to be used as a jail and police administration building, and the question of authorizing the issuance of \$460,000 of bonds of said City for the purpose of extending and improving the sewer system of the City; and

WHEREAS, said election was duly called and held in accordance with the laws of the State of Colorado and the Charter of said City; and

WHEREAS, the returns of said election were duly certified to and canvassed by the City Council of said City, from which canvass it appears that 1106 ballots were cast FOR PUBLIC BUILDING BONDS AND 629 ballots were cast AGAINST PUBLIC BUILDING BONDS, AND 1055 BALLOTS were cast FOR SEWER BONDS and 675 ballots were cast AGAINST SEWER BONDS:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED and declared that said election resulted in favor of the issuance of each series of said Bonds.

The following resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on the 7th day of March, 1956, the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, adopted a resolution submitting to the qualified taxpaying electors of the City at a special City election on the 17th day of April, 1956, the question of the sale to the County of Mesa, State of Colorado, of an undivided one-half interest in and to the following described property situate in Mesa County, State of Colorado, to-wit:

That part of Lots 1, 2, 7, 8, 9 and 10 of Jaynes Subdivision lying North and East of Right-of-Way of U. S. Government Highline Canal; also beginning at the E1/4 Corner of Section 25, Township 1 North, Range 1 West, Ute Meridian, thence North 840 feet, thence North 54⁰ 57' West to a point 700 feet West of the Northeast Corner of the SE1/4 NE1/4 of said Section 25, thence West to the Northwest Corner of said SE1/4 NE1/4, thence South to a point 475 feet North of the Southwest Corner of said SE1/4 NE1/4, thence South 54⁰ 57' East to a point 465 feet South of the E1/4 Corner of said Section 25, thence North 465 feet to the point of beginning, and beginning at a point 415 feet East of the Southwest

Corner of the NW1/4 SE1/4 of Section 30, Township 1 North, Range 1 East, Ute Meridian, thence North 54° 57' West to a point 840 feet North of the W1/4 Corner of said Section 30, thence South to the Southwest Corner of the NW1/4 SW1/4 of said Section 30, thence East to the point of beginning, also beginning at a point 190 feet North of the Southwest Corner of the SE1/4 NE1/4 of Section 31, Township 1 North, Range 1 East, Ute Meridian, thence North 55° 35' East to the Northeast Corner of the S1/2 NW1/4 NW1/4 of Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 1 East, Ute Meridian, thence North to the Northeast Corner of the NW1/4 NW1/4 of said Section 32, thence West to the Northwest Corner of the NW1/4 NW1/4 of said Section 32, thence South to the Southwest Corner of said NW1/4 NW1/4, thence West to the Northwest Corner of the SE1/4 NE1/4 of Section 31, Township 1 North, Range 1 East, Ute Meridian, thence South to the point of beginning, also the S1/4 of Section 30, the N1/4 of Section 31, the SW1/4 NE1/4 of Section 31, the SE1/4 NW1/4 of Section 31, the NW1/4 SE1/4 of Section 31, the SW1/4 of Section 31, Township 1 North, Range 1 East, Ute Meridian, that part of the NE1/4 NW1/4 of Section 6, and that part of the E1/2 NW1/4 NW1/4 lying north of the U.S. Government Highline Canal.

for the consideration of \$10.00; and

WHEREAS, at said election, the voters approved of such sale, 1,404 ballots being cast in favor of such sale and 295 being cast against such sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, that an undivided one-half interest in said property be sold to the County of Mesa, State of Colorado, for the consideration of \$10.00, and that the City Manager be, and he is hereby authorized to execute a deed conveying such interest and do other acts and execute such other instruments as may be necessary to transfer such interest and to consummate such sale.

It was moved by Councilman Shults and seconded by Councilman Emerson that the Resolution be passed and adopted as read providing the County accepts the property and assumes 50% of the liability of the cost of maintaining and improving Walker Field. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council present voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

ANNEXATION OF AREVIAN LAND. This was the date set for hearing on the annexation of property located at the south end of 17th Street below Main Street owned by Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Arevian. There were no objections in connection with this annexation and the following entitled ordinance was presented and read: AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION. It was moved by Councilman Emerson and seconded by Councilman Orr that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

ACCEPT KENNEDY SUBDIVISION REPLAT. This was the date set for the hearing on the replat of Kennedy Subdivision. There being no objections it was moved

by Councilman Emerson and seconded by Councilman Harper that the replat of Kennedy Subdivision be accepted and that the President of the Council and the City Clerk be instructed to sign same; that the plat be made of record in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder and in the office of the City Engineer. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council present voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

ZONING KENNEDY SUBDIVISION. A petition had been filed on changing the zoning in this district, and it was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Emerson that a hearing be set for Wednesday, May 16th, to consider the zoning in the Kennedy Subdivision. Motion carried.

TO INVESTIGATE LEASING GROUND TO EVANS. Mr. Truman Evans, through his agent, L. Mogenson, requested that the City lease him land which was recently acquired from Mr. C. V. Hallenbeck. He offered to pay fifty cents an acre for all of the land lying south and west of U. S. Highway 50 and did not want the water rights. City Attorney Groves suggested that it might not be a good policy to lease this ground without the water rights and stated that he would like to have a chance to check into the matter.

It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Harper that the City Manager, City Engineer and City Attorney be instructed to contact various parties interested in leasing this ground and determine the best deal for the City and to draw up a lease for the rental thereof and to authorize City Manager Toyne to sign such lease. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Shults and seconded by Councilman Emerson that the lease for this ground be granted for not more than three years with no option for renewing. Roll was called on the motion with the following Councilmen voting "AYE:" Shults, Orr, Harper, Emerson. Councilmen voting "NAY:" Colescott and Wright. A majority of the Councilmen present voting "AYE," the President declared the motion carried.

TO INVESTIGATE REQ. BECKER TO SELL ON STREETS. Mr. John F. Becker, Jr. requested that he be allowed to operate a jeep for the purpose of selling ice cream and popsicles. He wished to use a mechanical device which plays soft music (similar to a Swiss music box) amplified. He had been informed by the City Attorney and Chief of Police that the traffic ordinance prohibits the use of the music box.

City Attorney Groves reported that there were several ordinances which would prohibit this sort of vehicle selling from the streets including a hawker's license of \$20.00 per day. It was moved by Councilman Orr and seconded by Councilman Colescott that a committee be appointed to investigate the matter of selling on the streets and amplification of sound from vehicles. Motion carried. President Wright appointed Councilmen Wm. Orr, John Emerson and Warren Lowe to act as a committee to make this study.

CIRCULARS ETC. It was suggested that stricter enforcement be made of the ordinance concerning the delivery of circulars and advertising matter on the streets and to homes. The ordinance provides that all such advertising matter be placed on porches, and it was suggested that possibly this ordinance was not being followed.

DINKINS' REQ. TO MOVE LIQUOR LICENSE. An application from Roy E. and Bernadine Dinkins to move the Globe Cafe and Bar from 121 So. 4th St. to 311 Main Street was filed. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Emerson that the hearing on this application for moving of a liquor license be set for May 16th. Motion carried.

GARDEN CLUB TO USE AUD. AT COST. The Grand Junction Garden Club requested permission to use the Lincoln Park Auditorium May 18, 19 and 20 for their flower show on a cost basis. This privilege has been granted to them for the past several years. It was moved by Councilman Shults and seconded by Councilman Harper that the request be granted and that the Garden Club be billed for the cost for the use of the auditorium for this flower show. Motion carried.

WATER BILL ADJUSTMENT. Mr. Alphonso DeRose, 505 W. Main Street, requested a water bill adjustment due to a service line break which was repaired. Water used April 1, 1956, 39,600 gallons, \$11.29; last year, 10,700 gallons amounting to \$6.36 or a difference of \$4.93. It was moved by Councilman Orr and seconded by Councilman Colescott that the request be granted and an adjustment be made of \$4.93. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council present voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

MESA COLLEGE TO USE BASEBALL FIELD. The Mesa College Boosters Club asked for use of the baseball field for a benefit game on May 9th between the Mesa College Alumni and the Mesa College team. In line with past policy, they asked that they be charged on the cost of operating the field. It was moved by Councilman Shults and seconded by Councilman Colescott that permission be granted to the Mesa College Boosters Club to use the baseball field on May 9th on a cost basis. Motion carried.

ZONING 3rd-4th BELFORD. City Manager Toyne reported that the Planning Commission held a meeting and considered an application for the changing of zoning on the south side of Belford between 3rd and 4th Streets from Residence B to Residence C District. It was moved by Councilman Shults and seconded by Councilman Orr that this matter be advertised for hearing on May 16th. Motion carried.

MELROSE ANNEXATION. City Manager Toyne also stated that the Planning Commission had considered the plat of Melrose Addition for annexation and had approved the same. The following petition for annexation was presented with the following resolution:

PETITION FOR ANNEXATION

TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO:

WE, the undersigned, do hereby petition the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, to annex the following described property to the said City:

The Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 12, Township 1 South, Range 1 West of the Ute Meridian, Mesa County, Colorado.

As grounds for this petition, we respectfully show to the Council that the said territory is eligible for annexation in that it is not embraced within any city or town, it abuts upon or is contiguous to the City of Grand Junction in a manner which will afford reasonable ingress and egress thereto, more than one-sixth of the aggregate external boundaries of the territory proposed to be annexed coincide with existing boundaries of the City, and the non-contiguous boundaries of the said territory coincide with existing block lines, street lines, or governmental subdivision lines.

Your petitioners state that curbs and gutters will be provided for the streets within the proposed property, all sewer lines will be put in and such paving will be done as is required by the Council, all at the expense of your petitioners.

Your petitioners further state that they are all of the land owners within the area sought to be annexed, but that none of them are resident electors within the area.

This petition is accompanied by four copies of a map or plat of such territory showing its boundaries and its relation to established city limit lines, which said maps are prepared upon a material suitable for filing.

WHEREFORE, these petitioners pray that this petition be accepted and the said annexation be approved by ordinance.

Signed this 28th day of March, 1956.

Signatures	Residence Address:
Arthur Gilna - Mildred Gilna	1027 Colorado Ave Grand Junction
Forrest F. D. Litsey Louise E. Litsey	2109 Orchard Ave. Grand Junction
J. Earle Barbour	536 No. 18th

Northeast Christian Church By Leslie Lively F. S. Clodfelter	651 U.S. 50 Grand Junction, Colo.
Carl H. Seely by Philip G. Dufford Agent	
Clyde A. Gilna - Arthur Gilna Agent Attorney in fact	

STATE OF COLORADO)	
)	SS
COUNTY OF MESA)	

R. Louis Lawrence being first duly sworn upon oath deposes and says: That he is the person that circulated the foregoing petition for annexation; that each signature thereon was signed in his presence; and that each signature thereon is the signature of the person whose name it purports to be.

(Signed) R. Louis Lawrence

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of March, 1956.

(Signed) Mamie Barbour
Notary Public

(SEAL)

My commission expires: April 12, 1958

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, a Petition to annex the following described property, to-wit:

The Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 12, Township 1 South, Range 1 West of the Ute Meridian, Mesa County, Colorado.

has been filed with the City Clerk and is now presented to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, upon examination of the said petition and hearing the testimony presented, the City Council does hereby find: That the said territory is eligible for annexation to the City of Grand Junction; that the Petition is signed by the owners of more than fifty per cent of the area of the territory sought to be annexed and by a majority of the landowners residing in the territory; that there is attached to said petition

four copies of a map or plat of such territory which is suitable for filing; that the said Petition and maps are sufficient and substantially meet the requirements of Section 2, of Chapter 314, Session Laws of Colorado, 1947;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO:

That the said Petition for annexation shall be and the same is hereby accepted and approved, and that notice of the filing of the said Petition shall be published once each week for four publications in the Daily Sentinel, the official newspaper of the said City of Grand Junction.

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

5% CASH INSTEAD OF LAND. It was moved by Councilman Shults and seconded by Councilman Harper that the City accept 5% of the land value in cash for Melrose Addition rather than 5% of land. Motion carried.

ZONING. The Planning Commission recommended that all of the lots in Melrose Addition be zoned as Residence A district. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Colescott that a hearing be set on the zoning of Melrose Addition on June 20th. Motion carried.

TO BUY BARBOUR PROPERTY FOR ARMORY. City Manager Toyne suggested that the Council exercise the option with Earle Barbour signed on March 19th for land for an Armory and to pay Mr. Barbour for this land and to also deed the land to the State of Colorado for the use and benefit of the Colorado National Guard. The following Resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, by option agreement dated March 19, 1956, Earle Barbour granted unto the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, the option to purchase the following described property situate in the County of Mesa, City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado, to-wit:

Beginning at the Southeast Corner of Lot 8, Block 2, Houlton's Second Re-Subdivision, thence North 45° 13' East 112.3 feet to the Southwest Corner of Lot 11 of said Block 2, thence East 250 feet to a point on the Ute Meridian, thence South 250 feet, thence West 329.77 feet, thence North 171 feet to the point of beginning, together with a right of way for street purposes over and across the following described property: Beginning at the Southwest Corner of Lot 7, Block 2, Houlton's Second Re-Subdivision, thence North 10 feet, thence East parallel

to the South line of Lots 7 and 8, Block 2, Houlton's Second Re-Subdivision, to the Southeasterly line of Lot 9, said Block 2, thence South 45⁰ 13' West to the Southeast Corner of Lot 8, thence West to the point of beginning.

which option was secured by the City for the purpose of acquiring property to deed to the State of Colorado for the use and benefit of the Colorado National Guard, and for securing a road right-of-way to provide access to such property; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby finds that it is for the best interests of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, to exercise such option; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby finds that it is also desirable to secure certain additional road rights-of-way from the Voice of Western Colorado, Inc.,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, that the City Manager be, and he is hereby authorized to exercise said option and to acquire said property from Earle Barbour and to make all payments required and do all other acts necessary to exercise said option; be it further resolved that the City Manager be, and he is hereby authorized to negotiate with the Voice of Western Colorado, Inc. for the acquisition of said additional road rights-of-way and to execute any and all instruments necessary for the purpose of acquiring such rights-of-way from the Voice of Western Colorado, Inc.

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

CITY MANAGER TO SIGN DEED. The following Resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, has acquired an option from Earle Barbour to purchase, among other lands, the following described land situate in the City of Grand Junction, County of Mesa, State of Colorado, to-wit:

Beginning at the Southeast Corner of Lot 8, Block 2, Houlton's Second Re-subdivision, thence North 45⁰13' East 112.3 feet to the Southwest Corner of Lot 11 of said Block 2; thence East 250 feet, more or less, to the East line of Section 12, Township 1 South, Range 1 West of the Ute Meridian; thence South 250 feet; thence West 331.34 feet, more or less, to the West line of the E1/2 SE1/4 SE1/4 of said Section 12; thence North 171 feet; thence East 1.57 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning, except the East 30 feet thereof which is reserved for street purposes.

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Junction has elected to exercise said option and desires to convey the above described property to the State of Colorado for the use and benefit of the Colorado National Guard,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, that the City Manager be, and he is hereby authorized to execute a warranty deed conveying the above described property to the State of Colorado for the use and benefit of the Colorado National Guard.

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

TO HIRE ARCHITECT FOR JAIL. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Shults that the City Manager be authorized to secure the services of an architect to prepare plans and specifications for the new jail and police administration building. Motion carried.

TO HIRE ENGINEER FOR SEWER IMPROVEMENT. It was moved by Councilman Shults and seconded by Councilman Colescott that the City Manager be authorized to secure an engineer and to proceed with plans and specifications for sewers and sewage treatment plant. Motion carried.

TOILET FACILITIES TO BE BUILT IN PARKS. Councilman Shults asked when the toilet facilities were to be constructed in Hawthorne and Riverside Parks. City Manager Toyne stated that the money for this project is in the Budget this year and as soon as possible these facilities will be completed.

COUNCILMAN ORR left the meeting at this time.

FIRE COMMITTEE REPORT. Councilman Harper reported for the Fire Committee on the "Town Report" made by the Mountain States Inspection Bureau. He read the following report to the Council and also read a report which the City and County of Denver had made recently when a similar survey was made concerning their fire fighting facilities.

REPORT OF THE FIRE COMMITTEE TO MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

The Fire Committee has carefully reviewed the "TOWN REPORT" covering a survey made by the Mountain States Inspection Bureau and submits the following for the Council's consideration:

In connection with our review of the Report, the City Manager and the Fire Chief were present during our discussions. Copies of the Bureau's Report having been circulated among the Council members not on the committee makes it unnecessary for

this Committee to relate in detail the contents of the Report; therefore, it has confined its report to the requirements set forth on page 2 of the transmittal letter accompanying the Report, which reads as follows:

"We have listed below for your consideration, Fire Department requirements which, when complied with, would produce the necessary credits for 6th Class protection. These recommendations may be altered depending on compliance with other recommendations as listed in TOWN REPORT.

1. Send two engine companies to all fires within corporate limits except to any known fires of a minor nature not in buildings.
2. Appoint an assistant chief to be in charge of the department in the absence of the chief. It is suggested that assistant chief also be responsible for Fire Department training program.
3. Provide an intensified training program as outlined in recommendation No. 14 in TOWN REPORT.
4. Establish an engine company in the vicinity of North Avenue and Fifteenth Street. Dwellings, mercantiles and institutional structures in this area are beyond adequate response distance to existing fire station.
5. Increase manning of the Fire Department so as to provide a minimum of four men on duty at all times to respond with engine company at headquarters station and three men on duty to respond with engine company at recommended second station."

In connection with Recommendation No. 1, "Send two engine companies to all fires within the corporate limits except to any known fires of a minor nature not in buildings", the following information has been developed:

- a. That even when using the telephone system as an alarm system, it is not always possible to know if "the fire is of a minor nature not in the building".
- b. That under our present method of operation, to send two engine companies to every alarm would empty the fire station and leave the city unprotected.
- c. To send two companies to fires when not needed subjects the equipment to double the traffic hazard of having a piece of equipment put out of service by a traffic accident.
- d. That to send two companies to fires when not needed reduces the life of the equipment by 50%.

- e. That in 1955 out of a total of 178 city alarms on only one alarm was more than one piece of equipment used or needed, and that was a fire involving a gas truck at a bulk station. The second truck was secured immediately, more on account of what might happen rather than on account of the inability of one truck to handle the fire.
- f. That with the fire department's new three-way radio system, it is possible when only one truck is sent on a city alarm for it to be in direct radio communication with the Fire Station. As the truck approaches the vicinity of a fire, if visual evidence indicates a major fire has started the first truck can call the second truck and it can be on the way before the first truck is in operation at the scene of the fire. As most of our alarms, especially in the high valued districts, are within 120 seconds driving time from the present station, very little delay is caused if the second truck remains at the station until it is determined that it is actually needed.

No. 2. "Appoint an assistant chief to be in charge of the department in the absence of the chief. It is suggested that the assistant chief also be responsible for Fire Department training program". In connection with this recommendation, the following information has been developed:

- a. That the position of Assistant Chief is necessary in cities with several fire stations, with his primary duty being to coordinate and supervise the activities of the many fire companies and act as a liaison between the various companies and the Chief. The City of Grand Junction used to have a fireman designated as "Assistant Fire Chief" and on account of not having other fire stations or companies, he was assigned as ranking officer on one shift, with a captain in charge of the other shift. Both officers had the same responsibility, but with different pay and technically with different degrees of authority as the Assistant Chief could issue orders to the men on the Captain's shift without the Captain's knowledge. This system did not create the type of harmony needed in the fire department.

Some time ago the position of Assistant Chief was abolished and provisions made for two Captains, one in charge of each shift with equal authority and both responsible directly to the Fire Chief. In the absence of the Captain, the line of authority transcends to the Fire Department Mechanic, and there is one on each shift. In the absence of the Captain and Mechanic, the authority belongs to the top seniority fireman on duty. Under this method, there is a definite line of authority from the Chief down through the entire department, and it is working very satisfactorily. As most of our department is composed of men with long years of service, it is impossible for this authority to ever transcend to one with little experience. In case of a fire at which both captains are on the job, the duty captain is in charge.

No. 3. "Provide an intensified training program as outlined in recommendation No. 14 in TOWN REPORT". In connection with this request, it is apparent that the extent of the Department's training was not fully understood. Six of our firemen have had training to the extent that they are certified by the State Board of Vocational Education in firemanship training, and they conduct training courses in the various fire departments on the Western Slope of Colorado. Five others in the Department have had at least sixty hours in the course prescribed by the State Vocational Department. Our Department's training in the past, except for schools conducted by the State Vocational Department, has been conducted more or less according to the time of the year -- that is, in the summer required training has been carried on outdoors; in the winter months such training that could be held indoors has been carried on. This training has not followed an established course or been carried on at regular intervals, but it has more or less followed the subject as outlined by the State Vocational Manual. The Department has now established this complete course and has already begun holding regular classes.

No. 4. "Establish an engine company in the vicinity of North Avenue and Fifteenth Street. Dwellings, mercantiles and institutional structures in this area are beyond adequate response distance to existing fire station". The City, several years ago looking to the time when such a station would be needed, purchased an L-shaped lot at the corner of 12th Street and Elm Avenue which would provide a location such that fire trucks would not have to drive out of a station on a heavy traffic street. Such a station, when or if built, should be built in an L-shape and resemble in outside appearance as much as possible a large bungalow with an attached double garage so that it would properly fit into the residential area. Such a structure, including radio station equipment, beds and bedding, and numerous other items of equipment would cost in the neighborhood of \$30,000.00.

In addition to the cost of a new fire station, the City would have to provide at least one new fire truck and all the necessary fire fighting equipment, which would approximate an additional expenditure of \$25,000.00. The establishment of a second station would also call for an annual expenditure for such items as building maintenance, lights, heat, insurance, laundry, janitorial supplies, hose replacement, gas, oil, and truck maintenance, plus various miscellaneous items; this would approximate an annual expenditure of \$3,000.00.

In the past, a large number of fire calls in the area that would be served by this station, if built, have resulted in no loss. In 1955 the total reportable loss on all fire calls in the City on and north of North Avenue was only \$2,030.00, and this was incurred on nine of the many fires in this area, three of which were on North Avenue and six north of North Avenue.

No. 5. "Increase manning of the Fire Department so as to provide a minimum of four men on duty at all times to respond with engine company at headquarters station and three men on duty to respond with engine company at recommended second station." If a second fire station were to be put into operation it is highly probable that no

reduction in the number of firemen now assigned to our present station could be made so that they could be transferred to a second station. If this be the case, in order to provide three firemen on duty at all times at a second station it would require a minimum of seven men, exclusive of replacement during vacation and sick leave periods; and, if operated with only seven men, it would require that the station be locked up during the periods that this company was on fire calls. This would also mean that during a call period no communication could be had with the station. Personal services this first year, if all were first-year firemen, together with workmen's compensation, pensions, uniforms, and turn-out clothes would approximate \$26,000.00, and this would increase the second year as all would advance into a higher salary bracket.

COMMENTS AND CONCLUSIONS

The City of Grand Junction, since a prior report in 1940, has made tremendous improvements in the fire and water departments.

As to the need for an increase in insurance rates in Grand Junction, it should be pointed out that in 1955 the Fire Department protected an estimated one hundred million dollars worth of real estate and personal property with an estimated fire loss of \$23,000.00, covering a total of 178 alarms. In 1954, which is the last printed information we have, the total fire insurance premiums on all classes of fire insurance collected in Colorado amounted to \$18,770,603.00 with losses incurred of \$5,931,576.00, or a gross profit of \$12,839,027.00. The loss-premium ratio was 31.6% which means that for every \$100.00 paid in as fire insurance premiums, \$31.60 was rated as fire loss and \$68.40 was available to the insurance companies as gross profit for the year. 1955 was not an unusual year, as shown by reports of all companies underwriting fire risks in the State of Colorado. The total premiums collected from 1922 to 1954, inclusive, were \$155,405,637.00 and the losses amounted to only \$51,535,308.00, or an average loss-premium ratio of 33.2%. As to what percentage loss a company can actually sustain and still operate at a reasonable profit, we quote from an insurance survey conducted by the City and County of Denver under the heading, "Conclusions-Paragraph (1)":

"Companies underwriting fire risks generally agree that they are able to meet all operating expenses and to show a reasonable profit if the ratio of their losses to premiums paid does not exceed 50%. The Texas insurance commission uses 52% as a reasonable loss-premium ratio. Since the average loss-premium ratio in Colorado is approximately 33% it may readily be concluded that fire underwriters in the State of Colorado are making an unusual profit on the business which they write in this State".

The cost of complying with Item No. 1 can hardly be estimated, but it can be stated that it would be considerable as the life of the equipment would be materially reduced by sending two trucks to all fires.

The cost of complying with Items Nos. 2 and 3 would be almost zero; these recommendations are already being complied with.

The cost of complying with Items Nos. 4 and 5 would be as follows:

Capital Outlay:		
New Station:	\$30,000.00	
Fire Equipment	<u>25,000.00</u>	
Total Capital Outlay:		\$55,000.00
Recurring Expenses:		
Personal Services:	\$26,000.00	
Annual Operation:	<u>3,000.00</u>	
Total Recurring Expenses:		<u>\$29,000.00</u>
Total Cost, for first year,		\$84,000.00
Annual Operating Cost, thereafter,		\$29,000.00

In addition to the above costs there would be other items such as interconnecting communications between stations. At the present, we do not know the amount of our deficiency points or on what they apply.

To further improve the distribution system and improve hydrant flow in the westerly part of the City, the Water Department expects to start this year on a multiple distribution project which will ultimately provide for a large size distribution main in the westerly part of the City to be interconnected with all branch lines crossing it. This line will begin in the vicinity of 5th and Struthers and end on North 1st Street at least as far north as Orchard Avenue.

The five items of improvement to the department that have been mentioned are not all inclusive, but represent only the immediate needs, as there are many others set out in the TOWN REPORT.

It should also be pointed out that from a financial standpoint the Department has kept pace with growing conditions. In 1945 the City spent \$27,735.62 to operate the department; the 1956 Budget calls for an expenditure of \$87,500.00.

In considering these requested improvements the Council should be mindful that the City has already voted its maximum debt and that at the present time and until our debt is reduced it would be impossible to finance such improvements by issuing bonds.

The Council should determine how far it feels it can go financially to comply with the requests of the Bureau to protect its present classification. The Council should also instruct the City Manager as to his reply to the Mountain States Inspection Bureau.

FIRE COMMITTEE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

John C. Harper
Harry O. Colescott
William W. Orr

President Wright stated that he thought the Fire Committee had made a very good report.

It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Shults that the City Manager be authorized to send a letter to the Mountain States Inspection Bureau enumerating the things that had been done and stating the willingness of the City to cooperate and to embark on a program of building and equipping a new station in the northeast part of town. Motion carried.

CLEAN UP WEEK MAY 6-12. Fire Chief Kreps asked that the week of May 6 to 12th be proclaimed as Clean Up Week for the City and that all residents of the City be requested to clean up their properties of all trash and weeds and eliminate this fire hazard which has caused so much trouble and so many fires this spring.

It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Shults that the week of May 6 to 12th be proclaimed as Clean Up Week and that a proclamation be published with the cost to be paid by the City. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council present voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

TO INVESTIGATE TRASH PROBLEM IN DOWNTOWN AREA. President Wright commended the City Manager on the good job the street sweeper was doing but asked him to investigate the matter of the collection of the trash in the downtown area. Considerable paper is being scattered by whoever is collecting the trash and asked that after he investigates the matter to report back to the Council on a remedy.

TO FIX TENNIS COURTS. President Wright also stated that he had been approached with a proposition that the City resurface the four old tennis courts at Lincoln Park since the ones by Moyer Pool had been destroyed to build the new swimming pool. City Manager Toyne was instructed to investigate this matter and if possible to put the tennis courts in good condition for playing.

PRES. WRIGHT RESIGNS. President Wright stated that he thought that he might be out of town on May 2nd and in case he should be, he desired at this time to tender his resignation as President of the City Council on May 2nd at 7:32 P. M.

SCROLL FOR AIRLINES. President Wright also stated that he had authorized the making of a scroll to present to the Airlines commending them for their air service to Grand Junction to be presented to them at the Air Fair to be held the last week in April.

It was moved by Councilman Harper, duly seconded and carried that the meeting adjourn.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson
City Clerk