

**Grand Junction, Colorado**  
**July 3, 1957**

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

It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Harper that the minutes of the regular meeting held June 19th be approved as written. Motion carried.

**AAA PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AWARD.** Mr. Marcom of the American Automobile Association presented Karl Johnson, Chief of Police, and John Emerson, President of the Council, with a special citation for pedestrian protection and convenience. This award was given by the American Automobile Association and was a special citation for a perfect record in pedestrian safety in 1956. The City of Grand Junction ranked 14th among 526 cities in the 10,000 to 25,000 category. There have been no fatalities in Grand Junction in the past three years.

**LIONS KIDDIE PARK CONTRACT WITH HANSON.** Mr. Gene Hanson was present, and the matter of the concession at the Lions Kiddie Park after Labor Day in 1957 was discussed. Mr. Hanson stated that he wanted to add a ferris wheel to his equipment, and asked that the Council consider the free rides that he gives to children in lieu of his paying 10% concession fees. He also asked for a three year contract. It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Shults that the City Manager be authorized to sign a three year lease with Mr. Hanson beginning on Labor Day 1957, covering the Lions Kiddie Park concession at Lincoln Park, and that the City accept in lieu of 10% of the concession fees, free rides for the small children as Mr. Hanson has been furnishing in the past few years but that 10% be collected on all sales of merchandise which are paid for in cash. Motion carried.

**LINCOLN PARK CONCESSIONS.** It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Strnad that the City Attorney be instructed to draw up an amendment to the ordinance for providing for the payment of fees for concessions in Lincoln Park. Motion carried.

**FLAMINGO LOUNGE -- HEARING CONTINUED.** This date was set for hearing on the change of address for the Globe Cafe and Bar which has been located at 210 South 4th Street. Mr. Roy Dinkins is applying for permission to move this bar to 201 Colorado Avenue and change the name to the Flamingo Lounge. Mr. Bill Foster presented a protest signed by a number of the businessmen in the neighborhood of 2nd and Colorado asking that the license be not granted. As this protest was not filed until Council meeting time and Mr. Dinkins was not aware that it was to be presented, it was moved by Councilman Shults and seconded by Councilman Colescott that the hearing be continued until the next Council meeting and that Mr. Dinkins be notified of

such action so that he may be present or bring in petitions, should he so desire. Motion carried.

COUNCILMAN ORR arrived at the meeting.

**RENEW 3.2 BEER LICENSE COLESCOTTS.** Mr. H. E. Colescott dba Colescotts, 551 South Avenue, made application for the renewal of his 3.2 beer license. It was moved by Councilman Shults and seconded by Councilman Orr that the application be approved and license renewed. Motion carried.

**NORTH AVE. WIDENING.** A large group of interested residents from North Avenue were present to discuss the proposed widening of North Avenue from 1st St. to 8th St. Petitions signed by businessmen and property owners along North from 1st to 8th protested the widening of the street because there would be no layback curb and most of the present parking places would not be accessible. Another petition signed by people residing along North Avenue from 7th to Fruitvale was presented asking that the improvements be made.

A great deal of discussion was had pro and con; those who were for the improvements stating that they felt that to deny the State Highway Dept. permission to go ahead with this work would be a definite step against progress, and the main issue of those who were against the improvements being the parking situation. After a considerable time had been spent on this discussion, it was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Harper that the plan be approved, with the request that both parallel and layback parking be permitted on North Avenue. Roll was called on the motion with the following result: Councilmen voting "AYE:" Shults, Orr, Colescott, Strnad, Harper and Wright. Councilmen voting "NAY:" Emerson. A majority of Councilmen voting "AYE," the President declared the motion carried.

**CHANGE OF ZONING -- 11th to 12th SO. SIDE UTE.** This date was set for hearing on the application for a change of zoning on Lots 1 through 17, Block 133, from Residence "C" District to Business "A" District. This change was approved by the Planning Commission. The property is located on the south side of Ute between 11th and 12th Streets. The following proposed ordinance was presented and read: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 83 OF THE 1953 COMPILED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, AND THE ZONING MAP INCLUDED THEREIN. It was moved by Councilman Shults and seconded by Councilman Strnad that the ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

**PROP. ORD. -- MODEL TRAFFIC CODE.** The following proposed ordinance was presented and read: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE MODEL TRAFFIC ORDINANCE PROMULGATED BY THE COLORADO HIGHWAY SAFETY COUNCIL, A DIVISION OF THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT, AND ADOPTED BY SUCH COUNCIL ON JANUARY 15, 1952; AND SETTING FORTH THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF AS THEREIN SET

OUT. It was moved by Councilman Strnad and seconded by Councilman Orr that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Strnad and seconded by Councilman Orr that hearing on the Model Traffic Code be set for August 7th. Motion carried.

**PROPERTY-SELL LOTS TO OSCAR COUCKHUYTE.** The following resolution was presented and read.

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the City of Grand Junction is the owner of Lots 41, 42 and 43 in Block 3 Crawfords' Subdivision in the City of Grand Junction, Mesa County, Colorado, which said lots are not being used for park or governmental purposes, and

Whereas, Oscar Couckhuyte is desirous of purchasing said lots for \$500.00 together with the house at 618 Ute Avenue, which will be moved onto said lots, also for \$500.00, and

Whereas, the City Council feels that the monies offered are good prices for the lots and house.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the offer of Oscar Couckhuyte be and the same is hereby accepted by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction.

2. That, upon receipt of \$1,000.00, R. E. Cheever, the City Manager, be authorized on behalf of the City and as the act of the City to execute a Warranty Deed to Oscar Couckhuyte, or to whom he may direct, conveying the City's interest in said lots and such documents as are necessary to convey the City's interest in said house.

It was moved by Councilman Strnad and seconded by Councilman Shults 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.

**PROPERTY -- PARK AVE.** The City owns some lots on the south end of Park Avenue which could possibly be sold. It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Orr that the City Manager be authorized to sell this property for the best possible price. Motion carried.

**BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT.** It was moved by Councilman Shults and seconded by Councilman Strnad that H. Summerfield Day and Claud Smith be appointed to serve on the Board of Adjustment for a term of three years. Motion carried.

**RESOL. OIL SHALE DEVELOPMENT.** The following Resolution was presented and read:

**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the discovery of new oil fields in the United States is not keeping pace with the ever increasing domestic demand for petroleum; and

WHEREAS, the United States now imports approximately one and one-half million barrels of petroleum per day to meet consumptive needs; and

WHEREAS, recent world events have demonstrated the desirability of an adequate domestic supply of petroleum; and

WHEREAS, there are vast reserves of oil shale in the states of Utah, Wyoming and Colorado; and

WHEREAS, it has been demonstrated that oil can be extracted from such oil shale; and

WHEREAS, the development of an oil shale industry would require tremendous investments of capital; and

WHEREAS, it will not be possible to secure the capital needed for such industry unless such industry is accorded the identical federal tax treatment to that accorded crude oil produced from gas and oil wells; and

WHEREAS, the development of the oil shale industry would be of enormous benefit to this community and the entire United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, that it favors granting to the oil shale industry a depletion allowance identical to that granted to crude oil produced from oil and gas wells and that it urges the Congress of the United States of America to enact such legislation as may be necessary to grant unto the oil shale industry such a depletion allowance.

It was moved by Councilman Shults and seconded by Councilman Strnad 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.

Bond File See Cards for Nos

**BONDS APPROVED.** It was moved by Councilman Colescott, seconded by Councilman Shults and duly carried that the following bonds, which were approved as to form by the City Attorney, be approved and filed:

Mose Bambino	Painting Contractor
R. W. Mier Construction Co., Denver	Building Contractor
Dale Luke	Building Contractor
Glen A. Brown	Building Contractor
William P. Knoch	Building Contractor

**WATER BILL ADJUSTMENT.** Jessie Lopez, owner of property at 1037 South 7th Street, requested a water bill adjustment on the April 1, 1957 water bill due to a service line leak. During the quarter ending April 1, 1957, 109,500 gallons of water went through the meter amounting to \$21.93. Last year during the same period of time, 5,300 gallons of water were used amounting to \$6.10. It was moved by Councilman Shults and seconded by Councilman Strnad that the water bill be adjusted to \$6.10. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

**OIL SHALE DEVELOPMENT.** Mr. Al Corneilson, representing the Chamber of Commerce Oil Shale Committee, appeared before the Council and stated that witnesses would be needed when this hearing is held before Congress, and asked that Mr. Cheever be allowed to represent Grand Junction at this hearing and that the Council allow him time to go to Washington and that his expenses be paid by the City of Grand Junction.

It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Orr that this request be granted. Motion carried.

**MOYER POOL.** Several young ladies were present concerning policies at Moyer Pool.

**SPECIAL MEETING.** City Manager Cheever asked the Council to meet at 7:30 P. M. Monday, July 8th, to discuss policies in connection with water and sewer connections outside the City limits.

It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Shults that the meeting adjourn until 7:30 P. M. July 8, 1957. Motion carried.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson  
City Clerk