

Grand Junction, Colorado

December 2, 1959

**ROLL CALL**

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met in regular session at 7:30 o'clock p. m., December 2, 1959. Councilmen present and answering roll call were Meacham, Hadden, Dean, Colescott, Strnad, and President Orr. Councilman Wright arrived at the meeting shortly after roll call. Also present were City Attorney Ashby and City Clerk Tomlinson. City Manager Cheever was absent.

**MINUTES**

It was moved by Councilman Strnad and seconded by Councilman Hadden that the minutes of the regular meeting held November 18, 1959 be approved as submitted to the Council as amended. Motion carried.

**RESOL-INTERSTATE HWY**

A committee from the Chamber of Commerce appeared before the Council and requested that the City Council get behind the State Highway Department in the building of the interstate highway through the Grand Valley and asked that a Resolution supporting the State Highway Department routing of the highway and its construction be approved by the Council.

Some members of the Council thought that they should not enter into the argument concerning the routing of this highway, but assured the Committee that they were very much in favor of the immediate construction of the interstate route at whatever location was favorably agreed upon; that they were willing to present a resolution to the State Highway Department giving their full support to the Highway Department, as members of the City Council, for the construction of this important interstate route. The following Resolution was presented and read:

**R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, has been requested to express its opinion in regard to the location of the Interstate Highway No. 70;

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

That the State Highway Department be notified by a copy of this resolution that the City Council wholeheartedly approves the routing of the interstate highway through the Grand Valley at such location as the State Highway Department may determine as a result of its hearings.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of December, 1959.

It was moved by Councilman Strnad and seconded by Councilman Meacham that the resolution be passed and adopted as read. Roll was called on the motion with the following result: Councilmen voting "AYE": Meacham, Dean, Hadden, Colescott, Strnad and Pres. Orr. Councilmen voting "NAY: none. All of the Councilmen present voting "AYE," the President declared the motion carried.

**ORD. 1098** Appropriations-1960

The Proof of Publication to the proposed ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING CERTAIN SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 1960 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1960 was presented and read. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Strnad that the Proof of Publication be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

It was then moved by Councilman Strnad and seconded by Councilman Meacham that the ordinance be called up for final passage. Motion carried. The ordinance was then read, and upon motion of Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Strnad was passed, adopted, numbered 1098 and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with the following result: Councilmen voting "AYE,": Meacham, Hadden, Dean, Colescott, Strnad and President Orr. Councilmen voting "NAY:" none. All of the Councilmen present voting "AYE," the President declared the motion carried.

**ZONING** Tabled - North Ave. fr 9th to 12th to Bus A

This was the date set for hearing on the changes of zoning as follows:

a. North one-half of Blocks 1, 2 and 3 (9th to 12th on the south side of North Avenue) from Residence A and C districts to Business A

b. Lots 18 to 24 in Block 1 (12th & Belford) to Business AR district

12th & Belford to Bus AR

There were several residents who own property on the south side of North Avenue between 9th and 12th present who protested the changing of the zoning on North Avenue to Business "A". A number of the homes in this locality are nice homes and the property owners did not feel this was the proper time for a business zoning in this area.

The Planning Commission, at its meeting on October 28th, turned down this request for change of zoning. Councilman Meacham stated that he thought that eventually this part of the City would be rezoned from necessity, but because there are a great many people living in the area who are opposing this change, the Council should consider it from that standpoint and the zoning should not be changed until they desire it.

Dr. Swenson, Dr. Gould, Mr. O'Brien, Don Rogers, Mr. Thompson, and others appeared before the Council supporting the petition to change the zoning. Mr. Gene Allen, Planning Director, explained the thinking of the Planning Commission in not approving the petition for enlarging the business area at this time.

There was discussion concerning the proposed new zoning ordinance which Mr. Allen and others are in the process of preparing. He expressed the hope that they would be able to have the ordinance completed within the next month or so. It was moved by Councilman Strnad and seconded by Councilman Colescott that both of the zoning matters be tabled until the new zoning ordinance is ready and then considered at that time. Motion carried.

**ORD. 1096 (emerg)** West Lake Park Annex

The Proof of Publication to the proposed ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION was presented and read. It was moved by Councilman Hadden and seconded by Councilman Wright that the Proof of Publication be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

It was then moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Wright that the ordinance be called up for final passage. Motion carried. It was then moved by Councilman Strnad and seconded by Councilman Wright that the ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY be passed and adopted as an emergency ordinance, numbered 1096 and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

**ORD. 1097 (emerg)** West Lake Park Zoning

The Proof of Publication to the proposed ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 83 OF THE 1953 COMPILED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, AND THE ZONING MAP INCLUDED THEREIN was presented and read. It was moved by Councilman Strnad and seconded by Councilman Wright that the Proof of Publication be accepted and filed. Motion carried. It was then moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Strnad that the ordinance be called up for final passage. Motion carried.

It was then moved by Councilman Strnad and seconded by Councilman Wright that the following entitled ordinance be passed and adopted as an emergency ordinance, numbered 1097 and ordered published: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 83 OF THE 1953 COMPILED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, AND THE ZONING MAP INCLUDED THEREIN AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

**V.F.W. CLUB LIQ. LIC.** renewed for 1960

Consideration of the renewal of the V.F.W. Club liquor license was delayed until this meeting. Chief of Police Johnson reported that the V.F.W. had hired a contractor and taken out a building permit to do all of the necessary remodeling to take care of the building to bring it up to building and fire code standards, and that he would recommend the renewal of the license.

It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Strnad that the Beye Lotz Post #1247, V. F. W. Inc., 1404 Ute Avenue, be granted a Club liquor license when they have received their state license. Motion carried.

**AUTHORIZE SALE OF ELGIN SWEEPER** to Haxton, Colo. for \$2,500

Mr. Cheever has had an offer to sell the Elgin sweeper belonging to the City to the town of Haxton, Colorado, for the sum of \$2,500. They have agreed to pay \$1,250 down and the balance on or before March 30, 1960. It was moved by Councilman Wright that Mr. Cheever be authorized to sell the sweeper to the Town of Haxton for the sum of \$2,500 under the terms as stipulated. Motion was seconded by Councilman Strnad. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

**SWEEPING OF STREETS**

Councilman Wright complimented the department in charge of sweeping the streets and stated that he thought the streets were cleaner this fall than they had ever been. Councilman Meacham agreed with Councilman Wright, and other Councilmen, too, thought

that as soon as the City could, it should purchase another sweeper so that an even better job could be done on the streets.

#### **SEWAGE DISPOSAL ODOR**

Mr. John Davidson, 839 West Grand Ave., thanked the Council for the relief the people on the west side have had from the treatment of the sewers for the obnoxious odor, and stated that he hoped this treatment would continue. The Council thanked the people for coming and expressing their appreciation.

#### **BONUS FOR POLICE DEPT.- TABLED**

A letter from Chief of Police Johnson with a letter of transmittal from the City Manager was read in which the Chief of Police asked for a bonus payment for the Police Department for overtime work in the past year, caused by a shortage of men on the force. It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Strnad that this matter be held over until the next meeting for action. Motion carried.

#### **DALBY & MCNULTY HIRED FOR 1959 AUDIT**

It was moved by Councilman Strnad and seconded by Councilman Meacham that the firm of Dalby & McNulty be employed to make the 1959 audit for the City of Grand Junction. Motion carried.

**LIQUOR LICENSE APPL.** Jas. K. & Denise W. Pentico for Johnnie's Liquor Store, 1000 N 5th-hearing 1-6-60

An application for a retail liquor store license for James K. and Denise W. Pentico for Johnnie's Liquor Store at 1000 No. 5th Street was presented. It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Colescott that hearing on this application be set for January 6, 1960. Motion carried.

**REQ. FOR REDUCTION** Kiwanis use of L.P.

The Kiwanis Club of Grand Junction asked the Council to consider a reduction in the bill for the use of the Lincoln Park auditorium at the time they held their White Elephant sale, and asked that it be adjusted on the lowest possible cost, as they hoped to accomplish as much as possible in their youth program, with the funds which they had received. It was moved by Councilman Strnad and seconded by Councilman Wright that Mr. Stocker, Park Superintendent, and the City Clerk be asked to check and see on what basis the statement was rendered and what amount the Kiwanis Club had paid in 1958 and bring a report back to the next meeting of the Council. Motion carried.

**ELECTRICAL ORD.**

City Attorney Ashby stated that he had prepared a proposed ordinance amending the electrical ordinance so that it would comply more with the state code, but that he would prefer to hold it over until the next meeting as he wished to do some further checking.

**CONCESSION AT L.P.**

Councilman Meacham stated that Poge Fulton had talked to him about buying additional equipment for use in his concession work at Lincoln Park and wondered if the Council would be in favor of stating at this time if they would be willing to renew his contract when it expires. Mr. Meacham was instructed to ask Mr. Fulton to get in touch with the City Attorney for a valuation of the contract as it is written.

**OPTION ON WATER** Hathaway interests on Kannah Creek

Councilman Colescott reported that an option had been signed for the City to purchase properties on Kannah Creek to provide more water rights for the City, and that the City now has twenty days in which it may pick up these options. A decision should be made at the next meeting of the Council.

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

/s/Helen C. Tomlinson  
City Clerk