

Grand Junction, Colorado

December 22, 1959

**ROLL CALL**

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met in regular adjourned session at 2:00 o'clock p. m., December 22, 1959, with President Pro Tem Wright in the chair. Other Councilmen present and answering roll call were Meacham, Hadden, Dean, Strnad and Colescott. President Orr was absent. Also present were City Manager Cheever, City Attorney Ashby and City Clerk Tomlinson.

**LIQUOR LICENSE** Oasis Grill, 350 North Ave. not granted

The hearing on the application of Joe King, Jr., for a hotel and restaurant liquor license for the Oasis Grill at 350 North Avenue had been continued to this date. A petition showing a large number of residents opposed to the granting of this license, and also a petition showing businesses and residents on North Avenue in favor of the granting of the license were presented and the comparison shown on a map.

Councilman Meacham stated that he thought Mr. King was a very fine gentleman, but that this was a question of whether or not there were enough bars and liquor outlets to adequately take care of the people; that it might increase the possibility of letting down the bars to the under-aged and to those not qualified to purchase liquor. He felt there was possibly not a need for any more liquor outlets; but he would feel differently if this was a transfer of a license already in existence. Also, this restaurant is located close to Mesa College which had considerable bearing on the question.

Councilman Colescott concurred with Councilman Meacham's remarks, and stated that he thought that Mr. King would probably do just as well as, or even better than, other operators; that Grand Junction is not the first city which has run into the matter of granting too many liquor outlets - a number of others have run into the same problem, and it is a difficult question to resolve.

Councilman Strnad suggested that this matter be judged on the criteria of neighborhood needs; maybe there is a need on North Avenue as there are no restaurants that have liquor licenses.

Councilman Hadden wondered if having an establishment on North Avenue might not create a policing situation and cause a lot of trouble. He was looking at it from a point of safety.

President Pro Tem Wright stated that he thought the basis for granting liquor licenses was rather vague and nebulous, and that a license should be granted on the needs and desires of the neighborhood; maybe one bar would take care of all, but this has been determined as a legal business. He felt the matter should be considered on the facts.

It was moved by Councilman Strnad and seconded by Councilman Dean that the license be granted. Roll was called on the motion with the following result: Councilmen voting "AYE," Dean, Strnad and Wright. Councilmen voting "NAY," Meacham, Hadden and Colescott. A majority of the members of the Council present not having voted "AYE, President Pro Tem Wright stated that the motion was not carried and the license was not granted.

**RESOL.** Fruitvale Water & Sanitation Dist. tie-in for sewer connection to be at 14th & Rood

The Fruitvale Water and Sanitation District made a request for a change in location for a tie-in point for the sewer connection for its sanitation project. It was planned to have this tie-in at 15th and the Freeway, but because the City has put in water lines at this location, they are now requesting that it be changed to 14th and Rood. The following Resolution was presented and read:

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Junction has heretofore entered into an agreement with the Fruitvale Water & Sanitation District, which agreement concerns the treatment of sewage arising within the District, and which agreement is dated the 28th day of September, 1959; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to alter the agreement to change Section 2 on page 3 thereof;

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

That Section 2 of such agreement be amended to conform to the new agreed-upon delivery point for sewage collection to the lines of the City through an addendum to the said agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the mayor of the City of Grand Junction be authorized, on behalf of the City, and he hereby is so authorized, to execute such addendum, with the City Clerk attesting such execution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 22nd day of December, 1959.

It was moved by Councilman Colescott 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 present voting "AYE." President Pro Tem Wright declared the motion carried.

**RESOL.** Inviting Standard Uranium, Corp. of America to locate manganese processing mill in G.J.

Moab, Utah

Attn: Mr. Russell Wood, Asst. Gen. Mgr.

The following Resolution was presented and read:

R E S O L U T I O N

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

That the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, record itself as being very strongly in favor of Standard Uranium Corp. of America locating its manganese processing mill within the City of Grand Junction or in the Grand Valley; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk be directed to advise the Standard Uranium Corp. of America that the City of Grand Junction will do all that is possible in cooperation with the corp. toward the locating of the processing mill in the Grand Junction area.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 22nd 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 all members of the Council present voting "AYE." President Pro Tem Wright declared the motion carried.

Committee to assist Chamber of Commerce committee: Dean, Meacham & Strnad

President Pro Tem Wright appointed a committee consisting of Councilmen Dean, Meacham and Strnad to assist the Chamber of Commerce committee to promote the establishment of the manganese processing mill in the City of Grand Junction.

**OPTIONS ON KANNAH CREEK WATER** to extend to 1-6-60

Mr. Jas. Dufford, Attorney at Law, appeared before the Council in regard to the options on the Hathaway property and other

properties on Kannah Creek. He stated his office had started to check the titles on these properties, the options expiring on December 24th, and at the present time, they have not fully completed the necessary work in the checking of all matters. He stated that he believed Mr. Hathaway would be willing to extend the term of the options to January 6th, or immediately thereafter, so that the Council could consider this matter at its next meeting, and his office would have more time in which to satisfy themselves that all the titles and water rights were in satisfactory legal condition. Councilman Strnad stated that under these conditions, he would move that this matter be set over as a regular item of business for the regular council meeting on January 6, 1960. The motion was seconded by Councilman Meacham and duly carried.

Meeting with Frank Merrill 4:00 PM 12-31-59

Mr. Frank Merrill asked for a meeting with the Council before they decide upon picking up the options for the Hathaway and other properties on Kannah Creek. He stated that he had presented a report to the Council in 1954, and that he would like to review this report and go into a little more detail with the Council at this time. The Council set December 31st at 4:00 o'clock p. m. as the time for the meeting with Mr. Merrill.

**LETTER FILED** Herb Snyder Business Research & Surveys

A letter from Mr. Herb C. Snyder, Executive Director of the Business Research and Surveys, presented a letter to the Council. This letter was accepted for filing.

**J.A. BURTON APPTD ACTING CITY MGR** Dec. 23, 1959

Councilman Dean stated that by reason of the fact that Council will be unable to have the selection of a new City Manager made by January 1st, a temporary manager will have to be named. He moved that Mr. John A. Burton be appointed as Acting City Manager as of December 23, 1959 at the same rate of pay he now receives. The motion was seconded by Councilman Colescott and carried.

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

/s/Helen C. Tomlinson  
City Clerk