

Grand Junction, Colorado

October 19, 1960

**ROLL CALL**

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met in regular session at 7:30 o'clock p.m., October 19, 1960. Councilmen present and answering roll call were Hadden, Meacham, Surface, Colescott, Wright and President McCormick. Also present were City Attorney Ashby and City Clerk Tomlinson. City Manger Joe M. Lacy was absent.

**INVOCATION**

The invocation was given by Rev. M. F. Scheel, Pastor, Lutheran Church of Messiah.

**MINUTES**

It was moved by Councilman Meacham and seconded by Councilman Colescott that the minutes of the regular meeting held October 5 and the special meeting held October 10, 1960 be approved as written. Motion carried.

**WARREN D. LOWE** apptd Councilman from District "E" - to May 1961

Councilman Wright reported that his committee on securing a Council member to fill the vacancy on the Council in District E had met on several occasions and had considered various prospective candidates and especially had considered Mr. Warren D. Lowe who had served on the Council previously, from 1953 to 1957; that it was the consensus of the Committee that if Mr. Lowe would accept the appointment to serve as Councilman that would be their recommendation. Mr. Lowe, after giving it considerable time and thought, agreed to serve, and on behalf of the Committee, Councilman Wright moved that Mr. Warren D. Lowe be appointed as Councilman from District E to fill the unexpired term of Ed Strnad - until May, 1961. The motion was seconded by Councilman Colescott and upon vote, duly carried.

Sworn into office

Mr. W. D. Low was then sworn into office and took his seat as Councilman from District E.

**AUDITOR FOR 1960** John E. McNulty

Councilman Surface, Chairman of the Committee to select an auditor to audit the 1960 books for the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, submitted the following report:

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“Report of Auditor Selection Committee

“Mr. Walter Dalby of Dalby, Wendland, and Jensen contacted me last week. Mr. Dalby stated that his firm felt this committee was in a rather difficult position in deciding which one of the original Dalby & McNulty partners the City audit should be continued with. He further said that they wanted to take the committee and the Council off this spot. For this reason only, the firm of Dalby, Wendland, and Jensen desires not to be considered at this time. The firm has been happy in its relations with the City in the past and does not want this action to be interpreted as a lack of interest in doing work for the City now or in the future.

“The committee therefore recommends that the firm of John E. McNulty to approved to audit the City's books.

“The committee further suggests that the Council consider the idea of appointing a different firm as auditors periodically, in order to get a fresh look at the City’s fiscal system. In considering this, periods of three years or five years were variously mentioned.

“Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Edward B. Surface  
Chairman”

President McCormick stated that if this was the recommendation of the Committee and the Council had no objections, he would follow the recommendations of the Committee and appoint Mr. McNulty as the auditor for the 1960 books.

**U.N. DAY** Commend Miss Isabel Benson, Chairman, for her work

A letter from Miss Isabel Benson who had been appointed as Chairman of the U.N. activities and for United Nations Day on October 24th was read. She reported on the program she had planned and stated that she had had the following people serving on her committee:

Mrs. Mildred Shaw, Mrs. Grace Lacko, Mr. Don McKendrick, Mr. Irwin Meders and Dr. Fred Jaquette

She had prepared a TV program for the 24th and had various other programs in the schools. They had prepared a proclamation which had been issued to all service and civic clubs, pastors of all the churches and principals of all the District 51 schools.

President McCormick commended Miss Benson for her efforts in serving as Chairman of this Committee.

**3.2 BEER RENEWAL** David C. Hatcher dba Anderson Food Mart, 539 N 1st St.

An application for the renewal of the 3.2 beer license for David C. Hatcher dba Anderson Food Mart, 539 No. 1st Street, was presented. No protest was offered by the Police Department. It was moved by Councilman Meacham and seconded by Councilman Hadden that the application be approved and the license issued when the State license has been received. Motion carried.

**HEARING 12-7-60** Creating Housing Authority - Petition for - Instr #

A petition for the creation of a housing authority in the City of Grand Junction, signed by twenty-five residents of the City, was presented. The state law provides that notice of public hearing should be published and a hearing held so that all residents and taxpayers of the City can be present and present their views as to whether unsatisfactory or unsafe inhabited dwelling accommodations exist in the City and whether there is a lack of safe or sanitary dwelling accommodations in the City available for all the inhabitants.

It was moved by Councilman Surface and seconded by Councilman Meacham that the City Clerk be authorized to advertise this petition for hearing on December 7th. Motion carried.

**PROP. ORD.** Correcting name of Pinyon Street

The following proposed ordinance was presented and read: AN ORDINANCE CORRECTING THE NAME OF PINYON STREET IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO. It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Surface that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

**PROPERTY** To buy 849 W Grand Ave \$2,150

City Manager Lacy reported that he had had an appraisal made on property at 849 West Grand Avenue and that in accordance with his suggestion at a previous Council meeting he would recommend that the City offer to purchase this property for the sum of \$2,150.00.

Mr. Burton, Director of Public Utilities, explained to the Council where the property was located. It was moved by Councilman Wright that in view of the fact that the City Manager is desirous of accumulating property in this area for industrial use, the City Council instruct the City Manager to go ahead and purchase the property at 849 West Grand Avenue. The motion was seconded by Council Surface. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

**WATER MAINS** Installation in Fruitvale area - Advertise for Bids 11-2-60 2:00 p.m.

The Department of Public Utilities requested authority to advertise for bids for the installation of water lines in the Fruitvale area. The estimated cost for this work is approximately \$33,000 for which the City has purchased about \$43,000 worth of pipe. Mr. Burton explained that the City had postponed the construction of these water mains until the State Highway Department was ready to proceed with the improvement of the east end of North Avenue. Bids are to be opened on October 25th, and he would like to get the water mains in ahead of the paving.

It was moved by Councilman Lowe and seconded by Councilman Surface that the Department of Public Utilities be instructed to advertise for bids for the construction of the Fruitvale water mains; bids to be opened on November 2nd at 2:00 p.m. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson  
City Auditor &  
Ex-Officio City Clerk