Grand Junction, Colorado

April 17, 1968

ROLL CALL

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met in regular session at 7:30 o'clock P.M. April 17, 1968 in the Civic Auditorium at City Hall. Councilmen present and answering, roll call were Charles E. McCormick, R. B. Evans, Harry O. Colescott and R. G. Youngerman. Councilmen Stanley Anderson, Herbert M. Wright and President Ray A. Meacham were absent. Also present were City Manager R. N. Gray, City Attorney Gerald J. Ashby and City Clerk Helen C. Tomlinson. President Pro Tem McCormick presided in the absence of President Ray A. Meacham.

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Reverend William Todd, First Church of God.

MINUTES

It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Youngerman that the minutes of the regular meeting held April 3, 1968 be approved as written. Motion carried.

<u>ELM AVENUE STORM SEWER - BIDS - SCHEIERMAN CONSTRUCTION -</u> \$42,201.60

Bids were opened on April 9 for the construction of the Elm Avenue Storm sewer. This project includes construction of a storm sewer line north on Cannell Avenue from Elm Avenue to Mesa and east on Elm Avenue from Cannell to 14th Street, thence north on 14th Street to Mesa. The money was budgeted in the 1968 budget to complete this project which was started in 1967. There were five contractors bidding on the job. A base bid was requested and an alternate, which included only the gravel base and the City doing the re-paving. The low bid was submitted by Scheierman Construction Co., Inc. with a base bid of \$51,426.60 and the alternate bid of \$42,201.60.

Mr. Hickman, City Engineer, estimated that there would be additional costs for engineering in the amount of \$53,000 and the City re-paving of \$3,000. Both the engineering firm of Nelson, Haley, Patterson and Quirk, Inc. and Mr. Hickman, City Engineer, recommended that the bid of Scheierman be accepted and contract awarded to them. It was moved by Councilman Youngerman and seconded by Councilman Evans that the City Manager be authorized to sign contracts with Scheierman Construction Co., Inc. as apparent low bidder on the Elm Avenue sewer project; contract to be in the amount of \$42,201.60. Motion carried.

<u>WATER LINE - 1ST & ORCHARD TO PATTERSON TO 7TH STREET - BIDS -</u> COLORADO WESTERN \$27,769 LOW FOR PIPE

Bids were opened on April 16th for 14 inch pipe to be used in the construction of a water distribution line from First Street and Orchard Avenue north to Patterson Road on First and East to 7th Street on Patterson Road. This project was planned by Henningson, Durham and Richardson and money is available in the \$3,500,000 bond issue recently sold. The following bids were opened:

Pacific States Cast Iron Pipe Co. \$30,609.21 Ductile Iron 37,403.13 " " " Waterworks Sales Co. 37,970.13 Cast Iron 27,769.00 Asbestos-Cement Topline Supply Co. 29,739.00 Asbestos-Cement 29,739.00 Asbestos-Cement Southwestern Supply Co. 29,775.00 Asbestos-Cement 29,775.00 Asbestos-Cement

A memo from Dave Hickman, City Engineer, was read in which he recommended that the City purchase asbestos-cement pipe from Colorado Western Dist. Co., in the amount of \$27,769. Colorado Western Dist. Co. was the apparent low bidder.

It was moved by Councilman Youngerman and seconded by Councilman Evans that the City Manager be authorized to enter into a contract with Colorado Western Dist. Co. for the purchase of 5,400 lineal feet of 14 inch asbestos-cement pipe for the distribution line on First and Patterson Road. Motion carried.

RECREATION - REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF FEES FOR UNDER-PRIVILEGED - REFER TO RECREATION BOARD

A "Memo" from the Recreation Board was read stating that at its January and February meetings the matter of a waiver of fees for recreation programs to be granted to underprivileged children had been discussed. Mr. Augie Reyes, Recreation Board member, had suggested to the Board members that fees for various recreation programs be reduced by means of a special grant. This would be for some of the people who are in the poverty program, or where income does not reach that specified by the Economic Opportunity program. Mr. Reyes agreed to screen the applicants. The Board felt that the waiver should not exceed two-thirds of the fee for any one recreational program and should not apply to teams entering in various leagues. Mr. Reyes suggested that a \$1,000 waiver program be set up.

President Pro Tem McCormick felt that the Council did not have enough information to act on this matter intelligently. He thought they should know the age of the participants and about how many there would be in the program. Councilman Colescott stated that the 1968 budget was set up, and it would be hard to

get \$1,000 for this program. Councilman Youngerman suggested that Mr. Reyes come back with a more detailed program, or to take a more specific program to the Recreation Board for their consideration and referral to the Council. City Manager Gray stated that the crux of the matter would be in the waiver of fees. This would establish a precedent with the City.

It was moved by Councilman Youngerman and seconded by Councilman Colescott that Mr. Reyes prepare a program in detail and present it to the Recreation Board, and they could then make a recommendation to the Council. Motion carried.

MESA GARDENS - DISCUSS HIGH WATER TABLE

Councilman Colescott asked if anything was being accomplished in trying to find out what causes the high water table in the Teller Arms and Mesa Gardens area of the City. City Manager Gray stated that a meeting had been held and research was being carried on to determine what was causing the problem. but no reports have been made as yet.

ANDERSON RANCH - DISCUSS LEASING

Councilman Colescott stated that he had been giving consideration to the proposed lease for the Anderson ranch on Kannah Creek and he felt that the City should hold this property for recreation purposes. He stated that he thought the property was purchased by the people of Grand Junction and that they should be allowed to use it for a park. City Manager Gray stated that the property was purchased from utility funds and was the property of the Utility Department. It had been purchased to get more water rights for Grand Junction. The land has been used for agricultural purposes and in view of the latest court decision, could continue to be used for that purpose. There are some good buildings on the property, and if it is not cared for, these buildings would soon be demolished. Mr. Gray also stated that a complete report on the leasing of this ranch will be made to the Council at the informal meeting to he held on April 24th, and all aspects must be carefully considered.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Youngerman that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson City Clerk