

Grand Junction, Colorado

May 20, 1970

## ROLL CALL

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met in regular session at 7:30 o'clock p.m. May 20, 1970 in the Civic Auditorium at City Hall. Councilmen present and answering roll call were Raymond R. Paruch, Harry O. Colescott, Ray A. Meacham, Stanley R. Anderson, R. B. Evans and President Richard G. Youngerman. Councilman Theodore N. Naff was absent. Also present were City Manager R. N. Gray, City Attorney Gerald J. Ashby and City Clerk Helen C. Tomlinson.

## MINUTES

Approved with correction

Councilman Anderson stated that in his motion on May 6th concerning the sales tax, one addition should be made to provide that the Council would support the County Commissioners in the 2% sales tax providing that they would assure the Council that they would make a 7 mill reduction in the property tax levy. It was moved by Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Colescott that the minutes of the regular meeting of May 6, 1970 be approved as written and corrected. Motion carried.

## BIDS

1970 Curb, gutter, sidewalk repair

Contract to Fred Cunningham \$6,116.00

City Manager Gray reported that bids for the repair and replacement of 1147 linear feet of curb and gutter, 288 sq. feet of alley crossing layback, and approximately 140 sq. feet of sidewalk were opened on Tuesday, May 19th. Two bids had been received:

United Sand & Gravel \$7,120.00

Fred Cunningham 6,116.00

Engineer's Estimate 7,133.00

Completion date is July 1, 1970. Adequate funds are budgeted, and the City Engineer and City Manager recommended the awarding of the contract to the apparent low bidder, Fred Cunningham.

It was moved by Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Meacham that the apparent low bid of Fred Cunningham in the amount of \$6,116 for curb-gutter and sidewalk repair be accepted and contract be awarded to him. Motion carried.

## RECREATION

A.C.E. Kindergarten Bldg to be used as day care center & recreation

The matter of the use of the building formerly used by the A.C.E. kindergarten was brought from the table and discussed. Several letters were read - one from Mrs. Harry Talbott, one from Mrs. Lucille Mahannah and one from Mrs. Powers, urging the Council to allow the use of the building for a day care center for children. Council members had gone down on Monday to look over the building.

Councilman Meacham stated that he had given the matter considerable thought. He felt that there is adequate recreation facilities in Riverside now as they have play ground equipment and school facilities. The size of the A.C.E. building does not lend itself to very large crowds. He would go on record preferring to see this building used as a day care center provided other families besides just welfare families have opportunity to use it at reasonable fees. Councilman Anderson said he could see no reason why the building couldn't be used for meetings in the evenings.

Councilman Colescott stated that the community needs the building. He asked that the City allow it to be used for a year to see if some programs couldn't be worked out. One of the Riverside school teachers would like to do counseling in the building. He is a part-time teacher and minister and does some marriage counseling. Mr. Colescott stated that he would resent using the building as a day care center as the need for a community building is so great.

Councilman Colescott moved and Councilman Paruch seconded the motion that the building not be used as a day care center. Roll was called on the motion with the following result: Councilmen voting AYE: Paruch and Colescott. Councilmen voting NAY: Meacham, Anderson, Evans and President Youngerman. A majority of the Councilmen present voting NAY, the President declared the motion lost.

Councilman Paruch asked what programs Mr. Wysocki had in mind for the building. City Manager Gray stated that it had not been studied extensively until they knew how the Council would designate the use. Some money would have to be spent to remodel, and staff. The building is too small for many recreational uses. It could be used in the summer in connection with Riverside supervised play, for Arts and Crafts lessons and hobbies instruction, but it would depend entirely on how much the Council would spend on it, how extensively it would be used. A great deal of thought has not been put on it until the Council decides on the use of the building.

Councilman Anderson moved and Councilman Meacham seconded the motion that the 4 C's Committee be granted a lease, from year to year, for the use of the building that was

formerly the A.C.E. kindergarten. However, with the stipulations that the City will not be liable or have any obligation to make any improvements or repairs in the building and it is to be returned at the end of the year in the same condition as it is at present; that there be insurance for liability to be provided by the Committee for the protection of the City; that the building be reserved in the evenings for community use; that underprivileged families, not necessarily welfare, be allowed to avail themselves of the service; that it be used five days a week, Monday through Friday; and that the Committee pay all utilities. Motion carried, with Councilmen Meacham, Anderson, Evans and Pres. Youngerman voting AYE and Councilmen Colescott and Paruch voting NAY.

#### TRAFFIC LIGHT

12th & Elm Ave. Req. by Mesa College students

A petition was filed by students from Mesa College stating that a traffic light on 12th and Elm Avenue is needed. City Manager Gray wrote a letter to the President of the Student Body Association telling him that the City would take traffic counts and make checks to see whether or not the traffic actually warranted a light at this intersection. He stated that a traffic signal would cost about \$4,000, and does not eliminate the tendency for accidents.

#### PROPERTY

Purchase Grd Valley Irrigation Co Bldg for \$16,500 (6th & Ute)

A letter from Grand Valley Irrigation Company stated that they had accepted the offer of the City to purchase property owned by the Irrigation Company on 6th and Ute for \$16,500. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Meacham that the City Manager be instructed to consummate an agreement with Grand Valley Irrigation Company to purchase the property at 6th & Ute Avenue. Motion carried.

#### CENSUS REPORT

A letter from Wm. Wyllie, District Manager of the Bureau of the Census, stated that the population of Grand Junction as shown by the 1970 census is 19,690.

#### RECREATION

School Dist 51 Jr Hi Blds

Authorize \$3200 for motorized basketball backstops

A letter from Mr. Ron Wine, Asst. Supt. for Business and Special Services for Mesa County Valley School Dist. No. 51, was read. He stated that Wadman Construction Company, Inc. of Ogden, Utah, was the successful bidder on the two Junior High buildings. The bid for folding backstops which the City Recreational Department felt

would be needed for their program would cost \$3,200. It was moved by Councilman Paruch and seconded by Councilman Evans that the City Manager be authorized to enter into an agreement for the construction of the motorized backstops for the sum of \$3,200. Motion carried. This money would probably be budgeted in 1971 as the buildings will not be completed until fall of 1971. The other equipment would be considered at budget time also; this would include lockers, bleachers and air conditioning.

## DAYS

A Cappella Choir to sell tickets to "Oklahoma" on 5-23-70 on Main Street

A letter was read from Mr. Kenneth Koehn, Director of the A Cappella Choir of Grand Junction High School, asking permission to sell tickets to "Oklahoma" on Main Street on Saturday, May 23rd. The choir is presenting this musical May 27th and 28th. It was moved by Councilman Meacham and seconded by Councilman Paruch that the request be granted. Motion carried.

## 3.2 BEER RENEWAL

Freeway Bowling Lanes, 1900 Main St.

Approved

An application for the renewal of the 3.2 beer license for Valley Bowling Lanes, Inc., 1900 Main Street, was presented. Approval of the Chief of Police was read. It was moved by Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Meacham that the application be approved and license be granted when the State license has been received. Motion carried, with Councilman Paruch voting NAY. The President declared the motion carried.

## PROP. ORD.

Vacate easement in Prospect Park

The following entitled proposed ordinance was presented and read: AN ORDINANCE VACATING AN EASEMENT WITHIN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO. It was moved by Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Evans that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

## PROP. ORD.

Trsf Funds for L.P. Concession Stand

The following entitled proposed ordinance was presented and read: AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING MONIES FROM THE CAPITAL RESERVE SECTION IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND FROM THE PARKING LOT OVERLAY SECTION IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

FUND OF THE PARKS OPERATIONS TO THE CONCESSION STAND SECTION OF THE STADIUM AND PARKS FUND. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Evans that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

ORD. 1356 PASSED

Zoning So si Patterson West of 12th to B-1

The Proof of Publication to the following entitled proposed ordinance was presented: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP, A PART OF CHAPTER 32 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, BY CHANGING THE ZONING ON CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE CITY. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Anderson that the Proof of Publication be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Paruch and seconded by Councilman Anderson that the proposed ordinance be called up for final passage. Motion carried.

The Ordinance was then read and it was moved by Councilman Meacham and seconded by Councilman Evans that the ordinance be passed and adopted as read, numbered 1356 and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council present voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

ORD. 1357 PASSED

Vacate portion of Rico Way

(Northern Hills Subdiv)

The Proof of Publication to the following entitled proposed ordinance was presented: AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Paruch that the Proof of Publication be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Meacham and seconded by Councilman Paruch that the proposed ordinance be called up for final passage. Motion carried.

The Ordinance was then read and it was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Anderson that the ordinance be passed and adopted as read, numbered 1357 and ordered published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council present voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

BOAT RAMP

Agrmt w Colo. G.F.&P. (on W White & Colo. River)

City Manager Gray reported that an easement agreement with the Game, Fish & Parks Dept. for the construction of a boat ramp on West White and the Colorado River has been prepared. The ramp would be constructed so that anyone could back a trailer so that a boat could be launched. The Colorado Rescue group would be especially glad to have such a ramp. The State Game, Fish & Parks Dept. will pay for the cost of construction. The location is near the area where the City stock piles gravel and paving materials. The Council discussed whether or not it would be necessary to put up some kind of fence or protection in back of the shop.

It was moved by Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Evans that the President of the Council be authorized to sign the easement agreement. Motion carried.

#### MESA GARDENS

Pump in operation

City Manager Gray reported that the pump in Mesa Gardens was started Wednesday afternoon. It has been pumping about 250 gallons of water per minute, and putting the water into the Indian Wash drainage ditch. It is hoped that the well and pump will help to relieve Mesa Gardens area drainage problems.

#### WATER

To file on sewage disposal plant waste water

It was suggested that the City Manager check on filing on water from the sewage disposal plant.

#### ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councilman Anderson and duly seconded that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

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Helen C. Tomlinson\City Clerk