

GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

December 2, 2002

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction convened into regular session on the 2nd day of December 2002, at 7:04 p.m. in the City Auditorium. Those present were Councilmembers Harry Butler, Dennis Kirtland, Bill McCurry, Jim Spehar, and President of the Council Cindy Enos-Martinez. Councilmembers Reford Theobald and Janet Terry were absent. Also present were City Manager Kelly Arnold, City Attorney Dan Wilson and City Clerk Stephanie Tuin.

President of the Council Cindy Enos-Martinez called the meeting to order. Councilmember Kirtland led in the pledge of allegiance. The audience remained standing for the invocation by Miriam Greenwald, Lay Leader, Jewish Community Congregation Ohr Shalom.

SCHEDULED CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were none.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Councilmember McCurry, seconded by Councilmember Kirtland and carried to approve Consent Items #1 through 7.

1. **Minutes of Previous Meetings**
Action: Approve the Summary of the November 18, 2002 Workshop, Minutes of the November 18, 2002 Special Meeting and the Minutes of the November 20, 2002 Regular Meeting
2. **Setting a Hearing on Zoning the ISRE Annexation No. 2 Located at 2980 D-1/2 Road** [File # ANX-2002-176]

The ISRE Annexation No. 2 is a single parcel of land consisting of 5.7 acres located at 2980 D-1/2 Road. The petitioner is requesting a zone of Residential Multifamily, 8 units per acre (RMF-8), which will conform to the Future Land Use Map of the Growth Plan which was recently amended for this parcel. Planning Commission will hear this item at its December 17, 2002 meeting.

Proposed Ordinance Zoning the ISRE Annexation No. 2 Residential Multifamily with a Maximum Density of 8 units per acre (RMF-8) Located at 2980 D-1/2 Road

Action: Adopt Proposed Ordinance on First Reading and Set a Hearing for December 18, 2002

3. **Edward Byrne Memorial Grant to Address Problems of Drugs, Crime and Violence**

The United States Department of Justice, through the Colorado Division of Criminal Justice is offering grant funding under the Drug Control and System Improvement Program. This program was established to address the problems of drugs, crime and violence. There has been \$3.8 million budgeted for the State of Colorado. The Police Department is seeking approval to apply for funds in the amount of \$96,345 under this program.

Action: Authorization to Apply for Edward Byrne Memorial Grant in the Amount of \$96,345 to Address Problems of Drugs, Crime and Violence

4. **Grant to Reduce Underage Drinking**

The Colorado Department of Transportation along with the Department of Public Safety are offering grant funding for projects aimed at reducing the availability and consumption of alcohol by minors. This grant is actually funded by the Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Delinquency Prevention in Washington, D.C. These are federal dollars and not subject to Tabor limitations. The Police Department is seeking approval to accept some funding under this grant program. Originally the Department applied for \$107,219 to fund these projects which received Council approval on 04 September 2002. The final award amount is \$34,000; \$20,000 for increased enforcement; \$7,000 for a mobile intoxilizer; and \$7,000 for prevention activities including an ad campaign targeted at adults who provide alcohol to minors.

Action: Authorization to Accept Grant to Reduce Underage Drinking

5. **Special Assessment and Issuance of Bonds for Rimrock Marketplace**

This is the second reading of three related ordinances for Rimrock Market Place G.I.D. They authorize creating a special assessment district, bond sale of \$3,980,000, and assessing the properties in the district. (The Public Hearing and Second Reading of the Ordinances are hereby continued to the Regular Meeting on Wednesday, December 18, 2002.)

Proposed Ordinance – An Ordinance Creating the Rimrock Marketplace Special Improvement District within the City of Grand Junction Rimrock Marketplace General Improvement District

Proposed Ordinance – An Ordinance Concerning the Rimrock Marketplace Special Improvement District and Authorizing the Issuance of Special Assessment Bonds

Proposed Ordinance – An Ordinance Approving the Whole Cost of the Improvements to be Made in the Rimrock Marketplace Special Improvement District; Assessing a Share of said Cost Against each Lot or Tract of Land in the District; and Prescribing the Manner for the Collection and Payment of said Assessments

Action: Continue the Public Hearing on the Proposed Ordinances to December 18, 2002

6. **Levying Property Taxes for the Year 2002 for Collection in the Year 2003**

The resolutions set the mill levies of the City of Grand Junction (City), Ridges Metropolitan District #1 and #2 (Ridges), Grand Junction West Water and Sanitation District (GJWWSD), and the Downtown Development Authority (DDA). The City and DDA mill levies are for operations, the others are for debt service only. The City is also establishing a temporary credit mill levy for the General Fund for the purpose of refunding revenue collected in 2001 in excess of the limitations set forth in the Tabor Amendment, Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution. The temporary credit is pursuant to CRS 39-5-121 (SB 93-255). The City will levy a temporary credit of 0.331 mills for the purpose of refunding \$155,208.

- a. Resolution No. 114–02 – A Resolution Levying Taxes for the Year 2002 in the City of Grand Junction, Colorado
- b. Resolution No. 115–02 – A Resolution Levying Temporary Credit Taxes for the Year 2002 in the City of Grand Junction, Colorado
- c. Resolution No. 116–02 – A Resolution Levying Taxes for the Year 2002 in the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, Downtown Development Authority
- d. Resolution No. 117–02 – A Resolution Levying Taxes for the Year 2002 in the Ridges Metropolitan District a Part of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado

- e. Resolution No. 118-02 – A Resolution Levying Taxes for Year 2002 the Grand Junction West Water and Sanitation District a Part of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado

Action: Adopt Resolutions No. 114-02, 115-02, 116-02, 117-02, and 118-02

7. **Use of Undergrounding Funds for the 29 Road Improvement Project, Phase Two**

This Resolution will authorize Xcel Energy to use City of Grand Junction Underground (1%) Funds to relocate overhead electric power lines to underground on 29 road between North Avenue and the Grand Valley Canal.

Resolution No. 119-02 – A Resolution Authorizing Public Service Company of Colorado NKA Xcel Energy to Use the City of Grand Junction Overhead to Underground One Percent (1%) Funds for the 29 Road Improvement Project, Phase Two, as Established in the Ordinance Granting a Franchise Signed November 4, 1992

Action: Adopt Resolution No. 119-02

***** ITEMS NEEDING INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION *****

Public Hearing – 2nd Supplemental Appropriation for 2002

The request is to appropriate specific amounts for several of the City’s accounting funds as specified in the ordinance. With the exception of a \$40,000 increase in the Sales Tax CIP Fund #201 for Canyon View Park, the revisions to the 2002 budget are as presented to the City Council at the Budget Workshop on November 18, 2002.

The public hearing was opened at 7:06 p.m.

Ron Lappi, Administrative Services Director, reviewed this item. He stated this is the annual fall reappropriation that addresses adjustments to the budget which are pretty straightforward.

There were no public comments.

The public hearing was closed at 7:08 p.m.

Ordinance No. 3477 – An Ordinance Making Supplemental Appropriations to the 2002 Budget of the City of Grand Junction

Upon motion by Councilmember Kirtland, seconded by Councilmember Butler and carried by a roll call vote Ordinance No. 3477 was adopted on Second Reading and ordered published.

NON-SCHEDULED CITIZENS & VISITORS

There were none.

OTHER BUSINESS

Council President Enos-Martinez advised that December 13 is the Employee Awards Banquet and Councilmember have been asked to be greeters and should arrive at 5:45 p.m.

Also, on December 18th, Councilmembers will be touring City Hall to wish employees Merry Christmas. The time is yet to be determined.

Police Department Operations Update

Greg Morrison, Chief of Police, reviewed the police operations, the changes he has made in the last year including the numerous promotions he was able to make and how police operations are being guided by the City Council's mission statements and strategic policies.

Chief Morrison detailed how the attitudes and outlook of the department and employees are being changed by the new guiding philosophies. The recruitment process and hiring process has been changed with an emphasis being placed on developing diversity within the department . The organizational structure of the department t is being altered too.

The changes Chief Morrison has made include: decentralizing traffic function, create community advocacy program, reduce K-9 by one dog, eliminated Senior Administrative Assistant and Part Time Records position in order to create an information coordinator position, contract services (Mesa State and Airport), Victim Assistance, Drug Task Force (looking at combining with Mesa County), Intelligence & Crime Analyses reorganized, and finally the change in recruitment and the installation of a Training Sergeant

There will be three substations: Mesa State, the new mall location and one at the airport.

Long term, the Chief is looking at creating a training facility and integrating the records management system with other agencies.

Starting in January, 2003, the team concept will be implemented, it will be called the neighborhood beat system. The City has been tentatively divided up into areas where a specific team will be assigned. This will promote more connectivity with the citizens in a particular area and a familiarity with the officers assigned to their area.

Council applauded the Chief for the aggressive plan to implement changes. He was encouraged to make sure all are on board with the program. The Mayor said she is impressed with the changes she has already seen.

Councilmember Spehar said the Council will support the change to this type of culture and will make that known.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilmember Spehar moved, seconded by Councilmember to go into Executive Session for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators pursuant to 24-6-402 (4)(e) C.R.S.

ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned into executive session at 8:11 p.m.

Stephanie Tuin, CMC
City Clerk