

**GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

November 21, 2007

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction convened into regular session on the 21st day of November 2007 at 7:04 p.m. in the City Auditorium. Those present were Councilmembers Bonnie Beckstein, Teresa Coons, Bruce Hill, Gregg Palmer, Doug Thomason, Linda Romer Todd, and Council President Jim Doody. Also present were City Manager Laurie Kadrich, City Attorney John Shaver, and City Clerk Stephanie Tuin.

Council President Jim Doody called the meeting to order. Councilmember Beckstein led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Appointments

Councilmember Beckstein moved to reappoint David Gave, and appoint Kamie Long for three year terms expiring November 2010, and appoint Steve Gerow, Mike Heinz, and Molly Pierce for two year terms expiring November 2009 to the Grand Junction Forestry Board. Councilmember Palmer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Certificates of Appointments

To the Zoning Board of Appeals

Neither Travis Cox, nor Mark Williams were present to receive their certificates of reappointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Council Comments

Councilmember Bruce Hill serves the City of Grand Junction by participating on a couple of committees at the National League of Cities. He expanded upon his involvement in the reform of the Community Development Block Grant program. The change he helped propose was to reduce the cost of administering the funds so more funds could be used for the programs.

Councilmember Hill also received the Diamond Level of leadership at the recent National League of Cities conference, and he lauded how those leadership programs have benefited him.

Council President Doody then read the plaque of recognition for the City's 50 year membership in the National League of Cities. He thanked Councilmember Hill for his service.

Citizen Comments

There were none.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Hill read the items on the Consent Calendar, and then moved to approve the Consent Calendar. It was seconded by Councilmember Thomason and carried by roll call vote to approve the Consent Items #1 through #3.

1. **Setting a Hearing for the Second Supplemental Appropriation Ordinance for 2007**

The request is to appropriate additional sums of money for the City's accounting funds that require supplemental funds based on the 2007 revised budget. Proposed Ordinance Making Supplemental Appropriations to the 2007 Budget of the City of Grand Junction

Action: Introduction of a Proposed Ordinance and Set a Hearing for December 5, 2007

2. **Setting a Hearing on the 2008 Budget Appropriation Ordinance**

The request is to appropriate certain sums of money to defray the necessary expenses and liabilities of the accounting funds of the City of Grand Junction based on the 2008 proposed budget.

Proposed Ordinance Appropriating Certain Sums of Money to Defray the Necessary Expenses and Liabilities of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, the Downtown Development Authority, and the Ridges Metropolitan District for the Year Beginning January 1, 2008, and Ending December 31, 2008

Action: Introduction of a Proposed Ordinance and Set a Hearing for December 5, 2007

3. **Setting a Hearing on the Cunningham Investment Annexation, Located at 2098 E ½ Road** [File #GPA-2007-263]

Request to annex 30.34 acres, located at 2098 E ½ Road. The Cunningham Investment Annexation consists of 1 parcel of land and is a 5 part serial annexation.

a. Referral of Petition, Setting a Hearing and Exercising Land Use Jurisdiction

Resolution No. 172-07—A Resolution Referring a Petition to the City Council for the Annexation of Lands to the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, Setting a Hearing on Such Annexation and Exercising Land Use Control, Cunningham Investment Annexation, Located at 2098 E ½ Road Including Portions of the E ½ Road Right-of-Way

Action: Adopt Resolution No. 172-07

b. Setting a Hearing on Proposed Ordinances

Proposed Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, Cunningham Investment Annexation No. 1, Approximately 0.05 Acres, Located at 2098 E ½ Road Including Portions of the E ½ Road Right-of-Way

Proposed Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, Cunningham Investment Annexation No. 2, Approximately 0.14 Acres, Located at 2098 E ½ Road Including Portions of the E ½ Road Right-of-Way

Proposed Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, Cunningham Investment Annexation No. 3, Approximately 0.49 Acres, Located at 2098 E ½ Road Including Portions of the E ½ Road Right-of-Way

Proposed Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, Cunningham Investment Annexation No. 4, Approximately 0.92 Acres, Located at 2098 E ½ Road Including Portions of the E ½ Road Right-of-Way

Proposed Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, Cunningham Investment Annexation No. 5, Approximately 28.74 Acres, Located at 2098 E ½ Road Including Portions of the E ½ Road Right-of-Way

Action: Introduction Proposed Ordinances and Set a Hearing for January 16, 2008

ITEMS NEEDING INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

Construction Contract for the Galley Lane Sewer Improvement District

City Council created the Galley Lane Sewer Improvement District on November 6, 2007. Construction of the sewer infrastructure in this neighborhood will provide the opportunity for the 17 lots within the District to abandon septic systems and connect to

the Persigo sewer system. Award of the contract follows formation of the Sewer Improvement District by City Council on November 6, 2007.

Tim Moore, Public Works and Planning Director, reviewed this item. He described the project, and noted the residents are anxious to move forward. If the contract is awarded, construction will begin and be completed by the end of March.

Councilmember Thomason pointed out the range between the low and high bid. Mr. Moore agreed that it was a big difference, noting the low bid was even lower than the engineer's estimate.

Councilmember Palmer moved to authorize the City Manager to execute a construction contract for the Galley Lane Sewer Improvement District with M.A. Construction Inc., in the amount of \$203,883.98. Councilmember Beckstein seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Contract to Purchase Property at 553 Ute Avenue

City Staff has negotiated with the owners of 553 Ute Avenue, Grand Junction, Colorado for purchase of the property. The negotiations have been successful, and a purchase contract has been signed by both parties.

John Shaver, City Attorney, reviewed this item. The request is to ratify the City Manager's signature on a contract that was executed in early November. The property is the Drive Train building. The property purchase is for the purpose of a future Public Safety Facility. They may allow a tenant to occupy the space until such time as the property is needed. The purchase price is \$450,000.

Resolution No. 173-07—A Resolution Ratifying the Purchase Contract for the Property Located at 553 Ute Avenue, Grand Junction, Colorado

Councilmember Hill moved to adopt Resolution No. 173-07. Councilmember Coons seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Non-Scheduled Citizens & Visitors

There were none.

Other Business

There was none.

Council wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Stephanie Tuin, MMC
City Clerk