CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO

**ORDINANCE NO. 4648**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GRAND JUNCTION MUNICIPAL CODE, SECTION 21.06.080(C)(7) CONCERNING OUTDOOR LIGHTING**

Recitals:

In September 2013, City Market requested a variance from the City of Grand Junction’s outdoor lighting standards for a fueling station. That variance request was denied by the Planning Commission. The Commission recommended that Staff compare other lighting ordinances in other communities and compare existing lighting within the City and come back with some options for consideration for an amended lighting ordinance. Over twenty-three lighting ordinances within Colorado were reviewed for comparison. These comparisons resulted in the proposed changes to the foot-candles in the Code.

After public notice and public hearing as required by the Grand Junction Zoning and Development Code, the Grand Junction Planning Commission recommended approval of amending Section 21.06.080(c)(7) Outdoor Lighting for the following reasons:

The amendment will allow adequate lighting for current and future lighting needs for service station canopies. It will bring non-conforming stations into compliance.

The amendment meets goals number one and eight of the Comprehensive Plan, and the Comprehensive Plan’s policies.

After the public notice and public hearing before the Grand Junction City Council, City Council finds that the amendment to the lighting ordinance, Section 21.06.080(c)(7) be revised.

The Planning Commission and City Council find that the amendment is in conformance with the stated criteria of Section 21.02.140 of the Grand Junction Municipal Code.

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION THAT:**

The Section 21.06.080(c)(7) be amended to:

(7) Canopy lights, such as service station lighting, shall be fully recessed or fully shielded so as to ensure that no light source is visible from or causes glare on public rights-of-way or adjacent properties. Canopy lighting shall have a maximum of 30 foot-candles, with a light loss factor of 1.0. Light Loss Factor (LLF) is a correction factor used to account for the difference between laboratory test results and real world degradation of the lighting system aging over time resulting in reduced lumen output.

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Adopted on second reading this 3rd day of December, 2014 and order published in pamphlet form.

ATTEST:

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