GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP AGENDA

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2003, 7:00 P.M. CITY HALL AUDITORIUM, 250 N. $5^{\rm TH}$ STREET

MAYOR'S INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

7:00	COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS	
7:10	REVIEW FUTURE WORKSHOP AGENDAS	Attach W-1
7:15	CITY MANAGER'S REPORT	
7:25	REVIEW WEDNESDAY COUNCIL AGENDA	
7:30	PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS COMMITTEE: To of the Mesa County Land Trust will update the City Council of activities and progress of this group.	
8:00	HORIZON DR. ASSOCIATION UPDATE ON BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT: Representatives from Horizon I businesses will present their ideas and ask for City Council fe their proposal for forming a Business Improvement District.	edback on
8:30	LINCOLN PARK STADIUMS MASTER PLAN UPDATE FRO CONSULTANT: Andy Barnard of Sink Combs Dethlefs will use City Council on the progress of the Master Plan project for the Park Stadium Complex.	pdate the
9:10	STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE	Attach W-5
9:20	ADJOURN	

This agenda is intended as a guideline for the City Council. Items on the agenda are subject to change as is the order of the agenda.

Attach W-1 Future Workshop Agenda

CITY COUNCIL, WORKSHOP AGENDAS

* NOVEMBER 17, MONDAY 11:30 AM (at City Hall)

11:30 CDOT ENHANCEMENT GRANT PROJECTS 12:00 BROWNFIELDS GRANTS

NOVEMBER 17, MONDAY 7:00PM

- 7:00 COUNCIL REPORTS, REVIEW WEDNESDAY AGENDA AND REVIEW FUTURE WORKSHOP AGENDAS
- 7:25 CITY MANAGER'S REPORT
- 7:30 UPDATE FROM YOUTH COUNCIL
- 7:55 UPCOMING APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS & COMMISSIONS (VCB & Historic Preservation)
- 8:05 UTILITIES IN RIGHT-OF-WAY ORDINANCE UPDATE
- 8:45 WALKER FIELD AIRPORT AUTHORITY IGA

* DECEMBER 1. MONDAY 11:30 AM

11:30 LUNCH WITH GRAND JUNCTION ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP

DECEMBER 1, MONDAY 7:00PM

- 7:00 COUNCIL REPORTS, REVIEW WEDNESDAY AGENDA AND REVIEW FUTURE WORKSHOP AGENDAS
- 7:25 CITY MANAGER'S REPORT
- 7:30 AFFORDABLE HOUSING ISSUES UPDATE & DISCUSSION
- 8:10 STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Possibly Cancel These Meetings for a Christmas Break?

* DECEMBER 15, MONDAY 11:30 AM

11:30 OPEN

DECEMBER 15, MONDAY 7:00PM

7:00 COUNCIL REPORTS, REVIEW WEDNESDAY AGENDA AND REVIEW FUTURE WORKSHOP AGENDAS OPEN

➤ January 5, MONDAY 11:30 AM

11:30 OPEN

JANUARY 5, MONDAY 7:00PM

- 7:00 COUNCIL REPORTS, REVIEW WEDNESDAY AGENDA AND REVIEW FUTURE WORKSHOP AGENDAS
- 7:25 CITY MANAGER'S REPORT
- 7:30 STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

BIN LIST FROM CITY COUNCIL RETREAT (June 2003) (and other reminders)

- 1. Update on Temporary Modification to Persigo Discharge Permit (1st quarter of 2004)
- 2. Transient update (December 15?)
- 3. Landscape Code
- 4. Chipeta Avenue traffic calming (December 1?)
- 5. Update on franchise discussions with Bresnan Communications (January 5?)

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October 7, 2003

Mr. Kelly Arnold City Manager City of Grand Junction 250 N. Fifth Street Grand Junction, CO 81501

Dear Kelly:

I am writing to ask that you and the City Council consider allowing me to make a brief presentation to the Council at a meeting of your choosing. The City of Grand Junction has, from UTEC's inception, been one of our most important supporters. As an acknowledgement of that I am asking for about 10-15 minutes of Council time to reintroduce myself and meet the new Council members as well as provide an update on business at UTEC.

We have a history of coming to the City Council and the County Commissioners on a regular basis every other year or so, just to say hello and provide information on current affairs. This request has no financial component nor is it attempting to set the stage for any agenda; it is merely an attempt to communicate directly with the Council, particularly in light of the new members that may be unaware of the longstanding relationship between the City and UTEC.

We have two new programs, one delivery via a partnership with the Delta/Montrose Tech Center, we have established new and encouraging partnerships with Colorado Northwest Community College, and Colorado Mountain College, and we are enjoying the largest enrollment increase in our history. There is much good news to share!

I realize how limited the Council's time is and I will understand and respect your decision. I thank you for your consideration. Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Kerry Youngblood

KY/djb

Sincerely,

Attach W-2 Purchase of Development Rights

Memorandum

To: Grand Junction City Council

From: Tom Latousek, Land Protection Specialist – Mesa Land Trust

Date: October 28, 2003

RE: Mesa County Community Separator Area project – Fall 2003 update

During Fall, 2003, Mesa County Community Separator Area project staff plan to provide its annual update to project partners. The update consists of a ten-minute Powerpoint presentation that summarizes the land protection transactions completed thus far in the 31/2 year life of the buffer zone PDR program – eight deals protecting 360 acres – as well as forecast future PDR activity based on current and prospective grants. Staff will also review the three projects completed to this point in 2003 and the two additional projects still to be finished this year. Contingent on funding grants, project staff plans to undertake at least four more PDR transactions in 2004.

To provide you with a general overview, the eight easements completed so far were acquired for a total of \$887K. These easements were appraised for \$2.2M (40 cents on the dollar). Six of these easements were purchased, two donated. The City of Grand Junction has typically budgeted \$50,000 per year for the Community Separator Area project.

Budget issues for the buffer zone project will also be discussed. A question/answer period will follow the presentation.

Thank you.

Attach W-3

Horizon Drive Business Improvement District

Horizon Drive Association Background Information

Prepared for Grand Junction City Council Work Session November 3, 2003

PURPOSE OF REQUEST FOR TIME AT WORK SESSION

The Board of Directors of the Horizon Drive Association (HDA) has determined that a Business Improvement District (BID) is the best way to represent the businesses of the area. The purpose of our request for time is to inform Council of our activities and to request input from Council as to how we accomplish becoming a BID.

WHAT IS THE HORIZON DRIVE ASSOCIATION?

The Horizon Drive Business Improvement District has been defined as approximately 200 acres consisting of commercial properties on Horizon Drive beginning at G Road on the south and going northeast along the Horizon Drive corridor to Walker Field. The boundaries include Horizon Court, Compass Drive, Crossroads Boulevard, Crossroads Court, Sundstrand Way and Hilara Avenue. No residential properties are included. A detailed map will be presented at the Council Work Session.

The HDA conducted an area census this spring and identified approximately 200 businesses providing over 3,000 jobs within its boundaries. These numbers do not include the surrounding area like the Walker Field Complex, Bookcliff Country Club, or the new Safeway Complex.

The concept of the Horizon Drive Association is not a new one. As long ago as 1995 a group of business people began the process of forming the HDA as a non-profit corporation. The HDA is open to all area business people.

WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE HDA?

The HDA is currently in the process of gathering signed petitions requesting that Council approve the formation of a Business Improvement District. Attached is a copy of the petition to form a BID, as well as an information sheet explaining the scope and nature of a BID. We are very close to having owners' signatures of the required 50% of assessed property value, but want to contact every owner and give each one an opportunity to participate.

HDA CONTACTS

Richard Tally, President Days Inn, Mesa Inn 245-7200

Doug Briggs, Attorney Castor and Associates 242-9012

Karen Berryman Lochins Florida, Inc. 242-4141

Brenda Bryant Alpine Bank 242-5700

Dale Reese Crossroads Health & Fitness 242-8746

Dan Sharp Grand Vista Hotel 241-8411

Lynne Sorlye Holiday Inn 254-3132

BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

WHAT IS IT?

-A group of commercial property owners who agree to form a defined "district" for the purpose of making general improvements in that district for the benefit of that district.

HOW IS IT FORMED?

- -A petition is filed with City Clerk signed by persons who: 1) own real or personal property in district having valuation or assessment of not less than 50% than all real and personal property in service area; **and** 2) who own at least 50% of the acreage of the proposed district
 - -The petition shall set forth:
 - *Name of District
 - *General description of boundaries and service area of the district
 - *General description of types of services or improvements or both to be provided by the proposed district
 - *Name of three persons to represent petitioners who have the authority to enter into agreements relating to organization of the district
 - *Request for the organization of district
 - -The petition must be accompanied by a bond or cash deposit sufficient to cover expenses of petition approval proceedings in case the district is not approved by City Council.
 - -Once the petition is filed with the City Clerk, the Council ("as soon as possible") must set a time and place for a hearing on the petition.
 - -The hearing must be held at least 20 days after time and place is decided, but no later than 40 days after such decision on time and place.
 - -City Clerk publishes notice of the hearing and also mails notice of the hearing to all "property" owners (real and commercial per tax records) within the service area of the district
 - -At hearing, the City Council will determines value of all property in district to see if petition conforms, i.e., 50% of assessed value.
 - -Any property owner desiring to be excluded from the district, should object at this hearing and the City Council may, at the hearing, exclude certain properties from district.

-If Council is satisfied that petitioners qualify, i.e., 50% of assessed value and 50% of acreage, it shall, by ordinance, declare district organized, describe the service area and boundaries of district, and give it name specified in petition.

WHAT ARE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE DISTRICT?

- -District may contain contiguous or <u>non</u>contiguous tracts or parcels of **commercial** property. No property shall be included (for assessment or taxing purposes) that is not commercial property.
- -No less than 50% of "service area" must have been developed and used as commercial property prior to adoption of ordinance.
- -No residential or agricultural land may be included in boundary. If, however, agricultural or residential property that lie within the boundaries of the district when formed are changed to a commercial classification at a later date, then such property automatically becomes part of the district and subject to all obligations, liens, or charges effective January 1 following the year of the change.

WHAT IMPROVEMENTS ARE ALLOWED TO BE MADE BY THE DISTRICT?

-The district is allowed to make a broad range of public improvements including <u>but not limited to</u>: streets, sidewalks, curbs, gutters, pedestrian malls, streetlights, drainage facilities, landscaping, decorative structures, statuaries, fountains, identification signs, traffic safety devices, bicycle paths, off-street parking facilities, benches, rest rooms, information booths, public meeting facilities, and all incidental including relocation of utility lines.

WHAT POWER DOES THE DISTRICT HAVE?

- -The district is a political subdivision of the state. As such, it has the power to sue and be sued, to enter into contracts and incur indebtedness, to issue bonds.
- To provide services within the district including:
 - * management and planning
 - * maintenance of improvements, by contract if necessary
 - * promotion or marketing
 - * organization, promotion and marketing of public events
 - * activities in support of business recruitment, management and development
 - * snow removal or refuse collection
 - * provide design assistance
- -To acquire, construct, finance, install, and operate public improvements and to acquire and dispose of real and personal property.

- -To refund bonds of the district.
- -To have management, control and supervision of business affairs of the district.
- -To construct and install improvements across or along any public street, alley or highway and to construct work across any stream or watercourse.
- -To fix, and from time to time increase or decrease, rates tolls, or charges for any services or improvements. Until paid, such charges become a lien on property in the district, and can be foreclosed like any other lien on real or personal property.
- -The power to levy taxes against taxable commercial property. Unless the authority to tax is requested in the petition, any such tax must be approved by a majority of the electors in a special election.

*Elector:

Citizen of U.S., resident of Colorado 18 yrs old and:

- -primary dwelling in district
- -owns taxable real or personable property in boundaries of district
- -holder of leasehold interest in taxable real or personal property in boundaries
- -a designee of such owner or lessee

HOW IS THE DISTRICT GOVERNED?

- -By a Board of Directors either:
 - *appointed by the City Council, or
 - *if requested in the original petition, or a subsequent petition signed by 50% of property owners (valuation and acreage), Board is elected by electors of district.
- -Meetings are required only when needed and don't have to be regularly scheduled. But must provide notice of meetings.

PETITION TO CITY COUNCIL, GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO

WHEREAS, Section 31-25-1201, C.R.S., *et al*, provides for the organization of a business improvement district within the boundaries of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado;

AND that the undersigned believe that the organization of such district, to be further identified herein, will serve a public purpose, will promote the health, safety prosperity, security and general welfare of the inhabitants thereof, the property owners therein, will promote the continued vitality of commercial business therein, and will be of special benefit to the property within the boundaries of such district;

IT IS HEREBY PROPOSED AND REQUESTED that such business improvement district be organized by ordinance of the City Council, Grand Junction, Colorado, in accordance with the following:

- 1. Such district is to be named Horizon Drive Association ("HDA") business improvement district;
- 2. The boundaries of HDA business improvement district shall generally be all commercial property bounded on the south by G Road, north on Horizon Drive through and including H road, and bounded on the west by 27 Road/15th Street, and on the east by 27 ½ Road northeast to Walker Field Airport Authority. The boundaries shall include, but are not limited to Horizon Court, Compass Drive, Crossroads Boulevard, Crossroads Court, Skyline Court, Sundstrand Way and Hilara Avenue.
- 3. Services and/or improvements to be provided by HDA business improvement district may include but are not limited to improvements to streets, sidewalks, curbs, gutters, pedestrian malls, streetlights, drainage facilities, landscaping, decorative structures, statuaries, fountains, identification signs, traffic safety devices, bicycle paths, off-street parking facilities, benches, rest rooms, information booths, public meeting facilities, and all incidentals including relocation of utility lines;
- 4. The Petitioners have selected the following three representatives to have the authority and power to enter into agreements relating to the organization of the HDA business improvement district are:
 - a. Richard Tally
 - b. Edward Baal
 - c. Brenda Bryant
- 5. The HDA business improvement district shall, through authorization of this Petition by ordinance, be granted the authority to levy and collect reasonable *ad valorem* tax on

and against all commercial property, as defined in Section 31-25-1203(2) within the boundaries of the District, such tax not to exceed .05% without election within the district.

- 6. The HDA business improvement district shall, through authorization of this Petition by ordinance, be governed by a Board of Directors consisting of not less than five members, each of whom shall be an elector of the district, and that such Board of Directors shall be selected by the electors of the district, with the initial election of directors to occur within sixty days after of the ordinance organizing the HDA business improvement district.
- 7. The undersigned Petitioners represent persons owning at least fifty percent of both the assessed value of commercial property and total acreage within the service area of the HDA business improvement district.

WHEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY REQUESTED by the undersigned that the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, by and through its governing body, City Council, grant this Petition with its terms, boundaries and provisions, and approve by ordinance the formation and organization of the HDA business improvement district, such district to have all powers and authority as provided by Section 31-25-1201, C.R.S., *et al.*

PETITIONERS:

I certify that I am the owner of commercial property within the above-described District, or the authorized agent for such owner (See attached Limited Power of Attorney), to wit:

NAME/ENTITY (PRINTED)	ADDRESS OF PROPERTY WITHIN PROPOSED DISTRICT	SIGNATURE/TITLE /DATE

Attach W-4 Lincoln Park Stadium Complex Master Plan

Lincoln Park Stadium Improvements Plan

Executive Summary

(Entire Report will follow Under Separate Cover)

City of Grand Junction, Colorado

October 30, 2003 SCD Project Number 0309

SINK COMBS DETHLEFS

A Professional Corporation for Architecture



Executive Summary

The primary focus of this Stadium Improvements Plan is the Stadium Complex of Stocker Stadium and Suplizio Field located within Lincoln Park. Historically, improvements to Lincoln Park have been made by groups with specific needs or interests without the benefit of an overall plan.

The objective of this study is to develop a comprehensive concept and phased approach to incorporate improvements to the stadium facilities at Lincoln Park. The first step in the process was to understand the inter relationships among all of the venues and events contained within and hosted at Lincoln Park.

The planning process began with detailed discussions with specific user groups to assess goals, opportunities and establish needs. The groups that use the stadium complex are diverse and include Junior College World Series, School District 51, Mesa State College, Mesa County Jr. Football Association, Circus Promoters, Parks and Recreation Functions, and concert promoters. (Section 2: Facility Needs outlines the needs of each of these stakeholder groups.) While the ideas and needs of these user groups form the basis for the plan, the plan was also influenced by needs an ideas expressed by the Park Improvements Advisory Board (PIAB), the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, City staff, the concessionaire, park neighbors, and the community at large.

The study effort has focused on the stadium areas, but it has also been important to recognize the other uses in Lincoln Park that could be affected by the recommended plans. These other Lincoln Park facilities include an outdoor swimming pool facility, nine hole municipal golf course, an outdoor tennis court complex, park facilities, Parks and Recreation Department offices, the Barn, and a horse shoe complex.

Combined with a physical analysis of the facilities and observations made during the JUCO tournament, it became clear that the existing facilities, while serviceable, could be improved significantly. Positive attributes include: the number of annual events the facilities support, the efficiency of shared facilities, overall aesthetic appeal and condition of the recently improved facilities. Shortcomings include: sound systems, sightlines, accessibility, rest rooms (inadequate fixture count), concessions, football field turf, press box, safety/access along 12th Street, and parking. Section 1: Analysis of Existing Facilities presents an overall analysis of each component building that makes up the stadium complex.

After the fact finding process was complete, two approaches to facilities improvements were developed. The first approach is to plan continued small or individual upgrade projects to existing facilities that are referred to as *Phased Corrections*. The second approach suggests major improvements that can simultaneously correct deficiencies and prepare the stadium complex for an extended future. We refer to this approach as *Major Improvements*. These two approaches are presented in *Section 3: Stadium Improvements Plan*.

In either case, there exists a base set of improvements that need to be accomplished. These improvements include new sound systems, ADA seating areas, replacement of the natural turf football field, improvements to the west side football stands, and parking improvements.

The plan has characterized these base improvements and those identified as part of the Phased Corrections package in terms of higher and lower priorities. Estimated cost ranges to complete the facilities identified in the stadium improvements plan (in 2003 dollars) are:

Phased Corrections:

Higher Priority: \$2,332,000 to \$3,230,000
 Lower Priority: \$1,689,000 to \$3,099,000

Items included within the higher priority category include:

- Sound System Upgrades
- Disabled Accessibility
- Concession Upgrades
- Synthetic Turf/Track Events Area
- Ticket Building/West Entry Plaza

Items included within the lower priority category include:

- Baseball Seating Upgrades
- Accessibility Improvements
- Additional Concessions Improvements
- Parking Lot Improvements
- Baseball Scoreboard
- Relocate Sports Lighting Poles
- Pressbox Improvements

Major Improvements: \$4,320,000 to \$6,240,000

The Major Improvements proposal suggests the demolition and reconstruction of the shared facilities, including seating for both stadiums, the pressbox, new concessions and restrooms, improved storage and work space, relocated sports lighting, circulation improvements, fully compliant ADA seating areas, and specialty seating areas for baseball. Hence, if the Major Improvements option is implemented, some of the phased corrections would not be required. The following is the amount of suggested phased corrections that would still be required:

Higher Priority: \$1,592,000 to \$2,085,000
 Lower Priority: \$494,000 to \$930,000

Attach W-5 Strategic Plan Update

To:

Mayor and City Council

From:

David Varley

CC:

Kelly Arnold, City Manager

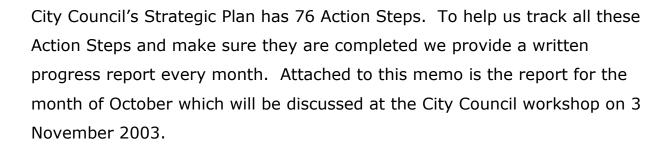
Date:

28 October 2003

Re:

October Strategic Plan Progress Report

(for discussion at Council Workshop on 3 November 2003)



The progress for each Action Step and any requested Council action is listed immediately under each Action Step. Also, any related reports and memos for the month are attached together at the back, behind the last Solution.

Only three of the six Solution Areas had Action Steps that were scheduled to be completed during the month of October 2003.



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Solution

A BALANCE OF CHARACTER, ECONOMY AND ENVIRONMENT

Action Step 6.B: Prepare estimate of impacts of non-attainment status (federal air quality standards) and discuss future action steps. (October 2003)

<u>Progress:</u> The Grand Valley Air Quality Planning Committee has taken on this Action Step as an on-going work item. Updates to this subject will be provided by City staff on a quarterly basis. An annual report will be coordinated with air quality trending information from the Colorado Air Pollution Control Division and given to City Council. The attached memo (on page 5) completes this Action Step and indicates the challenges faced with predicting "attainment" versus "non-attainment" of air quality due to the unpredictability of weather conditions.

GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLAN 2002 - 2012

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Solution

EFFICIENT TRANSPORTATION

Action Step 14.B: If the Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) accepts Action Step #14.A (a dedicated transit tax source) then the joint staffs will develop a financial analysis of funding options. (October 2003)

Progress: This issue was discussed at the City Council workshop on 3 March 2003. (Also, a copy of "Technical Report #2" was provided to Council. This report was produced by the consultant updating the GVT's TDP and one chapter deals with funding alternatives.) The Grand Valley Regional Transportation Committee (GVRTC) was in the process of updating the federally required Transportation Development Plan (TDP) for the transit system. The scope of work for this contained an element similar to Objective 14. It was proposed to use the schedule and process of the TDP for this Objective. The TDP now states that the existing funding formula will continue to be used until the five year period expires, which will occur in 2005. A copy of the funding agreement is attached on page 7. Prior to the expiration of the current funding arrangement the GVRTC will discuss this issue again. At that time the City can have some input into a recommendation for transit funding. This Action Step is now completed.

Action Step 17.A: Ask the Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) to consider a formal action item to study this (opportunities to link transportation modes) withing the UPWP. (October 2003)

<u>Progress:</u> In April, Jody Kliska sent a letter to Tom Fisher, Director of the Regional Transportation Planning Office (RTPO), asking that this be included in the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) which was in draft form. This item is now included in the UPWP which was prepared by the MPO. It is listed under the work item titled "2030 Regional Transportation Plan" and it will review multi modes of transportation. This Work Program is scheduled to be completed during the time frame between 1 October 2003 and 30 September 2004. This Action Step is now completed.

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OPEN AND BEAUTIFUL SPACES

Action Step 18.E: Fund top priorities (entrances/gateways) in the next two year budget. (October 2003)

<u>Progress:</u> A team has been working on this issue and is close to reviewing common design elements that are being developed by a local landscape architecture firm. The team asked that money be reserved in the two year budget for entrances and gateways. City Council will discuss this issue at their budget meetings and will make a final decision when they formally adopt the budget in December.

Action Step 20.A: Allocate City support of \$50,000 per year in the two year budget (for the Purchase of Development Rights Committee Buffer Zones). (October 2003)

<u>Progress:</u> The proposed 2004/5 budget contains this annual commitment to help fund purchases of development rights in the two buffer zones. City Council will discuss this issue at their budget meetings and will show their support for this project when they formally adopt the budget in December.

Action Step 21.A: City Council annually reviews, via a formal report, the status of the Purchase of Development Rights Committee and supports continuation of the program. (Each October)

<u>Progress:</u> City Council will receive a report on this program from the Mesa Land Trust at their Monday night workshop on 3 November 2003. This Action Step will then be completed.

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES MEMORANDUM

TO: Dave Varley, Assistant City Manager

Mark Relph, Public Works Director

FROM: Eileen List, Environmental Regulatory Coordinator SUBJ: City Council Strategic Plan – Objective 6, Air Quality

DATE: October 27, 2003

BACKGROUND: This memo updates the Grand Junction City Council Goal of continuing to support regional efforts to maintain and improve air quality. Objective 6 of the Strategic Plan is to participate in regional efforts to make sure air quality remains a priority in order to reduce particulates as the major source of local pollution. Action step 6A, which was to provide a report on the current status of Grand Valley air quality, was completed in February 2003. Action step 6B, to provide an estimate of impacts for "non-attainment" status and discuss future action steps, is discussed in this memo.

PROGRESS: The Grand Valley Air Quality Planning Committee has taken on Action Step 6.B as an on-going work item. Updates to this subject will be provided by City staff on a quarterly basis. An annual report will be coordinated with air quality trending information from the Colorado Air Pollution Control Division and given to City Council. The attached memo indicates the challenges faced with predicting "attainment" versus "non-attainment" of air quality due to the unpredictability of weather conditions.

CURRENT AIR QUALITY: The Colorado Air Pollution Control Division and Mesa County Health Department Air Quality Division indicate that Grand Junction and the surrounding Grand Valley are in current attainment of all state and federal air quality standards. Trend data gathered over the past decade shows that major air pollutant concentrations have decreased (see Figures 1 and 2 below). This decrease is attributed to on-going air quality implementation strategies in place such as wood stove burning restrictions, mass transit, street cleaning operations, use of magnesium chloride as a de-icer instead of road salt, more composting and less burning due to composting operations at the landfill, and the closing of the Fruita Refinery. The GVRTPO indicates that further air quality improvements can be expected if regional transportation corridors that alleviate high congestion traffic areas are built.

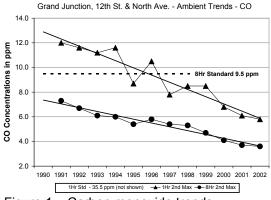


Figure 1 – Carbon monoxide trends trends

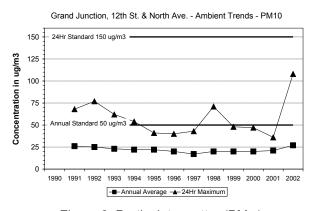


Figure 2–Particulate matter (PM₁₀)

Grand Junction is also the only $PM_{2.5}$ (particulate matter less than 2.5 microns in monitoring site in the state with three complete years of data to compare to air quality standards. Figure 3 indicates Grand Junction is well below federal standards for $PM_{2.5}$

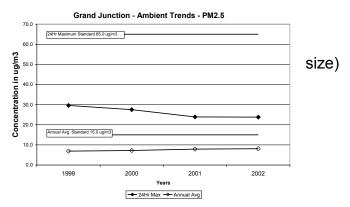


Figure 3 – Particulate matter (PM2.5) trends

AIR QUALITY PREDICTIONS: The Colorado Air Pollution Control Division advises that attempts to predict "attainment" versus "non-attainment" of air quality conditions is highly subjective due to weather conditions and warrants caution is needed when attempting such predictions. As an example, Grand Junction has maintained very good winter air quality in the past few years. No winter air inversions have occurred since ground temperatures have been warm and no snow has accumulated on the valley floor (when warm air moves in over cold ground pollutants are kept close to the surface which keep the different temperature layers of air from mixing). However, when snow accumulates on the ground an inversion could occur, resulting in poor air quality. Cold weather also makes motor vehicles run less efficiently and woodburning emissions are increased. As a result, non-attainment could be possible if even one winter of poor air quality occurs, making air quality predictions limited.

The Grand Valley Air Quality Planning Committee will address the Council goal as an on-going work item. The Committee will address air attainment in the Grand Valley, attempt to identify when non-attainment is projected, and will develop action steps to avoid non-attainment of air quality standards. Updates will be provided by City staff to Public Works management on a quarterly basis. An annual report to City Council will be coordinated with annual air quality trending information from the Colorado Air Pollution Control Division.

Mesa County:
City of Grand Junction:
City of Fruita:
Town of Palisade:

AN AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE ADOPTION OF THE LOCAL MATCH FUNDING FOR GRAND VALLEY TRANSIT PUBLIC TRANSIT SERVICES FOR FY 2002-2005

WHEREAS, a Transit Development Plan is required to be developed and approved by local governments in Mesa County in order for Mesa County to continue receiving Federal Transit Administration funding for transit services; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administration awards operating and capital assistance to Mesa County to assist in the implementation of the adopted Transit Development Plan; and

WHEREAS, the current Transit Development Plan was approved by the County Commissioners of Mesa County on September 8, 1997 (MCM 97-172); the Grand Junction City Council on September 17, 1997 (GJCC 59-97); the City of Fruita City Council on August 11, 1997 (1997-37); and the Town of Palisade Board of Trustees on August 23, 1997 (97-21); and

WHEREAS, a Transit Steering Committee was appointed to develop a recommendation for public transit services in Mesa County, including representatives from the City of Grand Junction, City of Fruita, Town of Palisade, and Mesa County under the guidance of the Mesa County Regional Transportation Planning Office; and

WHEREAS, several public hearings have been held to receive input regarding the local match funding for public transit services in fiscal years 2002-2005; and

WHEREAS, the Transit Steering Committee agrees to the levels of local match funding as set forth below, subject to annual appropriation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AGREED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MESA COUNTY, THE GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL, THE FRUITA CITY COUNCIL, AND THE TOWN OF PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES THAT THE LOCAL MATCH FUNDING FOR FY 2002-2005 IS AS FOLLOWS AND ANY EXCEPTIONS SET OUT BELOW:

Local Match Distribution	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
Mesa County	\$635,944	\$661,382	\$687,827	\$715,340
Grand Junction	200,809*	208,841*	217,195*	225,883*
Fruita	30,961	32,199	33,487	34,826
Palisade	12,321	12,814	13,327	13,860
Total Local Contributions	\$880,035	\$915,236	\$951,836	\$989,909

^{*} This amount may be less if the growth for the City of Grand Junction (calculated by adding Consumer Price Index and Local Growth) is less than 4%. In such case the City of Grand Junction's contribution will be calculated using the growth percentage.

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