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REGULAR MEETING

GRAND JUNCTION PLANNING COMMISSION

Wednesday - February 28, 1968 - 8:00 A. M.

CONFERENCE ROOM - CITY HALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert Baker, Mrs. William Hyde, Richard Stranger, Harry O. Colescott, Richard Youngerman and Blake Chambliss

OTHERS PRESENT: Mr. Richard Gray, City Manager and Mr. Don Warner, Development Director

I. MINUTES APPROVED

Hearing no objections, the Chairman declared the minutes of the January 31, 1968 meeting approved as sent and read.

II. " OPEN SPACE "

A general discussion was held regarding the need to control 'urban sprawl' by the city acquiring large tracts of open land for needed future expansion. Several ways of acquiring the land was discussed...by gift, outright purchase and long term options to be exercised at need.

III. VACATING CUL-DE-SAC

A recommendation was made to vacate the cul-de-sac beginning at a point which bears N 89° 53' W 100 ft. from the Northeast Corner of the SE 1/4 NW 1/4 SE 1/4 Section 7, Township 1 South, Range 1 East of the Ute Meridian, Thence 130.9 ft. along the arc of a 50 foot radius curve to the left, the chord of which bears S 15° 07' W 96.6 feet, thence S 89° 53' E 50.0 feet to the point of beginning.

A motion was made by Richard Youngerman to recommend to council the vacation of said cul-de-sac, and the motion was seconded by Blake Chambliss. Motion carried.

IV. PROPOSAL FOR DEVELOPMENT OF PROPERTY

Richard Stranger brought up for discussion the possibility of a future development and re-newal project of those blocks between Ute and Pitkin from First to Ninth Street. An area could possibly be developed for the location of a library, fine arts building and museum. Since the City-County-Jail-Firestation complex occupies one full block in this area and two full blocks are developed as public parks it was

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thought that these would tie into a parkway type development.

V. GOALS PROJECT

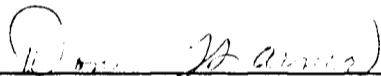
Mr. Gray asked the Planning Commission their thoughts on using the intern that the city hires each summer for the purpose of making a survey of the citizen's thinking about the services of the fire department, police department and other various public service departments. Also the general citizen's opinion on what they feel the tax monies should be spent on in the way of community development projects. This would be done by mailing out a questionnaire to the individuals with their monthly water bill. He recommended that the intern work with the Planning Commission and other Boards to compose the questionnaire. As these questionnaires were returned the information would be tabulated thereby making this information available. Conclusions could then be reached based on the thinking of the general public on vital matters and would indicate the direction of future planning and projects.

Mr. Warner noted that it may be possible to work with the Jaycees in their survey thus taking in the rural areas as well as the city.

Everyone agreed that this would be a worthwhile project and it was decided to take the matter up with the City Council, and if they concur, then this will be the summer project.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Commission adjourned.



DON WARNER  
DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR