

GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

October 16, 2000

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met on Monday, October 16, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Auditorium to discuss workshop items. Those present were Earl Payne, Jack Scott, Jim Spehar, Janet Terry, Reford Theobald, and President of the Council Gene Kinsey. Cindy Enos-Martinez was absent.

Summaries and action on the following topics:

1. Salvage Yard Regulations -

Various salvage yard owners were present (Dave Murphy, Julie Fisher, Dean VanGundy, Ray McGhghy). Without the "end" recycler, other businesses cannot get rid of their salvage items. 20' high fencing is not reasonable because of site restrictions. Absence of a healthy salvage or recycling industry can make a community look much worse. Mission is aesthetics. City Attorney Wilson highlighted some of the lengthy regulations. Compliance on landscaping by 2006. City to help salvage yards with soil amendments and plant purchases. Regulations could apply to hundreds of other businesses.

Action Summary – City Attorney was directed to draft communication to the State Legislature stating Council's concern (with CML's help) regarding the impact of their legislation on communities. Councilmember Spehar wanted to proceed with salvage regulations and at the same time begin inventorying other outdoor storage areas that would be affected. Councilmember Terry did not want to go ahead without identifying and talking to those businesses affected by the screening requirements. City Manager Arnold requested a 30-60 day delay in order to determine the magnitude of the impact, and review the map and other types of screening more appropriate for other uses. The salvage owners are to also be involved in the review. A tentative meeting date to bring a proposal back to Council would be December 16, 2000, which is optimistic since upcoming holidays can interfere.

2. Capital Improvement Plan Review –

Ron Lappi, Administrative Services Director, handed out information on the plan for the next 10 years and reviewed proposed changes for the next 2 years.

Mark Relph, Public Works & Utilities Director, reviewed the Public Works Capital Improvements.

Action Summary – Staff to come back to Council with a more complete update on the Two Rivers project prior to adoption of the final budget and the Proposed Ordinance Adopting Budget is scheduled for November 15, 2000 with final reading on December 6, 2000.

3. Transportation Engineering Design Standards (TEDS) Manual –

Jody Kliska, Transportation Engineer, explained the Persigo Agreement requires the update of 14 chapters. She reviewed changes and discussed various “tools” that could be used to increase capacity at intersections.

Action Summary - Mark Relph stated the TEDS manual will go before the Planning Commission in November – should come back to Council for adoption in December or January.