

# GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

February 4, 2002

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met on Monday, February 4, 2002 at 7:04 p.m. in the City Auditorium to discuss workshop items. Those present were Harry Butler, Dennis Kirtland, Bill McCurry, Reford Theobold and President of the Council Pro Tem Janet Terry. President of the Council Cindy Enos-Martinez. And Councilmember Jim Spehar were absent.

## Summaries and action on the following topics:

1. **WESTERN COLORADO BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION:** Representatives of WCBDC, Thea Chase and Karen Moore, Board president, updated Council on their activities first by showing a video on the Incubator, the revolving loan fund and the Small Business Development Center and then outlining some of the other accomplishments.

**Action summary:** The Council was appreciative of the presentation and of the work being done by the WCBDC.

2. **POLICY FOR FUNDING OUTSIDE GROUPS:** Council discussed options for a policy for financial contributions to outside organizations. Assistant City Manager Varley introduced the memo prepared that included some of the questions to be addressed.

**Action summary:** City Council reviewed the questions to assist in developing a policy. The group directed Staff to develop a policy that would include: 1) the request be a part of the budget process annually, 2) that any award be limited to one year, 3) the y can apply every year, 4) capital projects are preferred and 5) Grand Junction applications are preferred. Council then discussed the application. Staff was directed use the form through 3. C. and to use the remainder of the form for the applicant to formulate their project detail. It was suggested that they be called guidelines rather than policy.

3. **DISCUSSION OF HILLTOP SENIOR CENTER PROPOSAL:** Council discussed the Hilltop funding request. Janell Bauer - Morris, Hilltop, stated she was present to answer questions. Multi-year funding posed a dilemma as well as the timing but it was seen as a unique opportunity

**Action summary:** Council directed Staff to place an item on the February 6<sup>th</sup> agenda under individual consideration that offers \$100,000 per year for 2002-2003 and request that future requests come to Council under the new guidelines being proposed. The funds would be held until construction begins. Future discussion will work out the details including benefits being extended to City residents.

**ADJOURNED** at 9:29 p.m.