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July 24, 1978

Mr. Gerald Ashby  
City/County Attorney  
Grand Junction City Hall  
250 North 5th  
Grand Junction, Colorado 81501

Dear Mr. Ashby:

You and I have had conversations concerning the Valley Wide sanitation problem; the structures of the governing entity, and how the non-E.P.A. portion of costs may be financed.

We have agreed that a "Metropolitan Sewage Disposal District" pursuant to C.R.S. 32-4-501 is the most viable structure and as a result, Coughlin & Company is prepared to recommend that structure, to recommend some procedures and to deal with problem areas which previously appeared to eliminate this District concept.

Representation of and by the County on a governing board has been a question. In addition, the issuance of revenue bonds without an election seemed to preclude the use of this concept. However, in concert with Willson & Lamm we have done additional research and find that the Act provides specific procedures for petitioning the District Court for declaratory judgement resolving such issues.

Procedurally, then, we would recommend that Mesa County or the City of Grand Junction initiate proceedings to form the District. Once the District is formed the court should be petitioned for resolution of the questions hereinabove. C.R.S. 32-4-521 provides for speedy hearings.

The court can be expected to define county representation and to render one of two possible answers concerning revenue bond issuance without an election: Yes or No. If the court decides no election is necessary, the problem is solved. If the court decides the bonds may not be issued without an election the Act again comes to our aid. Pursuant to the Act, Mesa County can issue all bonds, build the required facilities and sell them to the District on an installment basis, the contract term of which sale cannot exceed 50 years. The District, though obligating itself for up to 50 years need not hold an election. The payments under the installment sale need only meet the principal and interest requirements of the bonds issued by the County.

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It would appear that the provisions of the Act deal with the problems as delineated in Mr. Backus' letter of February 3, 1978, a copy of which is enclosed.

Consequently, we are prepared to recommend these actions to the steering committee and would welcome an opportunity to do so. Would you please schedule a meeting with the committee?

Sincerely,

COUGHLIN & CO., INC.

George F. Thompson, Jr.  
Public Finance Specialist

GFT:ds  
Enclosures

✓cc: Mr. Jim Patterson  
City of Grand Junction

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City of Grand Junction, Colorado

TO R. T. Mantlo  
Fire Chief  
DEPT Fire

FROM Lt. A. C. Palmer  
Water Officer  
DEPT Fire

SUBJECT Water supply for Fire protection, and related facilities  
DATE July 24, 1978

Re: 1) City of Grand Junction memo dated April 4, 1978  
City Engineer - Utilities to City Manager

and:

- 2) Recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners, from the Committee appointed to investigate providing water for Fire Fighting, within the County.

In the past there has been a problem in providing adequate Fire Protection facilities aggravated by the fact that the requirements are addressed last instead of first in the planning process.

Pursuant to Uniform Fire Code, Sec 13.301, the following items are required, submitted to the department in the preliminary planning stages, so that we may enforce the intent of the Code.

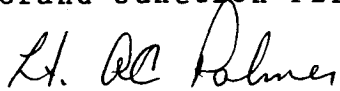
1. A composite plot plan of the proposed subdivision, or development, showing fire hydrant locations, locations and sizes of water mains, and relationships to existing facilities, if any.
2. A statement specifying "Required Fire Flow", as determined by the Insurance Services Office publication "Guide for determination of Required Fire Flow".
3. A statement of source of water supply for the proposed development and it's ability to provide the required fire flow.

Fire Dept. 330 S. Sixth St. Grand Junction, Colorado 81501 303/242-2900 Chief R.T. Mantlo

Plan approval or disapproval will be based on the adequacy of information supplied by the developer, and the extent to which proposals comply with regulations. This applies to all developments within the jurisdiction of the Grand Junction Fire Department.

Sincerely,

Grand Junction Fire Department

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lt. A. C. Palmer".

Lt. A. C. Palmer, Water Officer

ACP/hc