

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO  
MEMORANDUM

Reply Requested  
Yes  No

Date  
5-25-82

To: (From:) Jim Patterson From: (To:) Ralph Sterry

Subject: Eric Kelly's Policy Statement

1. Is the City of Grand Junction not part of Mesa County? We also supply water the same as the other communities (and more of it than all the others). We also have a well trained staff to adequately address water issues, needs and standards.
2. Fire flows: I feel that the Fire Department personnel of each community have the knowledge and expertese to make the determination of all fire protection needs where water is actually available and even there, the water supply people must be involved as to their capability to physically deliver water to a specific area.
3. Sewage and sewer service is an area where Mesa County does not have the expertese to adequately determine or assess needs or requirements. The County only worked on paper with the new facilities which are, at present, being built. I get the slow burn at the indication that the County made the plans when you have had the work load since day one. Also all private sewage systems must be approved by the State Water Quality people. I do see the need for County help in planning for the sewage sludge disposal - how, where and in what proportions. We do have a base plan for this. However, if land applications should fail, where do we go? Why is the County unwilling to recognize the City of Grand Junction for the wide range of versatilities and services we have to offer and the many trained people? Also this holds true for the other communities throughout Mesa County. If Mr. Kelly is truly concerned about developing a good sound policy, he needs to incorporate the help of professional people in each phase of his Policy Statement.