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- 1978 Population estimates; Projected Population 1978 [029 - loose]
- 01/04/78 City Council Minutes: WQCC approves Persigo Wastewater Treatment Plant Plan with conditions - land application. [Dan Wilson Files]
- 01/04/78 Agenda for Special Meeting Water Quality Control Commission (includes Grand Junction 201 Plan Amendments). [036]
- 01/04/78 The Water Quality Control Commission approved the amended 201 Facilities Plan for Grand Junction thereby granting Step II design funds for the new regional wastewater treatment facility at the same time continuing to express a general dissatisfaction with the adequacy of the consideration of land treatment. The Commission had held up the Step II construction grant for over a year. The Commission found it extremely difficult to get a cost-effective land treatment alternative "out of a municipality which is not interested in going that route". That fact, together with the "energy related growth pressures in the Grand Junction area, with the present treatment plant heading towards 100% capacity in the near future" prompted the Commission to approve the Step II design even though it would have preferred a land treatment alternative. [See the 1/25/78 letter from the Water Quality Control Commission to the City and the 1/30/78 letter from the Water Quality Control Commission to EPA Regional Administrator Alan Merson.]
- 01/24/78(?) EPA Comments and Questions on Grand Junction Project "to date" - "Bill Rothenmeyer - EPA" (appears to be a draft of a letter or memorandum put together from copies of revised memorandums from different dates - no letterhead, unsigned and undated - the only date we have is a date stamp of 1/24/78 at EPA Region VIII). Note further that CGVSD (on 3/24/80 [a date referenced in the CGVSD/City "Supplemental Agreement" dated 9/3/80] and OMSD on 4/1/80 [we have a copy of the OMSD Resolution as well as a copy of the OMSD/City "Supplemental Agreement" dated 8/5/80] adopted resolutions approving and accepting the Joint Ordinance and Resolution by and between the County - the 3/80 Joint Ordinance and Resolution (the Sewer Use Ordinance). As of 3/24/80 (CGVSD) and 4/1/80 (OMSD) all parties were acting pursuant to the 10/17/79 Agreement because the 5/1/80 Agreement had not yet been adopted. The special districts' resolutions (later made part of their agreement with the City by way of the respective supplemental agreements, adopted at the time the 10/17/79 Agreement was in force, have the effect of incorporating that agreement or, at least, being subject to its terms - correct? QUERY: Even if the 5/1/80 Agreement "replaced" the 10/17/79 Agreement, according to the special districts, the 1979 Agreement was the operating agreement that mattered - correct? [Question posed by D. Wilson - 11/26/96 memo.] [Dan Wilson - City Utility Files]
- 01/24/78 Minutes Valley Wide Sewer Committee Meeting, Duane Jensen reported on events since last meeting, State approval obtained now need to get EPA approval, Jack Pepper of Boettcher and Co. made presentation of different forms of financing but first need to decide who is going to own and operate the treatment facility and who will handle actual operation, billing, and maintenance, Gerald Ashby said would look at metro district now that counties can participate. [029 - loose] [Documents by Category - Volume V]
- 01/25/78 Letter from Evan Dildine, Colo. Dept. of Health, to Mayor Lawrence Kozisek and City Council advising Water Quality Control Commission approved amended 201 facilities plan for GJ, granted Step II design funds for new regional wastewater treatment facility, still dissatisfied

with adequacy of consideration of land treatment, suggesting City look into water supply/water rights possibilities. [036]

- 01/25/78 Letter from Mr. Dildyne to Mayor Koziseck urging the City to check into water supply/water rights issues relative to the new regional wastewater treatment facility, [County file - Reso/Valley Wide Sewer - Box 3]
- 01/26/78 Letter from Jonathan Love, Colo. Dept. of Health, to Duane Jensen, advising EPA hasn't approved City of GJ's proposal to construct regional facility, will complete design review after EPA has approved regional proposal to phase out existing wastewater treatment plant. [036]
- 01/30/78 Letter from Dildyne to Allan Merson, re: approval of the Grand Junction 201 Facilities Plan but continuing to express the Commission's general dissatisfaction with the plan particularly, in regard to the adequacy of the consideration of land treatment, opportunities for salinity improvement and general water quality improvement in the river. [County file - Reso/Valley Wide Sewer - Box 3]
- 01/30/78 Letter from Evan Dildine, Colo. Dept. of Health, to Alan Merson, EPA, advising of approval of Grand Junction 201 Facilities Plan, thereby granting Step II design funds but expressing dissatisfaction with regard to adequacy of consideration of land treatment, opportunities for salinity improvement and general water quality improvement. [036]
- 01/31/78 Western Union mail gram from Mayor Larry Kozisek to Harvey Hornberg, EPA re: objecting to the news that, as a condition of the Step II Grant (previously approved by the EPA) the State Water Quality Control Commission has advised that the EPA may require an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prior to the release of the grant proceeds. Objection based primarily upon the amount of time necessary and the pressure of growth and lack of capacity at the present time. [EPA Documents - Grant Section]
- 02/01/78 Letter from Duane Jensen to Steve Schmitz, Colorado West Area C.O.B., providing additional information re City's request for oil shale trust funds for joint City and County sewer system. [036]
- 02/02/78 Letter from Duane Jensen to Kent Harbert, Western Engineers, taking no exception to plans and specifications for sewer line extensions in O.M. Sanitation District: Whitehead Drive, Buena Vista Drive, Lyle Drive, Redrock Drive, Thompson Road, Brentwood Drive, Highway 50, B-3/4 Road, Carter Lane, John Hall, Shelley Drive, Scott Street, listing requirements prior to acceptance. [010]
- 02/03/78 Letter from Robert A. Backus, Esq., DeMuth & Eiberger to Jack Pepper, Boettcher & Company, re: Mesa County sewer project. Outlines the steps required in establishing a Metropolitan Sewage Disposal District pursuant to C.R.S. §32-4-501 *et seq.* as a possible entity to govern the Mesa County sewer project. *Identifies as a problem whether such a district could revenue bonds without an election absent express statutory authority to do so. Concludes and advises, because of the questions and ambiguities in said statute that the County and/or the City should issue the sewer revenue bonds after entering into a cooperative agreement for the financing, maintenance and operation of the proposed sewage facilities. Copy sent to Gerald Ashby - City Attorney. [City Utility Files]*
- 02/03/78 Letter from Robert Backus, DeMuth Eiberger, to Jack Pepper, Boettcher & Company, outlining steps required in establishing a Metropolitan Sewage Disposal District. [036]
- 02/07/78 Water Quality Control Commission Agenda includes site approval requests in Mesa County and request of City and County. [036]

02/14/78 County Commissioners appoint two replacement members for the Valleywide Sewer Committee. **[Commissioners Minutes]**

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02/17/78 City of G.J. Memorandum from Duane Jensen to Jim Patterson regarding 12/77 water line break beneath main line trackage of D&RGW, explaining potential danger from non-encased water lines, listing non-encased water lines beneath railroad tracks; 7/2/41 letter from D&RGW to Bruce Brownson, City Manager, confirming understanding of responsibilities, etc. re water lines under trackage. **[010]**

03/01/78 Letter from R. L. Rush, Moore-Rush & Wood, to Duane Jensen, inquiring what City paid for 51 acres designated for the sewer plant site. **[036]**

03/09/78 Speed Message from Duane Jensen to R.L. Rush advising paid \$112,000 for house, land and water rights. **[036]**

03/09/78 Letter from Jim Patterson to Stanley May, CDOH - Water Quality Control Division re: notifying the CDOH of completion of the Paradise Hills interceptor diverting sewage for treatment to the City plant and allowing the Paradise Hills' package plant and its discharge permit to be closed and canceled. **[CDOH Documents]**

03/10/78 Place mat w/notes 3/10/78 City Council & County Commissioners meeting re taps. **[036]**

03/14/78 Minutes of Valley Wide Sewer Committee Meeting, now have approval from EPA, are at design stage, reference to Gerald Ashby's letter to members explaining methods for financing (no copy in file). will meet with bonding company about specific arrangements. **[029 - loose] [Documents by Category - Volume V]**

03/20/78 Letter from Richard Bowman, Colo. Dept. of Health, to Orchard Mesa Sanitation Dist., advising plans and specifications for sewer line extension within district meet criteria, subject to conditions stated. **[010]**

03/23/78 Letter from J.E. Patterson to Harold Boyles, Mesa County Dept. of Health, re current status on new regional sewage treatment plant, related interceptors, outlining current City policy re sewer services to both city and outside city customers. **[036]**

03/27/78 Daily Sentinel Article "Water Plan Submits Pollution Solutions." Jack Sparks, 208 Project Coordinator, hosts a meeting to explain the 208 Area-wide Wastewater Treatment Plan. Focus primarily on non-domestic agricultural pollution. **[CDOH Documents]**

03/27/78 City of G.J. Memo from Duane Jensen to Jim Wysocki, explaining policy for upgrading water system as required for fire protection within the City. **[010]**

04/04/78 Water Quality Control Commission Agenda, includes City/County EPA request. **[036]**

04/04/78 Memo from Duane Jensen to Jim Wysocki re: fire protection within the City of Grand Junction (appears to be a final form of memorandum which revised the 3/27/78 memo on the same topic). **[Patterson's files]**

04/05/78 Letter to Jim Patterson from Harvey Hormberg, EPA, allowing the City to proceed with preliminary plan equipment layouts and necessary site work and advising that the Phase II

design work should not proceed beyond fifteen percent until review is completed by the Colorado Water Quality Control Division and assuming that the City is agreeable to actively pursuing effluent land application. **[EPA Documents - Grant Section]**

- 04/05/78 City Council Minutes: City Engineer Jensen advises re: verbal authorization to pursue preliminary design on the Valley Wide sewer system - awaiting written authorization. **[Dan Wilson Files]**
- 04/05/78 Letter from William Hormberg, EPA, to James Patterson, concur in proceeding with preliminary plant equipment layouts and site work, Colorado Water Quality Commission has approved grant increase to cover cost of engineering sub-agreement. (036)
- 04/07/78 Letter from Roger Smades, WQCD/CDOH to the City - Water Quality Control Commission has approved site application #24704 "activated sludge plant." Must re-apply if construction not commenced by 4/4/79. **[CDOH Documents]**
- 04/07/78 Governor Lamm hosts a breakfast for the Colorado Homebuilder's Association. At the breakfast, the issue of delays occasioned by the Colorado Water Quality Control Commission to the sewer plant development in Mesa County was discussed. The Governor requests documentation.
- 04/10/78 Letter from Duane Jensen to Harold Raff, advising necessity of modifying lease agreement with City and County re home at 2145 River Road, allowing use of house and corrals only, due to stepped-up activity on the property. **[036]**
- 04/13/78 Letter from Evan Dildine, Colo. Dept. of Health, to Lawrence Kozisek, Mayor, advising EPA grant for waste treatment facility is in hands of EPA, Colo. Dept. of Health approved it. **[036]**
- 04/18/78 Daily Sentinel Article "County Asked to Leave COG." Mesa County Chapter of the committee to restore the constitution, Chapter President Danny R. Hawkins, urges the Commissioners to challenge the constitutionality of "the COG and other regional concept, such as land use planning, control of water, building codes, gun control and taxation." **[CDOH Documents]**
- 04/20/78 Letter from Duane Jensen to Harold Raff, authorizing him to use small plot by house for vegetable garden area. **[036]**
- 04/20/78 Memo from Vencil Shively, Director Office of Public Awareness EPA Region VIII to Paula Herzmark, Executive Director Department of Local Affairs, re: status of planning and construction grants in the Grand Junction, Colorado area providing a chronology of events up to the then present time. **[County file - Reso/Valley Wide Sewer - Box 3]**
- 04/26/78 Letter from Steve Heald, Mountain Realty, to Destination Properties, providing same approval through Terra Del Vista Sewer Association **[010 - attached to 4/27/78 McCoy letter]**
- 04/27/78 Letter from M.H. McCoy, Green Tree, Inc., to Destination Properties, providing approval to pass sewage through system to get to City's treatment plant for 17 lots west of 12th Street. **[010]**
- 04/28/78 Letter from Jim Wysocki, City Manager, to Paul Barru, President of Barru Homes, Inc. Council and commissioners have agreed with the concept of adding packaged treatment units at the existing sewage plant at such time as the present plant reaches capacity prior to completion of the new plant so as to reduce or perhaps eliminate a total moratorium against sewer taps during the period in question. Surcharge on existing tap fee to pay for costs - deficits, if any, to be paid by the homebuilder's association. Staff to move forward with establishing this

agreement. **[CDOH Documents]**

- 04/28/78 Commissioner Albers requests Administrator Ford write a letter to the Home Builders Association "acknowledging with thanks their proposal for construction of a package sewer plant in the event the Valleywide Sewer Plant is not available when the present plant reaches capacity."
- Tiara Rado Homeowners Association members meet with the Commissioners together with Jim Patterson and Dwayne Jensen concerning the Tiara Rado system which the City operates under contract with the developer. The City reports that the plant is in compliance and is scheduled for plan modification. Commissioners advise the Tiara Rado homeowners that they would ask legal counsel if the Commissioners had the power to force the developer to stick to a time table to modify the plant. **[Commissioners Minutes]**
- 05/?/78 Letter from Paul Barru, Warren Gardner, and Robert Gerlofs, re: proposed plan for sewer tap surcharge beginning in June, 1978, to create a fund from which to build an interim treatment facility so as to avoid a possible moratorium on sewer taps anticipated to be necessary in mid 1980. **[City Utility Files]**
- 05/05/78 Letter from Paul Barru of Barru Homes, Inc. on behalf of the Colorado Homebuilder's Association addressed to Governor Lamm re: delays occasioned by the Water Quality Control Commission to the development of the new sewer plant in Mesa County, enclosing a chronology and attaching documents and requesting assistance from the Governor to help expedite the processing of the needed grant to assure sewer capacity in a timely manner. Attachments setting forth the delay: 12/1/77 letter from Mayor Koziseck to Mr. Dildyne Water Quality Control Commission re: request to proceed with final design, 1/25/78 letter from Mr. Dildyne to Mayor Koziseck urging the City to check into water supply/water rights issues relative to the new regional wastewater treatment facility, 1/30/78 letter from Dildyne to Allan Merson, re: approval of the Grand Junction 201 Facilities Plan but continuing to express the Commission's general dissatisfaction with the plan particularly, in regard to the adequacy of the consideration of land treatment, opportunities for salinity improvement and general water quality improvement in the river, and 4/20/78 memo from Vencil Shively, Director Office of Public Awareness EPA Region VIII to Paula Herzmark, Executive Director Department of Local Affairs, re: status of planning and construction grants in the Grand Junction, Colorado area providing a chronology of events up to the then present time. **[County file - Reso/Valley Wide Sewer - Box 3]**
- 05/08/78 County Commissioners approve a preliminary plan to allow a variance for on-site sewage treatment disposal for developer John Obergfell for property located outside of the 201 Sewer Study area. Only 39 lots are being developed and, therefore, a package plant was not feasible although it is possible development on another property, although not contiguous, might make a package plant feasible later. Delayed for further consideration were the issues of "stub outs, and lines for future connection with the sewer facility." **[Commissioners Minutes]**
- 05/09/78 Administrator Ford advises the Commissioners that the City is approving a contract with HDR for the Goat Wash and Tiara Rado Interceptor Sewer Pump Stations and river crossings. The County share to be \$20,000. **[Commissioners Minutes]**
- 5/11/78 1978 City of Grand Junction Sewer Refunding Revenue Bonds (City Emergency Ordinance No. 1737).

- 05/12/78 Letter from Richard Bowman, Colo. Dept. of Health, to Paragon Engineering., advising plans and specifications for sewer line extension for Ox-Bow Subdivision, Filing #4, meet criteria, subject to conditions stated. **[010]**
- 05/15/78 County Commissioners approve a hardship variance to allow petitioner John Chapman, 318 Rosevale Road, to install septic tanks in order to proceed with a minor subdivision. Mr. Whetstone, County Health Department, recommended that the petitioner be required to install stub outs and dry lines for future connection with the Valleywide Sewer System. Commissioner Roland suggested that the City and County consider the possibility of forming an improvement district to "sewer this area as there previously were problems encountered due to the fact that part of this area is located in the flood plane." **(Commissioners Minutes]**
- 05/15/78 Memo from Duane Jensen to Jim Patterson re: sewer service - Mesa Mall regional shopping center by general growth and development corp.- City Council's December, 1977 decision not to allow single tap service outside the City appears to apply to general growth and has resulted in letters from attorney Nelson on behalf of general growth re: the so-called tap moratorium. **(Patterson's files)**
- 05/21/78 Memo from Jim Patterson to Jim Wysocki re: general growth and development corp. - change in circumstances results in changes in policy or conditions. The City has acted in good faith although now General Growth has been "caught in the middle". **(Patterson's files)**
- 05/25/78 Letter from Duane R. Jensen, City Engineer - Utilities, to Calvin Youngburg, CDOH - Water Quality Control Division, re: City's request for sewage construction grant funds from the EPA during fiscal year 1979 for construction of the proposed wastewater treatment plant and interceptors as outlined in the 201 Facilities Plan submitted to the WQCC during the fall of 1977. With attached "information request." **(City Utility Files)**
- 06/78(?) Daily Sentinel Article "Sewer Plans Get a Big Lift." Author: George Orbanek. EPA has authorized additional \$349,000.00 to complete final design of the new plant. Sewer tap moratorium still a possibility once the existing plant reaches capacity. Homebuilder's Association, as "Grand Valley Homebuilders, Inc." has proposal before City Council for construction of an interim treatment plant. [See the 6/19/78 letter from Gerlofs with proposed homebuilder's agreement.] **[CDOH Documents]**
- 06/05/78 County Commissioners discuss with Warren Gardner a letter from the Homebuilders Association in regard to the possibility of temporary modification of the existing City sewer facility.
- Anita Finn, member of the Health Board, reports to the Commissioners concerning a letter received from the Homebuilders Association regarding the possibility of an interim policy for the existing sewer plant. Ms. Finn submitted proposed regulations in regard to sewer facilities in subdivisions which were drawn up by the Health Board. After discussion it was decided that the Commissioners together with the Health Board would meet with the Valleywide Sewer Committee members prior to scheduling a public hearing. **[Commissioners Minutes]**
- 06/12/78 County Commissioners consider the proposal to establish Valley West Water and Sanitation District. **[Commissioners Minutes]**
- 06/13/78 County Commissioners unanimously approve a resolution approving the creation of the Valley West Water and Sanitation District with the understanding that the district would be abandoned upon construction and completion of the Valleywide Sewer System and Treatment Facility.

Administrator Ford is to send a letter to the City for the County as an agreement "to send the entire amount of the oil shale fund for the City/ County sewer to the City, as the City of Grand Junction is administering the project." **[Commissioners Minutes]**

06/14/78 Letter from Errol Snider, Chairman, Mesa County Commissioners, to John Fernandez re Oil Shale Lease funds for Grand Junction and Mesa County, authorizing funds be paid to City of Grand Junction as administrator of the project on behalf of Mesa County. **[002] [026]**

06/23/78 Letter from Robert Gerlofs, Paragon Engineering, to City Council and County Commissioners, enclosing agreement for installation and operation of interim sewage treatment facility; Blank Agreement dated \_\_ May, 1978, between Home Builders Association and City of GJ and Mesa County; Blank Agreement between Grand Valley Home Builders, City of GJ and County. **[029 - loose]**

06/28/78 Memo from Duane Jensen to Jim Wysocki re: operation of water supply for summer of 1978.

06/29/78 County Commissioners approve Kings View Estates sewer treatment facility (South of Fruita) with various stipulations.

County Commissioners approve a variance for a "central collection septic system" to be located in the Arrow West Commercial Subdivision North of G Road at 22 3/4 Road, with the understanding that dry lines will be installed and that the County will have power of attorney to ask for connection to the main system whenever it is available and the subdivider will participate."

County Commissioners approve a variance for on-site sewage treatment for Cottonwood PUD.

County Commissioners approve a variance for a central collection septic system for the Four F.M. Subdivision located at 23 and G Roads "subject to getting power of attorney with the understanding that the developer will install collection lines to a central point, and the septic system will be engineered to meet the Health Board requirements."

County Commissioners approve a variance for on-site sewage treatment in the End-O-Care Subdivision with the understanding that the developer will provide "power of attorney (for three lots) and ask for dry lines to be stubbed to the property lines (on Lots 2 and 3)."  
**[Commissioners Minutes]**

07/17/78 County Commissioners approve a variance for on-site sewage treatment for the 25 Road Subdivision with the understanding that "dry lines be installed for connection with the Valleywide Sewer System as soon as it is available" and, further, that "the County will receive power of attorney prior to the sale of lots for the 25 Road Subdivision."

County Commissioners approve the variance for on-site sewer treatment for the PIN Subdivision "excluding Lots 1 and 2, until they can be tied into the Valleywide Sewer when available." **[Commissioners Minutes]**

07/19/78 "Amendment - Negative Declaration - Environmental Impact Statement. EPA. Re: Grand Junction, Colorado Wastewater Treatment Facility." **[EPA Files]**

07/19/78 City of GJ Memo from Duane Jensen to James Wysocki, re proposed agreement from Home Builders Association for temporary package sewage treatment plant, advising Littleton has one for sale, recommends increasing existing facilities first. **[029 - loose]**

- 07/24/78 Memo from Lt. A.C. Palmer, G.J. Fire Dept., to R.T. Mantlo re water supply for fire protection and related facilities (includes recommendations to Board of County Commissioners). [010]
- 07/24/78 Letter from George F. Thompson, Jr., Coughlin & Co., Inc. (Investment Bankers) to City/County attorney Gerald Ashby re: recommendation to the Valley Wide Sewer Committee regarding how to finance the non-EPA portion of the costs of the proposed joint sewer system. Recommendation is to utilize a metropolitan sewage disposal district pursuant to C.R.S. §32-4-501 which would require petitioning the district court for declaratory judgment resolving the issue of representation of and by the County on a governing board and the issuance of revenue bonds without an election. Recommends the County or the City initiate the legal proceedings to form the district and resolve the legal issues.
- 08/08/78 County Commissioners approve Tiara Rado Subdivision Filing No. 4 "subject to receiving power of attorney for connection to the sewer system within 60 days after availability". [Commissioners Minutes]
- 08/09/78 County Commissioners approve the variance for on-site sewage disposal for a location on West Quail Drive with the understanding that the Commissioners will "take power of attorney and that they put in dry lines to be hooked up within 60 days of available sewage disposal plan."
- County Commissioners approve Jackson Heights Subdivision final plat subject to provision of a power of attorney for sewer hook ups.
- County Commissioners approve Iron Subdivision final plat subject to the provision of a "power of attorney for sewer hook ups." [Commissioners Minutes]
- 08/16/78 City Council Minutes: Joint meeting of Valley Wide Sewer Committee with City Council and County Commissioners scheduled for 8/22/78. [Dan Wilson Files]
- 08/22/78 Letter to Jim Patterson from Harvey Hornberg, EPA, advising the City of the need to conduct a "value engineering study" required on all EPA projects with an estimated project construction cost in excess of \$10,000,000 pursuant to 40 C.F.R. 35.920-3 of the EPA regulations and recommending five possible engineers to perform the Value Engineering Study. [EPA Documents - Grant Section]
- 08/22/78 Minutes of Valley Wide Sewer Committee Meeting, Duane Jensen gave status report on new treatment plant, Gerald Ashby reported Financial Sub-Committee determined to recommend to Valley Wide Sewer Advisory Committee that County be the instrument through which the construction occur through the issuance of revenue bonds, sheet was distributed listing information to be considered regarding County sewer revenue bond issue (no copy), Committee moved that County own and operate new plant, motion carried, Legal council to write resolution to come before City Council and Board of County Commissioners. [029 - loose] [Documents by Category - Volume V]
- 08/22/78 Memo from Duane Jensen, City Engineer to Jim Wysocki re: customers on flowlines from Kannah Creek (attached is an August 18, 1978 list of users). [Patterson's files]
- 08/23/78 Letter from Duane Jensen to Frank Weber, Western Engineers, taking no exception to plans and specs for sewage collection facilities for gravity sewer lines within General Growth & Development project at 24-1/2 Road and F Road, except pipe must be PVC, stating requirements prior to acceptance. [010]



- 08/28/78 Letters from Jack L. Sparks, "201 Coordinator," Colorado West Area Council of Governments (COG) to Dick Bowman, CDOH, Grand Junction, re: applications for approval of sewage collection facilities - multiple site applications. Mr. Sparks recommending "approval." [CDOH Documents]
- 09/07/78 Daily Sentinel Article "No Decisions: Grand Junction Council's Inaction on Sewer Tap Moratorium, Flood Plain Map Dominates Meeting." Author: George Orbanek. Council tables any action on proposed agreement among the City, County and Grand Valley Homebuilder's Ltd. re: interim treatment facility "to head off a possible sewer tap moratorium." Disagreement arises over who should be given preference for developing the interim treatment plan (local vs. non-local firms). Uncertainty as to how the Colorado Water Quality Control Commission viewed the interim treatment plan added to the City's reluctance to move forward with the agreement. [CDOH Documents]
- 09/12/78 In preparation for Ford's later discussion, legal counsel instructed to "draw up a resolution supporting an interim sewer plant to be located wherever possible, whenever needed as outlined by a proposal presented to the Planning Commission originally." [Commissioners Minutes]
- 09/17/78 Daily Sentinel Article "Whose Gonna Own New Sewer?" Author: George Orbanek. Two positions have evolved. City: "A major concern developed over the loss of a critical annexation took if the County owns the new treatment plant." "The most important point in the whole discussion, as far as I am concerned, is that the City be allowed to grow." (Jane Quimby) "Let's face it, Grand Junction is a very important part of Mesa County." The Commissioners are very aware of the City's concern over its annexation ability and stressed that the County would make every effort to insure that the City can continue to grow. (Commissioner Errol Snider.) [CDOH Documents]
- 09/18/78 Letter to Jim Patterson from Harvey Hornberg advising that the EPA, pursuant to 40 C.F.R. 35.937-6 has reviewed the City/HDR contract and found it to be in compliance with pertinent regulations and adequately supported with applicable cost data. The agreement is approved by the EPA. [EPA Documents - Grant Section]
- 09/20/78 City of GJ Memo from Duane Jensen to James E. Wysocki, re raising of sewer plant investment fee to include construction of interim facilities; 9/20/78 list of Plant Investment Fees for other areas. [029 - loose]
- 09/21/78 Letter from John Porter, Architect to Errol Snider, Mesa County Commissioner re: sewer plant, expressing his opinion that the County should own and administer the new sewer plant because of the potential abuse by the City, the enormous power associated with the total control of a tool such as a sewage system and the fact that the County Commissioner represents all of the residents and taxpayers, including those within the City limits whereas the City Council members represent only those within the City limits. [County file - Wastewater Treatment & Sewage Systems - Box 3]
- 09/22/78 Letter from Duane Jensen to Jim Roberts, Paragon Engineering, taking no exception to plans and specs for sewage collection facilities for F Road Sewer Extension, stating requirements prior to acceptance. [010]
- 09/25/78 Memo from Jim Patterson to Duane Jensen appointing Jensen as acting Director of Public Works and Utilities for the City during Patterson's vacation. [Patterson's files]
- 09/29/78 Daily Sentinel Article "No Decision Made On Sewer Owner." Commissioners reluctant to accept City ownership of the new facility. City will not operate the treatment plant unless it

owns the plant. Commissioners would prefer to own the plant and have the City operate the facility on a contract basis. County's position "prompted primarily by a philosophical concern over representation "we just really feel that we are the only elected officials who are responsible to both the City and the County." [CDOH Documents]

- 09/29/78 Memo from John Rhett to Charles Sutfin, Water Division Director, re Annexation as a Prerequisite for Wastewater Treatment Services, stating policy as reiterated in 6/19/80 memo. [031 - attached to 6/19/80 EPA Memo]
- 09/29/78 Memo from Bob Kettle, City/County Development Department to Jim Patterson regarding the new City/County sewage treatment plant - Kettle is reminding Patterson that the Commissioners' approval included a stipulation that the design include flexibility for possible land application at a future date. Kettle requests that Patterson assume responsibility to insure this is accomplished. [Patterson's files]
- 10/02/78 Memo from Patterson to Bob Kettle re: effluent from the planned new regional sewage treatment plant - alternatives for use. The existing plant will run out of capacity before any other options can be chosen and for that reason it has been decided to build a mechanical treatment plant immediately with the possibility of using effluent at some time in the future.
- 10/02/78 Memo from Carl M. Johnson (City Mayor) to City Council and staff re: Valley Wide sewer - (ownership, operation, and system management). Recommends City ownership as opposed to County ownership. [Patterson's files]
- 10/05/78 Letter from Richard Bowman, Colo. Dept. of Health, to Gene Sanders, advising plans and specifications for sewer line extension for F Road Sewer Association, meet criteria, subject to conditions stated. [010]
- 10/10/78 Memo from Jim Patterson to Mayor Carl Johnson in response to Mayor Johnson's 10/2/78 memo re: ownership, operation, and system management. Addressed are the ownership issues, billing issues, system management, and annexation issues. Recommends City ownership as opposed to County ownership. [Patterson's files]
- 10/11/78 Letter from Duane Jensen to Redwing Subdivision, advising sewer taps purchased but no building permits obtained and before building permits issued, clearance will have to be obtained. [010]
- 10/11/78 Letter from Duane Jensen to Wintergreen Estates Subdivision, advising sewer taps purchased but no building permits obtained and before building permit issued, clearance will have to be obtained. [010]
- 10/11/78 Letter from Duane Jensen to Village East Subdivision, advising sewer taps purchased but no building permits obtained and before building permit issued, clearance will have to be obtained. [010]
- 10/11/78 Letter from Duane Jensen to Shoshone Subdivision, advising sewer taps purchased but no building permits obtained and before building permit issued, clearance will have to be obtained. [010]
- 10/15/78 Note To Users of Grand Junction Zoning Ordinance from City-County Development Dept., advising of text change, regarding fire zones in City. [010]
- 10/16/78 City of GJ Memo from Duane Jensen to James Wysocki re changes required in City ordinances to properly address plant investment fee. [031]

- 10/18/78 City Council Minutes: Chapter 25, City Code of Ordinances "Sewers" amended - first reading. **[Dan Wilson Files]**
- 10/20/78 Letter from Duane Jensen to Fruitvale Sanitation District, requesting district contribute toward purchase of a sewer TV camera to be used in inspections of sewer lines. **[010]**
- 10/20/78 Letter from Duane Jensen to CGVSD, requesting district contribute toward purchase of a sewer TV camera to be used in inspections of sewer lines. **[010]**
- 10/20/78 Letter from Duane Jensen enclosing 9/20/78 memo prepared for City Council re: plant investment fees, sent to: OM Sanitation District; Fruitvale Sanitation District; CGVSD District. **[029 - loose]**
- 10/20/78 Letter from HDR to City and County attention: Duane Jensen, Utility Engineer re: consulting engineering proposal for the design and construction of an interim sewage treatment facility prior to completion of the Persigo Wash Plant. **[Patterson's files]**
- 10/23/78 Memo from Duane Jensen to Jim Wysocki re: HDR's proposal to design and construct an interim treatment facility to provide the City with interim treatment capacity in order to avoid a sewer moratorium, advantages of doing so discussed. **[Patterson's files]**
- 10/23/78 County Commissioners approve final plat of Quail Estates Subdivision "together with the power of attorney for road improvements and sewer". **[Commissioners Minutes]**
- 10/23/78 County Commissioners approve final plat of Village Nine Subdivision No. 3 subject to "a sewer to be acceptable by the Orchard Mesa Sewer District and/or the City of Grand Junction." **[Commissioners Minutes]**
- 10/25/78 City of G.J. Memo from Duane Jensen to James Wysocki re sewer extension agreements with subdivisions and districts outside of City, regarding requests for extensions to locations not eligible for annexation, referencing moratorium. (references meetings with County Commissioners "concerning sewer service....I think I am hearing that there would be a total area wide use of any interim facilities and any future facilities which may be constructed by the City." (no encl.) **[010]**
- 10/26/78 Letter from Don Caraway, O.M. Sanitation Dist., to John Kinney with copy of letter to Pete Siegmund, Atkins Engineering, explaining OMSD inspection policies. **[010 - attached to 10/27/78 OMSD Speed Letter]**
- 10/27/78 Letter from J. E. Patterson to CGVSD, re policy District established of allowing no annexations into district when it became evident City sewer plant will run out of capacity before new plant is built, advising plant investment fee to provide capital to increase treatment capacity prior to completion of new plant. **[010]**
- 10/30/78 O.M. Sanitation District Review of Plans for Proposed Sewage Collection System for Village Nine 3 - 2nd submittal. **[010]**
- 10/30/78 County Commissioners preliminarily approve W.R. Peterson's request to obtain building permits prior to the installation of two fire hydrants in the End-O-Kare Subdivision subject to the fire department's willingness to accept a power of attorney that Mr. Peterson would participate in the cost of installation at such time as the adjoining areas are developed. **[Commissioners Minutes]**

- 11/01/78 City Council Minutes: City Ordinance 1779 amending Chapter 25 of the City Code of Ordinances "Sewers" approved. **[Dan Wilson Files]**
- 11/01/78 City Ordinance 1779 enacted - adding to Chapter 25 of the City Code of Ordinances, Article XII, establishing Plant Investment Fees (PIF) and Connection Procedures, and setting Sewer District Assessments.
- 11/13/78 City Planning Commission and City Planning Staff recommend approval of the Dewey Subdivision final plat with the stipulation that this subdivision be constructed to City specifications due to possible annexation.
- County Commissioners approve the final plat of the Spomer Subdivision with the understanding that the current owner Ms. Margaret Eachus, who is in the process of selling the property to Mr. Spomer, execute a power of attorney for fire protection, road improvement and connection to Valley Wide sewer and to the Ute Conservancy District.
- City Planning Commission recommends approval of the Oxbow West Subdivision preliminary plat if sidewalks, curbs and gutters are installed to City specifications due to the close proximity and possible annexation by the City. **[Commissioners Minutes]**
- 11/14/78 County Commissioners approve request for bulk development from the east side of 25 Road and F Road with the understanding that the "County Health Department requires a recorded document showing power of attorney regarding the sewer". **[Commissioners Minutes]**
- 11/16/78 Letter from Albert Reuter, CGVSD, to Duane Jensen, requesting additional information on proposed use of TV to check sewer lines. **[010]**
- 11/20/78 Memo from Jim Patterson to Larry Rasinski re: Dewey Subdivision - development of the subdivision to meet City standards although it is outside of the City limits but likely to be annexed very soon. **[Patterson's files]**
- 11/21/78 Memorandum from Jim Patterson, Secretary Valley Wide Sewer Advisory Committee to Valley Wide Sewer Advisory Committee re: ownership and operation of the new sewage treatment plant. The Committee's first choice was the creation of a metropolitan district which was unavailable as an alternative because State statutes needed to be modified in order to accomplish that. Hence the Committee recommended its second choice that the County own the new plant and the City operate it (see the 8/22/78 Resolution). The Commissioners and the Council rejected that Resolution recognizing "difficulties that such an arrangement would produce in relation to their overall responsibilities and goals." The Commissioners and the Council therefore developed an agreement for joint ownership of the facility with the City operating it." Patterson opines that "this Agreement provides for an easier transition into the Metro District concept provided that the State statute is revised and it is the desire of the City and County to pursue that concept." A copy of the proposed form of agreement for the Committee's review and information per the request of Howard Roland was attached. **[Valley Wide Sewer Committee documents]**
- 11/21/78 Memorandum of Agreement. Proposed form of Memorandum of Agreement providing for joint ownership of the Treatment Plant by the City and the County and operation by the City. Undated (1978), unsigned Memorandum of Agreement between City and County to cooperate in design, construction and operation of sewerage treatment facility (title to be held jointly, County shall have authority to determine when an area outside limits and within 201 area is eligible for service, City will act as manager, City shall be responsible for following through on design and construction, sale of bonds, billing and collection of all fees, County Commissioners to be provided with progress report and accounting of all expenses incurred).

(See the 11/21/78 Patterson memorandum to the Valley Wide Sewer Committee and the 8/22/78 Resolution by the Valley Wide Sewer Committee). A precursor to the 10/17/79 Memorandum of Agreement? [Valley Wide Sewer Committee documents] [NOTE: two copies - second copy contains David Hahn's handwritten notes - Source: David Hahn]

- 11/21/78 Memo from Ron Ruskey to Ron Rish re: assumptions/criteria for 5-10 year expansion (growth of the City) which addresses issues including: ownership of the plant and collection system and annexation. [Patterson's files]
- 11/29/78 Letter from Fred Matter, Colo. Dept. of Health, to City of G.J., enclosing final permit No. CO-0026417. [012]
- 11/29/78 Authorization to Discharge Under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, issued to City of G.J. [012]
- 11/29/78 County Commissioners hold a public hearing to review the Palisade 201 Plan to consider the possibility of revising the presently proposed boundaries. The County Planning Commission submitted its recommendations to the Board of Commissioners who in turn will submit their recommendations to the Palisade Town Board as well as to the EPA with final approval to be given by the EPA. [Commissioners Minutes]
- 12/01/78 Memo from Ron Rish, City Engineer to Connie McDonough, City/County Development Director re: proposed "Mesa County standards specification for road and bridge construction". Discusses the issue of land use control and development standards in urbanizing unincorporated areas of Mesa County (road and bridge standards, street development standards). [Patterson's files]
- 12/06/78 Agreement between City of Grand Junction and Destination Properties, Inc. (DPI) pursuant to which DPI agrees to construct a sewage collection system to serve Peach Hill Subdivision (west of 27 Road and south of G-1/2 Road) and the City will allow DPI to connect to its sewer trunkline in that area. NOTE: POA - "DPI agrees and consents that it will consent to the annexation by the City of the property in Peach Hill Subdivision when the City desires such annexation and will, upon request, execute any such requested formal consent. Such obligation shall further be binding upon any successor in interest of Peach Hill Subdivision in and to such property and any part thereof." [CDOH Documents]
- 12/14/78 Letter from Robert Gerlofs, Paragon Engineering, to Duane Jensen, advising CGVSD has directed contractor to raise manholes where necessary to facilitate access. [010]
- 12/15/78 Letter from William H. Hornberg, Director Office of Grants Water Division, Colo. Dept. of Health, to James Patterson, commenting on 10/17/78 letter of Duane Jensen regarding Federal Sewage Works Grant, transmitting EPA Municipal Wastewater Treatment Works Construction Grants Program, 9/27/78, Part III. [008] [035 - loose in box]
- 12/18/78 Memo from Patterson to Wysocki re: interim treatment capacity - Patterson's recommendation that the City proceed immediately with construction of an interim treatment facility at the new plant site in order to avoid a possible sewer moratorium. [Patterson's files]
- 12/18/78 County Commissioners approve the final plat of the Birkes Blue Estate Subdivision subject to the City engineers' requested power of attorney for improvements for B-1/2 Road and that the street sections be built to City specifications.

County Commissioners approve final plat of Barslund (minor) Subdivision subject to the developer providing a power of attorney for improvements of 29-1/2 Road. **[Commissioners Minutes]**

12/20/78 City Council Minutes: Council, after discussion, tables its consideration of a form of memorandum of agreement between the City and the County regarding the sewer treatment plant. Councilman Larry Brown strenuously objects to the form of agreement arguing that the agreement does a great disservice to the people of the City because the City is taking on the entire burden for the entire valley and passing veto power onto the County Commissioners who for all practical purposes do nothing. He suggests that if the County wants to get into the sewer business, it should do so. Council also authorizes Patterson to proceed with the design of an interim sewage plant facility at the new plant site and to bring to the Council for discussion and agreement with the design engineers for the interim treatment facility and the River Road interceptor sewer. **[Dan Wilson Files]**

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12/29/78 County Commissioners hold a public hearing concerning the Palisade 201 Sewer Study at which Albin Anderson representing Mt. Garfield Sanitation District urges the Commissioners to include the Mt. Garfield District within the 201 Study. **[Commissioners Minutes]**