

**GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

**February 13, 2012**

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction convened into regular session on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Auditorium. Those present were Councilmembers Bennett Boeschstein, Teresa Coons, Jim Doody, Laura Luke, Bill Pitts, Sam Susuras, and Council President Tom Kenyon. Also present were Acting City Manager Rich Englehart, City Attorney John Shaver, and City Clerk Stephanie Tuin.

Council President Kenyon called the meeting to order. Councilmember Luke led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by an invocation by Minister Doug Clayton, Church of Christ of Grand Junction.

**Presentations/Recognitions**

**Award Presentation to City Council by the American Public Works Association, Colorado Chapter (Steve Glammeyer, presenter) – The award recognizes the Public Relations/Public Awareness campaign conducted by the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) and the City during the Downtown Uplift project**

Council President Kenyon introduced Steve Glammeyer, Utilities Director for the City of Delta, who was representing the Colorado Chapter of the Association, or APWA. Mr. Glammeyer presented an award that the Downtown Development Authority and the City recently received from the APWA.

Mr. Glammeyer highlighted the project noting that Grand Junction's Main Street is the rival of the State. He recognized the difficulty in communicating with those affected. He lauded Grand Junction's use of Facebook and Twitter to keep the communication flowing. He presented the DDA with the plaque. Kathy Dirks and Harry Weiss of the DDA were in attendance to receive the plaque.

Council President Kenyon noted that the communication was key to keeping the businesses going and the vision was recognized. He thanked Mr. Glammeyer.

**Presentation of the State of the Arts of the Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture**

Council President Kenyon introduced Rob Schoeber, Parks and Recreation Director, for the presentation of the State of the Arts. Mr. Schoeber introduced Vice Chair of the Commission on Arts and Culture Lance Livermont.

Mr. Livermont recognized Coordinator Lorie Gregor for her work with the Commission. He described six categories in which the Arts Commission participated in 2011: public exhibits, 1% for the arts program, Champion of the Arts awards, National Arts and

Humanities Month, social networking and virtual media, and the Arts Commission grant program. He provided a copy of the annual report to the City Council. Council President Kenyon thanked Mr. Livermont for the report.

### **Financial Report – Jodi Romero, Financial Operations Director**

Jodi Romero, Financial Operations Director, provided City Council with an update on the financial status of the City. She mainly highlighted the January sales tax. Sales tax makes up 63% of the general and capital revenue for the City. December sales come in as revenue to the City in January. Consumer activity was up 18%. There was a 3.6% increase over last year. Sales tax has been increasing since the big drop in 2010. Both downtown and the northwest areas of town showed the largest increases.

Ms. Romero summarized other financial news. The Finance Division is in the process of closing the 2011 books. Departments were very cautious in their spending in 2011 which will result in a little larger fund balance going into 2012.

The Finance Division is looking forward to capital discussions starting with the Fire Department on March 5<sup>th</sup> at the City Council Readiness meeting.

Councilmember Pitts inquired if building materials sales are down and why were they not included in the report. Ms. Romero clarified that the building materials sales did decrease and they were included in the report.

Councilmember Luke asked how many other categories there are and what percentage of sales are building materials. Ms. Romero responded that building materials are not a large percentage of each category but the Finance Division is in the process of revamping how that is detailed to provide that information in a better format to the Council.

### **Council Comments**

Councilmember Luke stated she went on the stadium tour last week and had an opportunity to see how far they had come in construction. She was pleased to see the great view from the hospitality tower. The project is coming along very well.

Council President Kenyon thanked her for her leadership on the Grand Valley Transit Committee.

Councilmember Boeschstein advised that he attended the Saving Places Conference in Denver which deals with Historic Preservation. Historic Preservation is funded by gaming in the State. The City has received some of that funding. Governor Hickenlooper spoke at the conference. He noted that the State is working on the capitol dome restoration. The City's Art on the Corner project was mentioned at the conference and

identified as a magnet to an old downtown. Councilmember Boeschstein said it was a good conference.

**Citizen Comments**

There were none.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Councilmember Coons read the Consent Calendar and then moved to approve the Consent Calendar items #1-11. Councilmember Pitts seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

1. **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

*Action: Approve the Minutes of the February 1, 2012 Regular Meeting*

2. **Setting a Hearing on the Grand Junction Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map Amendments** [File #CPA-2011-1324]

Proposed amendments to the Grand Junction Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map to eliminate the conflict between the land use designation and the current zoning of certain properties in the urban areas of Grand Junction.

The proposed amendments contain 142 parcels and are generally located as follows:

- Area 1 – 41 parcels located north of Highway 6 and 50 and west of 24 Road;
- Area 2 – 25 parcels located north of Highway 6 and 50 and west of 25 Road;
- Area 3 – 18 parcels located north of Broadway and west of Riverside Parkway;
- Area 4 – 56 parcels located north of Franklin Avenue and west of N. 1<sup>st</sup> Street;
- Area 20 – 2 parcels located south of Fire Station #3 and east of 25 ½ Road.

Proposed Ordinance Amending the Grand Junction Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map

*Action: Introduction of a Proposed Ordinance and Set a Public Hearing for March 7, 2012*

3. **Setting a Hearing on Rezoning Property Located at 513 Independent Avenue**  
[File #RZN-2011-1207]

A City initiated request to rezone one property totaling 0.22 +/- acres located at 513 Independent Avenue from R-16, (Residential – 16 du/ac) to C-2, (General Commercial).

Proposed Ordinance Rezoning One Property from R-16, (Residential – 16 du/ac) to C-2 (General Commercial), Located at 513 Independent Avenue

*Action: Introduction of a Proposed Ordinance and Set a Public Hearing for March 21, 2012*

4. **Setting a Hearing on Rezoning Properties in the Area of Patterson Road and 26 ½ Road from R-5 and R-1 to B-1, R-8 and R-4** [File #RZN-2011-1205]

A request to rezone nine parcels totaling 13.365 acres located in the area of Patterson Road and 26 ½ Road.

1. The first subarea rezone is from R-1 (Residential - 1 unit per acre) to R-4 (Residential – 4 units per acre).
2. The second subarea is from R-1 (Residential - 1 unit per acre) to R-4 (Residential – 4 units per acre) zone district; and
3. The third subarea consists of rezones from R-5 (Residential – 5 units per acre) to B-1 (Neighborhood Business) and from R-5 (Residential – 5 units per acre) to R-8 (Residential – 8 units per acre) zone districts.

Proposed Ordinance Rezoning 632 and 642 26 ½ Road and a Parcel Located at the Eastern End of Northridge Drive, Tax Parcel Number 2945-023-00-065, from R-1 to R-4; Rezoning 2634 ½ Patterson Road from R-5 to R-8; and Rezoning 2628, 2630, 2632, 2634 Patterson Road and an Unaddressed Lot Located between 2634 and 490 Patterson Road, Tax Parcel 2945-023-00-041, from R-5 to B-1

*Action: Introduction of a Proposed Ordinance and Set a Public Hearing for March 21, 2012*

5. **Setting a Hearing on Rezoning Six Properties Located on the East Side of 26 Road, North of Patterson Road and One Property Located East of Foresight Apartments, North and East of the 25 ½ Road/Patterson Road Intersection**  
[File #RZN-2011-1210 ]

A City initiated request to rezone approximately 6.25 acres, located on the east side of 26 Road, north of Patterson Road from R-1 (Residential 1 du/ac) to R-4

(Residential 4 du/ac) and approximately 4.89 acres located east of Foresight Apartments, north and east of the 25 ½ Road/Patterson Road intersection from CSR (Community Services and Recreation) to R-16 (Residential 16 du/ac).

Proposed Ordinance Rezoning Six (6) Properties from R-1 (Residential 1 du/ac) to R-4 (Residential 4 du/ac) and One (1) Property from CSR (Community Services and Recreation) to R-16 (Residential 16 du/ac) Located on the East Side of 26 Road, North of Patterson Road and East of Foresight Apartments, North and East of the 25 ½ Road/Patterson Road Intersection

*Action: Introduction of a Proposed Ordinance and Set a Public Hearing for March 21, 2012*

6. **Setting a Hearing on Rezoning Two Parcels Located at 690 and 694 29 ½ Road; Two Parcels Located at 2910 Highline Canal Road and 725 29 Road; and One Parcel Located at 698 29 Road** [File #RZN-2011-1154]

A City initiated request to:

- 1) Rezone 15.454 acres in two (2) parcels located at 690 and 694 29 ½ Road from an R-R (Residential Rural) to an R-5 (Residential 5 dwelling units/acre) zone district; and
- 2) Rezone 27.537 acres in two (2) parcels located at 2910 Highline Canal Road and 725 29 Road from R-R (Residential Rural) and 2.769 acres in one (1) parcel located at 698 29 Road from a C-1 (Light Commercial), all to a B-P (Business Park) zone district.

Proposed Ordinance Rezoning Properties Located at 690 and 694 29 ½ Road from an R-R (Residential Rural) to an R-5 (Residential 5 Dwelling Units per Acre) Zone District, Rezoning Properties Located at 2910 Highline Canal Road and 725 29 Road from an R-R (Residential Rural) to a BP (Business Park) Zone District, and Rezoning Property Located at 698 29 Road from a C-1 (Light Commercial) to a BP (Business Park) Zone District

*Action: Introduction of a Proposed Ordinance and Set a Public Hearing for March 21, 2012*

7. **Setting a Hearing on Annexing the Sturgeon Electric Enclave, Located at 2775 Riverside Parkway** [File #ANX-2011-1314]

A request to annex 2.375 acres of enclaved property, located at 2775 Riverside Parkway. The Sturgeon Electric Enclave consists of one (1) parcel and no public right-of-way.

**a. Notice of Intent to Annex and Exercising Land Use Control**

Resolution No. 08-12—A Resolution of the City of Grand Junction Giving Notice that a Tract of Land Known as the Sturgeon Electric Enclave, Located at 2775 Riverside Parkway, Consisting of Approximately 2.375 Acres, will be Considered for Annexation to the City of Grand Junction, Colorado and Exercising Land Use Control

*Action: Adopt Resolution No. 08-12*

**b. Setting a Hearing on Proposed Ordinance**

Proposed Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Grand Junction, Colorado Sturgeon Electric Enclave Annexation, Located at 2775 Riverside Parkway, Consisting of Approximately 2.375 Acres

*Action: Introduction of a Proposed Ordinance and Set a Hearing for April 4, 2012*

**8. Setting a Hearing on Zoning the Suncor Annexation, Located at 2200 Railroad Avenue [File #ANX-2011-1328]**

A request to zone the Suncor Annexation, located at 2200 Railroad Avenue, which consists of one (1) parcel, to an I-1 (Light Industrial) zone district.

Proposed Ordinance Zoning the Suncor Annexation to I-1 (Light Industrial) Located at 2200 Railroad Avenue

*Action: Introduction of a Proposed Ordinance and Set a Hearing for March 7, 2012*

**9. Purchase of Toughbook Laptops and Mounting Units for Police Vehicles**

This request is for the purchase of 14 Toughbook laptops, mounting units, and accessories for existing police vehicles. This purchase will be an extension of a November 2011 contract award that resulted from a formal City of Grand Junction competitive bid process.

*Action: Authorize the City Purchasing Division to Purchase Toughbook Laptops, Mounting Units, and Accessories from PCS Mobile, Denver, Colorado in the Amount of \$71,299.34*

10. **Sole Source Purchase of Ferrous Chloride for Persigo Wastewater Treatment Plant**

This request is for the sole source purchase of ferrous chloride, a chemical fed into the sewer system to reduce the production of hydrogen sulfide gas. Hydrogen sulfide causes deterioration of sewer pipe and foul odor.

*Action: Authorize the City Purchasing Division to Award the Sole Source Purchase of Ferrous Chloride to Kemira Water Solutions of Atlanta, Georgia in the Estimated Annual Amount of \$112,000*

11. **Nuisance Animal Services Contract for 2012**

The Parks Operations Division is requesting the approval of the 2012 agreement with Nuisance Animal Control Services to provide pest control services, including the trapping and relocating of pigeons/starlings, clean up of pigeon/starling droppings, the control of nuisance wildlife, and roadkill removal. The agreement was modified this year to include a onetime cleaning of the box girders of the Redlands Parkway Bridge, which will consist of the removal of the live pigeons and pigeon carcasses. The bridge portion of this contract will be monitored and funded by the Public Works and Planning Department.

*Action: Authorize the Acting City Manager to Sign a Contract Renewal for Nuisance Animal Services with Nuisance Animal Control Services in the Amount of \$62,500*

**ITEMS NEEDING INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

**Contract for Food and Beverage Services for Lincoln Park Golf Course**

This request is for the contract award of food, beverage, and concession services at Lincoln Park Golf Course. The previous contract was terminated in late 2011 at the previous contractor's request.

Rob Schoeber, Parks and Recreation Director, introduced this item. He advised a recent Request for Proposal (RFP) process was completed for Lincoln Park and asked for authority to move forward with PAT Services, LLC for Lincoln Park.

Council President Kenyon asked if Tiara Rado was also advertised. Mr. Schoeber said it was and if it is the Council's pleasure they could broaden the motion to allow for continued negotiations for both golf courses.

Councilmember Doody inquired if those negotiations would be with PAT Services, LLC. Mr. Schoeber answered affirmatively.

Council President Kenyon asked for a motion.

Councilmember Pitts moved to authorize the City Purchasing Division to negotiate a contract with PAT Services, LLC to provide food and beverage services for Lincoln Park Golf Course and with Tiara Rado Golf Course. Councilmember Susuras seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

**Public Hearing—An Ordinance Adopting the International Building Codes Including Building, Plumbing, Mechanical, Fuel Gas, Property Maintenance, Residential, Electrical, and Energy Conservation and Amendments Thereto**

The proposed ordinance will adopt the 2012 Code Editions of the International Building, Plumbing, Mechanical, Fuel Gas, Property Maintenance, and Residential; and the 2009 Edition of the International Energy Conservation Code; plus the 2011 Edition of the National Electric Code as adopted by the State of Colorado. These codes regulate building construction. Mesa County has or soon will be adopting the same code set.

The public hearing was opened at 7:33 p.m.

John Shaver, City Attorney, introduced this item. He described the fundamental concept of how all the Codes listed come together. There is an International Code Council (ICC) that is dedicated to building safety and efficiency. The ICC develops the Code based on experience through collaborative efforts with government agencies. He introduced Tim Moore, Public Works and Planning Director, and Mike Mossburg from Mesa County who administers the Code on behalf of the City. Mr. Moore is the City's Chief Building Official and confers with Mr. Mossburg when needed.

Council President Kenyon invited Mesa County's Chief Building Official Mike Mossburg to address the Council.

Mr. Mossburg said they are moving to the newest generation of Codes and it is to the best interest of the citizens that the City and County work together on this.

Tim Moore, Public Works and Planning Director, added that Mr. Mossburg actually does the building inspection for the whole area including other municipalities so it really is a beneficial relationship.

Councilmember Susuras asked if open houses were held with stakeholders and did they have any objections to the new Codes? Mr. Moore said the only concern was that single



family homes would require sprinkling systems. The adoption of these Codes has deleted that provision through amendment.

Councilmember Coons asked what the changes were to the Codes. Mr. Moore said Mr. Mossburg could answer more thoroughly, but for the most part it speaks to using newly developed materials and new ways of doing things. The new Energy Conservation Code for 2012 did make significant changes so that is why the 2009 Energy Conservation Code is being adopted instead.

Mr. Mossburg noted that the 2012 Residential Code now requires the carbon monoxide detection which is a State law but there was no enforcement provision. Now that it is in the Code, it can be enforced. Also there was some changes for better designs on housing to prevent damage due to wind, etc.

Councilmember Boeschstein asked about the status of White Hall. Council President Kenyon asked him to hold that question and direct it to City Attorney Shaver.

Councilmember Susuras asked if the ICC meets every three years. Mr. Mossburg said they meet every year and generally they develop new codes every three years. However, here locally, adoption takes place every six years. The 2009 codes were skipped.

Councilmember Susuras inquired about the statement in the ordinance about repealing any ordinances in conflict therewith. City Attorney Shaver said the previous ordinance will be repealed which adopted the previous building codes.

Councilmember Luke inquired about Mesa County adopting the same code set and asked if it was part of the standardized code set. City Attorney Shaver replied affirmatively and advised that the objective is to have standardization throughout the valley. There is just a little bit of sequencing differences between the other entities and by the end of the March everyone will have adopted these Codes.

There were no public comments.

The public hearing was closed at 7:45 p.m.

Ordinance No. 4499—An Ordinance Adopting and Amending the Latest Edition of the International Building Code, the International Plumbing Code, the International Mechanical Code, the International Fuel Gas Code, the International Property Maintenance Code, the International Residential Code, the National Electric Code, and the 2009 International Energy Conservation Code to be Applied Throughout the City of Grand Junction with Certain Amendments Regulating the Erection, Construction, Enlargement, Alteration, Repair, Moving, Removal, Demolition, Conversion, Occupancy, Equipment, Use, Height, Area, and Maintenance of all Buildings or Structures in the City

of Grand Junction; and Repealing all Other Ordinances and Parts of Ordinances in Conflict Herewith

Councilmember Susuras moved to adopt Ordinance No. 4499 and ordered it published. Councilmember Pitts seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

### **Briefing on White Hall**

City Attorney Shaver said that, at the end of last year, the City issued a red tag to the building known as White Hall which sustained fire damage. Discussions have continued with the property owner and the property owner's agent. They know the expectations and in the next few days or weeks there may be an executive session to discuss it further. City Attorney Shaver met with a contractor that will be coming to evaluate the property.

Councilmember Boeschstein asked if there is a time limit for the building to be demolished. City Attorney Shaver replied there is a time limit but that time frame has been extended. Staff is trying to figure out a way for the City to take an interest in the property, rather than just placing a lien on the property, or for the other parties to work something out.

### **Public Hearing—An Ordinance Adopting the International Fire Code 2012 Edition with Amendments**

The 2012 edition of the International Fire Code ("IFC 2012") is the updated version of the 2006 edition of the International Fire Code which is presently part of the Grand Junction Municipal Code found in Chapter 15.44. The IFC 2012 is part of the 2012 International Code set currently being considered for adoption by the City. Mesa County has or soon will be adopting the same code set.

The public hearing was opened at 7:50 p.m.

John Shaver, City Attorney, introduced this item. This too is an International Code Council code. He noted that Fire Chief Ken Watkins and Fire Inspector Chuck Mathis are present to answer any technical questions.

There were no public comments.

The public hearing was closed at 7:51 p.m.

Councilmember Doody asked about the changes regarding open burning. City Attorney Shaver said they were issuing two burn permits, one for spring and one for fall, but for efficiency purposes, the change will mean they will issue only one burn permit per customer per year.

Ordinance No. 4500—An Ordinance Adopting the 2012 Edition of the International Fire Code Prescribing Regulations Governing Conditions Hazardous to Life and Property from Fire or Explosion; Amending Certain Provisions in the Adopted Code; Amending Chapter 15.44 of the Municipal Code and Amending all Ordinances in Conflict or Inconsistent Herewith

Councilmember Pitts moved to adopt Ordinance No. 4500 and ordered it published. Councilmember Coons seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

### **Adoption of Fee Schedules for Permits and Other Actions under the International Codes**

Adoption of a Resolution which will set fees for the 2012 Editions of the International Code set, including the International Building, Residential, Plumbing, Mechanical, Fuel Gas, Property Maintenance and Fire, the 2009 Edition of the Energy Conservation Code, and the National Electric Code as adopted by the State of Colorado.

John Shaver, City Attorney, introduced this item. These are the fees for the Codes that were just adopted. He deferred to the experts for details.

Mr. Mossburg, Mesa County Chief Building Official, said the fees were not changed at all. One part that was changed was that other unspecified inspections were \$75 per hour. That was removed and changed to \$45 for inspections and plan reviews. A Plan Review Fee per hour for large commercial projects was put in place.

Resolution No. 09-12—A Resolution Setting Building Code Fees Under the International Building, Residential, Plumbing, Mechanical, Fuel Gas, Property Maintenance, and Energy Conservation Codes as well as the National Electric Code and Setting Fees for Operational and Construction Permits and False Alarm Fees for the International Fire Code in the City of Grand Junction, Colorado

Councilmember Coons moved to adopt Resolution No. 09-12. Councilmember Susuras seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

### **Great Outdoors Colorado Grant for Lincoln Park Redevelopment**

Parks and Recreation is seeking approval to apply for a Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) local government grant to assist with funding the Lincoln Park Redevelopment Project. A resolution from the governing body with primary jurisdiction must be attached to all grant applications. The spring cycle of grants is due on March 2 with an award decision on June 19.

Rob Schoeber, Parks and Recreation Director, presented this item. He noted that during the Master Planning Process, the City Council directed Staff to seek other funding options for redevelopment of Lincoln Park. A number of community meetings were held to determine what improvements should occur at Lincoln Park. He described the proposed Master Plan including restrooms, tennis court improvements, and shelter repairs. Some of the other ideas that came out of the meetings are a new playground structure similar to the one in Rocket Park and secondly, a change to the loop road (removal) with a reconfiguration of the 12<sup>th</sup> Street entrance. These items will be included in the grant request. Also an arboretum will be included in the grant request. There will be a walking educational tour of the trees in the park.

Councilmember Susuras asked about the 30% match. Mr. Schoeber said that 30% will come out of the budget amount for parks. Other funding sources have been identified for continued improvements.

Councilmember Coons asked if the items mentioned will go forward even without the grant. Mr. Schoeber said the restrooms, the shelter repairs, the tennis court repairs, and the repairs to the playground equipment would.

Councilmember Luke asked about the additional play feature to the east. Mr. Schoeber said that will be a small play area; perhaps only a sand box.

Councilmember Boeschstein commended Mr. Schoeber on the work and the open houses. He is excited about the improvements. He noted a grand entrance with columns would be great and that the Rockies might be willing to help out. He suggested an Art in the Park program. He noted that the other parks (Las Colonias, Matchett, and Burkey) are still on the radar screen and some things will happen in those areas.

Mr. Schoeber advised that there are fourteen capital projects through 2014 that will be going on throughout the parks system.

Councilmember Luke asked about the horseshoe pits and them being relocated. Mr. Schoeber advised the removal would allow more parking and the horseshoe players feel crowded there. One thought is to move it to the Fairgrounds (Lions Park) but the thought is maybe a more central park would be more accessible.

Councilmember Doody asked how much of this park is actually used as a traditional park. Mr. Schoeber said one third is traditional use, one third is golf course, and one third is the stadium use.

Councilmember Doody inquired about another entrance off of North Avenue. It was noted it is very tight considering the traffic.

Councilmember Luke asked about widening the egress onto Gunnison. Mr. Schoeber said that is being looked at.

Council President Kenyon noted that Council discussed a traffic analysis at the workshop. At present the police resources are used extensively for large events so if better access could be designed, that might reduce the use of those resources. He continued that Lincoln Park has been neglected and he is pleased to see these improvements coming forward.

Resolution No. 10-12—A Resolution Supporting the Grant Application for a Local Parks and Outdoor Recreation Grant from the State Board of the Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund for the Lincoln Park Redevelopment Project

Councilmember Pitts moved to adopt Resolution No. 10-12. Councilmember Doody seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

**Alpha Numeric Paging System for Grand Junction Regional Communication Center and Its Public Safety Responder Agencies**

Nearly all of the Grand Junction Regional Communication Center's (GJRCC) user agencies have transitioned to the 800 MHz radio system for primary communications. Although the migration to 800 MHz has greatly enhanced communication capabilities with most agencies, the rural and volunteer fire departments have requested greater coverage with alpha numeric paging, as either a primary or secondary means of emergency call notification. A new paging solution is necessary in order to provide more effective communication, improve coverage in the rural areas, and meet Fire ISO standards for secondary means of notification. The GJRCC board has evaluated and unanimously recommends this expenditure to best serve its user agencies. Therefore, the GJRCC would like to contract with QDS Communications to provide a turnkey solution for an Alpha Numeric Paging System, which will include the purchase and installation of equipment, staff training, and maintenance of this system for one year.

John Camper, Police Chief, introduced this item noting its importance to the City's partners in the Communication Center. The 800 MHz system uses a toning system but only works for agencies that have Staff in house. For those with volunteers, the paging system is needed. He deferred additional details to Deputy Chief Troy Smith.

Troy Smith, Deputy Police Chief, presented this item. He described the study undertaken by the consultant and how the paging system can be improved. The City is working with QDS Communications for the Public Safety Building and therefore the Department thinks it is prudent to enter into a contract with them for the paging system. The system will require ongoing maintenance work. The item was expected and budgeted for.

Councilmember Coons asked how many volunteer Fire Departments are served by the Communication Center. With Fire Chief Watkins assistance, he answered there are ten volunteer fire agencies.

Council President Kenyon asked if the system has a warranty. Deputy Chief Smith said it does.

Councilmember Susuras asked how the Sole Source can be justified. Deputy Chief Smith said that QDS Communications is the only qualified vendor in the Western Slope and has a local office in Grand Junction. They are the designated provider for Motorola. The Police Department has an ongoing relationship with QDS Communications and there will be ongoing maintenance needed. QDS Communications are best suited to install this type of equipment based on their knowledge, not only for Staff, but for operating procedures and for the kind of infrastructure that the Public Safety building has.

Councilmember Luke asked if this is paid out of 911 funds. Deputy Chief Smith said yes, it was in the Communication Center budget that was approved by Council.

Councilmember Susuras moved to authorize the City Purchasing Division to enter into a sole source contract with QDS Communications to provide equipment and services in the amount of \$244,590. Councilmember Pitts seconded. Motion carried by roll call vote.

**Non-Scheduled Citizens & Visitors**

There were none.

**Other Business**

There was none.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Stephanie Tuin, MMC