**RESOLUTION NO. 50-16**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE GRANT APPLICATION FOR A SCHOOL YARD GRANT FROM THE STATE BOARD OF THE GREAT OUTDOORS COLORADO TRUST FUND FOR ORCHARD AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Recitals:

On November 16, 2016 students and faculty from Orchard Avenue Elementary School, a school operated by Mesa County Valley School District No. 51 (“District”), presented their plan to the City Council to improve the school yard at Orchard Avenue Elementary School (“Project”).

The Project plan depends in significant part on receipt of funding in the amount up to $110,000 from a Great Outdoors Colorado (“GOCO”) grant, and in order for the grant application to be made the City must agree to sign the grant application and serve as the grantee of the grant.

After due consideration the City Council of the City of Grand Junction supports the Project and desires the City to assist the District’s efforts to submit a GOCO grant application to obtain the necessary funding for the Project, and if the grant is awarded, to enter into such further agreements as are necessary and proper to obtain and pass through the grant funds to the District and complete the Project.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION THAT:**

1: The City Council of the City of Grand Junction strongly supports the application to GOCO to obtain funds needed to complete the Project. The City Manager is authorized and directed to work with the District to review, finalize and timely submit such GOCO grant application.

2: If the grant is awarded, the City Council of the City of Grand Junction strongly supports the completion of the Project, and authorizes the City Manager to sign an appropriate grant agreement on behalf of the City as grantee of the GOCO grant.

3: If the grant is awarded, the City Council of the City of Grand Junction further authorizes the City Manager to negotiate and sign an intergovernmental agreement between the City and the District regarding the GOCO grant. Such agreement shall provide for, but may not be limited to—

1. Pass-through to the District of GOCO grant funds received by the City for the Project;
2. The District’s assumption of the City’s obligations under the GOCO grant agreement,
3. Confirmation that the District has raised and set aside sufficient funds to satisfy GOCO’s matching funds requirement(s) for the Project;
4. The District’s payment of Project construction costs as they come due; and
5. The District’s agreement to maintain the Project in high quality condition once it is complete and during its useful life, subject to annual appropriation.

6: This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and adoption.

Passed and adopted this 16th day of November, 2016.

/s/ Phyllis Norris

President of the City Council

**ATTEST:**

/s/ Stephanie Tuin

City Clerk