

**GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP SUMMARY**  
**March 13, 2017 – Noticed Agenda Attached**

Meeting Convened: 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Auditorium

Meeting Adjourned: 6:45 p.m.

City Council Members present: All Councilmembers except McArthur and Traylor Smith

Staff present: Caton, Shaver, Valentine, Finlayson, Hockins, Camper, and Tuin

Also present: Richard Swingle, Kristi Pollard (GJEP), Tim Pollard, Landon Balding, Allison Blevins (DGJBID) Amy Hamilton (Daily Sentinel), Bruce Lohmiller, Michael Day, Jesse Daniels, Abel Chavez (CenturyLink), Steve Reimer, Chris Schumann (News Videographer), and other representatives.

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Agenda Topic 1. Broadband Project Discussion

Mayor Norris said the topic is Broadband Project Discussion and City Manager Caton said he is hoping for a discussion on how to move forward, revisit the goals for broadband, and to keep the options open. City Attorney Shaver advised he is in the final stages of closing out the contract with SiFi/Nokia. There was additional discussion on the following:

- Ubiquitous service was key to the solution when the City started this process, has this changed?
- Public/private partnerships/or City owned/private managed?
- Pricing
- What are the goals? These need to be defined before approaching incumbent providers again
- Putting in a base infrastructure sets the playing field for the next 20 plus years
- Where is the fiber currently located in Grand Junction?
- Focus was originally on economic development, is it still?
- Work toward a question(s) for the November ballot, very small window of time that is quickly closing for a November ballot question
- What can the incumbents provide to businesses and/or residential users? Get specific
- Develop a Grand Junction model from the community goals
- Put a committee together, all aspects/different agencies focus on economic development to include GJEP and the Chamber and to include a couple of experts

Agenda Topic 2. Next Workshop Topics

Councilmember Chazen said he and Councilmember McArthur have worked with Judge McInnis and are ready to bring the non-wage related items to Council at a future workshop for discussion.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.



GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL  
MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2017

PRE-MEETING (DINNER) 5:00 P.M. ADMINISTRATION CONFERENCE ROOM  
WORKSHOP, 5:30 P.M.  
CITY HALL AUDITORIUM  
250 N. 5<sup>TH</sup> STREET

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1. Discussion Topics
  - a. Broadband Project Discussion
2. Next Workshop Topics
3. Other Business