GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP SUMMARY August 13, 2018 – Noticed Agenda Attached

Meeting Convened: 6:03 p.m. in the City Hall Auditorium

Meeting Adjourned: 8:24 p.m.

City Councilmembers present: Councilmembers Bennett Boeschenstein, Chris Kennedy, Duncan McArthur, Phyllis Norris, Rick Taggart, Duke Wortmann, and Mayor Barbara Traylor Smith.

Staff present: City Manager Greg Caton, City Attorney John Shaver, Assistant to the City Manager Greg LeBlanc, Finance Director Jodi Romero, Deputy Finance Director Jay Valentine, Parks and Recreation Director Rob Schoeber, Recreation Superintendent Traci Wieland, Public Works Director Trent Prall, Police Chief Shoemaker, Fire Chief Watkins, Human Resources Director Claudia Hazelhurst, and City Clerk Wanda Winkelmann.

Mayor Traylor Smith called the meeting to order.

Agenda Topic 1. Discussion Topics

- a. Expansion of Transportation Network and Infrastructure Needs Discussion
- b. First Responder Needs
- c. Matchett Park and Community Center

City Manager Caton introduced the topic and provided an overview of the following needs:

- 1. Transportation: \$184 million in future needs for road projects over the next ten years.
- 2. Fire Department: Almost \$11 million for future capital projects (which includes new fire stations).
- 3. Police Department: Staffing needs and workload were reviewed, with over \$3 million identified for future positions to meet operational and community needs.

Discussion ensued about the possible funding for these needs, such as sales tax on groceries and a tax on residential utilities.

PLACE representative Andreya Krieves noted her group conducted a door-to-door poll and learned that voters would support a ballot question to combine both the community center project with developing Matchett Park; however, voters did not support "bundling" a community center question with the other items identified above for transportation and first responder needs.

Support was expressed by City Council for staff to work with the PLACE committee on a ballot question for the April election.

Agenda Topic 2. Next Workshop Topics

City Manager Caton reported the September 3 Workshop is canceled due to the Labor Day Holiday.

The September 17 Workshop will entail a discussion on the Hope West Expansion Project and a report on the Municipal Court.

3. Other Business

There was none.

<u>Adjournment</u>

The Workshop adjourned at 8:24 p.m.