

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

**September 5, 2018**

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction convened into regular session on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of September 2018 at 6:02 p.m. Those present were Councilmembers Chris Kennedy, Duncan McArthur, Phyllis Norris, Rick Taggart and Council President Pro Tem Bennett Boeschstein. Councilmember Duke Wortmann and Council President Barbara Traylor Smith were absent. Also present were City Manager Greg Caton, City Attorney John Shaver, and City Clerk Wanda Winkelmann.

Council President Pro Tem Bennett Boeschstein called the meeting to order. Councilmember Kennedy led the Pledge of Allegiance which was followed by a moment of silence.

**Proclamations**

**Proclaiming September 5, 2018 as Sister City Day in the City of Grand Junction**

Councilmember Kennedy read the proclamation. Anna Stout, Foundation for Cultural Exchange President, accepted the proclamation and provided a presentation.

**Proclaiming September 10 - 16, 2018 as National Direct Support Professional Week in the City of Grand Junction**

Councilmember Norris read the proclamation. Doug Sorter, Vice President of Development for Strive, Cynthia Ellis and James Wright accepted the proclamation and presented Council with a flag.

**Proclaiming September 10 - 16, 2018 as Colorado Cities and Towns Week in the City of Grand Junction**

Councilmember Taggart read the proclamation. City Manager Caton accepted the proclamation.

**Proclaiming September 15 - October 15, 2018 as Hispanic Heritage Month in the City of Grand Junction**

Councilmember McArthur read the proclamation. Jorge Pantoja, Western Colorado Latino Chamber of Commerce President, accepted the proclamation.

**Proclaiming September 17 - 23, 2018 as Constitution Week in the City of Grand Junction**

Councilmember McArthur read the proclamation. Katey Kelly, Mount Garfield Chapter of National Society Daughters of the American Revolution Regent, accepted the proclamation.

**Appointments****To the One Riverfront Commission**

Council President Pro Tem Boeschstein moved to appoint Thomas Moore, David Varner and JoAnna Woodruff to One Riverfront for terms ending July 2021. Councilmember Kennedy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**To the Urban Trails Committee**

Council President Pro Tem Boeschstein moved to reappoint Elizabeth Collins and David Lehmann and to appoint Devon Balet to the Urban Trails Committee for terms ending June 2021. Councilmember Norris seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**To the Grand Junction Housing Authority**

Councilmember Norris moved to appoint Scott Proper for a partial term ending October 2019 to the Grand Junction Housing Authority. Council President Pro Tem Boeschstein seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**To the Commission on Arts and Culture**

Councilmember Norris moved to appoint Dean Harris for a partial term ending February 2020 and Mark Marino for a full term ending February 2021 to the Commission on Arts and Culture. Councilmember Kennedy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**Certificates of Appointment****To the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board**

Councilmember Kennedy presented Gary Schroen with his Certificate of Appointment to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for term ending June 2021.

**Citizens Comments**

Gabriel Otero, Wilderness Society - Colorado Plateau Representative, provided information on the Land and Water Conservation Fund in Colorado.

Richard Swingle spoke on "bright lights" in the community.

Bruce Lohmiller spoke about the Veterans Administration Art Center.

**City Manager Report**

City Manager Caton showed a video on the Council/Manager form of government and thanked Council for the proclamation in honor of Colorado Cities and Towns Week.

**Council Reports**

Councilmember McArthur attended a Homeless Coalition meeting, the Mesa County Honor Our Vietnam Veterans ceremony, the White House Briefing on the new U.S.-Mexico Trade Agreement, the Grand Junction Regional Airport Authority runway groundbreaking ceremony, a Mind Springs facility and program update and a Colorado Water District webinar about the Colorado River Compact.

Councilmember Norris attended the Downtown Development Authority Retreat, the Creative District Mixer and helped interview for various City boards.

Councilmember Kennedy encouraged those with an Instagram account to look up "gjunionstation" for the Union Station Train Depot progress and findings.

Councilmember Taggart attended joint meetings with the County and Economic Development Partners and the joint Persigo Board Meeting.

Council President Pro Tem Boeschstein attended a Department of Energy meeting and then read a letter from the Canada Council General regarding free trade.

**Consent Agenda**

Councilmember Kennedy moved to adopt items #1, #2, #3.a. and #4 on the Consent Agenda and remove item #3.b. for consideration at the September 17<sup>th</sup> Workshop and possible inclusion at the September 19<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting. Councilmember Norris seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**1. Approval of Minutes**

- a. Minutes of the August 13, 2018 Executive Session

- b. Summary of the August 13, 2018 Workshop
- c. Minutes of the August 15, 2018 Regular Meeting

## **2. Set Public Hearings**

- a. Legislative
  - i. Introduction of an Ordinance Describing the Functions of the Municipal Court and Setting a Public Hearing for October 3, 2018
- b. Quasi-judicial
  - i. Introduction of an Ordinance Rescinding Ordinance No. 4810 Regarding the Fossil Trace Rezone and Setting a Public Hearing for September 19, 2018
  - ii. Introduction of an Ordinance Rezoning the Fossil Trace Holdings, LLC Property from RR (Residential – Rural) to R1 (Residential 1 du/ac), Located at 465 Meadows Way, and Setting a Public Hearing for September 19, 2018
  - iii. A Resolution Referring a Petition to the City Council for the Annexation of Lands to the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, Setting a Hearing on Such Annexation, Exercising Land Use Control, and Introducing Proposed Annexation Ordinance for the Frog Pond Annexation of 4.49 Acres, Located at 2501 Monument Road, and Setting a Public Hearing for December 5, 2018

## **3. Contracts**

- a. 2018 Contract Street Maintenance Asphalt Overlays Change Order #2
- b. Health Services Agreement with Marathon Health, LLC (moved to September 17, 2018 City Council Workshop)

## **4. Resolutions**

- a. A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Submit a Grant Request to the Mesa County Federal Mineral Lease District for Completion of Infrastructure for Firefighter Training at the Colorado Law Enforcement Training Center

### **Public Hearing - An Ordinance Amending the Zoning and Development Code (Title 21 of the Grand Junction Municipal Code) Regarding the Decision-making Authority of Boards, Commissions and the Director**

The Planning Commission was advised by the City Attorney to require a majority of the membership (four of seven members) to pass a motion rather than deferring to the

quorum requirement and passing a vote by a majority of those present. This method of voting may impact the result of a vote taken when five or fewer members of the Commission are present at a meeting. Other proposed changes include: moving the sections on the general authority of decision-makers, boards and commissions to administer the Code from Chapter 2 to Chapter 1; moving text establishing the decision-making authority of the Historic Preservation Board from Chapter 7 (Special Regulations) to Chapter 1 with the general authority of other boards and decision-making bodies; clarifying and making more complete what applications are heard and decided by the various boards; re-formatting the subsections on boards and commissions for greater simplicity, consistency, and clarity; deleting unnecessary text; and renaming "Director of Public Works and Planning" to "Director."

Community Development Director Tamra Allen noted a recommendation of denial from the Planning Commission on rezoning and Comprehensive Plan amendments requiring a super-majority of the City Council to approve or enact.

Discussion included consideration of remote/electronic attendance, the "Director's" department and compensation/reimbursement of Planning Commission members.

The public hearing was opened at 7:17 p.m.

There were no public comments.

The public hearing was closed at 7:17 p.m.

Councilmember Kennedy moved to adopt Ordinance No. 4815 - an Ordinance amending the Zoning and Development Code (Title 21 of the Grand Junction Municipal Code) regarding the decision-making authority of Boards, Commissions and the Director on final passage and ordered final publication in pamphlet form. Councilmember Taggart seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

### **Non-Scheduled Citizens & Visitors**

There were none.

### **Other Business**

There was none.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

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Wanda Winkelmann, MMC  
City Clerk