

GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP SUMMARY
October 1, 2018

Meeting Convened: 4:00 p.m. in the City Hall Auditorium

Meeting Adjourned: 8:08 p.m.

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

Staff present: City Manager Greg Caton, City Attorney John Shaver, Finance Director Jodi Romero, Budget Coordinator Linda Longenecker, Director of General Services Jay Valentine, Public Works Director Trent Prall, Human Resources Director Claudia Hazelhurst, Visit Grand Junction Director Elizabeth Fogarty, Visit Grand Junction Administrative Specialist Kim Machado, Assistant to the City Manager Greg LeBlanc, Fire Chief Ken Watkins, Utilities Director Randi Kim, Parks & Recreation Director Rob Schoeber, Deputy Parks & Recreation Director Traci Wieland, Communications Manager Sam Rainguet, Community Development Director Tamra Allen, Deputy Police Chief Zen, Deputy Police Chief Nordine, and City Clerk Wanda Winkelmann.

Mayor Traylor Smith called the meeting to order.

Agenda Topic 1. Discussion Topics

a. Budget Overview and Major Operating Department Presentations: Fire Department, Police Department, Parks & Recreation, General Services, Visit Grand Junction, Utilities-Water

City Manager Caton presented the City of Grand Junction Recommended Budget for 2019. The 2019 Recommended Budget totals \$173.7 million, a \$4.7 million, or 2.8% increase from the 2018 Amended Budget of \$169 million. The 2019 Recommended Budget is not only balanced, but the General Fund has a surplus of \$222,094 bringing the fund balance to \$27.1 million. The budget represents the allocation of resources to achieve the goals identified in City Council's adopted Strategic Plan.

The presentation included overviews from six major operating departments:

- Fire Department
- Police Department
- Parks & Recreation
- General Services

- Visit Grand Junction
- Utilities-Water

Support was expressed for staff to begin working on an April 2019 ballot measure to fund public safety needs.

Agenda Topic 2. Next Workshop Topics

The October 15 Workshop will be a Budget Overview for the Economic Development Partners. The Workshop will begin at 6:00 p.m.

3. Other Business

There was no other business.

Adjournment

The Workshop adjourned at 8:08 p.m.