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**GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2019**

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

To become the most livable community west of the Rockies by 2025

1. Discussion Topics

- a. Selection of members for the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC)
- b. Update on the Downtown Development Authority Plan of Development (POD)

2. Next Workshop Topics

3. Other Business

What is the purpose of a Workshop?

The purpose of a Workshop is for the presenter to provide information to City Council about an item or topic that they may be discussing at a future meeting. The less formal setting of a Workshop is intended to facilitate an interactive discussion among Councilmembers.

How can I provide my input about a topic on tonight's Workshop agenda?

Individuals wishing to provide input about Workshop topics can:

1. Send an email (addresses found here www.gjcity.org/city-government/) or call one or more members of City Council (970-244-1504);
2. Provide information to the City Manager (citymanager@gjcity.org) for dissemination to the City Council. If your information is submitted prior to 3 p.m. on the date of the Workshop, copies will be provided to Council that evening. Information provided after 3 p.m. will be disseminated

the next business day.

3. Attend a Regular Council Meeting (generally held the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 6 p.m. at City Hall) and provide comments during “Citizen Comments.”



Grand Junction City Council

Workshop Session

Item #1.a.

Meeting Date: February 4, 2019

Presented By: David Thornton, Principal Planner, Tamra Allen, Community Development Director

Department: Community Development

Submitted By: David Thornton, Principal Planner

Information

SUBJECT:

Selection of members for the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The City will be conducting the 2020 Comprehensive Plan update over the next 18 months. As a part of this effort, a Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC) will be established to provide input on the Plan. City Council should consider appointing 12 to 15 people from a list of applicants to serve on this committee.

BACKGROUND OR DETAILED INFORMATION:

The City of Grand Junction is beginning the process of updating the City's Comprehensive Plan that was last adopted in 2010. The Comprehensive Plan is a long-range plan that looks at where and how the city will grow over the next 20 years. The update will include planning for residential and commercial growth and needed services and infrastructure (parks, utilities, roads, police, fire, etc.), potential changes to the City's growth boundary, identifying risks and vulnerabilities of natural and human-caused hazards and identifying goals, strategies and actions that reflect the community's values and vision.

The City will be conducting the 2020 Comprehensive Plan update over the next 18 months. As a part of this effort, a Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC) will be established to provide input on the Plan. City Council should consider appointing 12 to 15 people that represent a variety of perspectives from a list of applicants to serve on this committee.

The Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee will serve as a sounding board, meeting at key points during the project to discuss overall planning direction, review project deliverables, vet ideas and help promote community involvement. This advisory committee may include elected/appointed officials, representatives of community organizations, business owners, residents and other stakeholders. Committee members will be asked to attend 5 to 7 meetings during the planning process as well as to attend public outreach events. Formal appointment of the CPAC has been scheduled for the February 6th Council Meeting.

The consultant on the Comprehensive Plan, Houseal Lavigne, recommends appointing a committee of 12 to 15 members of which members should be considered for their geographic representation as well as expertise and interests. Members with experience in some or all of the following areas may be helpful in this process:

1. Economic/Financial/Business
2. Residential or Commercial Development
3. Real Estate – Commercial and/or Residential
4. Planning/Landscape Architecture/Urban Design
5. Parks/Open Space/Trails
6. Neighborhood Organizations
7. General Interest/Citizen/Neighborhood
8. Housing
9. Senior-Aged Residents
10. Millennial-Aged Residents
11. Transportation
12. Member of Planning Commission

Staff solicited for approximately 10 days letters of interest from the community. Staff received 44 letters of interest by the deadline. In addition, staff and consultant recommend including a representative from both the City of Grand Junction Planning Commission as well as the Mesa County Planning Commission which brings the total to 46 people to be considered for appointment to the advisory committee. The list of Applicants is attached and formatted in the following ways; 1) alphabetical by first name, 2) area of experience and 3) the neighborhood area of the City they either live or work based on the address they gave in their letter of interest. Included in the attachments are the letters of interest received by staff.

There will be many other opportunities besides membership on the CPAC for city business leaders, applicants not selected for CPAC and all other community members to provide input and participate in the 2020 Comprehensive Plan update. These opportunities include a "Community Workshop" to inform participants of the planning process through unique exercises and therefore allowing the City to better understand local views, opinions and concerns about City's areas; a "Business and Property

Owner's Workshop" that specifically invites these groups to dialogue and provide feedback; as well as other traditional methods like focus groups and small group meetings. In addition there will be outreach that may include flyers, posters, postcards, events, "Do-it-yourself" kits allowing neighborhood associations and other groups the opportunity to host their own workshops.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No direct fiscal impact.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Review and discuss individual applicants and select 12 to 15 to serve on the Advisory Committee (CPAC). Formal appointment of these committee members has been scheduled for the February 6, 2019 City Council meeting.

Attachments

1. CPAC List of Applicants
2. CPAC List of Applicants by Experience
3. CPAC List of Applicants by Neighborhood
4. Letters of Interest - 44
5. Neighborhood Map

Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee - List of Applicants

	Name	Area of Experience	Neighborhood of Residence or Business	Address
1	Adam McGowen	Economic/Financial/Business	City Center	1141 Rood Avenue
2	Andrey Krieves	General Interest/Citizen/Neighborhood	Redlands	2099 S. Broadway
3	Ben Herman	Planning/Landscape Architecture/Urban Design	City Center	827 Gunnison Avenue
4	Bethany Meyer	Planning/Landscape Architecture/Urban Design	City Center	1235 Main Street
5	Bill Findlay	Senior-Aged Resident & Parks/Open Space/Trails	City Center	412 Bookcliff Drive
6	Cindy Enos-Martinez	Neighborhood Organizations	City Center	408-C West Colorado Av.
7	Cody Davis	Residential or Commercial Development	Northwest Grand Junction (Business)	637 25 Road
8	Colin St. Clair	Neighborhood Organizations	City Center	1402 Main Street
9	Dan Wilson	General Interest/Citizen/Neighborhood	Horizon	2694 Amber Spring Court
10	David Barnett	Economic/Financial/Business & Parks/Open Spaces/Trails	Redlands	2288 Red Vista Court
11	David MacAlpine	General Interest/Citizen/Neighborhood	Redlands	490 Seasons Court
12	David West	Planning/Landscape Architecture/Urban Design	Horizon (Business)	2754 Compass Dr. #377
13	Devon Balet	Parks/Open Space/Trails	Unknown	Unavailable
14	Diane Schwenke	Economic/Financial/Business	City Center (Business)	360 Grand Avenue
15	Doug Sorter	Housing & Economic/Financial/Business	City Center (Business)	790 Wellington Avenue
16	Elizabeth Rowan	Housing & General Interest/Citizen/Neighborhood	City Center	1255 Ouray Avenue
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20	Hali Nurnberg	Neighborhood Organizations	City Center	2280 Linda Lane
21	Ivan Geer	Planning/Landscape Architecture/Urban Design & Housing & Economic/Financial/Business	Horizon (Business)	744 Horizon Ct #110
22	James Curtsinger	Senior-Aged Residents & Economic/Financial/Business	City Center	1229 Grand Avenue
23	Jeffery Fleming	Planning/Landscape Architect/Urban Design	City Center (Business)	300 Main Street #308
24	Jennifer Greenwood	General Interest/Citizen/Neighborhood	City Center	516 Lilac Lane
25	Jeremy Decker	Millennial-Aged Residents & Economic/Financial/Business	Horizon	656 Deer View Lane
26	Karen Bland	Housing	City Center (Business)	245 S. First Street
27	Ken Scissors	Senior-Aged Resident & Parks/Open Space/Trails & Residential or	Redlands	2534 Park Mesa Drive
28	Kendall Kjerstad	Neighborhood Organizations	Orchard Mesa	207 Whisper Lane
29	Merritt Sixbey	Residential or Commercial Development	Appleton (Business)	2102 Hwy 6 & 50
30	Mike Foster	Real Estate - Commercial or Residential	City Center (Business)	131 N. 6th St #300
31	Olivia Pilcher	Millennial-Aged Residents	City Center	815 Chipeta Avenue
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34	Ray Rickard	Real Estate - Commerical or Residential	City Center (Business)	120 W. Park Avenue
35	Rebecca Mullen	General Interest/Citizen/Neighborhood	City Center (Rental property)	Mesa,CO (owns rental at 1212 Grand Av.)
36	Rebekah Scarrow	Real Estate - Commercial or Residential & Residential or Commercial Development	City Center (Business)	120 W Park Dr #200
37	Richard Biocic Jr.	Transportation	City Center	1127 Main Street
38	Robert Noble	General Interest/Citizen/Neighborhood	City Center	1041 Ouray Avenue
39	Robin Brown	Economic/Financial/Business	City Center (Business)	122 North Sixth Street
40	Stephanie Matlock	Neighborhood Organizations	City Center	1460 Ouray Avenue
41	Tanya Travis	General Interest/Citizen/Neighborhood	City Center	1405 Main St, Unit B
42	Ted Cianvonne	Planning/Landscape Archuitecture/Urban Design & Residential or commercial Development	City Center (Business)	222 N. 7th Street
43	Vara Kusal	Economic/Financial/Business	Horizon	2764 Compass Dr. #205
44	Virginia Brown	Real Estate - Commercial or Residential	Whitewater	31845 Willow Bend Road
45	Keith Ehlers	Member of City Planning Commission		
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January 28, 2019

City of Grand Junction
250 N. 5th Street
Grand Junction, CO 81501

Dear Mr. Thornton and City Council:

As a resident of the Grand Valley for almost seven years, I am interested in serving my community by applying to be a part of the City of Grand Junction Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (Committee). I moved here after finishing my graduate degree to take advantage of the incredible outdoor recreation this area has to offer and have grown to truly love this valley. Seeing how this community has changed for the better in the short time I have lived here has opened my eyes to the possibilities of what it can become. I would love to help contribute by sharing my time and ideas to mold a community that I can continue to be proud of.

I believe that I would be a great addition to the Committee as a young professional who is personally and professionally located in downtown Grand Junction. I purchased a home downtown in the summer of 2016, and I also work as an accountant at a local bank whose operations are based downtown. Living and working in such close proximity to the heart of Grand Junction has created a lifestyle that I enjoy full of recreational, professional, and social opportunities fostered by the area. One of my favorite things about this City is that I can commute by biking or walking every day and rarely have to use a vehicle to get around town as there are so many amenities and events in close proximity. As an avid mountain biker, I am also able to enjoy local trails without having to leave town. I am thankful for everything this City offers me, and I would love to do my part to help the City grow in ways that would create an appreciation in others as well.

I hope this information proves relevant, and I look forward to the privilege of serving on the City of Grand Junction Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Adam McGowen

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January 24, 2019

Dear Mr. Thornton and City Council members,

I'm writing to express my interest in serving on the Advisory Committee for the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update. I have lived in the Grand Valley for six years, and am excited to be an active participant in helping the city realize it's vision of *Becoming The Most Livable Community West of the Rockies*.

When my husband and I moved to Grand Junction in 2013, we had no idea how quickly and deeply we would fall in love with this community. We have two young children, and I am grateful that we get to raise them here in a forward-thinking, vibrant community that embraces citizen participation in its long-term planning process.

I am interested in serving on this committee because I think it is important to engage with local leaders, elected officials, and city staff. In my opinion, it's a civic responsibility to participate at basic levels such as voting, attending public meetings, or reading the paper, but it's a privilege to have a seat at the table in an advisory capacity.

What I feel makes me qualified to serve as a member of the advisory committee is my experience as the Chair of the local GJ Community Center Campaign. I have worked in a volunteer advocacy role with this group for the past several years bringing citizen voices together with city resources and expertise to culminate in a ballot item for a community center that will appear on this April's election. Throughout this process, I have been lucky to connect and find common ground with thousands of residents who deeply care about this community – from business and non-profit leaders, to service clubs, PTAs and HOAs, and citizens from neighborhoods across the city. It has been tremendously fulfilling to work collaboratively with Parks and Recreation and City Administration staff to elevate the voices of our community into a tangible opportunity for citizens to vote on the issue and to participate in the future of their city.

It is with gratitude for the recent opportunities that I've had to work with the City of Grand Junction and enthusiasm for opportunities in the future that I submit this letter of interest to serve on the Advisory Committee for the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Andrey Krieves, M.Ed

David Thornton

From: Ben Herman <bhbass59@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 19, 2019 9:54 AM
To: David Thornton
Subject: Letter of Interest for Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee

NDear David:

Please allow the following to serve as my letter of interest in serving on the Advisory Committee. I just learned about this opportunity this morning and am on my way out of town for a vacation, thus I am composing this on my iPhone so please forgive my brevity and possible typos.

My wife and I relocated to Grand Junction in 2015, after I completed a long and successful career in urban planning. I spent most of my 30+ yr career preparing community plans and growth management plans for communities across the US, including many fast-growing and recreation and tourism oriented towns and cities. I am very interested in helping to plan for the future of my newly adopted hometown, and feel that my many years of experience will enable me to be a valuable part of the Advisory Committee during the planning process.

I have particular expertise and experience in sustainable community planning, and spent many years working with communities as well as training other planners on this topic. I believe that I can bring a unique perspective based on my work over many years with communities and regions facing similar opportunities and challenges to ours.

I have the time, expertise, and willingness to be a part of this process, and would look forward to the opportunity to work with you, other members of the planning team, and Council on this important effort.

My contact information is as follows:

Ben Herman
827 Gunnison Avenue
Grand Junction, CO 81501

Phone: (970) 227-1403
Email: bhbass59@gmail.com

Thank you for your consideration. I will be back in town on February 5th. I should be reachable via email prior to my return, so let me know if you have any questions.

Bethany Meyer
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January 27, 2019

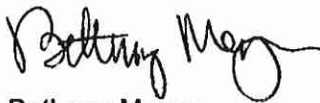
David Thornton
250 N. 5th Street
Grand Junction, CO 81501
Re: Letter of Interest - Advisory Committee

Dear Mr. Thornton,

I would like to express my willingness and enthusiasm to serve on the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee. As a native of Grand Junction and current resident of downtown Grand Junction, I believe I would be able to help the committee identify risks and maximize growth strategies. I also am particularly interested in participating because I studied Urban Planning at the University of Colorado at Boulder. Currently, I work at Colorado Mesa University and enjoy working within the diverse community of students, faculty and staff.

I value living in a community that solicits feedback from its citizens to help shape its future. I am certain my background and education would allow me to contribute positively to the committee and help give back to the community. I appreciate your consideration. If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact me at the phone number or email address listed above.

Best Regards,



Bethany Meyer

1/23/18

To: David Thornton

Bill

From: William Findlay at 412 Bookcliff Drive, GJ, 81501, 970-243-4158 or 970-260-5741 and williamafindlay@gmail.com

I am writing to express my interest in serving on the Advisory Committee for the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update.

I am a pediatrician recently retired after 40 years of practice in GJ and with a primary focus throughout my career on preventive care and healthy living for my patients and children in general. So I would primarily see my niche on this committee as representing the needs of children, their parents, and grandparents in designing a future master plan encompassing all that is required to create easy access to exercise, fresh air, sunshine and nature – which I see ranging all the way from backyard play to parks, trails, athletic facilities and open spaces.

I guess by the process of aging, I also represent seniors but think their needs and those of kids are very similar. So as our native population ages and we strive to attract more and more retirees, the same planning around healthy living applies, including walk able neighborhoods and connectivity.

Thirdly, I am an avid bike rider so hope to see future planning and design include and encourage safe ways to ride, including bike lanes, paths, trails and signage.

By way of credentials, I am involved on the Riverfront Foundation, the GJ Park and Rec Advisory Board and the Colorado West Land Trust Board and so already have a lot of insight on what is now available as well as what is on the horizon regarding health and fitness resources. I have also served on a number of committees in the past, both medical and non-medical involving these same concepts. And being now retired, I have more time and energy to devote to causes such as this, to help GJ handle its anticipated growth rate and yet remain a great place to live, work, raise children, and ultimately enjoy retirement.

So I hope I can be appointed to serve on your committee or if not, it would be great to have someone else be appointed to represent these same interests and values.

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January 27, 2019

Dave Thornton
City of Grand Junction
250 N.5th Street
Grand Junction, Colo. 81501

Dave,

I am submitting this letter of interest to serve on the City's 2020 Comprehensive Plan advisory committee. I am the neighborhood advocate for Riverside as well as a member of the Riverside Task Force. I also represent El Poso and Rosevale neighborhoods on certain occasions. I have served my community in many capacities and would like to continue my service.

Respectfully,

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Cody Davis

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970-628-4611 (w)
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January 22, 2019

David Thornton
Principal Planner
City of Grand Junction

Dear Mr. Thornton,

I am writing this letter to express my interest in being apart of the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC) to help update the Comprehensive Plan for 2020. I have 14 years experience in new home construction and residential development in the Grand Valley, and I believe I would add valuable and experienced content to the discussion. Building and development are vital industries in the valley and are instrumental in accommodating future growth. I believe my involvement will bring an essential perspective to the table and help the plan update be truly "comprehensive." I much appreciate your consideration of my participation in this committee and look forward to your response.

Regards,



Cody Davis

David Thornton

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From: stclair411@aol.com
Sent: Monday, January 28, 2019 8:59 PM
To: David Thornton
Subject: CPAC

January 28, 2019

To: David Thornton, City of Grand Junction, Principal Planner
Re: Interest in serving on the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC)

Good Evening Mr. Thornton,

I am writing you today to ask that you consider me for appointment to the City of Grand Junction's Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee.

My wife Carrie and I are Downtown Grand Junction residents, and the points of contact for the Emerson Park Neighborhood Association. Being a part of the CPAC would allow me to provide both a resident's perspective, and provide some representation for our neighborhood organization.

I am interested in working with other community members towards the goal of improving quality of life for *all* people who live or work within, and visitors to the City of Grand Junction.

I am also interested in working towards creating a safer Grand Junction. Prior to moving to the City of Grand Junction, I was a Fireman for 15 years with the Washington D.C. Fire Department. I am currently working towards completion of the Emergency Management and Disaster Planning program at Colorado Mesa University. These experiences may also be of some value to the CPAC, and if so, I am happy to add my perspective as a former First Responder to any relevant discussions.

Thank you for your consideration, and whether chosen or not, I look forward to working together with other members of the Grand Junction community in whatever capacity I'm asked towards meeting our shared goals of improving our City for all.

Sincerely,

Colin St.Clair
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January 19, 2019

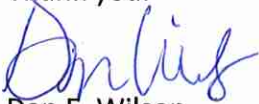
Kristen Ashbeck
Senior Planner
City of Grand Junction
250 N. 5th Street
Grand Junction CO 81501

Re: Comp Plan Advisory Committee

Dear Kristen:

I am interested in serving on the City's "CPAC" regarding the 2020 Comprehensive Plan.

Thank you.



Dan E. Wilson
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Grand Junction CO 81506

dan@danwilsonlaw.co
248-5800

David Thornton

From: David Barnett <david.barnett@singletracktrails.com>
Sent: Friday, January 18, 2019 8:39 AM
To: David Thornton
Subject: 2020 Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee

David,

Please consider this as my letter of interest to assist with visioning on the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee. As a businessman and community member I am interested to assist within several areas listed in the recent GJ City News post, including economics, commercial development, parks and open space, and transportation. Presently my wife and I own a home and reside in the Redlands area, within City of Grand Junction administrative boundaries.

The businesses for which I am assisting to lead and develop provide planning, design and development services for natural surface trails and other recreational facilities. These business entities include Singletrack Trails- the development division, STI Outdoors- our planning and design division, Tools for Trails- an online hand tool retailer, and Desert Rat Tours- a western Colorado guide and shuttle service.

Currently our businesses are transitioning our primary office and shops to Grand Junction from Winter Park. Initially we will base warehouse and shop related activities at the Business Incubator on Legacy Way, and hope to conduct office activities within either the shared spaces at the Incubator or the Proximity co-working space at the Factory on Main Street. Within 2-years we plan to develop a warehouse-shop-office facility within the upcoming Dos Rios business park. Presently we employ 18 to 20 people (salaried and seasonal), though a recently completed pro forma analysis indicates that we should expect to expand staff levels to 30-35 employees within 3 to 5 years. Coming this Spring, Singletrack Trails is sponsoring and supporting the 2019 Professional TrailBuilders Association Sustainable Trails Conference at the Two Rivers Convention Center March 17th through 23rd, where trail professionals, colleagues and recreational developers from around the world will be in attendance.

My professional background includes 30-years within mineral exploration, information technology, geographic information science and business development. Locally I volunteer with the leadership committee within the Grand Valley Chapter of Colorado Plateau Mountain Bike Trails Association, and regularly attend Grand Junction Geological Society meetings.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve our community through assisting with the 2020 Comprehensive Plan. Please let me know if you have any questions.

David

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David Barnett

Business Development and GIS Manager

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David Thornton

From: David MacAlpine <dmacalpine2@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 25, 2019 1:24 PM
To: David Thornton
Subject: Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee

Dear Mr. Thornton,

I am interested in serving on the Advisory Committee for the 2020 Comprehensive Plan. My wife and I relocated to Grand Junction in September of last year. I own a home in The Seasons and serve on the homeowners association board. We retired last year and I have a deep interest in urban planning. Before settling down in Grand Junction, we traveled throughout the western states, staying for a month or longer in each location. Having seen both well-planned and less-than-well-planned communities, I believe I have a fresh perspective to offer. As avid cyclists, we are also invested in helping to ensure safe road biking. The same can be said for hiking and pickle ball opportunities.

Thank you for your consideration. My contact information is:

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David Thornton

From: David's Charter <dwest0@charter.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 19, 2019 12:41 PM
To: David Thornton
Subject: City Planning - CPAC

January 20, 2019

Dear David Thornton,

I am interested in serving on the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee for Grand Junction. I care about our citizens and our city. I would enjoy planning for our future.

I have practiced medicine and lived in Grand Junction for 41 years. I live in a home just west of the Safeway store on Horizon Drive. I am the Associate Vice President of Medical Affairs of HopeWest, our regional non-profit hospice and palliative care organization. I now work limited hours without call, and thus have time to work on this committee. Past positions I have had over my career include a family medicine private practice which is now Primary Care Partners, Director of the St. Mary's Family Medicine Residency, Director of St. Mary's Hospitalist Program, and Associate Dean of the U of Colorado School of Medicine.

When I moved to GJ Spring Valley homes were being constructed and Patterson Road was two lanes with a ditch beside it. Growth and development have been tremendous over the years, most of it good but some poorly planned. In the past I worked on the Lowry redevelopment in Denver, a planned community project that was very successful. I have also served on planning for local projects such as the Century Project at St. Mary's. These experiences were interesting and I believe my participation was helpful.

Pease contact me if you need additional information. I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

David West, MD
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Home 970-314-9355
Cell 415-810-0251

Sent from my iPad

January 21, 2019

Mr. David Thornton,

I am writing my letter of interest to serve on the newly forming Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee. As a resident of Grand Junction of five years I have been working hard to engrain myself in our community and to take part in helping shape our city into a place I want to live.

As a current member of the Urban Trails Committee we commit to helping guide our city with infrastructure and transportation issues surrounding our town. Having a closer look into the happenings with our city has allowed me an in-depth perspective of what makes a city tick and function.

I am currently working with the DDA as part of the Community Action Team and we are working to create an updated development plan for our downtown. I see this as a great opportunity to work closely with our DDA to bring forth ideas and suggestions on things our downtown lacks or could improve to create a more whole community for our downtown.

Having worked closely with non profits like Ride for Reading, I have planned and organized several book deliveries to local schools in need. Taking a closer look into the communities of need has helped shape a more whole perspective of our area and what sort of things all demographics might desire for their town or city.

As a photographer/videographer I have had the great honor to work with several Tourism Boards throughout the country to help define what makes their area unique. With a visual content background I would bring great perspectives and ideas to the table on how our city can grow and become a more predominate fixture in Western Colorado and the West.

I am interested in joining the CPAC for the 2020 Comprehensive Plan. I would bring a fresh perspective to the topics that will be brought forth to this committee. Having traveled the states and globe I have had unique experiences that have helped shape my view points and ideas of what makes a city great.

Thank you for considering my letter of interest and I look forward to hearing back from you.

Devon Balet



January 17, 2019

(delivered via email)

Dear Dave,

I would like to serve on the Advisory Committee for 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update on behalf of the 950 businesses employing 37,000 people that the Chamber represents. My membership is diverse in terms of industries represented and size of organizations. I was active in the process when the plan was created and feel my knowledge of the needs of existing businesses and economic development would bring a useful perspective to the committee.

My experience in overseeing the development of Bookcliff Tech Park and Air Tech Park also provides me with some unique insights as an owner's representative for projects and we often work one on one with our members to insure a successful outcome of the planning process for their individual expansions.

Please let me know what else you might need to consider me for committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Diane Schwenke'.

Diane Schwenke
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January 22, 2019

David Thornton
City of Grand Junction
250 N 5th St
Grand Junction CO 81501

Re: City's 2020 Comprehensive Plan

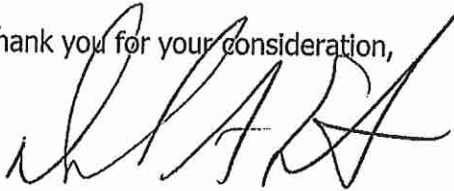
Dear Mr. Thornton,

I would like to express my interest in an appointment to the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee. I have lived in our wonderful town for over 45 years and have a dedicated passion to serving this community. I am currently the Vice President of STRIVE, a local non-profit with a large presence serving individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. I am also a former UPS executive with an immense amount of transportation knowledge and business experience. I feel my skills would be an asset to this committee.

I have immersed myself in the non-profit sector of Grand Junction and bring a comprehensive understanding of the field. I have served as the board president for the Community Impact Council, Habitat for Humanity of Mesa County, and am currently the board chair of the Colorado Mesa University Alumni Association (Go Mavs!).

I enjoy the many benefits living in Grand Junction provides, and believe it necessary to pay it forward. I will bring a strong work ethic and dedication to helping our city accomplish its goals. It has been my honor to serve with many different groups over the years and feel it would be a privilege to serve on this committee.

Thank you for your consideration,



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January 19, 2019

Dave Thornton
City of Grand Junction Principal Planner
davidt@gicity.org

Dear Dave:

Please consider this as a letter of interest to serve on the Advisory Committee for the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update.

Since December 2017, I have served as a contact person for the Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association and Historic District. I spearheaded the effort to form both of these entities, working with our neighbors. We have 110 homes in our area. Because our neighborhood is not included as part of the scope of the Greater Downtown Plan, I believe it is important that we have representation on the Committee for the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update. I am familiar with the issues brought about by living in dense neighborhoods, and how that can occur successfully.

On a personal note, I have lived in the City of Grand Junction for over 40 years, and have witnessed many changes as we have grown. I have lived in my current residence in the downtown area for 27 years. I am very familiar with the functions of local government, having worked as Assistant County Administrator at Mesa County for 18 years. During this time, I frequently interacted and collaborated with staff at the City of Grand Junction on various projects.

In addition, I worked as the Housing Development Director at Housing Resources of Western Colorado for 10 years. During that time, I became very familiar with affordable housing needs in our community and worked with City of Grand Junction staff to update the 5-Year Consolidated Plan associated with the Community Development Block Grant Program.

I am currently retired, so have the time to commit to this project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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January 21, 2019

Mr. David Thornton, AICP
Principal Planner
Community Development Department

Dear Mr. Thornton:

This letter is to serve as my formal request to be included on the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC) for the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update.

As the City and Airport continue to grow, proper planning and consideration need to be given to facilitate this growth in a manner which will maximize the benefit of the Airport resource to the City and surrounding community. Serving my role as Director of Planning and Development for the Grand Junction Regional Airport I can provide insights into operational and planning efforts from the Airport and assist with the key objectives of the Update. The Comprehensive Plan and the Airport have strong connection and direct impacts to each other.

As part of this committee I can help facilitate an understanding of the airport requirements with the goals of the Comprehensive Plan. The Grand Junction Regional Airport has received over \$80 million in Grant funds from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) since 1982. Along with the funding, the Airport is required to meet FAA requirements to protect the investment. As a co-sponsor for FAA Grants, one of the key responsibilities of the City is to provide zoning authority. Further, grant applications and grant assurances reference the Comprehensive Plan specifically, and they requires the Airport and City to maintain compatible activities with normal airport operations. My participation and understanding of the FAA grant process can help maximize the update of the Comprehensive Plan.

Feel free to contact me if you need any further information. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Eric Trinklein
Director of Planning and Development

David Thornton

From: Nix, Erin <enix@coloradomesa.edu>
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 11:42 AM
To: David Thornton
Subject: 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update - Advisory Committee

Good afternoon David,

I am writing to express my interest in serving on the Advisory Committee for the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update. As a long-time Grand Junction resident that grew up here, I have a deep commitment to the health and well-being of this valley and its residents. As an avid outdoors person who grew up camping, hunting, hiking, cycling, and being reared with a general love for the outdoors, I would bring well-rounded knowledge and experience in the parks/open space/trails arena of your committee search. I am a very active trail user whether I'm mt. biking, road riding, hiking or commuting to work on the Riverfront trail. Enjoying all the amazing outdoor activities the Grand Valley has to offer is the thing that I loved the most while growing up, and what keeps me here as an adult.

A strength of mine is the ability to think strategically about long-term planning and big-picture thinking. I would love the opportunity to serve on the committee, and I believe that my passion for seeing smart growth, that also allows for diversity and innovation, would make me an asset to your team.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Erin Nix
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970-819-0405

Gary Schroen
690 Roundup Drive
Grand Junction, CO 81507
(303) 437-0314

David Thornton
Principal Planner
City of Grand Junction

January 20, 2019

I am submitting my application to be a member of the Advisory Committee for the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update.

I am currently on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and have been a member for approximately the past 5 years. I represented the Parks and Recreation Board on selecting a firm to conduct the Recreation Center Feasibility study and participated in ongoing meetings to review community needs of the Recreation Center.

I am retired but worked in industry as a Financial Analyst/Accountant for the past 40 years. I am also a CPA. I stay active in my retirement by teaching part time accounting classes and am also active as a volunteer coach with the Business Incubator.

Rob Schoeber of the Grand Junction Parks and Recreation department and Jon Maraschin/Julie Morey of the Business Incubator can be used as references.

Sincerely,

Gary Schroen

Hali Nurnberg

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January 25, 2019

To Whom It May Concern,

I am thrilled for the opportunity to apply to be a part of the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC). I recently returned to the Western Slope where I spent my childhood after spending five years in the Denver area pursuing my education and am looking to become more engaged in my community. While visiting my family over the past few years I have begun to see signs of growth in the Grand Valley and I see this committee as an exciting opportunity to ensure that this growth bears in mind the health and wellness of all of the City's citizens.

While pursuing my Master's Degree in International Disaster Psychology through the University of Denver, a program that provides clinical training with an emphasis on the community impacts of trauma, I had the opportunity to gain valuable experience not only in mental health, but in community wellness, development, and disaster preparedness. During this time I led a joint effort between the Denver Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, The Denver Police Department, and the District Attorney's office to plan and prepare for the mental health needs of the community should a manmade or natural disaster impact the city. In my later position with the Denver Department of Safety I continued to support community development by working with faith-based and community leaders to help neighborhoods plan for and respond to ongoing gang violence to prevent transmission of intergenerational trauma and support the well-being of all community members.

In my current position as a mental health therapist with the Counseling and Education Center (CEC) I am able to provide much needed mental health care to community members regardless of their ability to pay, and by doing so have been able to get to know the struggles, strengths, hopes, and needs of our community members.

As a new homeowner looking to establish roots in this community for years to come, it would be an honor to help craft the vision not just for my family, but for my neighbors as well. I believe that my experience with mental health on an individual level and a community systems level, my knowledge of disaster preparedness and response, and my experience working with multidisciplinary teams and government organizations prepares me to be an effective and committed member of this committee. Please feel free to contact me anytime at 928.300.6976 or at hali.nurnberg@gmail.com. Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Hali Nurnberg



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January 21, 2019

Mr. David Thornton
City of Grand Junction Principal Planner
City of Grand Junction
250 N. 5th Street
Grand Junction, CO 81501

RE: Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee – 2020 Comprehensive Plan

Dear Mr. Thornton,

I would like to be considered for a spot on the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC) and participate in the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update. I am interested in serving on this committee to assist in promoting responsible growth in the City. We also work within this plan in our day to day business.

I am actively involved with and currently sit on the Boards of the Grand Junction Chamber of Commerce and the Grand Junction Housing Authority. Previously I have served on the Hopewest Board and 21st Judicial Nominating Commission. This, coupled with my background in professional engineering/design of major projects in the Grand Valley, lends diverse knowledge and experience in a variety of areas.

Sincerely,

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Principal/Project Manager
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970-261-4420 Cell

James Curtsinger
1229 Grand Avenue
Grand Junction, CO 81501

David Thornton,
Principal Planner
City of Grand Junction
Grand Junction, CO 81501

January 28, 2019

Dear Mr. Thornton,

I am interested in being considered for the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee. As you can see from my address, I reside in the City Center planning area. As a 67-year-old, I fit your senior-aged citizen demographic. My wife and I have lived in the Grand Valley for over twenty-seven years, twenty-four of them in Grand Junction proper. Our two sons were born and raised here. We have tried to be good citizens of both the school system and the larger community. We have benefitted from the efforts of those who worked to make this area a desirable place to live, and if I am able to be of some service on this committee I will be pleased to commit to the time and effort needed.

I have some experience in areas that might be helpful to the planning process. During my twenty-five years at Colorado Mesa University, I taught both economics and geography. I helped prepare the Economic Impact Statement of the Regional Management Plan for BLM's Grand Junction Field Office and prepared an economic analysis for the Horizon Drive Business Improvement District when it was seeking to improve the Horizon Drive corridor. I am currently volunteering through Grand Valley Catholic Outreach and the Homeless Coalition to implement the regional Coordinated Entry System. This is a Housing and Urban Development (HUD) mandated system for coordinating the efforts of agencies that provide homeless services across the three counties of Mesa, Moffat, and Rio Blanco. I also volunteer with the Hispanic Affairs Project and through that organization have recently become involved with the Law Enforcement Latin Alliance (LELA), which works to promote cooperation between local law enforcement agencies and the Hispanic community.

All of the priorities covered in the Comprehensive Plan are important and interesting. The most interesting to me are related to housing, transportation, village and neighborhood centers, and economic development.

If I might be of use in this process, I am glad to volunteer. Please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

James Curtsinger
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1-28-19

Mr. David Thornton
Principal Planner
City of GJ Community Development

Hello Dave,

I am writing to express interest in influencing the direction of the Comprehensive Plan. My goals would include creating policies to drive the city and valley towards more densification, towards a comprehensive trails policy and, towards educating the public in areas commonly known as Urban Myths (high density, traffic, overcrowding, traffic, crime, traffic, and pollution) yes I know I said traffic 3 times but it is a seriously misunderstood issue in our valley.

I would like to develop the idea of the "Trail Transect". I have been working on this from time to time trying to develop a model for building the right kind, type, and size of trail in the right places. We have wonderful "interstate trails" aka the River Trail. And we have great hardcore mountain bike trails built by COPMOBA, which are like residential drives. But there is so much middle ground that lacks definition. We need to more appropriately connect from the residential drive to the interstate. When we build streets we wouldn't dare think about connecting a driveway or residential street directly to the interstate highway. But that's what we often do in our trail system. We can do better. The Trail Transect would create an ever intensifying and escalating classification for trails around the valley so that we connect the COPMOBA trail to a residential collector trail, to a minor arterial, to a major arterial to the Parkway, on to the interstate trail. From barely developed native soil surface, to hard pack, to 1/4 minus, to asphalt, to 10 foot wide concrete. We shouldn't over-build a trail nor should we under-build a trail. But how do we know what is what? Anyway, all of this could be worked into the Comp Plan.

I would like to improve the Plan with ideas that are espoused by the Urban Land Institute in



order to promote business growth and development. I would like to encourage ideas from the Congress for the New Urbanism in order to promote a more walkable and "sitabile" community.

Having worked on over 100 projects on the Western Slope of Colorado I would bring my experience in mountain towns such as Breckenridge and Avon to our valley in a way I think would promote more tourism and would feel more welcoming to tourists. Thank you for your consideration in this.

Respectfully,

Jeffery Fleming

Colorado Land Advisor, Ltd.

ColoradoLandAdvisor.com



David Thornton

From: David Thornton
Sent: Friday, January 18, 2019 8:50 AM
To: 'Jennifer Greenwood'
Subject: RE: Comprehensive Plan Advisory Board application

Jennifer,

Thank you for your interest in serving our community. I have added your name to the list of applicants.

Have a great day,
Dave

From: Jennifer Greenwood [mailto:jgreenwood@juniperridgeschool.org]
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 7:15 PM
To: David Thornton <davidt@gjcity.org>
Subject: Board

Hi again David,

Jennifer Greenwood.
I left off my telephone number:

808 281-0019

The phone number is a Hawaii phone number, only because I took a sabbatical from teaching 10 years ago and needed a phone, and well, I still have the same number.

Dear David,
Please accept this email as notification of my interest in the city growth planning and input board.

I have lived at 516 Lilac Lane, and taught in the valley since 1995. So I would bring to the board my experience within the community.

My students have been active members of the community as well. They recorded words and stories for KAFM radio. They received a grant to build a park at school. They have made soup bowls for Catholic Outreach, among many other service roles.

While living and working in Grand Junction, I have shopped and dined downtown, skated the river trails and the ice rink, hiked and skied just about everything, floated the rivers, and attended many community events in the parks. I'm an all around active citizen and have an 8 year old son.

Please consider me for the board.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Greenwood

David Thornton

From: Jeremy Decker <jeremy@skutr.net>
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 5:01 PM
To: David Thornton
Subject: GJ Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee

Mr. David Thornton,

Hello Mr. Thornton, I am writing to express my interest in joining the City of Grand Junction comprehensive plan advisory committee. I am interested in sitting on the committee because I am committed to this city long term after moving here from across the country a little over a year ago. I love Grand Junction's access to outdoor recreation, the services provided, and the people. I hope to see the city continue to grow in a sustainable manner that highlights the city's many features and perks while addressing some of the concerns that go along with growth and some of the wider issues facing the state as a whole.

After reading list of targeted demographics for this committee I think I will help fill in several spots. I own a couple of businesses including a wire harness manufacturing company, a motorcycle electronics manufacturing company, and a property management company (for managing my wife and my own rental properties only). We are in our mid 30's and own two properties in Grand Junction currently, but are looking to add more rental properties in the future as well as purchase a larger commercial building for our manufacturing businesses. We like to hike, mountain bike, and rock climb, and use the city's walking, and biking trails often. In fact, we would come here to vacation prior to moving here, but fell in love and decided not to leave. I also use the Small Business incubator, Grand Junction Makerspace, and Mesa County Library system's often and are just some of the resources that helped make our decision to move here easier.

Thank you for your consideration, my contact information is below:

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Grand Junction, CO 81506

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Grand Valley Catholic Outreach

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January 21, 2019

David Thornton
City of Grand Junction Principal Planner
davidt@gjcity.org

Dear David:

I received information about the Advisory Committee being formed to assist with the city's comprehensive plan to be developed during the next eighteen months.

I wish to inform you of my interest in serving on this committee once again. I have had the honor of participating in the past two Advisory Committees established for the same purpose over the past two decades. I believe I can bring to the table information about a population in our community and its needs that may not otherwise be heard or attended to – those at the bottom of the economic scale or those who are homeless.

I have been working with the aforementioned populations for the past twenty years and have served on numerous committees whose intentions are directed toward the good of our community.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sr. Karen Bland".

Sr. Karen Bland, OSB
Executive Director
kabland@catholicoutreach.org

Dear David,

Jan. 22, 2019

I am writing to apply for serving on the CPAC. I just hit my Medicare birthday, and am now happily semi-retired, so I finally have time to increase my civic activities.

I have knowledge and experience in many of the aspects listed. For example, I had a role in the Comprehensive Plan during my time on the Urban Trails Committee in the early 2000's and I am the sole developer of a residential subdivision (Park Mesa), a City approved project which taught me a lot about real estate and development including financing, markets, landscaping, open space, trails, storm water, and so on. I am also the founder of a local Cleantech coalition with businessmen and women promoting this important aspect of our diversifying economic base.

Other pertinent perspectives I bring include my 20 years of experience as a physician in the Grand Valley including stints at Community Hospital, the VAMC, and St. Mary's. Prior to moving here, I was the medical director of an Internal Medicine group in Portland, Oregon. Since coming to Grand Junction in 1998 I have given many public talks concerning health impacts of air quality. I support many non-profit organizations throughout the Valley as well as being a charter investor in a local bank. I have also been a residential and commercial landlord for most of my time here.

I have been hoping that early in my semi-retirement I could find an impactful local volunteer position for which my breadth of experiences would be helpful, so this is an exciting prospect for me. On a personal level, planning is a strong suit for me, so I feel confident that I could make a positive contribution.

Thank you for considering my application.

Kenneth Scissors M.D.

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970 314-0005

David Thornton

From: Kendall Kjerstad <kjerstadkendall@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, January 28, 2019 3:21 PM
To: David Thornton; Kendall Kjerstad
Subject: Planning Committee 2020

01/28/2019

To Dave Thorton:

Enjoyed our brief conversation on the telephone. My name again is Kendall Kjerstad and I and my wife Kari live here in Grand Junction at 207 Whisper Lane, a part of the Spyglass Ridge Housing Development. My phone number is 970-697-1114 and email address is kjerstadkendall@yahoo.com.

One year ago I was elected to and have served on the Spyglass Ridge HOA board of directors as a new member and have enjoyed working on different issues and policies on that committee. Prior to moving to Colorado, I had also served on the city of Hartford, South Dakota, planning and zoning for city for six years.

This sounds like it would be an interesting and fun opportunity to get to know more neighbors here in Grand Junction and be a helpful part of this productive team.

Sincerely,

Kendall Kjerstad



Merritt & Associates G.C., Inc.

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January 22, 2019

David Thornton
City of Grand Junction Principal Planner

Dear David,

I am writing to express interest in serving on the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee for the City's 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update. As a General Contractor, Developer and Builder consistently interacting with the City of Grand Junction, Mesa County and other local municipalities I believe I can bring a lot of experience to this committee.

I currently serve as the Vice President for WCCA and until this year served as a WCCA Board Member. I have also been involved with the Kiwanis and the Lions Club. I am a Grand Junction native and local resident and because I've always lived in Grand Junction, I have a very good understanding of the local dynamic.

If you would like to speak with me in further detail, please call me at (970) 261-1463 or email me at merritt@magcinc.com. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Merritt Sixbey



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January 21, 2019

Mr. David Thornton
Principal Planner
City of Grand Junction

RE: Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC)

Dear David,

I would like to submit this Letter of Interest in serving on the above mentioned CPAC Committee.

My interest stems from my ongoing involvement over the last twelve years in the Commercial Real Estate Market as an advocate for investors, tenants, and owner occupants. In addition, I have a long history in the community as a native.

My Credentials:

After graduating with an MBA with a Real Estate designation from the University of Denver in 1997, I served as the Director of Land Acquisition for Century Communities, a publicly traded homebuilder with operations in five states. I served three years as the Land Acquisition Manager for the Colorado Division of KB Home, the fourth largest home builder in the U.S. I also assisted in resort development at the Jackson Hole Mountain Resort in Wyoming.

I boarded the CBCPP team in 2007 as a licensed Commercial Broker. I have worked closely with Investors, Developers, Buyers and Sellers of all types of Commercial property in the Grand Junction municipal area.

I believe I have a good understanding of local issues and the experience in development to be an informed asset to this committee.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mike Foster
Michael Stewart Foster, CCIM

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David Thornton
City of Grand Junction Principle Planner
250 N 5th St
Grand Junction, CO 81501

Mr. Thornton:

This letter is to express my interest in serving on the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee. As a young professional and millennial, I am interested in serving on a committee that will impact the plan for growth in our community. Having a master's degree in social work and the experience of serving members of the community from diverse backgrounds makes me a valuable candidate for the committee. Through my work I have seen the importance of planning for affordable housing and creating an environment that continues to draw new business while maintaining balance between economic prosperity and growth, sustainability, and the elements that make our community home. I would be honored to serve on the committee responsible for developing Grand Junction's Comprehensive Plan which is essential to charting a path to the future that maintains that balance.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Olivia Pilcher

Letter of interest for 2020 *Comprehensive Plan Update* advisory committee member position

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To Whom It May Concern:

As a resident of downtown Grand Junction, father of two young children, elected chair of the Grand Junction Urban Trails Committee, and active community participant, I have been giving my time and resources to Grand Junction for the past seven years. As a young adult living in Portland, Oregon and Chicago, Illinois, before my move to Grand Junction, I very much appreciated and learned from the intentional community, civic, urban, and placemaking developments those cities focused on. My wife and myself moved to downtown Grand Junction five years ago specifically to be centrally located and to more easily participate in and contribute to the progress and growth of our community. This was only made more poignant as now having two young children and participating with the Urban Trails Committee have both expanded my network of connections and understanding of the amazing promise as well as challenges our community faces.

A number of key challenges have caught my eye. To voice a few:

- City interconnectivity. Businesses throughout the city, Colorado Mesa University, Downtown, Horizon Drive Business District, River District, new developments, and our neighborhoods all have much to gain and share with each other. I would like to see more cooperation on common goals such as multimodal transportation, tourist education (such as multimodal maps and activity guides), and community organization, inclusion, and participation.
- Collaboration between state, county, and city regarding infrastructure and urban planning. There are a number of forthcoming projects where cross communication between levels of government will be vital to successful long term outcomes, such as the Business Loop through downtown, housing developments in the city limits where connecting roads pass through county segments, and maintaining and expanding multimodal connectivity throughout the Grand Valley.
- Building vibrant urban centers and hubs that provide a draw for residents and tourists alike. Grand Junction has already reached a tipping point regarding this progress and many projects such as CMU's continued expansion and Las Colonias Park/Amphitheater are moving forward rapidly. Connecting all of these together and continuing to update existing regions, such as Downtown and North Ave will help us keep up with and ensure the success of this development.

I have much to learn about city government, urban planning, and how to best effect progress. With this application I would appreciate the opportunity to understand more about current plans and considerations. I would then hope that I could make creative, sound, and beneficial contributions to the long term plans of Grand Junction. We already have such promise and opportunity, I just hope that we can rise to the occasion, be good stewards, and not miss actualizing any of our potential.

Thank you for considering my application.

Sincerely,
Orin Zyvan

D. Randall Spydell

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27 January 2019

David Thornton, City of Grand Junction Principal Planner
Grand Junction, Colorado

RE: Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee

Dear Mr. Thornton,

I wish to serve on the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee. I have attached a brief résumé to show you my background. I am a geologist and educator, now retired. I have always used my knowledge and experience to serve my colleagues, students, neighbors and community.

My work experience has had two tracks; Information Technology leadership, and environmental science teaching and research, particularly applied to land uses and land use planning. I have substantial experience in program development, grants, construction projects, and teaching and learning in both these tracks. The focus of my career has been leading teams to provide successful support and new programs for many groups during times of ever-challenging change.

I would like to help my neighbors in a public service role with this opportunity with the City of Grand Junction. As County Geologist of Jefferson County, Colorado, I dealt successfully with a wide variety of stakeholders in sometimes technical and often contentious issues surrounding land development projects and land use hazards. This included learning how best to advise and guide elected officials, appointed board members, applicants, consultants, and concerned citizens through a labyrinth of processing and public hearings, all the while maintaining cordiality and ever mindful of long term relationships. Representing the professional county staff in public hearings on flood plain designations, geologic hazard mapping and land use regulations, and the natural impact assessments of land use proposals was challenging, I enjoyed it.

More generally, I have been a team leader on many projects to inform people of differing backgrounds and differing expectations (students, parents, alumni, administrative colleagues, faculty, landowners, developers, business owners and community members) of programs and personal choices for a wide variety of activities and policies. Throughout this work I endeavored to build coalitions and collaborative partnerships among people and institutions. I enjoy working with others to design and implement new programs, or to reengineer existing programs or business processes to include new tools and techniques. I have often suggested improvements to legacy systems and methods, and introduced innovations.

D Randall Spydell

I am a supporter as well as a leader. I have an active history in community service. I have served as a firefighter, EMT, coach, board member, teacher and most of all, a planner. I have over a decade of land use planning and Planning Commission experience in Colorado and Vermont as a professional and as a Board member, including 6 years as chairman. I've worked hard to keep my community a safe, efficient, and friendly place in which to live, attend school, work and visit, recognizing the diverse needs that a wide variety of constituents bring to the table. One of my strongest skills is that of policy development and consensus building; listening carefully to all stakeholders' needs and goals and working to achieve success for all. I am acutely aware of the challenges every leader faces when planning support for a future vision, mission and strategic goals.

I have been a Certified Professional Geologist for over 35 years and while my EMT certification and fire fighting certifications have lapsed, there are many ancillary skills and experience I bring that may not be apparent from my professional résumé; two small examples: I have personally built two homes and substantially remodeled 4 others with my brother; and I am a reasonably skilled backhoe/loader operator.

I would be happy to meet with you and discuss my possible participation in this planning advisory committee.

Very truly yours,



D Randall Spydell

Ray Rickard

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25 January 2019

Grand Junction City Council
250 North 5th Street
Grand Junction, CO 81501

Dear Council:

I am submitting this letter of interest in order to be considered for a position on the Grand Junction City's Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC). I am a very active member of the real estate community, and I believe that I can serve as a valuable member on this committee.

As a commercial broker and designated CCIM, I deal with a variety of real estate areas such as housing, industry, and investments. I specialize in site selection and I am currently working on developments that will positively impact the community.

I have been a licensed realtor for over 30 years and have lived in Grand Junction for a long time. Presently, I sit on the City Development Round Table to discuss the future of Grand Junction. Additionally, I actively work with the DDA and GJEP. Because of my experience, I will be able to bring input from my clients and the market, as well as share ideas and find creative solutions to issues the CPAC faces.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



Ray Rickard, CCIM

**RE/MAX 4000 Inc.
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REBECCA MULLEN

January 19, 2019
City of Grand Junction
Attention David Thornton

Dear Mr. Thornton,

I am interested in serving on the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee. Although my primary residence is in Mesa, my husband and I own a rental property at 12th and Grand, and I use the basement apartment there as a work space. Additionally, I work in the Grand Valley as a coach and consultant, offering occasional workshops (free workshop at the library Jan 29th), which makes me curious about shared spaces and how they are used.

I am involved with a number of volunteer organizations (Toastmasters, Western Colorado Writers Forum, and Hospice among them), and organized *Ignite Grand Junction* the past 2 years. My goal with *Ignite Grand Junction* is to offer a venue for people to tell their story. I believe that stories, when we can clearly articulate our own, and when we can listen to others, help to bring us together.

I think place, and how we form a community, is a great way to tell our communal story. I'd be very curious to hear about all the differing needs of the community, and be excited to help people articulate their needs when it comes to having their community needs heard.

I was a part of a similar effort in Mesa, when we were looking at our long range plan there and I was serving as President of The Mesa Community Club Board. The opportunity afforded me a unique glimpse into how people interact with each other through the use of space. I'd love to be included.

Respectfully,



Rebecca S. Mullen

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January 18, 2019

David Thornton

City of Grand Junction

Email: davidt@gjcity.org

Re: 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update, Advisory Committee

Dear Mr. Thornton,

I am interested in being on the Advisory Committee for the City of Grand Junction's 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update. I have served on past update committees, as well as Land Development Code updates and bring valuable insight to such committees.

My past private sector experience in Grand Junction includes Residential and Commercial Land Planning, Residential and Commercial Land Development, Residential Construction, and Commercial Construction in addition to running business(es). I have served on a variety of community panels and organizations intended to bring together the best interests of all parties involved.

My current position is in Real Estate – both commercial and residential.

I am able to interpret the intent of a variety of parties to work toward the overall goal, in this case of having a Comprehensive Plan that works for our entire community. I would appreciate an invitation to serve on the advisory committee.

Thank you,

Rebekah Scarrow

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David Thornton

From: Richard Biocic <roguenuclear@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 19, 2019 2:34 PM
To: David Thornton
Subject: Interest in CPAC Committee...

My name is Richard Biocic Jr,
I live at 1127 Main St, downtown GJ,
My ph# is 970.210.1551

I have lived in Grand Junction all of my life and my father grew up here also. I have a vested interest in this community, to say the least!

I believe in a careful and proactive approach to planning within this community because of its unique location, surrounding natural features, and the desire of many to relocate to this area.

I currently work for Colorado Department of Transportation in the Maintenance Division. I have been employed there for 25 years. My job focus is in the gathering of telemetry and information distribution from mobile road maintenance equipment and vehicles. I have been also cross-trained within many other facets of operations within the department. I have a very good work relationship with many of CDOT's planning, designing, and maintenance supervisors in this area. I have served on some of the state-wide technical and intelligent highway teams to review and gather information from many other organisations, governmental and private. Some of this has been in the field of autonomous vehicle use and safety technology.

I believe Grand Junction really needs to take a careful and close look at it's transportation future and the fact that this could be an extremely difficult task. I believe it needs to be proactive in this and able to communicate these needs to the community.

Thanks.

Letter of Interest in Serving on the Commission to Revise the Grand Junction Comprehensive Plan

From: Robert W Noble

1041 Ouray Ave.

Grand Junction, CO 81501

I have been a resident since 2011. During that time I have taken an active interest in this community. I ran once (unsuccessfully) for City Council. I have been actively involved with the Grand Junction Newcomers Club, serving as its President for four years. I have also participated in volunteer activities with community organizations such as the Municipal Court, the City of Grand Junction, and St. Mary's Hospital.

I worked in the Federal Government for 34 years. Twenty years were in the Social Security and Medicare administrations and fourteen years were in the Office of Inspector General for the Department of Health and Human Services as a Criminal investigator. Part of that time was in management and part was on the headquarters staff in Washington, D.C. I have experience in public speaking and preparing written communications such as newspaper articles gained through all of those assignments.

I feel like I could contribute to both the revisions to the Comprehensive Plan and to communicating them to the public. I have made Grand Junction my adopted home since my retirement and I feel I can make a positive contribution to the City and its future.

You may reach me by e-mail at bnoble3000@yahoo.com or by phone at 970-549-0440.



January 28, 2019

David Thornton
Principal Planner
City of Grand Junction
250 N. 5th St
Grand Junction, CO 81501

Dear Dave,

Our mission at the Grand Junction Economic Partnership is to strengthen and diversify the economy through the recruitment of businesses and primary jobs. We can only be successful if there is a common sense plan for growth that accounts for proper zoning and transportation infrastructure. As the official economic development agency for the City of Grand Junction, I use the Comprehensive Plan on a daily basis. We refer all of our prospects to the plan to determine the best location for their company and we do an enormous amount of work with commercial and residential developers in planning future growth for development. The Comprehensive Plan is one of our most used tools and we are extremely invested in seeing it updated in a way that prepares us for the city that we'll become in the next few decades.

Please accept my letter of interest to serve on the 2020 Comprehensive Plan committee to help develop a plan that enables us to continue to grow the economy and prepare for the population growth that we are currently seeing and will continue to see over the next decade and beyond.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robin Brown", written in a cursive style.

Robin Brown
Executive Director

January 25, 2019

Dear Mr. Thornton,

I am interested in serving on the advisory committee for the 2020 Comprehensive Plan for our community.

I have been a resident of the Grand Valley for 25 years, having lived in both Fruita and Grand Junction. I am a fourth-generation western slope Coloradan and I care deeply about the western slope and its inhabitants.

I am an active and interested member of the community and feel strongly about community service. In 1994-96, I served as the president of the Fruita Historic Preservation Board. I am currently serving in my 6th year on the Grand Valley Audubon Board. Over the past year, I was a founding member of the Historic Lincoln Park Downtown Neighborhood and continue to be part of the committee establishing guidelines for our neighborhood. This year, I was selected for the 2018-19 Governor's Fellowship Program. This work has me collaborating with some amazing leaders from around the state to help form great policy and learn about a wide variety of complex governmental issues in our state. Each month we are tasked with finding creative ways to solve some of these issues.

I have been a Biology professor at CMU for 24 years. I am knowledgeable about natural resources in the western United States and care about the amazing natural beauty and diversity we have in the Grand Valley. I have a strong desire to help maintain the amazing natural resources we have and encourage recreation in our area by providing a diverse range of thoughtful possibilities for our growing tourism industry.

In addition to the natural beauty, I also care a great deal about the historic assets we have in the Grand Valley, not only in buildings, but in historic events and paleontological resources.

I believe our community has some amazing assets, but also believe we are faced with many challenges. I am very interested in joining the committee to help make important guidelines, form innovative ideas and help advise for this important planning process. I hope you will consider me for membership in the committee.

Thank you for your time,

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January 21, 2019

To: David Thornton, City of Grand Junction, Principal Planner

Re: Interest in serving on the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC)

From:

Tanya Travis

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Grand Junction CO, 81501

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Phone: home (970) 245-3565, cell (970) 270-9375

As a long-time resident on Main Street, I have seen the city improve our downtown and maintain our infrastructure with quality vigilance. I especially appreciate the trees that not only make our city feel like an oasis in this desert but prevent our urban surfaces from becoming a miserable heat island.

I recently joined the Forest Service board as an interested citizen to help with the future threat of drought mitigation for city owned trees. I am not sure in what capacity I will be helpful, but one thought is a campaign to involve the stakeholders in watering the trees despite the cost, and perhaps in establishing a non-profit to help mitigate water costs for residents on fixed incomes.

Serving on the CPAC would be an opportunity for me to contribute to the collaborative efforts for addressing this potential problem.

I know there is much more to consider with city planning. I am interested in the city being able to take advantage of low interest loans for energy efficient commercial buildings, and planning that includes future diversity in housing and transportation needs.

Thank you for your consideration,

Tanya Travis

David Thornton

From: Ted <ted@ciavonne.com>
Sent: Friday, January 25, 2019 1:39 PM
To: David Thornton
Subject: RE: Advisory Committee members wanted for the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update

Mr. Thornton,

This contact is to let you know that I am interested in being on the noted Advisory Committee. My contact information is noted below.

My interest in this committee is founded in living here for over 37 years, working in land planning and landscape architecture, always pushing towards making the community better where possible while maintaining that which is good. When I look at the list of 11 "areas of interest" I clearly fall into item #4, Planning/Landscape Architecture/Urban Design; but I have worked on specific projects that over my 37 years have repeatedly touched 9 of the 11 listed interests. And so I feel I have a sound basis to start with.

I was very involved with the prior Comprehensive Plan, and I work with the current Plan, the City Code, and City Policies on a daily basis. At present I am on a Code Advisory Committee for Mesa County, another one for the City of Fruita, as well as a Developer's Roundtable for the City of Grand Junction. If you are looking for someone with 'history' and 'experience', I think I fit. If such 'history' and 'experience' is viewed as potential baggage to the Advisory Committee ... or the hope is to load it up with new/fresh/young 'eyes', there will absolutely be no hard feelings.

In fact, I hope you have a stack of interest from 'new blood'!

Ted Ciavonne, PLA

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Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 2:31 PM
To: Cody Davis <cody@chronosbuilders.com>; Ivan Geer <igeer@rccwest.com>; kevinbray (kevinbray@brayandco.com) <kevinbray@brayandco.com>; Mark Austin <marka@austincivilgroup.com>; Max Sneddon <sneddonbuilt@gmail.com>; Merritt Sixeby <merritt.associates@yahoo.com>; Ray Rickard <ray@gjproperties.com>; Robert Jones <rjones@vortexeng.us>; Ron Abeleo <ron@cwi-homes.com>; Silas Colman <Silascolman@gmail.com>; Ted <ted@ciavonne.com>
Cc: David Thornton <davidt@gjcity.org>
Subject: Advisory Committee members wanted for the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update

All - I wanted to let you know that the City is now actively seeking persons to serve on an advisory committee to assist in developing the City's Comprehensive Plan. Please see below for additional information and please

do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about the roles and duties of the committee. I hope you will consider this opportunity. In addition, should you know of someone else that may be interested in serving in this capacity, please pass this information along to them.

The City of Grand Junction is beginning work on the City's 2020 Comprehensive Plan update over the next 18 months. The Plan update will include long term planning for residential and commercial/industrial growth, infrastructure needs, any changes to the City's growth boundary, natural and human-caused hazards, etc. and identify goals, strategies and/or actions to address the community's future growth.

An important part of this effort will be establishing a Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC) to provide input to the City on the Plan. **The City is looking for individuals interested in serving on this committee. If you are interested, please submit a brief letter of interest. All letters of interest must be received by January 28, 2019.**

Please click on the following link for more information and instructions. <https://bit.ly/2AS6ES8>

You have received this email because we believe you may be someone that is interested in serving on an advisory committee for the Comprehensive Plan or know someone that might. Please forward this email on to anyone that may be interested.

Respectfully,

Tamra Allen, AICP
Community Development Director
City of Grand Junction, Colorado
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HORIZON DRIVE
District

Gateway to Grand Junction

January 18, 2019

City of Grand Junction
Attn: Dave Thornton, Principal Planner
250 North Fifth Street
Grand Junction, Colorado 81501

Dear Dave,

I would be pleased to be considered to serve on the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC) currently being formed by the City of Grand Junction to provide input for the 2020 Comprehensive Plan. As Executive Director of the Horizon Drive District, I represent over 220 businesses with a vital interest in the direction and future of the City's services and infrastructure. While we have not updated the District's economic impact study since 2011, at that time it was found that the District contributes \$300 million in economic value annually to the local economy. The District contains 72% of the valley's lodging industry, 25% of all office space in Grand Junction, and our businesses employ over 2,600 people.

My contact information is as follows:

Vara Kusal
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Grand Junction, CO 81506
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I thank City Council for forming this committee and would be delighted to serve if chosen.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Vara Kusal". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Vara Kusal
Executive Director

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January 27, 2019

To Whom It May Concern;

I am interested in serving on the Comprehensive Plan Update Advisory Committee. I not only am a REALTOR® and concerned with appropriate growth and development of our community; I also formerly worked for the City of Grand Junction. As a result, I have a prior history of the 201 Boundary, utilities, emergency services and why properties are annexed into the City of Grand Junction. Until this last September, I lived within the City of Grand Junction. My husband and I just built a new home in Whitewater. This combined with my previous work history gives me a unique ability to understand why municipal growth should be managed in a logical manner. As a result, I feel that I would be a logical choice to serve on the committee.

I completed my degree in Organizational Management Human Resources at Colorado Christian University (CCU) in May 2010. Additionally, I have a Project Management Certificate and a Biblical Studies Certificate along with my Associates Degree, all at CCU. I am a results oriented, effective team leader with the ability to implement cutting edge technology, foster a positive team environment and significantly contribute to the overall success of the organization.

Team Management: I am an effective leader with the ability to communicate across all levels, appropriately allocate resources, and delegate responsibilities in order to maximize productivity and increase morale. In the past, I successfully managed a team of volunteers for multiple years, earning the prestigious President's Award for the Best Service Unit in Girl Scouts.

Innovation: I have a demonstrated ability to implement technological advances in order to maximize operational efficiency and increase profitability. Over the years, we all tend to get comfortable in the technology we use, and often don't take advantage of the advancements available. I prefer to take the time to learn what the new technology can offer, and to utilize those advances, thereby increasing overall productivity.

Customer Service: I have the skills necessary to recognize both the internal and external customer and the need to consistently exceed their expectations. At the City of Grand Junction, I took the time to understand my customer needs or wants. As a result, I was able to serve the customers effectively the first time.

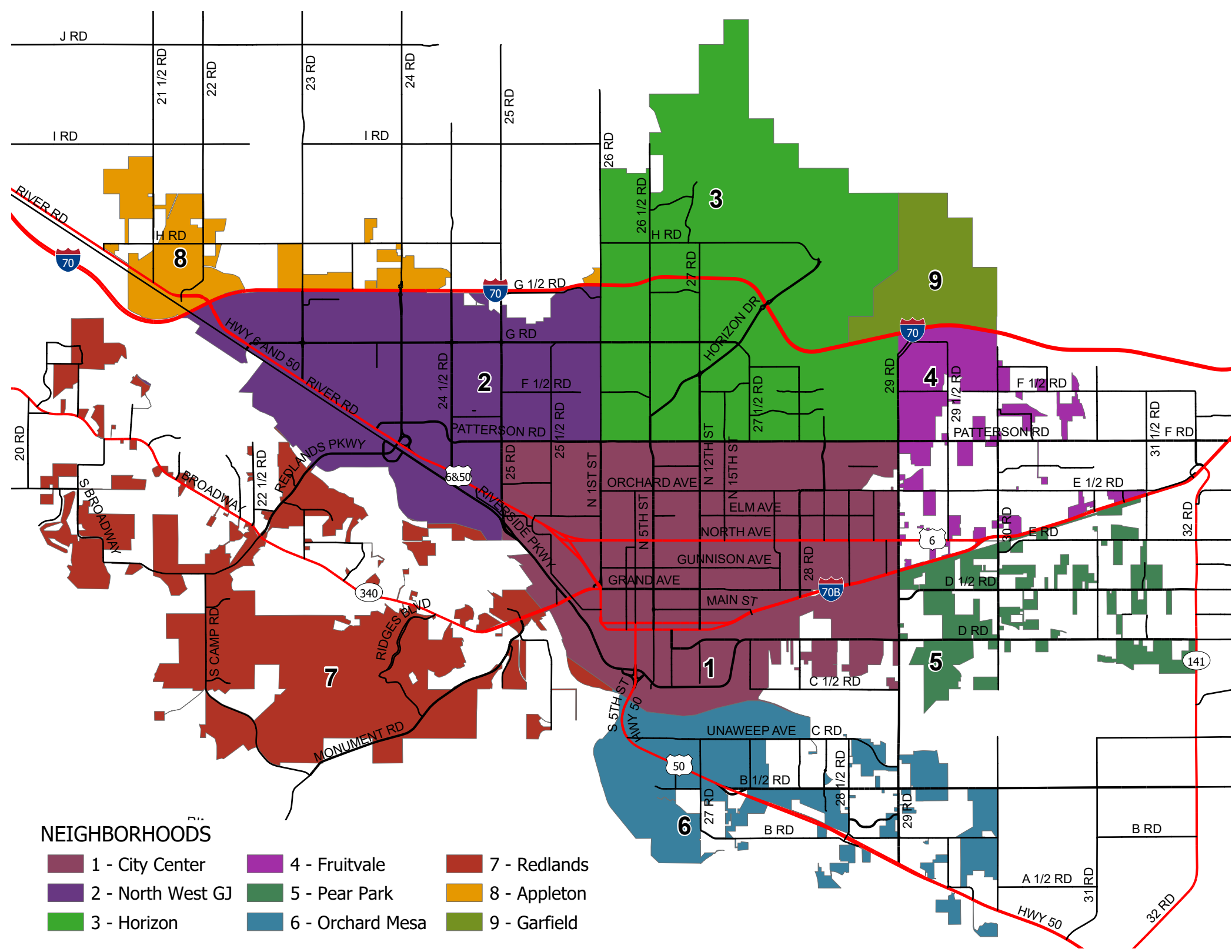
Business Insight: I am a conscientious decision maker with a strong work ethic. I strive to understand and stay within the parameters of the operational budget and capital asset management. I am highly aware of corporate culture and organizational management. When others understand in lay terms what changes and improvements are most wanted, they are more pliable to the desired culture.

Professionalism: My history, both in my professional career and personal life, illustrate my ability to take on increased responsibilities as a member of a team. I have extensive technical training and experience in many aspects of Geographic Information Systems and Engineering. Additionally, I have advanced Word Processing skills.

I have attached my resume for your review. I believe that my knowledge and skills will benefit the advisory committee. Thank You for considering my application. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Virginia M. Brown



NEIGHBORHOODS

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| 1 - City Center | 4 - Fruitvale | 7 - Redlands |
| 2 - North West GJ | 5 - Pear Park | 8 - Appleton |
| 3 - Horizon | 6 - Orchard Mesa | 9 - Garfield |



Grand Junction City Council

Workshop Session

Item #1.b.

Meeting Date: February 4, 2019

Presented By: Brandon Stam, DDA Executive Director

Department: Community Development

Submitted By: Tamra Allen

Information

SUBJECT:

Update on the Downtown Development Authority Plan of Development (POD)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Plan of Development (POD) adopted in 1981 is 38 years old and is needs to be updated in order to guide development that is reflective of both the current market or the vision of the community for the greater downtown area. In this time of growth, the DDA should have a governing document that is reflective of the community's wants and needs in downtown and to that provides guidance about developing important partnerships for making a positive impact to the downtown. This project will develop an action-oriented plan for the DDA that identifies strategies and specific projects to achieve the community's priority goals for downtown Grand Junction. The Downtown Development Authority and their consultant, Community Builders, will update City Council the work completed to date on the development of the Plan of Development.

BACKGROUND OR DETAILED INFORMATION:

Presentation at Workshop.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No direct fiscal impact.

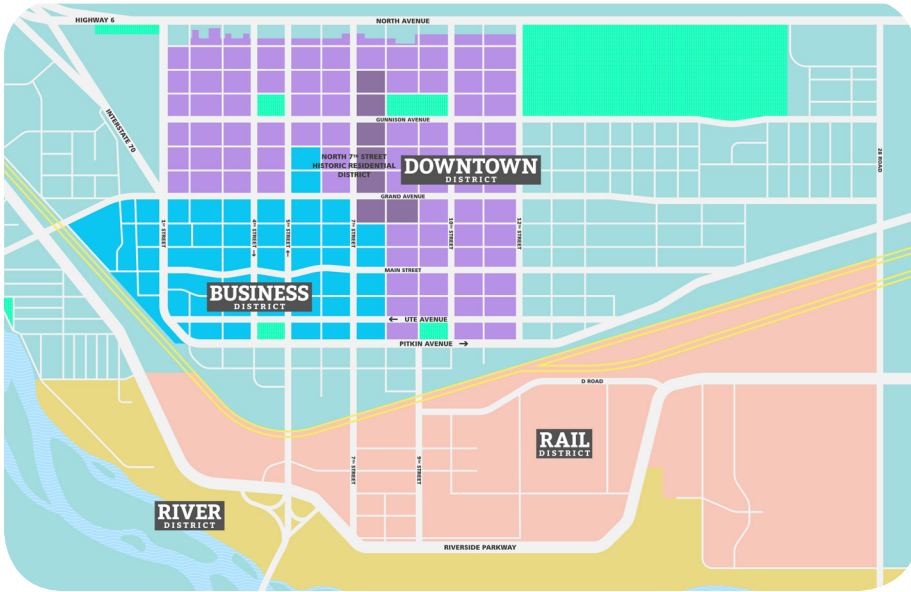
SUGGESTED ACTION:

No action is necessary.

Attachments

1. Project Summary

DOWNTOWN MAP



JOIN US!

Vibrant Together will only be successful if you participate. We want you to be part of important community discussions.



Attend a public meeting



Follow us on Facebook and Twitter



#vibranttogethergj tag posts about downtown



Invite us to come to your next meeting



Comment at a community event



Share your thoughts on our website

www.vibranttogethergj.com

WHY VIBRANT TOGETHER?

There are a lot of exciting things happening in Grand Junction. Regional population and economic growth are creating a demand for development. However, with this growth comes the need for strategic thought about what is best for the community.

The Vibrant Together project is focused on working with residents and local organizations to create a vision for a thriving downtown for everyone. The goal is to create a Downtown Plan of Development, which communicates our shared values, guiding principles and vision for the downtown, and includes an action-plan to get things done.

WHY NOW?

The Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Plan of Development (POD), is 38 years old and therefore is challenged to guide development that is reflective of both the current market or the vision of the community for what the future of Greater Downtown should be. In this time of growth, the DDA should have a strong governing document that is reflective of the community's wants and needs in downtown and to develop strong partnerships for making a positive impact to the downtown.

WHO IS THE DDA?

The primary responsibility of the DDA is to support and facilitate economic development efforts to enhance the vitality of the Downtown community through capital investment and construction.



GOALS TO GUIDE DOWNTOWN STRATEGIES

The following goals have been developed based on comments received from the Grand Junction community through online surveys, comment boxes, focus groups, and pop-up events.



GOAL 1: VIBRANCY

Downtown is the “The heart of it all” as a 18 hour/7 days a week center of activity for all ages and income levels.



GOAL 2: DOWNTOWN LIVING

Downtown offers a diversity of quality housing choices for all price points to bring more people to live, work and play downtown.



GOAL 3: IDENTITY

Downtown is recognized as the hub of regional culture for the western slope.



GOAL 4: CONNECTIVITY

Downtown is connected to local destinations and outdoor amenities through safe pathways for bikes and pedestrians.



GOAL 5: SAFETY AND COMFORT

Downtown is safe and comfortable environment that is welcoming to all.

A COMMUNITY DRIVEN PROCESS

This project will be conducted in four phases, starting in August 2018 and completing in the spring of 2019.

DOWNTOWN TODAY

Where are we?

Understand the current conditions and trends that influence downtown. This phase will result in a market analysis and under-standing of local issues and concerns.

DOWNTOWN TOMORROW

Where do we want to be?

Develop downtown goals that align community priorities. This phase will result in goals that provide a framework for action and guide decision making.

STRATEGIES

How will we get there?

Explore and refine ideas and strategies to advance downtown goals. This phase will result in a series of strategies that focus on achieving community goals.

PRIORITIES AND ACTIONS

Where and how do we start?

This phase will result in a Plan of Development update that identifies key concepts for downtown, implementation recommendations, and key partnerships for taking action.

OUTCOMES

This project will develop an action-oriented plan for the DDA that identifies strategies and specific projects to achieve the community's priority goals for downtown Grand Junction.

- Provide a unified vision for downtown.
- Identify projects that advance the vision
- Bring local leaders together in pursuit of that vision.