

## Mission Statement of the Fire Prevention Bureau

The mission of the Grand Junction Fire Department's Fire Prevention Bureau is to pursue avenues of fire and life safety hazard risk reduction through enforcement of internationally recognized fire codes and standards. Its primary goal is the reduction of life loss, personal injury, property damage, and the serious socio-economic impacts of fire.

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City Ordinance 4830 charge the Grand Junction Fire Prevention Bureau with enforcement of the 2018 International Fire Code (IFC), as amended. This code was developed in conjunction with a full set of modern construction codes including the International Building Code. The City of Grand Junction and the Mesa County Building Department has also adopted the International Building Code, which works in tandem with the International Fire Code. Copies of the International Fire Code may be viewed at the Grand Junction Fire Department Fire Prevention Bureau, purchased from a book store, or on the internet.

Services provided by the Fire Prevention Bureau include: plan reviews, sprinkler system inspections, fire and life safety inspections and fire-flow evaluations. Regularly scheduled inspections of all commercial properties in the City of Grand Junction are required by ordinance. The objective of these inspections is to identify and initiate correction of life-safety violations, verify contact information, educate the occupants and familiarize fire personnel with the property in the event of fire.



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**Obtaining  
Fire Department  
Clearance for a  
Building Permit**

## The Planning Process Step 1

Before you can start the Fire Department Clearance process for your building permit, you must first obtain an approved Planning Clearance from either the Grand Junction Planning Department or the Mesa County Planning Department



A Planning Clearance verifies that any building issues, such as zoning, drainage, availability of utilities, etc., have been addressed before the building process takes place.

For questions, call:

Community Development Department

**(for projects in the City):**

970-244-1430

OR

Mesa County Planning Department

**(for projects in the County):**

970-244-1631

## Fire Department Clearance Process for Building Permits Step 2

The Fire Department Clearance Process for Building Permits is a **completely separate process** from the Planning process. It takes approximately 10 business days for the Fire Department to review your plans. Please follow the steps below:

### #1:

Bring one (1) complete set of building plans to the Fire Department. The plan must be identical to the plans you submit to the Building Department. If required by the Building Department, include an engineer or architect seal.

For large projects and projects that will include Fire Protection Systems, the Fire Department will keep one set of plans.

### #2

Fill out the ***Building Permit Clearance*** form at GJFD or online and attach it to your plans. After the plan has been reviewed, any comments will be listed on the clearance form and you will be called to pick up the completed clearance. If there is a Fee involved, you will be advised of it at the time of the call.

### #3

Pick up the completed Fire Department Clearance form at the GJFD front desk.

Take one (1) copy to the Mesa County Building Department at 200 S. Spruce Street.

*Please note: If your submitted plans are inadequate or require change, you will be contacted to discuss what is needed. The review period does not begin until we receive acceptable plans.*

### For Fire Protection Systems:

If your project includes fire protection systems such as: fire sprinkler systems, hood extinguishing system, spray booths or hazardous material storage tanks, your subcontractor for the system will submit plans and specifications under a separate clearance form. These plans can be submitted after you receive your building permit.

**Please be aware that we do not allow installation of these systems until we have reviewed and approved the plans.**