

Text of the 1990 Voter Approval for a Four Lane Entrance to Aspen

QUESTION NO. 7 – AUTHORIZATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL TO SELL, EXCHANGE, OR GRANT NECESSARY RIGHTS OF WAY ACROSS CITY OWNED LAND FOR THE FOUR LANING OF HIGHWAY 82 ALONG TWO POSSIBLE ALIGNMENTS.

“Shall the City Council of the City of Aspen, Colorado, be authorized to sell, exchange or grant necessary rights-of-way across city owned properties, including properties acquired for open space purposes, to facilitate construction of a four-lane entrance into the City of Aspen as set forth in either Option A – Direct Connection or Option B – Existing Alignment described more fully in Question 8 below?”

FOR THE QUESTION = 1740

AGAINST THE QUESTION = 816

QUESTION NO. 8 – AUTHORIZATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL TO IMPLEMENT ONE OF TWO ALTERNATIVE ALIGNMENTS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE FOUR LANING OF STATE HIGHWAY 82.

“Shall the City Council of the City of Aspen be authorized to implement Option A – Direct Connection or Option B – Existing Alignment as more fully described herein below?”

Option A – Direct Connection

Option A - Direct Connection proposes a new alignment for State Highway 82 which will divert from the existing right-of-way north of the Maroon Creek Bridge across various City owned parcels, including the Zoline parcel, Maroon Creek parcel, Plum Tree Playing Field and Golf Course parking lot, then travel along the existing highway to the Marolt-Thomas parcels, then traversing the Marolt-Thomas parcels and connecting directly to Main Street by construction of a new four-lane bridge over Castle Creek. The City Council shall be authorized to sell, exchange, or grant necessary rights-of-way across the aforementioned City owned parcels subject to the following:

- The State of Colorado will compensate the City of Aspen for the portions of the Marolt-Thomas, Golf Course, Plum Tree, Zoline and Maroon Creek properties used for the new roadway which are currently held as open space.
- The State of Colorado will vacate the existing highway alignment from the intersection of Seventh and Main Street to the point where the new roadway leaves the existing alignment.
- The portion of State Highway 82 between Cemetery Lane and the point where the new roadway leaves the existing alignment shall be converted to open space.
- The present traffic signal at Cemetery Lane and State Highway 82 will be removed and a new signal installed at the new intersection of Seventh Street and Main Street to control traffic volume entering Aspen and accommodate side street traffic.

The opposite exhibit shows the direct connection concept of a new four-lane entrance to Aspen.

Option B – Existing Alignment

FOR OPTION A = 1475

FOR OPTION B = 1042