

**1. Quality of the Vail Experience:**

- As Vail reaches peak capacity, what needs to be done to maintain the quality of the Vail lifestyle?
- What is the probability of the Vail experience becoming too commoditized; for quantity to overtake quality?
- What has to happen so that consumers and residents are still receiving premium level experiences?

1. \* Depends on how you define the Vail lifestyle. A 20 something snowrider here for 1 or 2 seasons will have a different perspective than a young couple raising children or a 2nd homeowner here for 8-12 weeks a year.

\* It's already happened.

\* A community wide dialogue similar to the Vail Tomorrow process to ascertain where we see Vail 20/30 years from now.

**2. Congestion:**

- What can be done to reduce traffic congestion on the community's roadways?
- Is congestion creating public safety and other growth related issues that are being left unresolved?
- Should there be more/less parking on Frontage Road?
- Are the increases in street events and their impact upon available public parking adding to or diluting the Vail experience?

2. \* The I-70 underpass should help our roads; the interstate issue should be tackled by the town of Vail, CDOT and Eagle County.

\* Definitely creating public safety issues with regards to Frontage Road parking.

\* Less.

\* A little bit of both. Vibrant business activity in Vail Village & Lionshead is great for the town (sales tax revenue) and guests (fun activities with lots of people around); walking a mile to town on the Frontage Roads not so great.

**3. Environment:**

- Is the Vail experience being degraded by water, noise and visual pollution?
- What can be done to reduce noise pollution from I-70?
- Are the plans for the Gore Creek clean-up adequate or does more need to be done and at a faster pace?

3. \* Yes to water and noise; the construction cranes that mar the view are temporary and go away when the projects are finished.

\* Noise walls, lower speed limits, berms, asphalt mixes and tunnels are all methods of mitigation that could be considered.

\* The plan seems to be adequate; implementation should be done as soon as possible (construction costs are certain to escalate).

**4. Governance/ Inclusivity:**

- How can a higher degree of collaboration be encouraged among factional interests?
- What are the roles, advantages, and projects that should be address through public/private partnerships?
- What can be done to expand community involvement in decisions for Vail's future?

- Should efforts be taken to increase voter participation in TOV elections, such as with the use of mail balloting?

- Does there need to be more transparency in Vail governance?

4. \* Monthly get-togethers on an informal basis to hear what concerns the different factions at that time.

\* The sooner the town and private developers get together to discuss projects the better for everyone. As to specific projects the recent medical center/town/Evergreen Lodge discussions seem to have been beneficial to all parties; we should strive to follow this example in the future.

\* Experience tells me that people don't get vocal until something comes up that they don't agree with. The town survey and our community picnics give leaders an idea of what's on peoples' minds; otherwise our leaders should be out amongst their neighbors talking to them on a regular basis.

\* Yes, as long as we could still visit Town Hall on Election Day.

\* Yes, from both the town and the different factions that present to the town.

## **5. Community Accessibility:**

- How should air accessibility to the Eagle County Airport be financed?

5. \* The current model of business and municipal support for the flight program is appropriate in my opinion. I'm not sure our neighbors in Eagle and Gypsum want to hear more planes in the future.

## **6. Summary of desired Council Agenda priorities:**

6. \*My priorities if elected are housing (both short-term for seasonal employees and long-term for families); Gore Creek water quality; long term financial viability for the town and our business community; late night bus transportation for guests and residents & to ensure that we keep an elementary school in town.

## **7. Please provide a brief biography:** Education, employment, organization, qualifications, etc..

7. \*I was born in Boston and raised in Worcester, Massachusetts where I graduated from St. John's high school in 1973. I attended the College of the Holy Cross for two years before embarking on a career in the restaurant industry. I worked in Worcester and Cape Cod as a bartender or a waiter for four years before heeding the advice of JoJo Lyles and John Henry Kurtz (former Vail entertainers) to " quit wasting my life in Worcester and move to Vail! " Since my arrival in 1979 I have worked in restaurant management ( Cook Shack at Mid-Vail from 1981-88; Red Lion from 1988-92; Montauk Seafood Grill 1998-2000, 2014-15; Garfinkel's 2014-15) and lodging ( resident manager at the Lighthouse Condominiums from 2000-14). The gaps in those dates were spent as either a waiter or bartender at Frasier's/Trails' End; the Watch Hill Oyster Club; Montauk Seafood Grill and Bart & Yeti's. In addition to my work history my community involvement includes the Taste of Vail (Mountaintop Picnic chair/co-chair for 19 years); Courage Classic/Children's Hospital participant for 24 years (successfully raised over \$48,000.00 due to the generosity of my friends & neighbors); Town of Vail council member from 1995-2001 and 2005-2013 during which time I represented the town on the Eagle County Regional Transportation Authority (ECO); and a volunteer basketball coach at Red Sandstone Elementary from 1994-present. I currently serve as an elected member of the Vail Recreation District. I have a niece and nephew in town that my brother and sister-in-law allowed me to help raise; I am most proud of them of all my Vail activities.

I am not usually this verbose but I hope I conveyed a little information to the electorate on who I am as an individual. I look forward to continuing to help our town be one of the greatest places on the planet.

