## Ludwig Kurz: 10/19/15 10:28 am

- 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?

Vail has always been quality driven. Peak capacity needs to be defined and appropriate measurements put into place. With such definition and measurement, there is less likelihood that quantity will overtake quality. Inviting both guest and resident involvement, reinvestment into community services and recreational amenities, and continued cooperation among all stakeholders are some of the factors that will assure premium level experiences for all.

## 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?

To a great degree, we are confined by the width of our valley relative to I-70, the frontage roads, and existing roadways. At present, additional public safety/staffing measures could favorably address safety issues on the Frontage Road. A long term plan for parking needs to be developed - to include exploring renewing existing parking structures, park & ride lots, transit, and other possibilities. To some degree, street events like the Farmers' Market create a "trade-off" between available public parking and the advantages of the event itself. Let's monitor and be aware, but not be hasty in eliminating a high-quality menu of events that appeal to a broad range of guests and residents and create a positive return for our business owners.

## 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?

As above, the narrowness of our valley and the existence of I-70 have created an impact on Gore Creek, noise levels, and the surrounding aesthetics. To address the visual impact, a long-term solution would be to bury I-70 from East to West Vail in a "gallery" manner (often seen in the Alps), but this won't happen in our lifetimes! Meanwhile, the Town in conjunction with all impacted partners has developed a Gore Creek clean-up plan and has budgeted funds for its implementation.

4. • How can a higher degree of collaboration be encouraged among factional interests?

Continued dialogue and involvement by diverse interest groups.

- 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? In the past, a very successful process regarding Vail visioning was enacted. This type of community involvement could be reexamined and implemented.

- Should efforts be taken to increase voter participation in TOV elections, such as with the use of mail balloting? A good idea why not?
- Does there need to be more transparency in Vail governance? There are no hidden agendas in Vail's governance. We can explore ways to enhance information flow and community involvement. For example, the golf course clubhouse process could have been handled in a more timely and informative manner.
- 5. Community Accessibility:
- How should air accessibility to the Eagle County Airport be financed?

By a combination of public-private partnerships with monitoring to assess if and when the airlines could become self-sufficient.

6. Summary of desired Council Agenda priorities:

The present council has succeeded in fulfilling most of the priorities that were set. The next council will need to establish their priorities also. These may include affordable and employee housing, parking, and transit issues, to name a few.

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

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Representative, Volant Ski Company

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Board of Directors, Eagle River Water & Sanitation District

Member, Vail Town Council (2 terms as Mayor)

Member, Vail Planning & Environmental Commission