

RESOLUTION #130
(Series of 2019)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ASPEN, COLORADO, OPPOSING EXPANSION OF THE MID-CONTINENT QUARRY, AKA THE TRANSFER TRAIL MINE, AND SUPPORTING COUNTY REGULATION OF THE MINE

WHEREAS, Rocky Mountain Resources (“RMR”) owns a small limestone mine known as the Mid-Continent Quarry, aka the Transfer Trail Mine, overlooking the City of Glenwood Springs in Garfield County, Colorado (the “Mine”); and

WHEREAS, RMR is seeking to expand mining operations by 5,000% to allow mining 24 hours per day, blasting from 9am-4pm and hauling out as many as 500 trucks per day; and

WHEREAS, the proposed expansion would lead to large visual impacts in Garfield County, significantly increase truck traffic in the area, damage the region’s tourist economy, and seriously impact the water and air quality thousands of rural Coloradans;

WHEREAS, the Mine is located within Garfield County’s Public Lands Zone District and is subject to County Resolutions and a Special Use Permit; and

WHEREAS, the Garfield County Board of County Commissioners has issued a Notice of Violation concluding that RMR is not operating the Mine in compliance with the applicable Resolutions and Special Use Permit and requiring RMR to correct the violations on or before June 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, RMR is claiming the County does not have authority to enforce the Resolutions and Special Use Permit against RMR and has requested a court to rule that RMR is not subject to the Notice of Violation; and

WHEREAS, the claim by RMR that a County lacks the authority to enforce a Special Use Permit could have a negative impact throughout Colorado and limit the ability of all counties to protect residents from harmful environmental impacts of the extraction industry.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ASPEN, COLORADO:

1. The above recitals are hereby incorporated as findings by the City of Aspen.

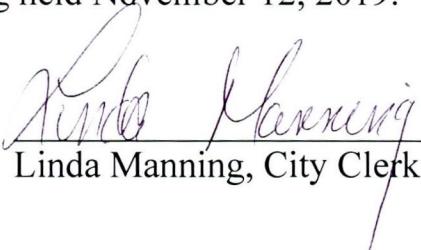
2. City Council officially declares its opposition to the Mine expansion and supports the Garfield County's demand that RMR comply with local regulations, County Resolutions and the Special Use Permit.

INTRODUCED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Aspen on the 12th day of November 2019.



Torre, Mayor

I, Linda Manning, duly appointed and acting City Clerk do certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of that resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Aspen, Colorado, as a meeting held November 12, 2019.



Linda Manning, City Clerk