

Election Tuesday On Expressway, Annexation

Winter Park's electors will go to the polls Tuesday to vote on three issues: approval of moving the proposed expressway route four blocks to the west of its present routing through Winter Park, inclusion of an area on Orlando Avenue into the city limits and also an area belonging to the Winter Park community but not within the city.

To spark interest and a heavy vote on the expressway route, 6,000 letters were mailed out last week to voters by L. Clare James, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce's expressway committee.

Although the referendum will have no legal effect on the State Road Department's decision as to where the highway should go, the referendum will carry a great deal of weight and have a definite influence on the situation from a moral viewpoint.

Complete text of the letter is found on page 7 of this week's SUN, together with a map of the route as presently proposed and a second map showing in black the property affected by the expressway.

In an interview with J. K. Elliott of Howard, Needles, Tammen and Bergendoff, engineering firm for the expressway, he emphasized that the area in black on the map indicated the properties that would be affected by the expressway, not necessarily all of which would be removed from the tax rolls. Mr. Elliott said it would be at least a year before a complete list of properties could be made available that would be taken from the tax rolls, but the present map was as near as could be determined at the present time.

Voters Get Expressway Information

Six thousand folders are going out this week to voters, with maps showing the property that will be taken off the tax rolls of Winter Park for the expressway right-of-way, prior to the July 15 referendum called to change the expressway route.

Also shown in the folder is a second map showing the present proposed route and the route to the west suggested by the expressway committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

Assessed valuation of the property (1957) to be removed is \$1,024,000. A probable savings of right-of-way costs of the alternate route is at least \$1 million, according to the folder's figures.

The letter to the voter explains in detail the entire history of Winter Park's fight and its reasons.

Both maps and the letter in the folder will be contained in full in next week's SUN. Watch for these details.