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2. DO YOU WANT A GOVERNMENT AGENCY IN CONTROL OF A VAST SECTION OF OUR DOWNTOWN AREA? Or do you prefer civic improvement through private capital and initiative?

3. ARE YOU WILLING TO PAY HIGHER TAXES IF THIS PROJECT FAILS TO REPLACE EXISTING BUSINESSES? The Wall Street Journal found that less than one third of the total area demolished by Urban Renewal has been put to productive use.

4. WHY SHOULD WE EXCHANGE WHAT WE HAVE FOR PROMISES OF SOMETHING THAT MAY NOT MATERIALIZATE? Expressions of interest and hopes for re-development are not guarantees.

5. DO YOU WANT YOUR TAX DOLLARS TO SUBSIDIZE NEW RETAIL STORES BUILT BY OUT-OF-TOWN PROMOTERS? Or would you prefer to have them use their own money?

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Questions Before You Vote

6. WHICH DOES BANGOR NEED MOST? More retail stores or more manufacturers and greater productivity to put more dollars into our economy?

7. DO YOU BELIEVE THE POWER OF GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE USED TO TAKE BUSINESS PROPERTY FROM YOU, ONLY TO MAKE THE LAND AVAILABLE FOR SOMEONE ELSE'S PROFIT?

8. DO YOU CARE WHETHER OR NOT OLD ESTABLISHED FIRMS AND THEIR EMPLOYEES LOSE THEIR BUSINESSES AND THEIR JOBS?

9. HAVE YOU LOOKED AT BANGOR LATELY? Significant changes have been made in the past few years. Should we expect less of the future? Especially with the assurances of improvement (now delayed by Urban Renewal) connected with the Kenduskeag Parking Plaza?

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