



The original and first paved route (green/red) continues along today's north I-40 frontange road into Vega, except where deviating (dashed line) onto westbound I-40 where a former RR siding once existed at today's I-40 Exit 42 (upper portion of map).

By 1965, I-40 construction had reached the east side of Vega (arrow, bottom portion of map), but would not bypass the city until 1973. Instead, the original route was widened through town to 4 lanes, beginning where interstate construction ended, which coincides with today's westbound offramp for Exit 37.

