

## **PROJECT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)**

### **Meeting #11 Summary**

**DATE:** July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014

**RE:** Tom Staed Veterans Memorial Bridge: Overlooks & Railings Discussion

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-Update from the previous meeting:

- The coquina and wall treatments were narrowed down to four colors which samples were brought to today's meeting for everyone to get a more accurate idea of the actual color of the stones. The four colors of stones are wheat, cocoa, Carbondale, and grey. These blocks are a rough cut and so they are smooth on the backside and have a textured face on the front side. The blocks will be used on the retained wall on the west side of the bridge only. The coquina wall will be on the base of the columns underneath the bridge pier panels and coping.

- Discussion on Wall Colors

- There are 4 color samples here today: Wheat, Carbondale, Grey, and Cocoa.
- Going with a darker color will contrast the light concrete bridge elements. The coping (area directly adjacent to the panels) is a bright white concrete. The bridge concrete will be a more off-white color.

- Discussion on Coquina:

- The coquina will be on the bottom of all the piers. The Eldorado is a 6" wide block. They have warm oranges, tan, and grays.
- 4 styles to choose from: stacked, rough-stacked, block-stack, and rubble.
  - All agreed on the rough stacked as soon as they saw the options.

- Discussion on Bridge Railings:

- There are three options:
  - A- Black railing with a lighter color pier panel. This has been shown on all the previous models.
  - B- Rust Color railing with a darker pier panel.
  - C- Green/Teal railing to match the Jackie Robinson Ball Park nearby.

*(Decisions Made: Black Railings, Cocoa MSE wall color, dark colored pier panels, and rough stacked coquina on the bottom of the pier columns.)*

- Discussion on Bridge Overlook Plaques:

- The windows are granite plaques. There are a total of 26 spaces also the main overlook is very large and more could be added to it.
- These plaques represent a global representation. They begin on the west and continue east with a storyline beginning on the southern side of the bridge and ending on the northern side of the bridge. These are educational plaques. The information on these plaques is being checked by at least three creditable sources.
- The Braille will be in the bottom right. The picture is on the left and a brief 40 word description is on the right. The title and date is on the top. There is also a QR code located in the tope right corner of the plaque that you will be able to scan, and then it will send you to a website for more information.
- The plaques are laser etched on granite. They need to be held up by a bracket and then mounted to the bridge railing. They are approximately 12"x18" with a beveled edge.
- Motion to reinstate subcommittee. One will be held around August.

-Public Comment

- Will the laser images be detailed enough? Yes.
- What website will the QR codes go to? Looking into keeping the current one.
- Can the website have a description of the pictures so the visually impaired know what the picture is of on the plaques? Also, can you verify the Braille with someone from the visually impaired before it is engraved, because sometimes it can be bad. Yes, a description on the website as you hover over the image on the plaques will be added.

- PAC Final Comments:

- The resurfacing of Orange Ave for 2 years from Nova Road to Beach Street will be simultaneous with the bridge construction.
- What about charging stations down the fishing piers? It is being looked into.

- Meeting Adjourned.