

**PROJECT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)
Meeting #2 Summary**

DATE: June 4th, 2013

RE: Tom Staed Veterans Memorial Bridge- Veteran Memorials

- Discussion

- The second Project Advisory Committee Meeting focused on the memorials for the bridge and park. A presentation was given explaining the different memorial options and locations. There was a discussion to whom the memorials should be dedicated. The committee members decided to dedicate the bridge and park to the 5 branches of Military, including: the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard. An idea was brought up to have pavers/bricks that people could buy and have their veteran's name engraved on them and then have them placed in the park or on the bridge. The committee liked that idea. The next topic was gateways and vertical elements. The majority of the committee said that they need to see different options before they can decide. The design team stated that they will have different designs drawn up at next month's meeting. Next, two different arch designs were presented for purposes of veteran memorials; a thru arch bridge and a tied arch bridge. The committee seemed to like the thru arch bridge design the most. The design team will bring more bridge designs to next month's meeting. Another idea was brought up to add an educational aspect to the memorials. There could be a progression of plaques giving information about different wars. A sub-committee was then proposed to focus more on the specifics of the war educational aspects. The committee also discussed that we need not to forget to look at all the different points of view of the bridge; the drivers, the pedestrians, and the boaters.

- Public Comments

- Most of the public agreed that they would like to see different bridge designs and gateways. Most liked the idea of dedicating the bridge and park to the 5 branches of Military and having the pavers/bricks available for people to buy/engrave. An important issue brought up was the public's view of the bridge from their condos, and that they want to keep the bridge in tune with the environment. Some also expressed that they like the educational aspect for the memorials.

- Conclusion

- The future meetings will be held the first Tuesday of every month, starting at 5pm. In exception, the third meeting will be held Tuesday, July 9th at 5pm, due to the Fourth of July holiday.