

**SPECIAL COMMISSION WORKSHOP MEETING**  
**February 5, 2002**

It is noted that Commissioner Maloof was absent from this meeting.

The purpose of this Special Workshop was to receive public input concerning the causeway bridge architectural concepts.

The City Manager made opening comments regarding this issue and explained the five design options and discussed the cost for the various design levels. He explained that a decision must be made on this topic before we proceed with the final design on the two small fixed end bridges.

Dr. Glen Saraydar a resident in the nearby area stated that he hopes that the Commission will seriously consider the height in the design of the bridge because too high a bridge would create a permanent inconvenience for neighbors.

Mr. Robert Shogren, a resident of Capri Isle, stated that it is his opinion that the residents should think about a permanent high-level bridge for the future. He explained that a high level bridge would eliminate mechanical problems and there would no longer be a need to hire bridge attendants.

Mr. Tom Petit, a resident of Paradise Island stated that he hopes that the bridge railings are designed so that the water is visible when vehicles are stopped for bridge openings.

Mr. Bill Keller stated he hopes the new bridge will have a straighter alignment. He stated that he feels the Florida style would match the theme that has been developed throughout the City.

At this point the meeting recessed for several minutes to give the public an opportunity to look at the five designs.

When the meeting was called back to order, Mr. Jim Philips, an engineer with E.C. Driver and Associates discussed the three levels of aesthetics and the costs associated with each level.

Mr. Don Callahan, a resident of Sunset Beach, asked when a decision would be made and the Mayor indicated that a decision would be made by the Commission by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Mr. Callahan stated that he would favor constructing a mid-level bridge.

Ms. Roseanne Petit stated that she would also favor a mid-level bridge and likes the Florida theme.