

**CITY OF TREASURE ISLAND, FLORIDA  
SPECIAL COMMISSION WORKSHOP SESSION  
September 18, 2002**

The purpose of this special workshop was to observe the interviews of four prospective firms for the position of Financial Advisor to the Treasure Island Causeway. The firms were interviewed by a panel consisting of Mr. Don Hambidge, Public Works Director, Charles Coward, City Manager, Jim Phillips, E.C. Driver Design Engineers, Grant Holland, Holland Development Company Transportation Engineers and Darren LaFrance, Finance Director.

The Public Works Director served as the interview coordinator. The City Commission was asked to observe all proceedings and was given a question and answer period at the end of each interview.

The City Manager presented a brief overview of the role the Financial Advisor would play in the Causeway Bridge Replacement Project.

The Public Works Director explained the format and time limit for each applicant's interview and indicated they had been scheduled on one-hour intervals.

Those firms interviewed are: William R. Hough & Company, First Southwest Company, Public Financial Management and Dain Rauscher, Inc.

Mr. Kevin Conitz of William R. Hough & Co. lead a 20-minute presentation which outlined the experience, expertise and interest of his firm. The interview panel followed by asking a set of prepared questions which were answered by William R. Hough & Co. representatives. Members of the Commission were then given time for questions and the interview closed after 45 minutes.

Mr. John White of First Southwest Co. lead a 20-minute presentation which outlined the experience, expertise and interest of his firm. The interview panel followed by asking a set of prepared questions which were answered by First Southwest Company representatives. Members of the Commission were then given time for questions and the interview closed after 45 minutes.

Mr. David Miller of Public Financial Management lead a 20-minute presentation which outlined the experience, expertise and interest of his firm. The interview panel followed by asking a set of prepared questions which were answered by Public Financial Management representatives. Members of the Commission were then given time for questions and the interview closed after 45 minutes.

Mr. Nate Echeloff of RBC Dain Rauscher lead a 20-minute presentation which outlined the experience, expertise and interest of his firm. The interview panel followed by asking a set of prepared questions which were answered by Dain Rauscher

representatives. Members of the Commission were then given time for questions and the interview closed after 45 minutes.

At the conclusion of all four interviews, the Public Works Director requested that each member of the interview panel complete their scoring sheets and turn them into him.

The Public Works Director advised that he would compile all of the scores and prepare a summary report for the City Manager and City Commission. He indicated that the interview panel's recommendation is scheduled to go to the City Commission on October 1, 2002.

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.