



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT SIX  
I-395 PRELIMINARY DESIGN PROJECT  
FIN NO. 251668-1-52-01  
AESTHETIC STEERING COMMITTEE (ASC) MEETING NO. 1  
ADRIENNE ARSHT CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS  
ZIFF BALLET OPERA HOUSE (BOARD ROOM)  
1300 BISCAYNE BLVD., MIAMI, FL 33132  
FEBRUARY 28, 2014 AT 9:00 A.M.

**MEETING TYPE:**

Aesthetic Steering Committee (ASC)

**ATTENDEES:**

FDOT Staff:

- Gus Pego (GP), P.E., FDOT District Six Secretary
- Brian Blanchard (BB), FDOT Assistant Secretary for Engineering & Operations
- Vilma Croft (VC), P.E., FDOT Senior Project Manager

FDOT Consultants:

- Joe Gómez (JG), P.E., T.Y. Lin
- Michael Fitzpatrick (MF), T.Y. Lin
- Tasha Cunningham (TC), Cunningham Group
- Beth Steimle, P.E. (BS), T.Y. Lin

Elected Officials:

- The Honorable Audrey Edmonson, Miami-Dade County Commissioner

Other Attendees:

- Marie Denis (MD), Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs
- M. John Richard (MJR), President and CEO, Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts
- Humberto Alonso (HA), Vice President, Atkins
- Danny Dominguez (DD), Resorts World Miami
- Tracie Auguste (TA), Legislative Analyst and Community Liaison
- Javier A. Betancourt (JB), Deputy Director, Downtown Development Authority (DDA)
- Eric Riel, Planning, Design and Transportation Team Leader, Downtown Development Authority (DDA)
- Alice Bravo, P.E. (AB), City of Miami Assistant City Manager

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Sign-in sheet

**SUMMARY OF MEETING:**

This purpose of the meeting was to discuss and define the roles and responsibilities of the Aesthetic Steering Committee (ASC) Meeting for I-395 Bridge, update the ASC on the project including the signature bridge alternatives. GP, MF and JG introduced the project team and discussed that the purpose of the meeting was to define the role of the Aesthetic Steering Committee. A presentation of four design alternatives (Regatta, Wishbone, Emergence and Lotus) was shown. They described and discussed the following:

- The Department's procurement process
- Further meetings will be held in the Sunshine
- Committee members can't discuss the project unless it is in the Sunshine
- Meeting dates and schedules will be posted online via the FDOT District Six website – <http://fdotmiamidade.com>

- The committee will review the bridge designs and rank them
- The committee will set future meeting dates
- The role of the ASC and how the bridges and proposals will be ranked
- The ranking methodology
- AE asked if Overtown would be addressed; GP said it would
- JB asked if one of the commitments was to separate eastbound and westbound traffic; JB asked if one of the commitments was to separate eastbound and westbound traffic; JG said originally the commitment was 150 feet but due to the Port Tunnel and other considerations the gap between EB and WB has been reduced to 45 feet.
- AB gave a brief overview of the project history to date
- AB emphasized how important it is to have a signature bridge, as promised to the community. She stated that segmental box designs were among the four alternatives being shown and that it would not be acceptable
- BB stated that it is important that the committee be flexible in terms of design options and that the budget be considered
- JB stated that the Project Advisory Group (PAG) for the project selected the Wishbone, which is not a segmental box design
- BB stated that the Design Build teams bidding on the construction will have the leeway to be creative
- AB stated that teams would have the ability to submit Alternative Technical Concepts (ATC)
- MJR asked if the Wishbone was the only suspension type design. MF stated yes.
- MF discussed the design elements of the Wishbone design
- GP asked if the Lotus design could work with as a structural solution; MF said it could.
- GP stated that the next meeting would be publicly noticed
- GP distributed an Ethics Form and asked that each committee member submit signed form at next meeting.
- The meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

#### ACTION ITEMS CREATED AT MEETING:

ITEM NO.	ACTION	INITIATOR	ASSIGNEE	DEADLINE
1	Schedule a separate meeting with Alyce Robertson, DDA, who could not attend	JG	TC	TBD

**The following minutes will be considered an accurate record of the meeting unless T.Y. LIN and FDOT are notified otherwise in writing within ten (10) business days following the distribution date.**

Minutes Prepared By: \_\_\_\_\_  
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