

Riverwalk Update – May 14, 2009

Segment Progress

- History Center
 - Lower Riverwalk Section and Park
 - Completed and open except restroom facility area
 - July opening date for restrooms and children's fountain
 - Upper Riverwalk/South Plaza
 - Walkway from History Center is open
 - Landscaping installation will be completed by May 23
 - Wall and Canopy supports are complete - canopies will not be completed until July
 - Mural wall will go up after canopies are installed
 - Link to Channelside Shoppes and the Florida Aquarium
- Convention Center
 - Stairs are complete and open
 - "The Sail" construction is ongoing with a ribbon cutting ceremony scheduled during FreedomFest on May 23 at 10:00AM
- Brorein Street Underpass is designed and 2 of the 3 permits needed for construction have been obtained. Raising funds for construction.
- Brorein Street to Whiting Street overwater segment is at the 30% design point
- Kennedy Boulevard Plaza is at the 60% design point
- Curtis Hixon Waterfront Park
 - Still on schedule for December 09 completion
 - Cass Street crossing to the Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center (TBPAC) is in design
 - EDAW is working on a design for improved access from the Cass Street stairs to the Riverwalk behind the TBPAC
- Heights
 - Still looking to issue bonds for financing – May/June?

History Center Docks

- \$200K grant for construction has been submitted
- City is looking for donors interested in boating to cover the Design and Permitting costs - \$67,450
 - All but \$18,000 has been obtained
 - Will start geotechnical and survey work on May 18.

Signage

- Directional and map signs are to be up by FreedomFest
- Working on additional signs for MacDill Park, Curtis Hixon Waterfront Park and the Tampa Convention Center
- "Future Riverwalk" signs will be placed so people can see what a future segment will look like when designed

Channelside

- Visual connection between South Plaza and Channelside/Aquarium is essential
- Meeting with stakeholders revealed desire on their side too