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# PENSACOLA BAYWALK, PHASE I

Public Meeting
Hagler—Mason Conference Room, Pensacola City Hall
Thursday, June 20, 2013
5:30 p.m.

#### Welcome

Welcome and thank you for participating in this public meeting for Pensacola Baywalk, Phase I. The purpose of this public meeting is to give the general public an opportunity to express their views and comments concerning the proposed project. Project representatives from the City of Pensacola and Atkins are on hand to discuss the project and answer questions. Any persons who wish to submit written comments and other exhibits in place of or in addition to an oral discussion with project representatives may submit comments to Atkins, who will report all comments to the City. Comments will be accepted by mail, telephone, fax, or e-mail until June 28, 2013.

Please address comments to:

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After today's meeting, Atkins will meet with the City project manager to review the comments from the public meeting. Revisions will be made based on public comments and discussions with the City of Pensacola.

#### **Project Description**

The Pensacola Baywalk, as approved in the City of Pensacola's *Urban Core Community Redevelopment Plan, 2010*, is envisioned as a continuous pathway where pedestrians and cyclists can access and enjoy Pensacola Bay along nearly three miles of waterfront in the City's core area. Once fully constructed, the Baywalk will provide a continuous linkage between existing waterfront improvements such as Plaza de Luna, Commendencia Slip, Baylen Slip, Bartram Park, the historic district, Admiral Mason and Veterans Parks, and the Hawkshaw Memorial for Missing Children. Direct waterfront access will be achieved where possible and existing waterfront improvements will be considered part of the Baywalk.

Due to design and construction costs, the Baywalk system must be implemented in phases. Phase I of the project includes design services for an approximately one-half mile section along Bayfront parkway, between William Bartram Memorial Park and the Hawkshaw Memorial for Missing Children.

The shoreline segment proposed for design is immediately adjacent to and follows along a four-lane divided state highway (State Road 196). It is understood that the design elements of the Baywalk must meet FDOT requirements if constructed within the right-of-way of SR 196. However, this proposal is based on the likelihood that the City will take over responsibility for Bayfront Parkway from FDOT, and that transfer of ownership and maintenance responsibility would allow more flexibility in the final design of Baywalk that may include elements of a road diet first proposed in the CRA Plan.

#### **Project Location**



#### Schedule

<u>Task</u>

Environmental Impact Assessment Survey & Preliminary Concepts Schematic Design Design Development Drawings Final Construction Plans

#### **Completion Date**

April 26, 2013 May 7, 2013 June 21, 2013 August 7, 2013 November 7, 2013

## <u>Public Participation and Design Development</u>

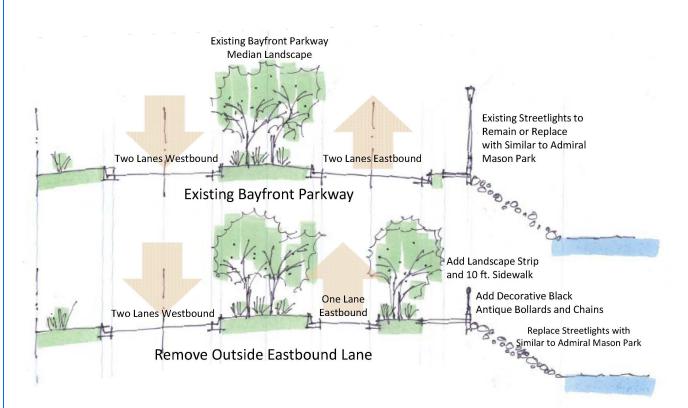
Atkins depends on public participation in developing our concept plans and designs for community spaces. Our public participation model includes:

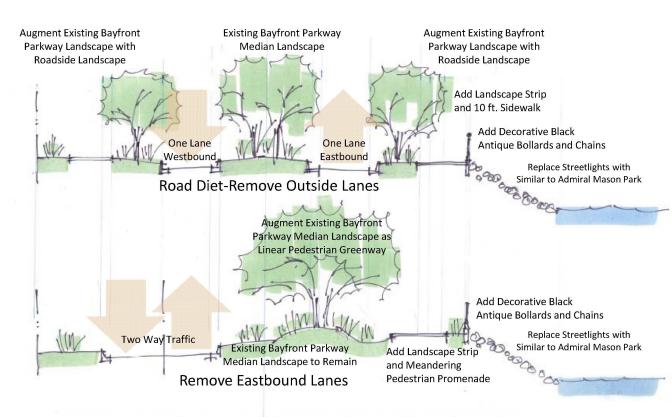
- Design Workshop/Charette
- CRA Workshop
- Solicitation of Comments
- Preparation of Concept Plan
- ♦ Final Design
- Presentation to the Public and the Community Redevelopment Agency

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### **Alternatives**





Baywalk Pedestrian Promenade Road Diet Alternatives