

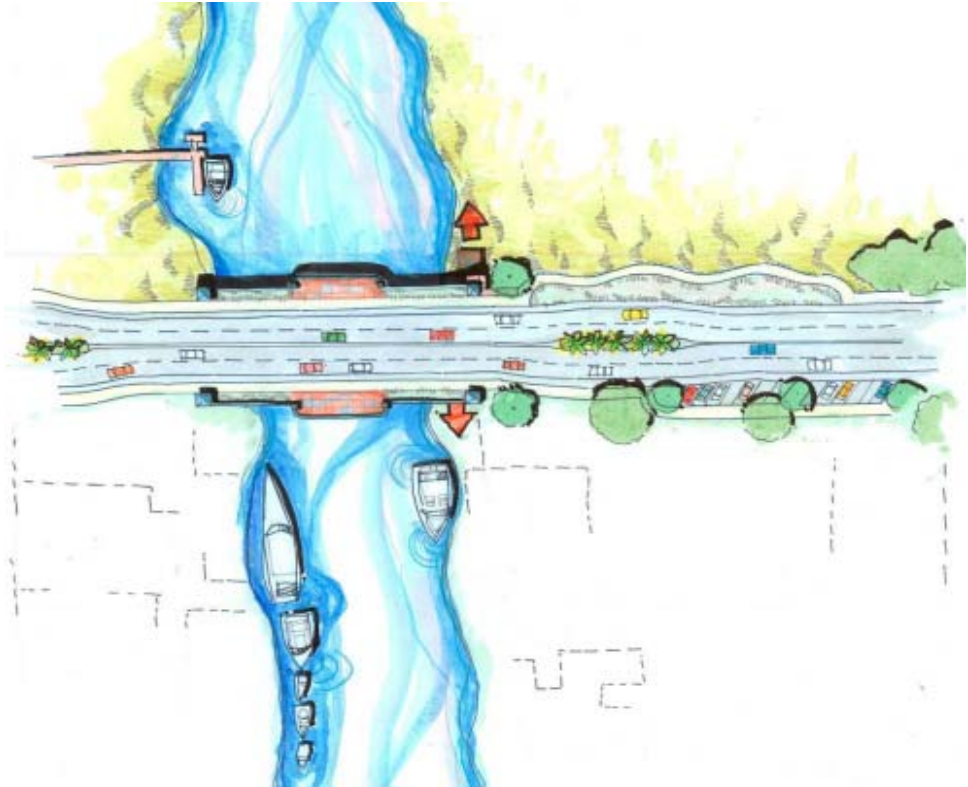


Focus Area #4 Shem Creek

The Coleman Boulevard Revitalization Advisory Board recognizes that recommendations concerning Coleman Boulevard are not complete without giving due consideration to Shem Creek. Shem Creek is a natural and historic asset of Mount Pleasant and is one of the most photographed places in the Lowcountry of South Carolina. Careful consideration should be given by the Town of Mount Pleasant in order to ensure that Coleman Boulevard revitalization efforts promote the public enjoyment of the Creek, compliment the Creek's natural beauty and the health of its businesses, particularly of the shrimping fleet.

Public Access – Public/Private Partnership

Shem Creek plays a vital role in anchoring the revitalization of Coleman Boulevard as a destination. It is believed that the Shem Creek Master Plan furthers the important goal of providing public waterfront access from Coleman Boulevard to the waterfront area of Shem Creek through a comprehensive, integrated plan carried out by way of a proposed public private partnership. The proposed plan brings the community to the waterfront and the waterfront to the community. The Plan seeks to preserve the character of Shem Creek. The Coleman Revitalization Advisory Board endorses the proposed Shem Creek Master Plan as generally set forth in the October 24, 2006 letter from the Shem Creek Committee of CRAB and its accompanying PowerPoint presentation. In that the CRAB is focused primarily upon properties which front on Coleman Boulevard, CRAB hereby further recommends that the Mount Pleasant Town Council, through its Planning Committee, place the presentation of the Shem Creek Master Plan on its agenda for its consideration and formal conceptual approval so that those private stakeholders who have presently indicated a willingness to voluntarily create an inter-connected and publicly accessible Shem Creek waterfront can move forward in a cooperative partnership with the Town to obtain such easements, permits and approvals as are necessary to effectuate the Plan. Further discussions



regarding the Shem Creek Master Plan shall be held through the Planning Committee of Town Council, not through CRAB.

Shem Creek Bridge

That the Shem Creek Bridge be improved in such a way as to allow for the free and safe movement of bridge and pedestrian traffic. That, as part of the bridge improvements, an observation deck be constructed to allow citizens and visitors the opportunity to view and photograph the scenic character of Shem Creek.