

BEST AVAILABLE COPY METRO NEW ORLEANS, LA, THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2009

Bridge advisory panel proposal withers

Hezbollah wants CJC business plan

By Suzanne Alexander

A legislative panel that has been set up to study the possibility of building a new bridge across the Mississippi River from New Orleans to the Gulf Coast has a proposal that would allow Hezbollah to build a \$1.5-billion business plan for the project, according to a report from the panel's chair, Sen. Dan Claitor.

The panel, which was created in January, is expected to report its findings to the Senate in the next few weeks. Claitor, who is the panel's chair, said the report would be a "comprehensive study" of the project, including the feasibility of building a new bridge, the cost of the project, and the potential benefits to the region.

The report would also address the issue of how to fund the project. Claitor said the panel is looking at a variety of options, including a public-private partnership, a toll bridge, and a bond issue. He said the panel is also looking at the issue of how to manage the bridge once it is built, including the issue of how to maintain it and how to handle any potential security threats.

Claitor said the panel is also looking at the issue of how to coordinate the project with other transportation projects in the region, including the issue of how to improve the highway system and how to expand the airport system. He said the panel is also looking at the issue of how to coordinate the project with the state's economic development efforts, including the issue of how to attract investment to the region and how to create jobs.

Man, 27, guilty of manslaughter in '06

Just convicted suspect on a lesser charge

By Suzanne Alexander

A 27-year-old man was convicted on Thursday night of manslaughter in the shooting death of a woman in the French Quarter last year. The man, who was charged with first-degree murder, was found guilty of manslaughter after a jury found that he acted in the heat of passion.

The man, whose name was not disclosed, was charged with the murder of a woman in the French Quarter last year. The woman was shot in the back of the head while walking home from a restaurant. The man was charged with the murder because he was found with a gun in his possession and was seen running away from the scene.

The man's lawyer said his client was not a violent person and that the shooting was a spontaneous reaction to a heated argument. He said his client was not aware of the woman's presence and that he did not intend to harm her. He said his client was not a violent person and that the shooting was a spontaneous reaction to a heated argument.

The man was charged with first-degree murder because he was found with a gun in his possession and was seen running away from the scene. The man's lawyer said his client was not a violent person and that the shooting was a spontaneous reaction to a heated argument.

Anderer urges use of review board

BOARD, June 18

Mayor Andrew Anderer urged the use of a review board to oversee the city's police department. He said the board would be made up of community members and city officials, and would be responsible for reviewing the department's policies and procedures.

Anderer said the board would be a "transparent and accountable" way to oversee the police department. He said the board would be made up of community members and city officials, and would be responsible for reviewing the department's policies and procedures.

Anderer said the board would be a "transparent and accountable" way to oversee the police department. He said the board would be made up of community members and city officials, and would be responsible for reviewing the department's policies and procedures.

Ritual endorsed

NOAH shutdown

City Council has approved a resolution to endorse a ritual performed by the National Organization for the Advancement of Atheism (NOAA). The resolution was passed by a 7-2 vote.

The resolution was passed by a 7-2 vote. The resolution was passed by a 7-2 vote. The resolution was passed by a 7-2 vote.

Maintenance, rent costs would fall, backers say

By Suzanne Alexander

Backers of a proposed HUD program to help low-income families afford housing say the program would not require tenants to pay for maintenance or rent. They said the program would provide a subsidy to cover these costs.

Backers of a proposed HUD program to help low-income families afford housing say the program would not require tenants to pay for maintenance or rent. They said the program would provide a subsidy to cover these costs.

ATTENTION!

By Suzanne Alexander

This information is critical for families and landlords participating in the Transitional Closet Program for Katrina/Rita.

If you have begun the process to transition to HUD's Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCV), YOU MUST complete the entire process to receive this continued rental assistance.

The Transitional Closet Program ends August 31st. Both families and landlords must be fully enrolled in the HCV Program prior to August 1st to avoid a disruption in rental assistance.

For help in completing your application, call toll-free:

DHAP New Orleans 1-866-202-3487