

Made in the shade: City dock structures being installed in downtown Baton Rouge

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Shade structures are being installed this week at the 'paper clip' city dock at Riverfront Plaza in downtown Baton Rouge. The shades, which cost about \$268,000 to design, create and install, will make it easier to have events on the waterfront, said Davis Rhorer, executive director of the Downtown Development District. The structures will be lit with LED lighting that will allow the panels to change colors for various holidays and special events. The shades are part of \$720,000 in riverfront improvements that include adding landscaping, irrigation, lighting, a sound system and repairing concrete at Riverfront Plaza.

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Installation of the shade structures at the "paper clip" city dock at Riverfront Plaza started Monday.

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The dock is near the USS Kidd and Louisiana Art and Science Museum. The installation should be completed later this week.

Post Architects designed the shades and Arrighi Contractors was the lead contractor on the installation.

The shades are part of \$720,000 in riverfront improvements that the city-parish is making this year, including adding landscaping, irrigation, lighting, a sound system and repairing concrete at Riverfront Plaza.

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