



LIBRARY

CITY HALL

- Elements
- Railway Rail
- Mosaic
- Railway Tie
- City Pedestal

February 14, 2021

Dear Becky Osborne and the Smithville Chamber of Commerce,

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to respond to your Call for Artists. Ted LeVieux and myself, Stefanie Distefano, are very excited to present our idea for Wayfinding Signs. Our vision is very elegant and very Smithville!

Using railway ties, rails, and elements from the railroad, we will make beautiful and simple sculptures that will stand tall along Main Street. Small rivers of mosaics will be embedded into the tie, nodding to our part of the Colorado and adding a touch of color and sparkle. These tasteful and sophisticated pieces will proudly do their job as wayfinding signs and most importantly be a graceful, artful touch along our street.

Respectfully, we strongly plead to not add the informational box. It would destroy the aesthetic value of the pieces, but more importantly, In this age of technology the continual printing of paper maps/instant garbage is unnecessary. Smithville can be a leader in recycling and reuse, this is one of the steps towards that goal. All of the information is on the Internet and as we are encouraging an experience to our visitors, there are friendly Smithvillians everywhere to ask questions and engage in conversation with.

Our submission will easily coordinate with the current stands and changes can be made if necessary. If our design wins and we are awarded the occasion to install these beauties we would charge \$1000 per sign. It would be an enormous honor to make the signs for our town.

Thank you for asking the artists and experts of Smithville to be the makers and designers for our needs.

Most gratefully,  
Stefanie Distefano and Ted LeVieux