



Musical Public Art for Downtown?

City Council Meeting August 19, 2013



A joint downtown group would like to request council authorization of a musical theme for public art in downtown.

The concept was proposed in the Downtown Streetscape Master Plan approved on March 18, 2013.

The Main Street Design Committee has expanded the concept and is seeking funding for public art.



Why musical art?

Public input was obtained for the Streetscape Master Plan.

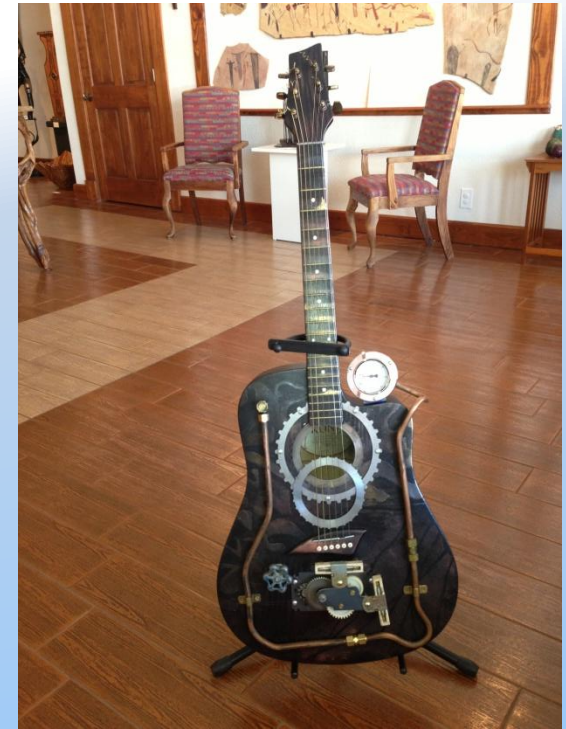
Downtown has a high concentration of musical entertainment along with a history of music.

Downtown also has recording studios, musical lessons, instrument sales, and lots of awesome talent!!!



Fiberglass guitar

These pictures are examples of what the public art might look like when implemented into the streets of Downtown Denison.



Heavy Metal Art !



To add to the eclectic feel of Downtown Denison and celebrate its musical heritage some crosswalks in the district may be striped to resemble piano keys.





- There are opportunities to have custom bike racks.
- Incorporating music notes or other recognizable shapes could add interest to these features. These features would add to the fabric of the district.





Adding musical notes to local fences is another interesting way you can implement the musical theme into the downtown streets.

This could be implemented on private property or in the pocket park.





Public art on the following pages are examples of what has been done in other communities.

It can be playable which adds another element – FUN FACTOR!



- The idea is to encourage people to play the guitars in public spaces by using this unique public furniture
- Public guitars can engage everyone in the public space and enhance the communication among strangers
- Many Denison residents and guests would jump at more opportunities to engage themselves with music in public space!





- Public Drums can be a sophisticated and rugged musical instrument that glows brilliantly at night.
- It is designed to encourage individual performance and positive group interaction.





Freenotes Harmony Park-Outdoor Musical Instruments

This is an example of an musical instrument park that was implemented in Parker Arts, Culture & Events Center in Parker, Colorado. We would like to implement something like this in Pocket Park .