

CHDC Meeting Date: August 4, 2026

Agenda Item # Four

Address	Installation of sculptures at eight locations: 1. 12 North B St, – Pipers Opera House (4-foot spike) 2. 26 South B St, – Storey County Courthouse (4-foot spike) 3. 55 R St, – St Mary’s Hospital Arts Center (4-foot spike) 4. 381 Cemetery Rd, – Silver Terrace Cemetery (4-foot spike) 5. 537 South C St, – Fourth Ward School (4-foot spike) 6. 610 South C St, – The Pit Stop (4-foot spike) 7. 166 South F St, – V & T Railroad Depot (12-foot spike) 8. 1455 Main St, – Gold Hill V & T Railroad Depot (4-foot spike) 9. 385 High St, Silver City – Silver City Schoolhouse (4-foot spike) 10. 900 Main St, Silver City – Donovan Mill (4-foot spike)
Applicant/Agent:	Visit Carson City – Eric Brooks: Arts & Culture Program Manager
Purpose:	Serve as public art wayfinding markers, celebrating Nevada’s pioneer, mining, and railroad heritage. To draw heritage tourists deeper into the history of Comstock.
Proposed Scope of Work	Install nine, 4-foot, free-standing, interpretive railroad spike sculptures in Storey and Lyon Counties. • Modeled after railroad spikes from the V&T Railroad • Approximately 4’ high above grade • 6-8” tapered shaft width • 12”x12” base plate footprint • Reinforced concrete pier footer with a 16-24” diameter and 8-12” depth • A welded steel framework • Clad in Corten (weathering) steel • Initial color in a warm steel gray with an early surface oxidation • A deep rust-brown/amber patina will develop over period of time • Engraved areas in a natural bare steel with laser engraving

Proposed Scope of Work	Install one, 12-foot, free-standing, interpretive railroad spike sculpture in Storey County at the V & T Railroad Depot parking lot. • Modeled after railroad spikes from the V&T Railroad • Approximately 12' high above grade • 16" square tapered shaft width • 24"x24" base plate footprint • Reinforced concrete pier footer with a 36" diameter and 36" depth • A welded steel framework • Clad in Corten (weathering) steel • Initial color in a warm steel gray with an early surface oxidation • A deep rust-brown/amber patina will develop over period of time • Engraved areas in a natural bare steel with laser engraving
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Dust and Wonder Trail – Storey County Owned Proposed Location Photos

The Dust and Wonder Trail is proposing to provide 4-foot railroad spike sculptures for the County to install at the following County-owned or jointly owned locations. In addition, a 12-foot rabbit sculpture is proposed for installation at Saint Mary's Art Center:

- Piper's Opera House
- Storey County Courthouse
- Silver Terrace Cemeteries
- Saint Mary's Art Center (spike and rabbit sculptures)
- Fourth Ward School Museum
- Gold Hill Train Depot

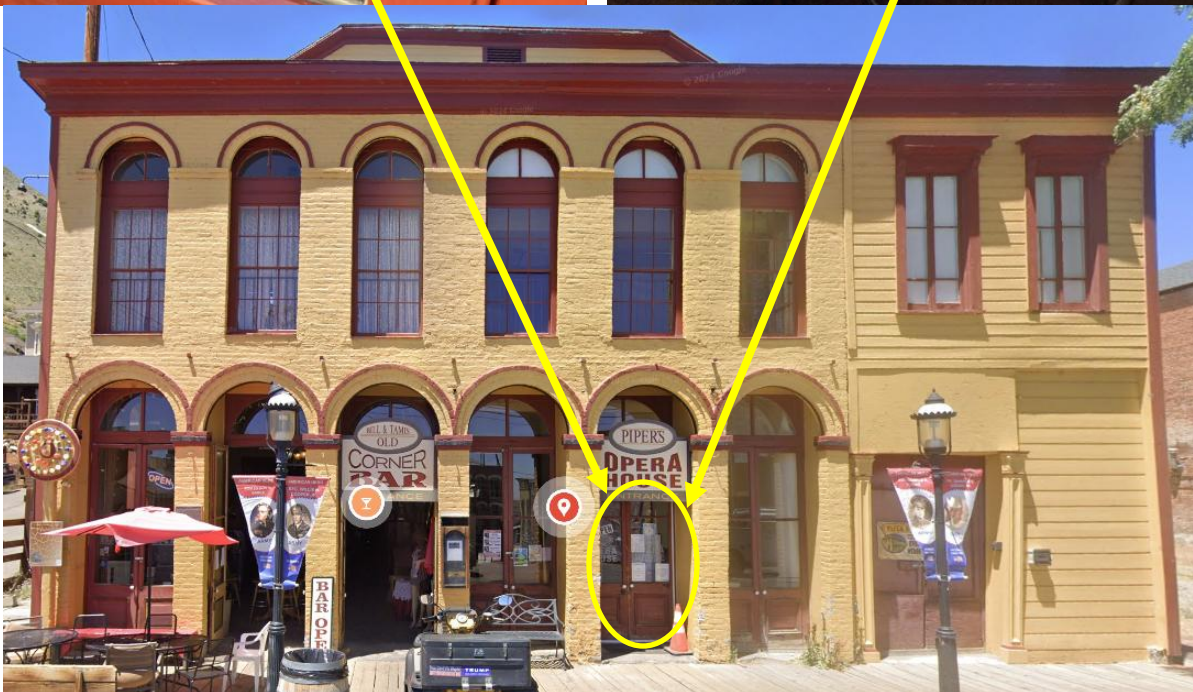
The following pages contain descriptions of each proposed location, along with photographs showing a 2-foot railroad spike for visual reference and the proposed locations with the spike superimposed.

The Dust and Wonder Trail has also proposed two additional locations within Storey County that are not County-owned or jointly owned: the V&T Train Depot and the "Pit Stop." The railroad spike proposed for the V&T Train Depot will be a 12-foot sculpture, while all other proposed locations within the County will receive 4-foot sculptures.

Because these locations are privately owned, the County will not own the sculptures or pay for their installation and, therefore, is not commenting on the proposed installations. Any installation at these locations will still need to comply with applicable County code and will require coordination with Storey County Community Development.

Eric Brooks with Dust and Wonder Trail has been notified that the 12-foot sculpture will need additional coordination with Storey County Community Development for the building permit, and that the Pit Stop spike needs to be located outside of the right-of-way.

Pipers Opera House (4-foot spike)



Storey County Courthouse (4-foot spike)

Tape measure is at 4' to give better visual aid as to the actual height that will appear to the public.



St. Mary's Hospital Arts Center (4-foot spike)



Silver Terrace Cemetery (4-foot spike)



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Option 1

Option 2





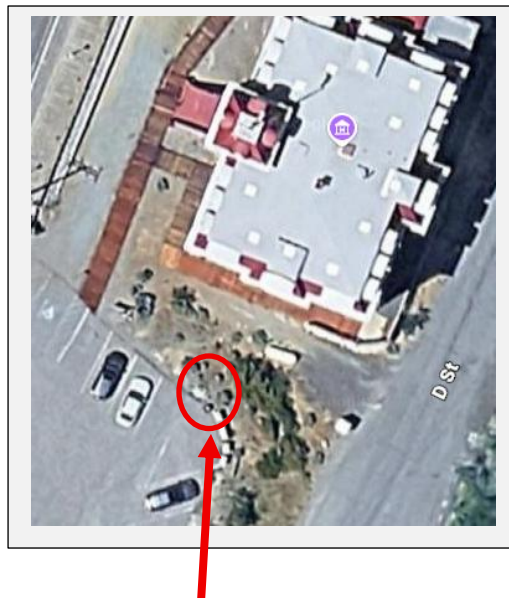
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Fourth Ward School (4-foot spike)



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The Pit Stop (4-foot spike)



Option 1



Option 2



V&T Railroad Depot (12-foot spike)

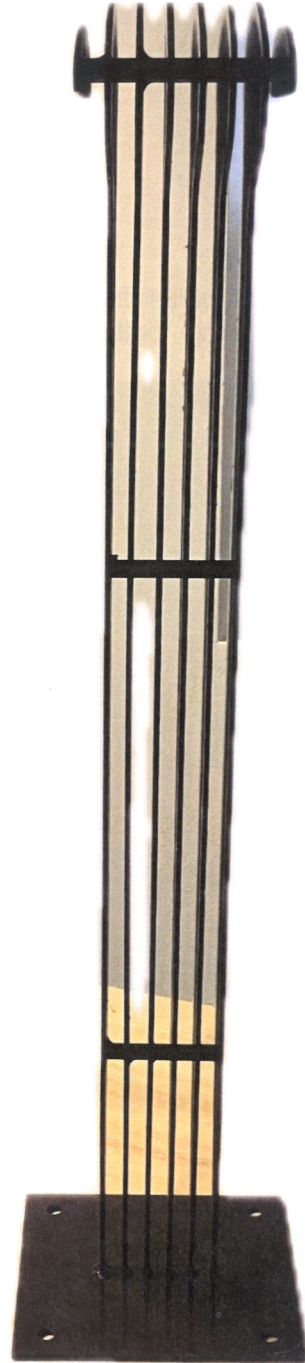


Dust & Wonder Trail
Application for Certificate of Appropriateness

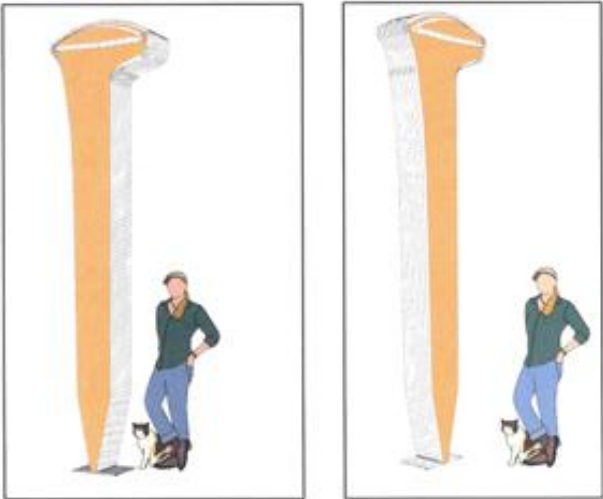
Supplemental Project Images and location



Solid side



See through side



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Gold Hill V&T Railroad Depot (4-foot spike)



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Silver City Schoolhouse (4-foot spike)



Donovan Mill (4-foot spike)



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