Attachment C- Design and Placement of Gateway Features or City Identifiers

Proposed Features/Identifiers shall:

1. Be Freestanding (Gateway Features).

2. Be located on ROW (Gateway Features) or a Transportation Facility (City Identifiers) which abuts or is within the geographical and jurisdictional boundaries of the Local Entity.

3. Include, to the extent possible, approved protective graffiti coatings.

4. Be developed to require low or no maintenance to minimize exposure of workers and others to potential risks.

5. Be located where maintenance can be safely performed, as specified in the Use of Highway Right-of-Way Permit, and in conformance with KDOT procedures.

6. Be appropriate to its proposed setting and community context.

7. Be in proper size and scale with its surroundings. The maximum size shall fit within 353 cubic feet. The width shall not exceed 20 feet and the height shall not exceed 20 feet above existing grade.

8. Be composed of durable materials that are suited for the projected life span of the Monument.


10. Be located outside the clear recovery zone, placed such that there will be minimal likelihood of being struck by an errant vehicle. Generally, Gateway Monuments should be located a minimum of 52 feet horizontally or 8 feet vertically up-slope from the edge of the traveled way. The proposed location for all Gateway Monuments shall be reviewed by KDOT for safety considerations.

11. If unable to locate outside of the clear recovery zone, shall be shielded behind existing guardrail, barrier or other safety device. However the installation cannot interfere with the operation of the existing guardrail, barrier or safety device.

12. Be subject to the review and approval of the Department in consideration of design, size, and scale for appropriate integration on urban or rural highway features, safety of the travelling public, preservation and protection of the Transportation Facility, and compliance with the KDOT Road Design Manual.
Proposed Gateway Features or City Identifiers shall not:

1. Contain religious, political, special interest, private, or commercial messages of any sort, including, but not limited to, symbols, logos, business names, trade names, jingles, or slogans.

2. Contain any displays of any sort, including advertising, decorative banners, flags, flag poles, or images of flags.

3. Display telephone numbers, street addresses, or Internet addresses.

4. Interfere with airspace above the roadway.

5. Create a distraction to the motoring public, for example, text or verbiage shall be large enough to interpret at highway speed, but not be so large that it demands attention from the motorist.

6. Include reflective or glaring surface finishes.

7. Include illumination that impairs or distracts the vision of highway system users, such as blinking or intermittent or moving lights, including changeable message signs, digital displays, or lighted static displays such as LED. Other lighting may be permitted, such as ground-mounted up-lights.

8. Include moving elements (kinetic art) or simulate movement.

9. Neither interfere with official traffic control devices nor interfere with the operational ROW above the roadway surface.

10. Be placed upon trees or painted or drawn upon rocks or other existing natural features within ROW.

11. Make use of or simulate colors or combinations of colors usually reserved for official traffic control devices described in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

12. Restrict sight distance.

13. Require the removal of trees or other vegetation for visibility, or harm trees during construction. Pruning of tree branches or roots, and removal of shrubs should be avoided, and will be allowed only with written approval of KDOT.

14. Negatively impact existing highway features, including existing signs, irrigation systems, necessary drainage patterns, and facilities.

15. Include water features of any sort.

16. Include any irrigation or watering system which may require installation of water lines or pipes on or traversing the ROW.

17. Be located within the center median between lanes of traffic or within medians in interchanges.

18. Protrude or span over travel lanes or roadbeds.

19. Require the placement of any protective device, such as guardrail, barrier or other safety device.