



# **Project Description**

In 2009, the City of La Porte was the recipient of a beautification grant from the Houston-Galveston Area Council and the Economic Alliance – Houston Port Region. This grant was for the construction of a gateway that would identify La Porte as a member city of the San Jacinto Historic District. The City also elected to contribute additional funds toward a project that would not only serve as a gateway to the City, but also as an economic development project. Knudson assisted the City in the project selection process and ultimately recommended a project that included two large gateway towers and a façade enhancement to an adjacent building.

Knudson led a project team of engineers, architects, and contractors. The project included the design of two 40' gateway towers which can be prominently viewed from SH 146. One of the gateway towers was designed as an integrated architectural feature of an unutilized building. In addition to the towers, the project also included enhancements to an adjacent parking lot as well as right of way enhancements. The scale and materials used in the gateways dramatically transformed the entry to La Porte.

In addition to design and construction document production, Knudson also served as project manager during the construction phase of the project.

### Client:

City of La Porte

#### Complete

#### Services:

Landscape Architecture

#### **Principal In Charge:**

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#### **Project Reference**

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