

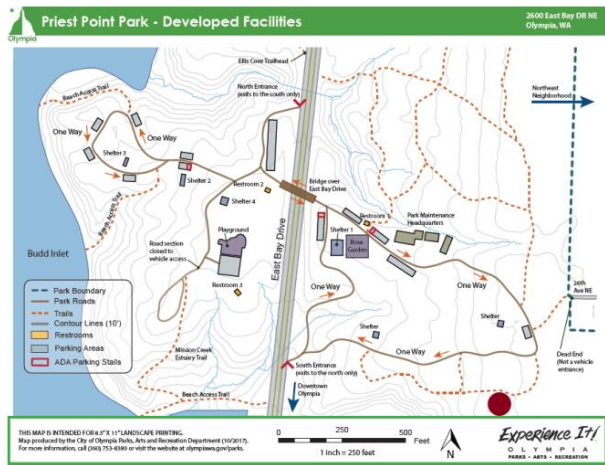
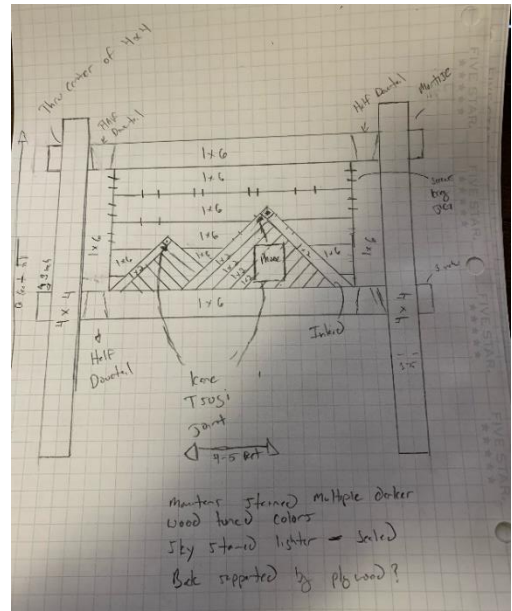
Gift of Art Proposal – Telephone of the Wind

Telephone of the Wind was placed in Priest Point Park in November 2020, to commemorate the life of Joelle Sylvester, and provide an opportunity for grief. Inspired by a project in Japan, a rotary phone, situated in a forest, helps people communicate with those they have lost. The current installation is very temporary and with the support of the Parks Department, this proposal is for a more long-lived presentation.

The donor, Corey Dembeck, does not consider themselves an artist, and has no art resume or other existing sculptures. This is their first installation.



L: The current **Telephone of the Wind** is composed of plywood, with a rotary phone, affixed directly to a tree. R: The proposed structure is 6' x 6', of cedar, composed without hardware, as homage to the original **Wind Telephone** installation in Japan.



The donor will fabricate the free-standing structure, which will be installed by the Parks Maintenance Department in the approximate location to where it is currently located. The structure is fairly straightforward - cedar is common material for outdoor structures and can be maintained by the City annually. The rotary telephone is the specialized feature, and the donor has several in waiting in the case of damage or disappearance and will agree to provide them as needed to the City.

Materials provided by the donor are estimated at less than \$2,000. As this is the first sculpture by the donor, there is no art market history for valuation of the work.

Materials provided by the City to install the sculpture and provide a plaque are estimated at less than \$500.