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### **DDA & Stateline No. 7 Unveil Final Design**

The Casper Downtown Development Authority and Stateline No. 7 Architects are proud to announce the new name and final design for the downtown events-driven public plaza. **David Street Station** will be a civic space located at the corner of W. Yellowstone and David Streets. The 43,000 square foot outdoor facility will host up to 200 events per year; from concerts to ice skating, farmer's markets to festivals, downtown Casper will be alive with additional entertainment and energy at all times of the year.

The new name, **David Street Station**, pays obvious tribute to the location on David Street, where Second Street downtown changes to W. Yellowstone Highway through the Old Yellowstone District. "The street was named after Edward David, who worked for Joseph Carey, one of Wyoming's first US Senators and Governors. Mr. David worked on the CY ranch, which comprised much of the land we call Casper today, and is often referenced as a hero during the Johnson County War for climbing telegraph poles and cutting communication lines," said Shawn Houck, owner of Adbay, a local ad agency that helped guide the naming committee. Additionally, prior to being named "Fort Caspar," the fort was called the Platte Bridge Station; Casper also hosted a station for the Pony Express. Finally, just south of the site sits Fire Station No. 1. Recently restored and a designated historical building, the first fire station in Casper is not only a navigational landmark but a building of significance that conveys the proud history of our resilient community.

The design team was led by downtown Casper business owner and resident, Lyle Murtha, of Stateline No. 7 Architects. "The design is a culmination of ideas from community members, lessons learned from other spaces around the country and what will work best in our climate," said Murtha. The design features include a band shell and seating area for performances, a free splash pad for children and families to enjoy, and ice rink in the winter time. Other features include attractive gateways, on-site restrooms, integrated vendor/tent stations, second story observation deck, art installations, public seating areas, and a small area for pop-up street performers.

"This is a huge step forward in the process of bringing this to the heart of our community. The input from the public has been invaluable and we are excited to show everyone what Stateline No. 7 has put together. We would like to thank the Casper City Council, city staff, Wyoming Business Council, our private donors, and the public for their continued support – we wouldn't be where we are today without it" said Kevin Hawley, Director of the Downtown Development Authority.

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\*Additional pictures of David Street Station can be viewed at [downtowncasper.com](http://downtowncasper.com)

