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Send in your ideas for Ferndale monument

The city of Ferndale is the first of several Woodward Corridor communities to participate in a monument project spearheaded by the Woodward Avenue Action Association.

The project will entail 25, 30-foot glass towers articulating the heritage of Woodward erected along the historic highway from the Detroit River to Pontiac. Most of the money for the towers, which will be lit up at night, will come from donations.

Ferndale approved a \$30,000 grant to fund its monument to ensure the city is the starting point for the project.

But the city didn't like the organization's theme for Ferndale's monument: cruising on Woodward and the Woodward Dream Cruise.

Council members said Ferndale's contribution to the auto industry, specifically its tool and die businesses, may be more fitting and asked the designers to go back to the drawing board.

We would like to know what residents and other readers think. More importantly, we think City Council members ought to know what residents think.

If you have an idea for a theme for Ferndale's monument, send it to City Manager Robert J. Bruner Jr. via the feedback form on the city's Web site, www.ferndale-mi.com, or via snail mail at 300 E. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale MI, 48220-1797.

E-mail a copy of your idea to Mirror Editor Karen Smith at kmsith@hometownlife.com and we'll print it in our letters to the editor section.

Perhaps someone has an idea that almost everyone can agree fits Ferndale best.
