

Goldthwaite Welcome Center Open for Visitors

The City of Goldthwaite is now home to a new Texas Department of Transportation Welcome Center located in the center of town.

ing for this project — the and vending machines and Gardens & Native American leased by TxDOT, the Wel-Goldthwaite Welcome Center — has been provided by TxDOT, along with addition- parking area. al financial support from the City of Goldthwaite.

the Welcome Center builddesk, office, exhibits, infor-The majority of the fund- and the surrounding area, restrooms. The project also Interpretive includes an easily accessible

The Welcome Center is lo-

The project consists of cated directly across from and retail shopping, and mation about Goldthwaite It connects Legacy Plaza — the Texas Botanical Goldthwaite's restaurants a transportation museum,

City Hall and is the cen-provides convenient access ing which houses a welcome terpiece for Goldthwaite's to the Mills County Museum growing cultural district. and the Jennie Trent Dew

> According to plans re-Center—with come Center will "serve as and as such will be formed by structural elements and materials used in train depots and rail cars of a bygone time."

> > The roof of the building, as presented in the design statement, is an "asymmetric butterfly," which can collect rainwater and take it to the south end of the building where it will flow down a "rain chain," into a pool, and eventually be piped into an underground storage tank.

> > Other attractive features of the center's design in-"monolithic stone blocks" to be used decoratively with the native plant landscaping, and also serve as benches. The roof extends over a covered terrace for shaded outdoor seating.

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