



Department of Community Planning and Economic Development
Communications Department
City of Minneapolis
105 Fifth Avenue South, Ste. 200
Minneapolis, MN 55401

Media Advisory

Contact: Krista Bergert, Communications, CPED, 612 673 5015 (or by cell, 612 360 8702);
Jack Byers, Planning, 612 673 2634

For Immediate Release
November 24, 2009

Public invited to attend meeting on heritage preservation in northside industrial areas

Historic resource study along the Mississippi underway

WHAT: The City of Minneapolis announces upcoming community meetings about heritage preservation in the industrial areas along the Mississippi River in North Minneapolis. A historic resource study is underway in the eastern most portions of the Lind-Bohanan, Camden Industrial Area, McKinley, Hawthorne, and Near North neighborhoods to assess the potential for historic properties. This historic resources survey covers the narrow swath of land east of Interstate 94, west of the Mississippi River, and north of Plymouth Avenue to the northern city limits. The upcoming meeting will be an opportunity to learn about the historic survey project in this area and preservation activities citywide.

The City was first surveyed for historic resources in the 1970s and many of today's designated landmarks and historic districts are a result of this original survey. Since 2001, the City's Department of Community Planning & Economic Development has conducted more detailed re-surveys of historic resources in specific areas across Minneapolis. The re-survey was directed by the City Council and was undertaken to consider the aging of properties, changing attitudes about which types of historic resources need to be identified, and what level of preservation may be appropriate. This year's survey will help achieve the City's goal of documenting historic resources throughout Minneapolis over a ten-year period. Reports for other survey areas from past studies are available by calling (612) 673-2615.

WHEN: Friday December 11, 2009, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

WHERE: North Memorial Library – 1315 Lowry Avenue North (at the corner of Fremont Avenue North) in Minneapolis, phone: (952) 847-8450

For directions, see <http://www.hclib.org/AgenciesAction.cfm?agency=NR>

MORE: For background information on preservation in Minneapolis, please see the Heritage Preservation website for landmarks and historic districts: <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/hpc/landmarks/> . If you have additional questions, please contact Jack Byers at 612 673-2634, or by email, jack.byers@ci.minneapolis.mn.us.

#