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MEMORANDUM

TO: Heritage Preservation Commission
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DATE: July 13, 2010
RE: 2010 Historic Resources Survey: South Minneapolis

Background on the Citywide Historic Resource Survey Project

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 the original survey. The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) created the Preservation Study Group in 1999 to research how the existing citywide historic resources inventory should be updated and devised a plan for gathering funds. The plan called for a 10-year phased plan to resurvey the entire city. The City Council approved the Commission's plan and called for matching funds to be granted each year that a Certified Local Government (CLG) grant is awarded by State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). Since 2001, the City has applied for these grant funds and provided the matching funds to complete the surveys. The 2010 survey will help achieve the City's goal of documenting historic resources throughout the entire city over a ten-year period. CPED has applied for and received another CLG grant to complete the entire resurvey of the city by the end of 2011.

The historic resource survey serves as a planning tool for the City of Minneapolis, specifically CPED staff and the HPC. Staff and the HPC use the inventory to make informed decisions about the significance and protection of historic resources in reviewing demolition permits as well as reviewing development proposals. The surveys aid to develop goals and strategies for preservation as well as other planning processes, such as neighborhood planning.

South Minneapolis Survey

The Community Planning and Economic Development (CPED) department of the City of Minneapolis is conducting a historic resource survey of the following neighborhoods: Hale, Keewaydin, Ericsson, Field, Page, Minnehaha, Diamond Lake, Wenonah, Morris Park, Regina, Northrop, Corcoran, Bryant, Bancroft and Standish to assess the potential for historic properties. Work on the project has already begun and will end in August 2010.

As part of the survey project, CPED scheduled three community meetings to discuss the survey project and obtain feedback and other information from the public. The third, and final, community meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 20, 2010 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm at the McRae Recreation Center, 906 47th Street East, Minneapolis.

