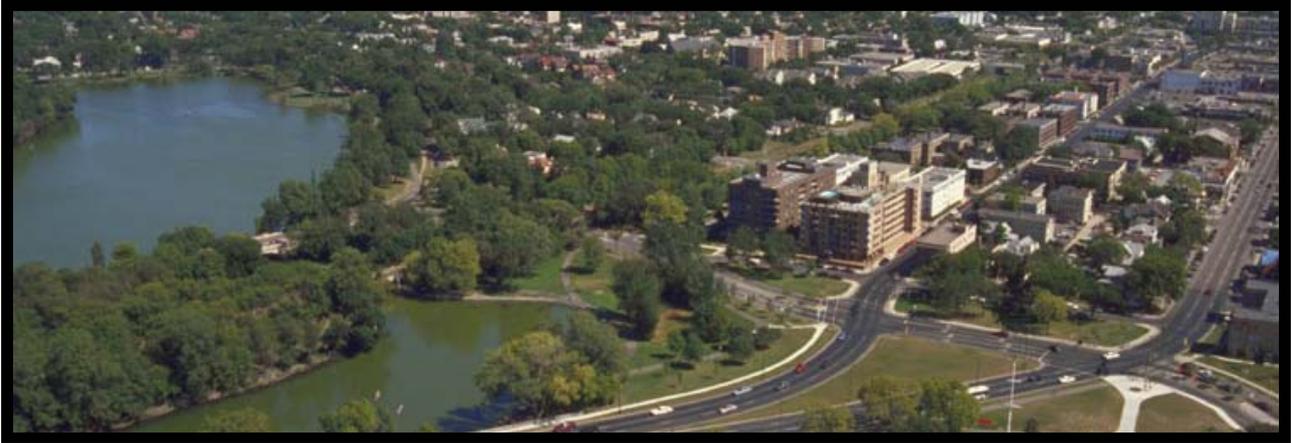


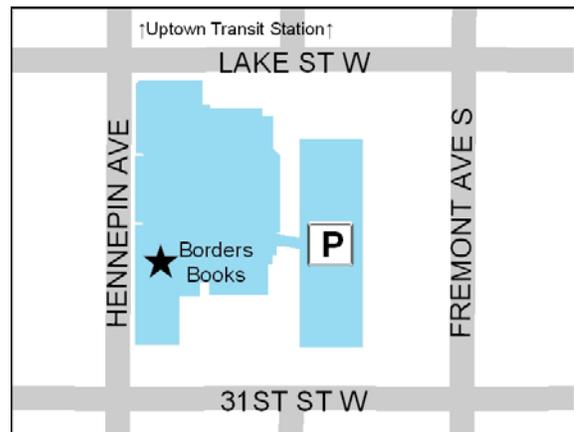
UPTOWN SMALL AREA PLAN



COMMUNITY MEETING #4

**Thursday, May 24
7:00 to 9:00 PM**

**In the former Borders Books
space in Calhoun Square
(Across the Hall from Starbucks)
3001 Hennepin Avenue**



The City of Minneapolis, along with Uptown area neighborhoods and business organizations, is preparing a small area plan to guide future development.

Join us May 24th to:

- Hear a report on outcomes from the March meeting
- Review and comment on a summary of transportation issues and potential solutions
- Respond to concepts for scale and character of buildings in different areas of Uptown

**For more information about the
Uptown Small Area Plan, see the project web site:**

<http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/planning/uptown-plan.asp>

The meeting site is wheelchair accessible; if you need other disability related accommodations, such as a sign language interpreter or materials in alternative format, please contact Krista Bergert at 612-673-5015.

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Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Uptown Small Area Plan?

The Uptown Small Area Plan is a document that is being produced by the City of Minneapolis' Department of Community Planning and Economic Development to provide more detailed guidance for future land use in the core of Uptown and Hennepin Avenue. The small area plan will build upon, augment, and refine the policies of the City's comprehensive plan that apply to the Uptown area.

What does a small area plan cover?

The small area plan will examine existing conditions and make recommendations about:

- Future land use
- Urban character and design
- Economic development
- Housing
- Transportation
- Public improvements

Why is this important?

The small area plan process is important because it will put forth a vision of what Uptown should look like years into the future. The plan will address questions like:

- Will there still be demand for more housing?
- How big should new buildings be?
- Where should new office and retail space go?
- How can we manage traffic?
- How can we preserve and enhance the character of Uptown?

Who gets a say in the plan?

Everyone. The plan will be based on input obtained at a series of public workshops.

What is the process for developing the plan?

The plan will be drafted by consultants supervised by the City's planning staff and approved by the Planning Commission and City Council. A steering committee made up of neighborhood and business representatives has been established to provide feedback throughout the process. Here is a summary of what has happened so far:

- April 2006: Community meeting held to introduce the process and discuss the plan's geographic scope
- June 2006: First steering committee meeting
- August 2006: Request for proposals (RFP) for consultant services issued
- November 2006: Cuningham Group selected to perform the scope of services outlined in the RFP.
- November 2006: Two community visioning sessions held at Calhoun Square
- February 2006: Focus groups and community meeting held to discuss existing conditions
- March 2007: Focus groups and public meeting focusing on initial ideas held at Calhoun Square

How can I stay informed?

You can:

- Go to the project website – <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/planning/uptown-plan.asp>
- Sign up for the project e-mail list to get periodic updates
- Call one of the planners working on the project: Amanda Arnold (673-3242) or Paul Mogush (673-2074)
- Attend the public meetings

