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**SUBJECT:** Request for Proposals (RFP) for the combined management, programming, and/or lease or sale of the Historic Orpheum Theatre, the Historic State Theatre, and the Pantages Theatre in the Hennepin Theatre District in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Interested Party:

The City of Minneapolis, acting by and through its Department of Community Planning and Economic Development (CPED), is soliciting proposals for the management, programming, and booking of the three restored historic theatres which the City currently owns and operates through a Management Contract and a Broadway Subscription Season agreement (the "Master Use Agreement"). Both of these existing contracts may be terminated as of June 30, 2006, given proper notice by December 31, 2004. The City is willing to consider a broad range of alternative ownership, operating, and financial structures that would most fully achieve the goals for the theatres as adopted by the Minneapolis City Council on May 14, 2004. Proposals may be submitted by individual entities or by teams comprised of multiple entities. The selected respondent must be prepared to assume its management responsibilities as of July 1, 2006, or such earlier date as may be mutually agreed upon.

**The RFP document, exhibits, submission requirements, and schedule may be obtained on the CPED website at [www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/) .** Alternatively, these materials are available for viewing at the CPED office listed below. Copies of these documents are available at the City's standard copy charge of \$0.05/page.

**All responses to this RFP must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. on October 15, 2004.** Any submittals received after that time will not be considered. Responses to this RFP will be accepted at the following address:

**Contract Services Department  
Community Planning and Economic Development  
105 Fifth Avenue South, Suite 200  
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**Please direct any questions regarding this Request for Proposals in writing to:**

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