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February 7 was the first of three public meetings for the West Broadway Community Development Expo. About 140 people turned out for the event, and there was a lot of excitement for the many projects on display which will contribute to building an improved West Broadway in North Minneapolis.

One of the highlighted projects was a proposed brand new public plaza at Hawthorn Crossings Shopping Center. The idea is to carve out a distinctive, eye-catching, and unique public space along West Broadway in the shopping center parking lot that will be programmed with a regularly-scheduled community market along with hosting other community events.

The second of three opportunities to participate in designing this new public space is on Tuesday night, March 31, when the project will be on display at the Plymouth Christian Youth Center school at 2210 Oliver Ave North. The event is 6:30- 8:30 pm with a half hour presentation at 7 pm.. The design team has moved ahead with the design of the plaza, and will present a number of scenarios for community consideration.

A third and final public meeting will happen on Tuesday, May 19 to give input on a single proposed design for the site.

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