

Discussions focus on heritage preservation in Northside industrial areas

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Minneapolis Community Planning and Economic Development (CPED) department says it will hold a meeting about heritage preservation in the industrial areas along the Mississippi River in North Minneapolis.

The meeting is open to the public and will be held 11:30am - 1pm, Friday, December 11, 2009 at North Regional Library, 1315 Lowry Avenue 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, CPED 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 the entire City over a ten-year period. Reports for other survey areas from past studies are available by calling (612) 673- 2615.

Information on preservation in Minneapolis is available at the Heritage Preservation website for landmarks and historic districts:

<http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/hpc/landmarks/>.

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