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MEMORANDUM

TO: Heritage Preservation Commission
FROM: Brian Schaffer, Principal City Planner 612.673.2670
DATE: August 21, 2012
RE: Informational Item: Update on final draft of the St. Anthony Falls Historic District.

On September 24, 2012, the Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) will hold a public hearing on the adoption of the St. Anthony Falls Historic District Design Guidelines. In advance of this meeting CPED-Planning is bringing this informational item to the HPC's August 21, 2012, meeting to review the process to develop the design guidelines and introduce the HPC to the final draft of the design guidelines.

Public Process

The public process to develop the St. Anthony Falls Historic District Design Guidelines kicked-off on April 6, 2011, with a community meeting to discuss and review the history of the St. Anthony Falls Historic District and it will conclude on September 24, 2012, with a public hearing on the adoption of the guidelines.

In addition to the community workshops, technical and community advisory groups set up for this project were utilized to advise on the process to develop the document and the document's content. Focus groups with developers and designers were also utilized to further solicit input on the guidelines. The following is summary of all the forums and meetings CPED held to solicit input in the development of the design guidelines.

- March 31, 2011: HPC meeting (public meeting) on development of the historic district design guidelines
- March 31, 2011: Community Advisory Group meeting
- April 1, 2011: Technical Advisory Group meeting
- April 6, 2011: Community meeting on the history of the historic district
- April 15, 2011: Technical Advisory Group meeting
- April 25, 2011: Technical Advisory Group meeting
- April 25, 2011: Community workshop on the character of the historic district
- April 26, 2011: Developers Focus Group
- April 26, 2011: Designers Focus Group
- May 10, 2011: Technical Advisory Group meeting
- May 10, 2011: HPC meeting (public meeting) to review and comment on Strategy Paper for Design Guidelines

- May 10, 2011: Community Advisory Group meeting
- November 29, 2011: HPC meeting (public meeting) to review and comment on first draft of design guidelines
- November 29- January 17: Comment period for first draft of the design guidelines
- December 14, 2011: Designers Focus Group
- December 15, 2011: Technical Advisory Group meeting
- January 17, 2012: HPC meeting (public meeting) to review and comment on first draft of design guidelines
- March 28, 2012: Technical Advisory Group meeting
- March 28, 2012: Community Advisory Group meeting
- March 28, 2012: Community meeting to review second draft of design guidelines
- April 3, 2012: HPC meeting (public meeting) to review and comment on second draft of design guidelines
- April 17, 2012: HPC meeting (public meeting) to review and comment on second draft of design guidelines
- March 29 – April 30, 2012: public comment period for second draft of design guidelines

The final draft of the St. Anthony Falls Historic District Design Guidelines will be posted on the project webpage on August 23, 2012, for public review.

http://www.minneapolismn.gov/hpc/hpc_st_anthony_falls_historic_district_design_guidelines

CPED-Planning looks forward to reviewing the final draft of the design guidelines with the HPC on August 21, 2012.