

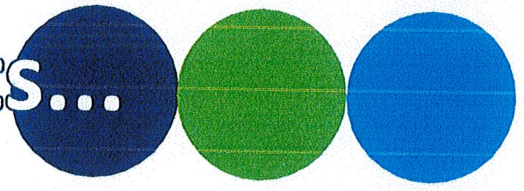
As a group, you will complete an exercise to rank the things your group sees as the biggest threats to historic preservation.

1. Public does not value historic preservation highly *Some do.*
2. Lack of understanding of existing and potential resources *timing + cycles*
3. Low lawmaker interest in historic preservation
4. Economy
5. Too much emphasis on development
6. In-and-out migration of rural communities
7. Too many other priorities
8. Shifts in the state's racial and ethnic makeup
9. Not enough people do preservation work
10. Underrepresentation of certain groups or cultures
11. Perception that new is better than old
12. Safety concerns (code issues, school safety, active shooter situations, etc.)
13. Natural disasters or climate change
14. Site vulnerability ?
15. Housing needs, including affordability
16. Gentrification and displacement
17. Public infrastructure changes and needs
18. Changes in worship, recreation, transportation, and other cultural norms
19. Other *having to hire consultants to move work forward*

*Discussions should last about five to ten minutes before sharing your small group thoughts with all.*



# Participant Worksheets...



## EXERCISE TASK #2

**Step 1:** As a large group, rank the reasons listed below that illustrate why historic preservation is important:

### Rank

- \_\_\_ Allows for community focused public spaces (Placemaking)
- 2 Economic vitality
- 3 Ensuring future generations have access to historical resources
- \_\_\_ Good urban design
- 4 The ability for individuals to learn about Minnesota's history
- \_\_\_ The ability to conduct historical research
- \_\_\_ The ability to teach others about Minnesota's history (same as 4)
- 1 The preservation of cultural identity/heritage
- 5 The preservation of sacred places or space
- 6 Other - the only "green building" is one that already exists

### STEP 2: Deep Dive

After the larger group has identified the top three popular reasons, divide up into groups of **two** and discuss:

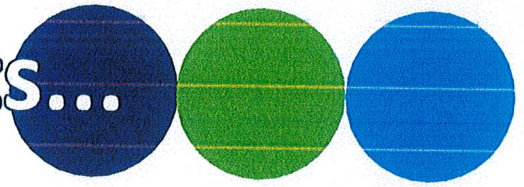
**"Which one of the three reasons most resonates with you"**

- Preservation of cultural identity/heritage

**"How can the importance of historic preservation in the State of Minnesota be better promoted?"**

- Tour guides for individual area tourism  
- Northfield can highlight each building with info visible from outside + pamphlets inside

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## EXERCISE TASK #3

Personal reflection followed by open discussion.

Step 1: Take 3-5 minutes to reflect and write on the question:

*"How could a statewide preservation plan assist you personally, your organization, or your local government?"*

With a clear plan at the top, perhaps HPCs could tap into that plan in a less complicated, less costly, more productive way that takes less time.  
Could a statewide plan provide a better data base for craftsmen and consultants that local projects could use?

Please return all your completed worksheets to the meeting host.

Thank you.



## Meeting Host Feedback Questionnaire.

The responses that are collected will be used to improve future meeting in a box opportunities

### 1. How helpful were the meeting materials?

- ☐ Not helpful      ☐ Moderately Helpful      ☒ Very Helpful

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. How satisfied are you with the overall meeting experience?

- ☐ Very Satisfied  
☐ Moderately Satisfied  
☐ Neutral  
☐ Unsatisfied  
☐ Very Unsatisfied

Comments: We did not use as intended due to timing

### 3. Would you host another meeting-in-a-box?

- ☐ No      ☒ Maybe      ☐ Yes

Comments: With expanded time + more direct benefit to us.

### 4. How can we make it easier to host future meetings?

Our HPC meets once a month and barely gets through the business at hand. It's tough to ask volunteers to add meetings. We are trying to add work sessions to better accomplish our tasks.

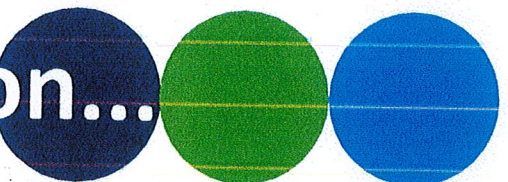
### 5. What were your favorite experiences or moments?

### 6. Do you have any other suggestions or feedback you would like to share?

There is great value in having similar HPCs meet together (like Northside and Red Wing), but very difficult to pull off

Thank you for taking the Engagement Survey!

# Meeting Host Evaluation...



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