

## **Willard Homewood Organization hosts monthly meeting**

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Willard Homewood Organization's January monthly meeting will be 6-6:45pm this Thursday, January 28, 2010, at NorthPoint Regional Center, 14th at Penn Avenue North. The agenda includes a presentation by 5th Ward Council Member Don Samuels on West Broadway business development initiatives, a presentation by Paul Baukinight on his proposal to Minneapolis Public Schools to build a new district headquarters at Penn and Plymouth on the vacant former McDonald's Restaurant lot, and the Homewood Design Competition for the NE corner of Plymouth and Sheridan in North Minneapolis.

Competition guidelines call for four to seven "live-work" units with garage and work/studio space on three contiguous parcels owned by the City of Minneapolis. Representatives of Minneapolis Department of Community Planning and Development (CPED) will discuss opportunity for neighborhood involvement in the project.

State Rep. Bobby Joe Champion, DFL – 58B, will hold a Transportation Town Hall meeting later that evening 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Thursday, January 28th at UROC, 2001 Plymouth Avenue North, Minneapolis, inviting residents and business owners to join U.S. 5th District Congressman Keith Ellison and Minneapolis City Councilman Don Samuels in a discussion about the plans and the business impact for the proposed Northside Bottineau Light Rail to Downtown Minneapolis