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Public Meeting Scheduled for Warehouse District Development

DUBUQUE, Iowa – The City of Dubuque will hold a public meeting at 5 p.m. on Thursday, June 26, to discuss the development of the Dubuque Warehouse District. The City has hired a consultant, The Cunningham Group, to develop a Warehouse District Master Plan to guide the redevelopment of the area. The goal of the June 26 meeting is to solicit public input for the master plan.

The public is invited to attend to learn more about the plans and participate in focus group discussions. The meeting will be held in the former Phoenix Fitness building at the corner of Central and East 9th Streets. Attendees should use the East 9th Street courtyard entrance.

The Dubuque Warehouse District is a 17-block area of significant, historic industrial warehouses which, once restored, will create a one-million square-foot, energy-efficient, mixed-used neighborhood. This exciting initiative embraces the principles of sustainable and environmental stewardship, smart growth, economic prosperity and social/cultural vibrancy.

The restoration of the Warehouse District was selected by nearly 15,000 tri-state citizens as one of the “top 10” ideas through the Envision 2010 community visioning process. In July 2007, the Warehouse District Revitalization Strategy was endorsed by the Envision 2010 Committee. In September 2007 the City Council adopted the Warehouse District Revitalization Strategy, encompassing an estimated \$200 million in public and private improvements. In December 2007, the City Council amended the Greater Downtown Urban Renewal District to include the warehouse district in order to provide financial incentives to assist in the revitalizations.

For additional information, please contact Aaron DeJong in the Economic Development Department at 589-4393 or adejong@cityofdubuque.org. Individuals with limited English proficiency, or vision, hearing, speech or other disabilities requiring special assistance should contact the Economic Development Department at 589-4393, 48 hours prior to the meeting.

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