

Comprehensive Policy Plan
"Working Spaces"

Policy Letter 115: Historic Preservation

BACKGROUND:

As plans for redevelopment or reutilization of buildings and space throughout the downtown area are drawn, buildings with unique historic, archaeological, or cultural characteristics should be identified for the purpose of preservation. The inventory of all buildings on the National Historic Register is a good starting point. Possibly, with the assistance of the Historic Preservation Committee, that list could be expanded to include a priority listing of buildings to guide future planning decisions and to better protect those building with the highest priority.

POLICY STATEMENT:

A list of historic buildings and structures should be established by the Historic Preservation Commission. Any public project affecting those buildings will be subject to review and comment by the Historic Preservation Commission.

CONCLUSION:

No guarantees can be given in the process of historic preservation of Fargo's downtown area, but measures can be taken to guide future planning decisions. In identifying those buildings or structures with the most unique characteristics, the community can take appropriate actions in preserving the many elements of Fargo's identity.