



Community Planning & Economic Development

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To Kick-Off Residential Construction Season

City of Minneapolis Development Services

Customer Service Center to Host Spring Open House

WHAT: To help Minneapolis residents prepare for spring home remodeling and residential building projects, the City of Minneapolis Development Services Customer Service Center is hosting a spring Open House event on Wednesday, April 30th from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. Residents are encouraged to stop in and tour the Customer Service Center, ask City development staff remodeling, building, permitting or zoning questions, and attend free informational seminars.

The Open House event is designed to inform residents of the center's location, what to bring with them when they visit, and what to expect to happen during their visit. The goal is to make the Customer Service Center and City staff more accessible, their visit more efficient, and projects easier to complete.

Minneapolis Mayor Betsy Hodges and Minneapolis Council Members will be touring the center from 3:30-4:30 p.m. At 4:00 p.m., the Mayor and Director of Development Services, Doug Kress will share a few brief remarks. A series of complimentary how-to informational seminars will be presented starting at 4:30 p.m. Topics to be covered include: "Building a Deck – What do you need from the City?," "Zoning 101," "Healthy Home Environments," "Home Business Licensing 101," "Green Initiatives – green Roofs, rain barrels, managing water runoff, and more," "Homeowners guide to permitting – which remodeling projects need permits?" A full list of informational sessions and presentation times is available [online](#).

The event is free and open to the public. Residential building permits and critical parking permits will be available for purchase throughout the event. Attendees will have a chance to win a free carbon monoxide/smoke detector from

Minneapolis Regulatory Services and while supplies last, free home radon test kits will be available from the Minneapolis Health Department.

WHEN: Wednesday, April 30th from 3:30-6:30 p.m.
4:00 p.m. remarks by Mayor Hodges / Development Services Director Doug Kress
4:30-6:30 p.m. free informational seminars

WHERE: Public Service Center
Development Services Customer Service Center
250 S. Fourth St.
Third Floor
Minneapolis, MN 55415
[\(Map and Free Off-street Parking Information\)](#)

MORE: The Development Services Customer Service Center is part of the City of Minneapolis Department of Community Planning and Economic Development Department (CPED). CPED works to grow a sustainable city; more people, more jobs.

Regular business hours of the Customer Service Center are Monday-Wednesday and Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 pm. and Thursdays 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Free off-street parking is available for customers. Customers requiring plan review, zoning, preservation and design must sign-in by 3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday in order to have adequate time to be processed during business hours. For more information on Development Services visit www.minneapolismng.gov/mda.

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