



## UPPER HARBOR TERMINAL ENGAGEMENT 2017 PUBLIC EVENTS & FESTIVALS SUMMARY

JORDAN WEEK OF KINDNESS / FLOW NORTHSIDE ART CRAWL / AFC BLOCK PARTY / OPEN STREETS WEST BROADWAY / DAY OF DIGNITY

These notes are from input shared at public events and festivals in North Minneapolis during Summer and early Fall 2017, including Jordan Week of Kindness, FLOW Northside Arts Crawl, Appetite for Change Block Party, Open Streets West Broadway, and Masjid An-Nur's Day of Dignity.

This engagement was hosted by Juxtaposition Arts adult staff and youth apprentices, with MPRB and City staff and members of the development team. It included questions for conversation and response on large posters, surveys, activities that invited people to contribute elements they would like to see at UHT to a large map of the site; and example images to respond to of public space/park spaces, active recreation, nature and contemplative spaces, art and performance.

Activities and conversations focused on sharing info about the UHT site and planning process (if they were not already aware), inviting people to upcoming events, and asking about:

- if and how you would want to access the river and the site
- what you would want to see in a park and public space along the river, and thoughts about the industrial relics
- your thoughts about a space for live outdoor music, food and markets on the site
- what would make a development at UHT best for North Minneapolis, and what would draw you
- and priorities and concerns that you have about the development of the site.

Categorized comments from these activities are included below.

**Overall we engaged with about 190 people during these public events and festivals.** Some people shared demographic info, including their zip code, age, and race/ethnicity. A summary of that info is included below. Zip codes, when people shared them, are included with comments below.

Residential zip code (168 people shared this info)  
North Minneapolis Zip (55412, 55411, 55405): 55%  
Other Zip: 45%

Age (75 people shared this info)  
Under 18: 8%  
18-24: 20%  
25-34: 27%  
35-54: 25%  
55-64: 13%  
65+: 7%

Race/Ethnicity (77 people shared this info)  
Black or African American: 71%  
Asian American: 4%  
Native American or American Indian: 0%  
White or Caucasian: 18%

Latinx: 1%

Mixed/Interracial: 5%

## MOBILITY & LEISURE

- Riding bikes (55411)
- People need to move, sports, anything where you can move your body (55411)
- Public space for everyone, space for outdoor dance classes, year round sports field. Indoor & outdoor for football. (55458)
- Bike, run, meet up with friends and eat. (55458)
- I like the idea of creating a new place for walking. (55411)
- Ice skating (55412)
- Sports like basketball, soccer, and rinks (55405)
- Drive, pedestrian bridge would be cool
- Run, places to gather, bike
- I would love to be in walking distance to the new river park (55412)
- Community events (55412)
- My family is into sports - things to climb on, water play. For water, it needs to be clean. (55404)
- Transportation (55116)
- Picnics, family gathering (55116)
- Family gathering (55116)
- Walking (55107)
- Picnic, biking (55107)
- Yoga, graduation, sports (55107)
- Active place / walking and biking (55107)
- I like the idea of a trail
- Walking, bring our children and use for family outings (55418)
- Movies in the park! Where you are allowed to bring wine / beer / food etc. (55408)
- Biking, croquet, volleyball (55345)
- Walking, biking, dog walking (55412)
- Any of the above (outdoor exercise classes, movies, graduations, church, relaxing with friends, sports, market), weddings (55412)
- Walking and biking pass (55412)
- Walk, drive, bike (55447)
- Drive & park (55411)
- Movies, graduations, relaxing with friends, sports (55411)
- Relax (55412)
- Outdoor movies and piazza pictures (55412)
- Movie night (55412)
- Playground for young adult youth, active space as well as a relaxed area ... w/ speakers
- I love to take walks in the park for exercise
- Outdoor concerts/workout classes open to public, dancing! Fountains, easily accessible by trails bike. (55401)
- Nature connected to the park and the river
- Enjoy trees and natural spaces, opportunities for biking and playing.
- Skate park
- Have 5K Walks/Runs and bike rides so people can see the area
- Gardening, hammocking, walking paths, water fountains, water activities, basketball (55404)
- Appealing walking/biking paths, opportunities for exercise (55418)

## INTERACTION WITH WATER

- A boat ride (55412)
- Walking near river (55411)
- Fishing would be good. (55411)
- Something to use the river like a corridor (like the water taxis in Chicago) (55411)
- I'd like to see a waterpark. (55411)
- I like to fish and want to see more fishing spots, but I wouldn't fish in the river. (55411)
- Park with access to the river would be good (55418)
- Canoeing, kayaking, float pier, fishing (55345)
- Riverfront picnic areas, bike paths, kayak (55447)
- Big boat
- Gardening, hammocking, walking paths, water fountains, water activities, basketball (55404)

## FACILITIES & PROGRAMS

- Year round space / accommodate cold months. (55458)
- Indoor play (55412)
- More rec centers (55412)
- Outdoor exercise class, movies, relaxing with friends, sports (55405)
- Keynote speakers - education, disparity, domestic violence, police brutality (55412)
- Socially relevant to issues our community faces. Artists who reflect the struggle (55412)
- Outdoor exercise classes (55447)
- Programs, cooking, nutrition (55447)
- Yoga, classes (55447)
- Adult exercise equipment, library, crafts (55412)
- Domes! Recording studio (see The Tank in Colorado)
- I'd like to see an olympic size swimming pool - indoor & outdoor (55411)
- Arcade, wifi, rec. center, burrowed (?) vending, better lighting machine (?), better bathrooms (55412)
- Keeping/reusing the relics sounds good. (55411)

## ART & CULTURE

- Graffiti (55412)
- Like the idea of music space, (will there be) free concerts?? (55405)
- Variety of music (55405)
- I want to see color. (55411)
- I like the idea of a music venue. Have a youth night, with a DJ. (55412)
- First Ave's involvement: It could put a strain on local residents but could help local economy too? (55405)
- Spray painting, music keyboard (55411)
- A live music venue sounds good, but if it has youth music and old school - something for different generations. (55411)
- I'm ok with the relics and live music, but it needs to be something the community can use. (55411)
- Music space would be good (55411)
- A variety of music would be good. There are so many different cultures here and history both old and young, young kids need to hear what older people went through to know what life is about, something to teach the old and young (55411)

- I like the idea of creating a beautiful new space. Live music brings people together, I like that idea. We need more places for kids to play. (55411)
- I'd like to see a stage for performances. It should be very colorful and artsy. (55411)
- Love the idea of a music space (55458)
- Amphitheatre style like the one at Millennium Park (55458)
- Like that First Ave. is involved (55458)
- Music is good, but amphitheatre would be too big
- Go to music concerts (55412)
- Leaving the relics is important, at least part of them. I like Mill City - that is a good example. I like the street art that is on the site now. What if street artists each did a tile or piece of a building or relic? (55404)
- Idea of music space is an excellent idea (55412)
- First Ave's involvement: I am a millennial so I am with it (55412)
- Types of music: R&B, rap, gospel etc. (55412)
- Entertainment (55116)
- Talent stage (55116)
- Great, it would showcase talent from people on the Northside, bring money into the community (55116)
- First Ave's involvement: That's cool (55116)
- Modern art, vocal concert, orchestras and dance (55116)
- Yes! To the idea of music space (55107)
- First Ave's involvement: Great. (55107)
- Wide range of kind of music (55107)
- I'm ok with the idea of live music of that size. Whatever people think is fine. (55411)
- No, I don't like the idea of music space at all. That's not a community thing. (55412)
- Types of music: Youth leading it, mid-high school. (55412)
- First Ave's involvement: Looks great. Minnesota is great when you have money but it sucks if you broke (55412)
- I like the idea of a live music venue. I want to see things for kids, not just adults. I only like the idea of the performance venue if it includes things for kids. (55411)
- Idea of a music space sounds great! Good community <3
- I love the idea of an outdoor live music venue. Could you use it as a versatile space - an event center, something that non-profits could use? (55404)
- First Ave's involvement: Maybe once in a while YES. As long as it's run efficiently and has enough parking
- Kinds of music: A mix of local and more popular bands and something that culturally diverse
- Well curated music (55408)
- Variety of music to draw different groups (55345)
- Love the idea of a music space (55412)
- First Ave's involvement: Great idea (55412)
- First Ave's involvement: Hell yaaa! Because 10,000 people coming together for a positive matter it's important. (55412)
- Hip-hop (55412)
- I don't want a live music venue. This would put more gentrification pressures on the neighborhood and I don't want to see my neighborhood gentrify and have property values and rents go up. Do the music venue on the other side of the river. (St Paul)
- Idea of a music space sounds like a great idea (55447)
- First Ave's involvement: Sounds good (55447)
- Kinds of music: Local bands (55447)

- Yes to the idea of a music space (55447)
- Reggae, african music (55447)
- Idea of music space is good (55411)
- Like that First Ave is involved (55411)
- Music type: All, children and adult (55411)
- Idea of music space is awesome (55411)
- I like that First Ave is involved, as long as as I can bring my lawn chairs and there is food for sale (55411)
- Variety of music (55411)
- Seating would be a bonus - being short, the tall people always stand in front of me (55411)
- Thumbs up to the idea of music space (55411)
- I would like to see r&b, rap, jazz, rock, etc (55411)
- Jazz and reggae, not much cussing (55412)
- No, this should be a community field
- First Ave's involvement would be cool, but need to have controlled environment
- Including northside along the way...Art that is reflective of the community (55411)
- Includes local artist and holds culture aspects of music/acting (55411)
- More free wall space for murals and artist to paint without needing grants
- No huge acts but keep it small features and local artist. Inspiring to draw the community not the city
- Bring some real hip hop shows please (55411)
- Ties to the community
- Free concerts by local musicians and bands (55417)
- Christmas celebrations (55116)
- First Ave's involvement: Yes. It would be better even if it were for free
- First Ave's involvement: It's a dope idea there needs to be more space that belongs to our community
- First Ave's involvement: Great. If it includes the communities input and people of color in the process. 55411
- First Ave's involvement: Love it! Great opportunity to bring money into our neighborhood
- First Ave's involvement: Would be awesome
- First Ave's involvement: As long as it's free and accessible to the community members
- Artist/industrial areas (55419)
- El Palomar Chihuahua (similar model) Spring & Fall festivals, Spin off dev.
- Colors, comfort places to be, functional art (55427)

## SHOPS & MARKETS

- Like the markets near the river (55405)
- Local goods and produce (55405)
- Places to get food (55412)
- I think a market near the river is an excellent idea (55412)
- Farmers market, flea market and clothing market (55412)
- More food choices (55116)
- Love the idea of markets near the river (55107)
- Access to fresh fruits and veggies (55107)
- Market near the river is not a good idea (55418)
- I think it would look aesthetically pleasing to have markets near the river (55408)
- Farmers market and flea market, unique items and second hand items of good quality that are affordable (55408)

- Fruits, vegetables and food (55345)
- I like the idea of a market, with fruits and veggies (55411)
- Market near the river is a great idea (55412)
- Farmers market near the river (55412)
- Local vendors, clothing, jewelry (55412)
- Market by the river is a great idea (55447)
- Farmers market / arts & crafts (55447)
- Farmers market, flowers (55447)
- Market near the river is good (55411)
- Food, flea market, night market (55411)
- All of the above sounds fab. Thrift store too! (55411)
- Markets near the river is a good idea (55411)
- Love the markets near the river (55458)
- Farmers market, flea market (55458)
- Local food shops w/ 2nd shop space (55458)
- I like the idea of a market. We need some kind of market -- a cheaper market, with food, fruits and veggies, and demonstrations on how to cook fruits and veggies. We need alternatives to Hooks. A market with vendors and farmers who are people of color. You should talk with Project Sweetie Pie. (St Paul)
- I would like to buy vegetables, fruit, and crafts (55411)
- Plaza/market (55411)
- Different type of vendors, jewelry, local vendors, clothing, people from outside is fine (55412)
- Clothing, local vendors
- Small/Big markets (55116)
- Big market year round - fresh food (like in Toronto), swap meet space (55411)

## EATERIES

- Food trucks (55412)
- Outdoor dining (55412)
- Local, casual, revolving food trucks from the area (55405)
- Places to convene, local and healthy
- Independently owned restaurants / local owners, options of eating inside and outside (55412)
- Healthy food choices (55116)
- Food trucks (55107)
- Something that promotes local food and local people that make really good food but maybe don't have the money to open a storefront (55408)
- No fast foods, healthy, food trucks, low to moderate pricing (55345)
- Farmers market (55412)
- Casual, food trucks, outdoor (55412)
- Local food trucks (55412)
- Casual / health / local / outdoor (55447)
- Food trucks (55447)
- Local, casual restaurants (55411)
- Cafes (55411)
- Another breaking bread location (55411)
- Local, casual, indoor, dog friendly (55411)
- Healthy food, Jamaican food (55412)
- Bbq & vegan

## GREEN SPACES & PARKS

- Flowers in structured garden (55412)
- Education areas about wildlife and history (55405)
- Active space pictures of slide in forest and ice skating (55411)
- The park has to be activated all the time. There needs to be a constant draw year round. (55411)
- I don't really use the parks. My kids are older. (55411)
- Places to convene and gather (55116)
- Grassy area. (55408)
- Nature, sunset, green space (55345)
- Keep the space available to all groups (55345)
- Area to play games (55447)
- Trees & gardens (55447)
- Dog / pet friendly, playgrounds (55411)
- Playground, gardens, pools / splash pads (55411)
- Good if people could rent it out for events (55411)
- Enjoy trees and natural spaces, opportunities for biking and playing.
- Skate park
- Green space (55406)
- Parque Fundidora Monterrey, Mex.
- Linear path to other parks
- Gardening, hammocking, walking paths, water fountains, water activities, basketball (55404)
- Grass pedestrian bridges
- No blue rooster, place for kids w/ disabilities, better water, fountain seating
- Big playgrounds for adults and teens, more space, more flowers (55104)

## YOUTH & KIDS

- Teen nights (55412)
- Events and game days for kids, youth sports league (55405)
- Yes I work with young adults, they need outlets and space. Events and space that caters to their needs and resources (55412)
- More playgrounds (55116)
- Family activities (55107)
- Family friendly (55107)
- Yes, there should be stuff kids and families (55345)
- Programming, arts / athletics (55412)
- Youth programming like basketball camp, beat production, dance battle, art, poetry, community events (55412)
- Events (55447)
- Outdoor + indoor playground, place for families to use in winter (55411)
- I think it should be a place for children and families (55411)
- Family oriented (55412)
- Accessible space for youth (55406)
- Summer events to preschoolers (55411)
- Northside youth sports league

## OTHER PRIORITIES & CONCERNS

- I'm interested in bettering the pathway to UHT from the neighborhood so residents can get there. (55411)

- I'm a homeowner, but I'm concerned that Northside residents might be displaced if this causes property values to go up. There should be an affordable housing component. (55411)
- There should be better ways to access it, maybe a new freeway entrance to Lowry, and for bikes a link to Theodore Wirth and the new center they're building. (55411)
- First Ave's involvement: It could put a strain on local residents but could help local economy too? (55405)
- Accessible to local residents and offering free / low cost events and things (55405)
- Eco friendly design, the park causing gentrification around it (55405)
- Affordable (55411)
- Music is good, but amphitheatre would be too big
- First Ave involvement: too big
- Who will be able to afford stuff here? Will it be affordable for kids on the Northside? (55412)
- We need to utilize the abandoned space in North Mpls for good, give people options (55412)
- To have input and to be engaged with the process of the North Minneapolis riverfront development (55412)
- The ideas of a live music venue, park, trails, etc. look good -- who wouldn't want this? But what are the sacrifices? Does this mean that people get priced out and pushed out? (55418)
- Access - that the people who live here have access (55116)
- There will not be equal access that people who live here won't be able to utilize the space (55116)
- Making a space for youth. First Ave is a part of downtown business council, there is no space downtown for youth. If they not letting people use First Ave now then what will they do then? (55412)
- Gentrification 101. I know damn well most of Northside can't use this. (55412)
- Enough parking. (55408)
- Tax revenue, bring vitality and activity (55345)
- For a start, redevelop into natural surroundings, clean up all the technical debris. Nature friendly. (55345)
- Positive, healthy environment (55412)
- Area that is safe for community to gather (55447)
- Keep making North better for everyone (55411)
- Family friendly, clean, welcoming, bright (55411)
- Lack of parking, too expensive (55411)
- I would like to take tons of walks in the park (55411)
- Controlled environment. (55412)
- Being able to bring your children (55412)
- Real restrooms built in (55412)
- Responding to the community wants & desires (55412)
- All police make me feel unsafe
- Unwelcome/unsafe: cops
- Police presence is unsafe
- Access is biggest challenge. - MnDot - Transit - Light trail (work on northside)
- Naturally landscaped pedestrian bridge
- If there is housing, there has to be affordable housing & we have to ask, who is it affordable for (55411)
- Live music, common space, safe, clean, green, public art programs! (55408)
- Affordable housing, very low income
- Affordable housing (55411)
- Restaurant and Affordable housing



- Bike path (55411)
- Make it easy for bikers to get there
- Mixed housing w/ small big space for entrepreneurs! (55116)
- Place to sit by the river, open spaces, parking
- Public sculptures and murals on building (by art from the Northside) (55411)
- Focus on local arts (55411)
- Art programs job (55411)
- Northside art on display (55411)
- Park by the river (with water rocks) (55411)
- Community garden (55411)
- Parking would be an issue for 8-9k people (55411)
- Connect N Mpls to the river mitigate effect of 94
- Connection to the community through design that pulls people into the site and through the neighborhood
- Ease of access to draw people in (55412)
- Green overpass (Similar to Duluth) above expressway
- Youth initiative and power
- Whatever the youth wants
- Water fountain flower education center (55113)
- Youth presence- employment opportunities
- Black/ Brown leadership
- To be aware of what is going on
- Public, along the river, public performance venue
- Tennis court, basket ball courts, connect to other bike trails, teen night
- Skate park
- Must include cultural representation (55411)
- That the northside community benefits the most
- Mixed housing/ open space - remove industrial / polluting (55408)
- Music, shopping, restaurants, nature
- Music food natural shopping (55427)
- Keep some light industry
- Big open areas with lots of trees
- Jobs, better grocery stores
- Jobs, more important things (?)
- Police walking around the community
- My concerns: the safety of the relics and making sure the site gets patrolled once in a while. (55411)
- Spokesman (55411)
- Beautification of space (55411)
- Historical art instillation
- Gentrification & Not listening to Northsiders!
- Pushing black residents out of the North Side
- Gentrification clean the NorthSide
- Gentrification and privatization
- No housing -55411
- 2-3 story mixed use building 55411
- Don't compete with other Northside assets or take away numbers-55412
- Will traffic be affected like the current 94 construction
- Water park for kids

- Outside play space for children
- Garden (community food)
- Yes, amphitheater mixture of arts diverse flex youth involvement – 55418, family in 55411
- 2, yes, amphitheater w/ good/safe/cheap parking
- Amphitheater- would there be free/cheap access
- Like music next river
- Like amphitheater (all types of music, community based)
- Amphitheater if brings \$ to the community & Mpls a destination. 55410
- What is happening at the music venue when music is not happening? (work on Northside)
- Community led design 55411
- Not sure about music the size of Millennium Park. Millennium Park is right in heart of downtown (work on Northside)
- Access to space, via bikes, walk
- Trails to connect
- Bus inc for entry (55411)
- Make 1 phase 2, include land to Lowry ave. (GAF must go)