



EVENT PREVIEW

Stevens Square Community Organization (SSCO)
Citizens for a Loring Park Community (CLPC)

Multi-Modal Transportation Panel III



Thursday June 9

Loring Park Community
Arts Center

7:00 pm–8:30 pm

*(light refreshments, acoustic music, social time & networking
from 6:30pm-7pm)*

This is a follow-up event to the panel discussion conducted on January 20, 2011 as part of Loring Park Neighborhood Master Plan Process, held at the Basilica of Saint Mary – and a second panel held on April 14th at Plymouth Church, in partnership with Stevens Square Community Organization (SSCO). The events are intended to continue the local dialogue regarding multi-modal transportation investments in Minneapolis.

If streetcars happen, how do we keep the character of Eat Street and locally run businesses/arts? What are the important lessons we've learned that may be relevant should streetcars happen?

What can knowledge of Minneapolis & Nicollet history teach us about streetcars?

How will streetcars be different than buses? What are the advantages and disadvantages? Will ridership increase? Will streetcars replace buses?

What are the underlying obstacles to vitality facing the community up and down the Nicollet corridor?

The following panel will briefly present their work as individuals, and then engage in discussion:

- **Aaron Isaacs**, Metro Transit planner (retired) & streetcar historian
- **Gary Cuningham**, Member of Metropolitan Council
- **Michelle Diblee**, Senior Organizer, Transit for Livable Communities
- **Robert Lilligren**, *Facilitator/Commentator*, Vice President, Minneapolis City Council, Minneapolis Representative on the Transportation Advisory Board of the Met Council)

Sponsored by: Stevens Square Community Organization (SSCO) & Citizens for a Loring Park Community (CLPC)

Invited Exhibitors: Anna Flintoft, City of Minneapolis Public Works (*available for technical questions regarding Nicollet Streetcar*); Chuck Ballentine, Hennepin County Transit & Interchange Project; & Nice Ride.

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Invited Neighborhoods: Central, Phillips West, Whittier, Lyndale, Kingfield.

Transit: Nicollet #17 and #18 buses to 15th and then 4 blocks west to Loring Park. **NiceRide:** Bike station at the NE corner of Loring Park across from MCTC. **HOur Car:** available at the Loring Parking Ramp on Grant & LaSalle, 3 blocks from Park.

Thanks to Loring Park Community Arts Center for hosting this event!