

**The Des Moines Rehabbers Club
3rd Annual Most Endangered Buildings List
Nomination Form**

Online nomination form is also available at RenovateDSM.com

Nomination Deadline: October 8, 2010

Nominator Information

Name _____ Organization (if applicable) _____

E-Mail Address _____ Phone Number _____

In the past, media have requested contact information for articles about the Most Endangered Buildings list. May we release your name if requested?

Yes No

Endangered Building Information

Building Address _____ Appx. Age of Building _____

Building Owner _____ Neighborhood _____

General Description of Building's Condition

Empty box for general description of building's condition.

Why is this building worth saving?
(Please provide as much information as you can.
Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

**Please include a current photo of at least the front of the building,
or a CD with digital photos of the building**

Return completed nomination form to:
DSMRC Endangered Building List c/o Steve Wilke-Shapiro
3134 Cottage Grove Ave.
Des Moines, IA 50311

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**The Des Moines Rehabbers Club
is seeking nominations for the
Third Annual
Des Moines Most Endangered Buildings List**

The annual Des Moines Rehabbers Club "Most Endangered Building List" draws attention to notable or historic Des Moines buildings in danger of demolition or neglect. Here are some reasons why this list is an important tool for calling attention to endangered buildings:

- **The City of Des Moines can demolish neglected buildings** - These are buildings that are in a state of disrepair such that the City has determined they are a danger to the public health and safety. Many more buildings are listed as "public nuisance" properties. If the conditions that caused a public nuisance action are not corrected, a public nuisance building may be demolished.
- **Many other buildings are simply vacant and abandoned** - If these buildings are not adequately secured from vandalism and weather, it is likely they will eventually end up on the demo list.
- **Some of the buildings that are actively demolished could be rehabilitated** - The option to demolish may sometimes used before all other options are exhausted.
- **Demolition of "rehab-able" buildings is a waste of natural resources and energy** - Rehabilitation of existing buildings is a "green" option compared to demolition. Reusing an existing building saves waste from landfills. Older buildings were often built to take advantage of natural ventilation, and can be made energy efficient.
- **Buildings (even those in good condition) that stand in the way of new developments are sometimes demolished** - The community can work with developers to save notable or historic structures. There are examples across the city of substantial buildings standing in the way of proposed projects.

Nomination Criteria

Nominations for the Des Moines' Seven Most Endangered Buildings List should meet the following criteria:

1. The building or structure must be located in the City of Des Moines.
2. The building must be threatened with either *active demolition* or *damage due to neglect* within the next year. The building must not be too far deteriorated as to make rehabilitation unfeasible.
3. There is no preference for building type, use, style, or size.
4. A building *does not* have to be on the National Register or located in a historic district to be nominated.
5. Organizations and individuals are encouraged to nominate buildings for the list.

NOMINATION DEADLINE
OCTOBER 8, 2010 at 5:00 pm

VOTE ONLINE
FOR YOUR FAVORITE BUILDINGS
RenovateDSM.com
STARTING OCTOBER 11, 2010

The Des Moines Rehabbers Club is a group of people with a common interest in preservation, rehabilitation, and maintenance of Des Moines' historic buildings. Our monthly meetings take place on the first Saturday of each month. Topics range from demonstrations and "work in progress" tours to classroom topics such as how to look up a home's history.

2009 Most Endangered Buildings List



East Village Row House



Drake N'hood Victorian



North DM Town Hall



Gov. Jackson Mansion



Ingersoll Double House



Fairgrounds Hardware



Railroad Depot