2012 Burnham Award for Excellence in Planning

Call for Nominations
The Burnham Award for Excellence in Planning encourages sensible growth by honoring innovative and visionary planning efforts in the Chicago metropolitan region. The Metropolitan Planning Council invites you to participate in the celebration of the best in plans and planning by nominating projects you think deserve such recognition.

Eligibility Criteria
Since 1988, the Metropolitan Planning Council has presented the annual Burnham Award to a plan that:
1. Promotes and implements sensible planning and development policies;
2. Encourages public participation and follows an open process;
3. Provides long-term benefits to the community and its surroundings;
4. Is provocative, balancing realistic expectations with vision;
5. Is innovative, breaking new ground in planning practices; and
6. Is sufficiently completed to evaluate whether the desired results have been realized.

$5,000 Prize
The winner will receive a $5,000 cash prize and will be recognized at MPC’s 2012 Annual Luncheon July 25.

Submission Guidelines
1. Complete the nomination form on the reverse side.
2. Provide a written response in 1,500 words or less. Responses should be organized by eligibility criteria number and include the criteria wording. The sixth criteria point is given particular consideration. You should submit your written response electronically in PDF format.
3. (Optional) Include additional supporting material describing the project in greater detail, such as maps, color plans, videos, etc.

ALL SUBMISSIONS BECOME THE PROPERTY OF THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL AND CANNOT BE RETURNED. A VIDEO OF THE WINNER WILL BE PRODUCED FOR OUR ANNUAL LUNCHEON. MPC’S COMMUNICATIONS TEAM WILL WORK WITH THE WINNER TO ACQUIRE MATERIALS FOR THE VIDEO.

OPTIONAL: YOU MAY INCLUDE ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING MATERIAL DESCRIBING THE PROJECT IN GREATER DETAIL, SUCH AS TEXT DOCUMENTS, GRAPHS, ILLUSTRATIONS, VIDEOS, POWERPOINT PRESENTATIONS, MAPS, DRAWINGS, AND VIDEOS. SUPPLEMENTAL FILES SHOULD BE NO LARGER THAN 10 MB EACH. FIGURES, GRAPHICS, AND ILLUSTRATIONS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITH THE FOLLOWING FILE EXTENSIONS: .TIF, .EPS, .PPT, .PDF, .GIF. SUPPLEMENTAL VIDEO FILES SHOULD BE SUBMITTED FOLLOWING THESE REQUIREMENTS: .WMV, .MOV, .QT, .MPG, .MPEG, .MP4 FORMATS ONLY. VIDEO FILES SHOULD BE FORMATTED WITH A 320X240 PIXEL MINIMUM SCREEN SIZE. THESE MATERIALS WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE JUDGES AS SUPPLEMENTAL INPUTS.
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Nomination Form

Submission Guidelines
Send entries to:
E-mail this completed form and any supporting materials to Emily Hudson at ehudson@metroplanning.org. If
your supporting materials are larger than 10 MB in total,
please do not attach them to your e-mail. Instead, use a
free online service such as dropsend.com or
yousendit.com to mail your materials.

Contact us at:
Emily Hudson
ehudson@metroplanning.org
312.922.5616

Deadline: 4:00 p.m., May 21, 2012

Project Description (50 words max.)

Nominator

NOMINATOR’S NAME

COMPANY / ORGANIZATION NAME

STREET ADDRESS

CITY / STATE / ZIP

PHONE / FAX / E-MAIL

Nominee

PROJECT NAME

COMPANY / ORGANIZATION NAME (AS IT WILL BE PRINTED ON AWARD)

CONTACT NAME

STREET ADDRESS

CITY / STATE / ZIP

PHONE / FAX / E-MAIL