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DOWNTOWN
C O N F E R E N C E

**Downtown Business Association of Bismarck
North Dakota Downtown Conference
2011 Program**

Day 1: Dakota Stage Theater

3pm-5:30 pm

Check-in and Refreshments 3-3:30

Guests of the Radisson Park in the Radisson Ramp

Other Attendees will Park in 3rd and Main Ramp

3:30- 3:45

Welcome!

Downtown Business Association of Bismarck

3:45- 4:15 Presenter

Downtown Development and Impact

(Jason Tomanek, Downtown Planner with the City of Bismarck)

4:15-4:25 Small Break

4:25-5:15 Presenter

'Main Street' Program for North Dakota

(Mike Hahn, President and CEO of Fargo Moorhead Downtown Community Partnership)

5:30-6:30 Hotel Check In

6:30 Dinner on Your Own in Downtown Bismarck followed by an Evening Out

-Information provided in attendee packets.

Day 2: Radisson Hotel Ballroom- Downtown

8:30am – 4:30pm

All attendees will park in The Radisson's Ramp

8:00-8:30 Open networking (optional)

8:30-9:00 Hot Served Breakfast

9:00- 9:15

Downtowners Greeting

9:15- 10:30 Key Note Speaker

Planning Your City for Financial Stability Using Existing Infrastructure

(Charles Marohn, Executive Director of Strong Towns- Community Growth Institute)

10:30- 10:45 Break

10:45- 11:45 Presenter

Respect for the Past, Gratitude for the Present, Inspiration for the Future

(Kilbourne Group Fargo ND)

12- 1:15 Lunch

Lunch Voucher for Downtown restaurants, explore on your own

1:15- 2:30 Return to Radisson

Walking Tour, Split into Groups with Tour Leaders

2:30- 2:45 Break

2:45- 3:30 Presenter

Business Improvement Districts

(Margot Gillette, Economic and BID Manager for Downtown Aberdeen SD)

3:30-3:40 Break

3:40-4:25 Presenter

Implementing Change: Revitalization and Organized Support

(Dan Senftner- President and CEO Destination Rapid City)

4:25- 4:45

Wrap Up From the Downtowners

Q& A with Speaker Panel