

## APPLYING THE GUIDELINES TO NORTHFIELD'S BUILDINGS

The following examples were selected to illustrate the applications of the design guidelines. These examples display the variety of architectural styles found in downtown Northfield and can be used as a guide to what type of improvement might be appropriate for other buildings that are similar in design.

### *Division Street South*

- 306 Alex Marshall Building**—This two-story commercial building has had its storefront dramatically altered with two sweeping brick-arched openings framed beside arched door openings.
- 309 Arcade Building**—This two-story commercial building has had its storefront dramatically altered to give it a "modern" appearance.
- 311-313 Northfield News Building**—A two-story brick commercial block displays its original simple elegance on the second story facade and has its first story modified with two, very different, mid-20th century storefronts.
- 321 First Mergen Building**—This simple two-story commercial structure's brick facade has been covered in plaster. During the renovation in the later half of the 20th century, the upper story lost one of its three symmetrically placed windows.
- 418-420 Morris Building**—This two-story stone commercial block has lost all of its original architectural integrity. Nothing remains of its elegantly arched storefront and balanced fenestration.
- 506 Onstad Building (North)**—A two-story brick building that retains most of its original second story architectural treatment. The storefront has been "modernized" in the mid-late 20th century. The dramatic modification retained the original bay spacing.
- 508 Onstad Building (South)**—A two-story brick building, with stone banding, still displays much of its original fenestration. However, the upper-story windows have been partially infilled to accommodate smaller stock windows.

517 This modest, 20th-century brick building, which is located outside the Historic District but within the adjacent commercial zone, has had its original storefront modified considerably. The upper story remains intact.

516 This original "Boomtown" style structure, with its squared-off, "false front" has gone through many modifications through time.

### *Bridge Square*

15 **Second Dickson Building**—This simple, but elegant one-story structure has been serving the Northfield community with barber services since it was constructed at the turn of the century.

### *Water Street South*

301 This two-story, wood-frame "Boomtown" structure facade has been completely covered with modern materials, significantly diminishing the structure's simple beauty.

304 **Law Building**—A two-story Victorian commercial block, with modified storefronts. The building has, also, lost its original parapet detailing.