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**City of Duluth - Superior Street Reconstruction - Weekly Newsletter**



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**Superior Street Reconstruction**

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**Wrap-up of This Week**

- The new water main was laid between 3rd Avenue W. and 5th Avenue W.
- Concrete was poured on a portion of the retaining wall next to the Gateway Building.
- Sidewalk routes on 5th Avenue W. changed to accommodate significant excavation and work in the intersection. Look for large pedestrian kiosks at each avenue to note changes.
- Big THANKS to Security Jewelers! On Thursday, Security Jewelers hosted a cook-out for Northland Constructors' staff to thank them for their hard work during the reconstruction project.

**What to Expect May 29 – June 1**

- Access to all businesses and residences remain open.
- Concrete work to continue for the retaining wall next to the Gateway Building
- Removal of 100-year-old steam heating system will begin the week of May 29. The removal of the existing District Steam Heating System involves the mitigation and removal of the existing asbestos containing steam pipes that have been serving Downtown Duluth for over 100 years. The removal of these pipes will be performed by a licensed asbestos abatement contractor and environmental monitoring will be performed to ensure worker and public safety.
- Signs will be placed at the location of the work site to inform the public that asbestos abatement is occurring and to delineate the work zone. Public cooperation in staying within the designated pedestrian areas and out of the delineated work zone is greatly appreciated. Access to businesses will be maintained while this work is performed.

**Weekly Construction Meeting**

- All are welcome at the weekly construction update meetings held every Tuesday at 10:00 am at the Radisson Hotel in the Missabe Room.

**Grandma's Marathon**

- On Tuesday, May 29, representatives from Grandma's Marathon will be joining the weekly construction meeting for an update to their course route for their races in 2018-2020. Please attend to learn more about how to stay involved as a business in this community event.
- Grandma's Marathon will be utilizing a modified race course for the 2018-2020 events. The race reroute will follow Michigan Street from 4th Ave E to 5th Ave W during all three phases of the Superior Street reconstruction. On race day (Saturday June 16, 2018) Michigan Street will be closed to traffic from 5:45 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Duluth Police Department will issue its full event traffic advisory in the coming weeks to allow businesses, residents and guests to plan. Please contact the Grandma's Marathon office at 218-727-0947 with questions.

## Live Feed

-You can see a live feed of the construction site anytime using this link: <http://www.superiorstreet.org/livefeed/>

## Detour Routes

- Pedestrian Access Route Maps are located in kiosks on each avenue
- Please use the following link to review vehicle detours [www.superiorstreet.org](http://www.superiorstreet.org)
- Follow the MNDOT Mesaba Ave project at <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/d1/projects/hwy194-mesaba-duluth/index.html>

## Parking Ramps

-Many ramps are offering free parking if you enter and leave within an hour. For those accessing businesses in the construction zone, the following ramps are participating: Civic Center Ramp—410 W. First Street 4th Avenue Auto Park—402 W. Michigan Street Duluth Transportation Center—228 W. Michigan Street US Bank Ramp—115 W. Michigan Street

## Love Downtown Duluth - Love Notes

- Please remind patrons, family and friends to support businesses in the affected construction zone throughout construction season.
- The Clean and Safe Team (in bright yellow shirts) are helpful construction navigators so look for them in the skywalk or on the sidewalks. They are a great resource!
- Bricks! Individual bricks are for sale through the City of Duluth as commemorative items for \$15 each. Purchases can be made with cash/check in Room 107 of City Hall, 411 West First St. during regular business hours. Bricks in bulk quantity are not available at this time.
- The “Love Downtown Duluth” marketing campaign is ramping up. Television spots are currently airing while radio and print will be starting soon. This campaign also reminds individuals where they can get the latest info on Superior Street Reconstruction. In addition, social media posts are frequent between the GDC and City of Duluth.



Security Jewelers serves up lunch



Getting ready for watermain installation



**5th Ave West excavation**



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