

# FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE City of Duluth - Superior Street Reconstruction - Weekly Newsletter



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SUBJECT: Superior Street Construction Update: Word on the Street (May 15, 2019)

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### Wrap-up of Last Week

- -Wall forms were installed for the new retaining wall between 1st Avenue East and 2nd Avenue East
- -Crews worked on finished tying in the temporary water main tie-ins to buildings along the project.
- -Crews worked through the weekend to install the watermain and new water quality vaults on 2nd Avenue East

#### What to Expect May 15 - 21

- -Access to all businesses and residences will remain open.
- -Rebar continues to be installed and concrete will be poured for the new retaining wall between 1st &2nd Avenue East
- -Crews have been working to remove a significant amount of ledge rock to prepare for installing the permanent new watermain between 2nd Avenue East and Lake Avenue
- -Removal of 100 year steam heating system will commence. The removal of the existing District Steam Heating System, within the limits of this year's project, 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 is requested to stay within the designated pedestrian areas and out of the delineated work zone. Access to all businesses will be maintained while this work is performed.
- -Traffic signal bases will begin to be installed on the south side of 1st Avenue East
- -Concrete work to complete the boulevard between 6th Avenue West and Mesaba Avenue will continue.

#### **Weekly Meeting**

-All are welcome at the weekly construction update meeting every Tuesday at 9:00 am at Greysolon on the ballroom level.

#### Clean and Safe Team

-The Clean and Safe Team (in bright yellow shirts) are helpful construction navigators. Look for them in the construction zone. If you need to contact a team member, call 218-390-8899.

#### Get Downtown Duluth Week: May 13 - 18

- -Approximately 25 businesses are teaming up to offer special BOGO deals during the Greater Downtown Council's "Get Downtown Week." It's a great way to support downtown, especially during the Superior Street Reconstruction project.
- -Participating downtown Duluth businesses have various "buy one get one specials," from buy one get one free, to buy one get one half off. Customers can get in on a special deal while also showing their loyalty to downtown businesses during the construction project.
- -Offers range from dinner and drinks to entertainment and shopping. To find the deals, check out

## www.getdowntownduluth.com.

## **Detour Routes**

- -Pedestrian detour route maps are included in large kiosks at each intersection.
- -Please use the following link to review vehicle detours www.superiorstreet.org

## **Parking Ramps**

- -Many ramps are offering free parking if you enter and leave in with an hour. For those accessing businesses in the construction zone, the following ramps are participating:
- -Hart District Ramp 125 E. Superior Street
- -Medical District Ramp 302 E. First Street
- -Tech Village Ramp 10 E. First Street