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

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SUBJECT: Superior Street Construction Update: Word on the Street (May 6, 2020)

BY: Kate Van Daele, Public Information Officer

Superior Street Construction Update: Word on the Street (May 6, 2020)

Wrap-up of This Week

- Carpentry crews worked on vaults throughout the project.
- Excavation continued for the watermain trench between Lake – 1st Avenue West.
- Electricians removed streetlights and signals.
- Pipefitters fused pipes offsite to prepare for upcoming hot water installation.
- Sidewalks were poured at northwest corner of 3rd Avenue East and Superior Street.
- Crews prepared to pour concrete on the southwest corner for 3rd Avenue East.

What to Expect May 6 - 13

- Access to businesses and residences will remain open.
- Bricks and pavement will continue to be removed throughout the project zone
- Structural work on vaults will continue.
- Storm sewer and water main work will continue.
- Preparation for hot water installation will continue at 1st Avenue West.
- Concrete will be poured in the southwest corner of 3rd Avenue East.
- Crews will prepare to pour sidewalks on the northeast corner of 3rd Avenue East.
- Removal of the of 100 year steam heating system began and will be taken out from Lake Ave toward 3rd Avenue West. 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.

Lake Avenue Update

- MnDOT said that their contractor, PCI, said that the milling of the Lake Avenue Bridge deck for this stage of construction will be completed today. PCI is moving forward with sidewalk removals for ADA improvements and bridge deck repairs over the next two weeks. They anticipate starting the bridge deck overlay the end of May.

For more information on this project, please visit: <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/d1/projects/lake-avenue/>

-For questions on the bridge, contact Margie Nelson, MnDOT Public Affairs Coordinator District 1, at 218-725-2708,
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Weekly Meeting

-Weekly construction meetings will be held on Tuesdays at 10:00am. To accommodate public meetings, community members may use the following conference line until group gathering restrictions have been lifted. [+1 651-964-6935](tel:+16519646935)
United States, St. Paul (Toll) Conference ID: 289 046 099#

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: Civic Center Ramp—410 West First StreetTech Village Ramp—10 East First StreetDuluth Transportation Center—228 West Michigan Street4th Avenue Auto Park—402 West Michigan StreetHart District Ramp—125 East Superior StreetMedical District Ramp—302 East First Street