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SUBJECT: City of Duluth to begin utility and street surface work along Michigan Street on Monday, June 13, 2022 BY: Phil Jents, Communications and Policy Officer

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The City of Duluth would like to inform motorists and local businesses about upcoming street closures on Michigan Street in the Downtown area. The first phase of street closures beginning Monday, June 13, 2022 will include Michigan Street from 1st Avenue West to Lake Avenue. The following week on June 20, 3rd Avenue East between Michigan and Superior Street will be closed to restore the street surface from previous utility construction. At the same time, sidewalk access will also be limited or closed for the 100 and 200 East blocks of Michigan Street for gas service improvements.

The purpose of the construction project is to replace gas and water mains in Michigan Street from 1st Avenue West to 3rd Avenue East. The existing cast iron water main and steel gas main will be replaced with modern High-Density Polyethylene piping, just like the recently improved Superior Street utilities. Minnesota Power has also teamed with the City of Duluth to expand electrical duct bank capacities in this area during the street closures. The construction project is divided into four phases of utility construction and road closures that will each last 6 to 8 weeks until November.

An informational meeting will be hosted at the Downtown Minnesota Power Office, located at 30 West Superior Street in the Hodnik Hall Conference Room, Thursday June 9 at 9:00 am. City of Duluth Engineering staff will be available to review project phasing and associated street closures.

For more information or for questions, please contact the City of Duluth Engineering division at 218-730-5200.

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