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SUBJECT: Utilities projects along Michigan St. in downtown Duluth to start late April

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[Duluth, MN] - The City of Duluth is informing the public about upcoming utilities work on Michigan Street between 5th Ave and 3rd Ave West. This project entails electrical upgrades by Minnesota Power, gas and water upgrades by the City of Duluth and a steam pipe connection for Duluth Energy Systems. The project is scheduled to commence April 25 and is expected to be fully completed and the road paved by the end of October.

Work will be performed in 4 phases, starting from 3rd Ave West towards 5th Ave West, and will accommodate continued public access to as much of the project area as possible. The Duluth Transportation Authority plans to alter its bus routes and temporarily use the bus stops on Superior Street during the initial phase of the project in May as bus access to the Transportation Center will be limited. Additional public notice will be sent out prior to the DTA changes.

Concrete repairs are also planned for late September along Michigan Street between 6th Ave West and 5th Ave West as a follow up to Minnesota Power's electrical work last summer.

A public meeting about the project is scheduled for **April 19**, in Duluth City Hall (411 West First St.), Room 303 from 8-10 AM. An overview of the project and schedule will be provided to attendees.

Project staff will also be communicating with each affected property owner as the project progresses in addition to public notices. The public can track this utility project and others at duluthprogress.com

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