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**SUBJECT: Sanitary Sewer Lining Projects Planned in Downtown Duluth**

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### **Sanitary Sewer Lining Projects Planned in Downtown Duluth**

[DULUTH, MN] – The City of Duluth Public Works and Utilities department will be installing a Cured in Place Pipe (CIPP) liner for sanitary sewer lines beginning August 7 beneath Michigan Street in downtown. This project will help sustain a reliable sewer system for the long term and help reduce infiltration of ground water into the sewer lines. Public Works and Utilities has contracted with Veit and Shelton Excavating to complete this work.

Equipment will be setup at manholes in and adjacent to city streets primarily during the daytime hours. New lining is expected to cure in about 24-30 hours. Some locations will include excavation, such as First Avenue E and Michigan Street, to prepare the pipe for lining. Crews will return following the excavation and lining process to patch the road, which will require temporary road closures. First Avenue W from the I-35 exit will be closed. Third Avenue W will remain open, as will parking access for Minnesota Power building.

The CIPP process can produce a chemical odor for a short period of time that will dissipate. Property owners and operators can prepare for the project by making sure all building drains and traps are filled with water. This work will begin August 7 and is expected to take approximately two weeks to complete.

Questions about this project can be directed to Tim Sanders, Project Engineer, at (218) 730-5066 or to [tsanders@duluthmn.gov](mailto:tsanders@duluthmn.gov)

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