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City of Duluth - Superior Street Reconstruction - Weekly Newsletter



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Wrap-up of This Week

- Today, August 17, marks approximately 8 weeks from the re-opening of Superior Street! If you didn't catch the Mayor and Kristi Stokes on Facebook, watch this video at <https://www.facebook.com/1622351984493446/videos/272446283357212/>
- Hot water pipes were installed in the 4th Avenue W. intersection and toward 3rd Avenue W. on Superior Street.
- The Northland Building vault filling process finished, and a temporary sidewalk has been put into place in front of the building.
- Crews worked to back fill between 4th Avenue W. and 5th Avenue W. to prepare for concrete work in the coming weeks, with sidewalks to be poured first.
- Preparation for utility work below 6th Avenue W. was completed.
- Curb and gutter completed from 4th Avenue W. to 5th Avenue W.

What to Expect August 20-26

- Access to businesses and residences remain open.
- Hot water lines will be installed from the 4th Avenue West intersection north towards the alley
- Hot water will be installed between the "skunnel" and 6th Avenue W. This work will result in a closure of sidewalk in front of the Radisson to the West of their front doors. Sidewalks will remain open on the south side of the street.
- Work will continue along 4th Avenue W. to complete electrical duct work and hot water pipe installation. The alleys will remain accessible from 5th Ave West and 3rd Avenue West, but through traffic onto 4th Avenue W. will not be allowed.
- Storm drain and water main to be installed headed West from 6th Avenue W.
- Hot water connections into a number of buildings throughout the project will continue.

-Detour Routes

- Pedestrian Access Route Maps are located in kiosks on each avenue
- Please use the following link to review vehicle detours www.superiorstreet.org

Mesaba to I35 Project (MNDOT)

- The Mesaba Avenue reconstruction/bridge project in Duluth will require the closure of the **parts of the intersection** at Central Entrance/Mesaba Avenue/6th Avenue and Rice Lake Road. The partial closure will occur from 7 p.m., Friday, August 17 through 5 a.m., Monday, August 20. Limited movements will be allowed. Motorists are advised to use alternate routes or use the [posted detour route](#).
- The ramp from southbound I-35 to eastbound Highway 2 will close Thursday, August 16 through Thursday, August 30. This closure will allow crews to paint the portion of the ramp that is over water. To expedite progress, the contractor will work seven

days per week during this closure.

-The signed detour will be south on I-35 to Central Avenue, back north on I-35 and right on the ramp to eastbound Highway 2.
For more information visit mndot.gov/d1/projects/hwy194-mesaba-duluth

Weekly Meeting

-All are welcome at the weekly construction update meeting every Tuesday at 10:00 am at the Radisson Hotel in the Missabe Room.

Live Feed

-You can see a live feed of the construction site anytime using this link: <http://www.superiorstreet.org/livefeed/>

Parking Ramps

-Many ramps are offering free parking if you enter and leave within an hour. For those accessing businesses in the construction zone, the following ramps are participating: Civic Center Ramp—410 W. First Street 4th Avenue Auto Park—402 W. Michigan Street Duluth Transportation Center—228 W. Michigan Street US Bank Ramp—115 W. Michigan Street

Love Downtown Duluth - Love Notes

-Please remind patrons, family and friends to support businesses in the affected construction zone throughout construction season.

-The Clean and Safe Team (in bright yellow shirts) are helpful construction navigators so look for them in the skywalk or on the sidewalks. They are a great resource! Remember to support our local businesses downtown.

-See it, hear it, feel it. The “Love downtown Duluth” tv and radio ads are up and running and a new commercial will air in the coming week featuring Kristi and Mayor Larson in addition to a new print ad acknowledging our marketing sponsors.

-Thanks to the Duluth Experience and Tony Dierckins for their partnership and for leading fun insightful walking tours!

-We are lucky to have Gary and Lafrado, both Northland Constructors employees. Gary is friendly, helpful and loves monarchs! Learn more about his passion, <http://www.cbs3duluth.com/clip/14552945/duluth-aims-to-help-fluttering-monarch-population>

-Have you met Lafrado? He’s the jovial man that directs truck traffic and greets pedestrians at 5th Ave West. He loves his job and brightens our day with his smile and smooth moves! Here’s a clip of his interview with the Duluth News Tribune, <http://www.duluthnewstribune.com/news/traffic-and-construction/4486667-video-meet-happiest-person-superior-street>





Work on 4th Ave West -tamper in action

hot water pipe progress on 4th Ave W



back filling the vault in front of Northland Constructors



prepped for concrete in the coming weeks