



Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council  
**Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)**

Tuesday, December 10th, 2019 at 1:30 pm

Proctor City Hall

Proctor, MN

**MEETING NOTICE**

**Guest Speaker – Scott Poska – Sr Traffic Engineer - Alliant Engineering**

- **Duluth First Street Study**
  - Operational feasibility of the change from 1-way to 2-way

**Items for Approval:**

- Meeting Summary of 10.15.19
- 2020 MnDOT HSIP Performance Measure Targets

**Item for Approval w/opportunity for Public Comment**

- 2020-2023 Duluth Area TIP Amendment #1-6

**Items for Presentation and Discussion**

- Duluth-Superior Metro Pedestrian Plan Update
- BPAC Update
- 2024 Duluth Area TIP Project Solicitation
- Project Updates

**Attendance / Meeting Quorum**

If you are NOT able to attend, or expect to arrive late to the meeting, please contact Barb Peterson at [bpeterson@ardc.org](mailto:bpeterson@ardc.org) or 218-529-7541 to ensure a quorum will be present for voting items on the agenda.

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See map on reverse. This facility is ADA accessible.  
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**Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council**

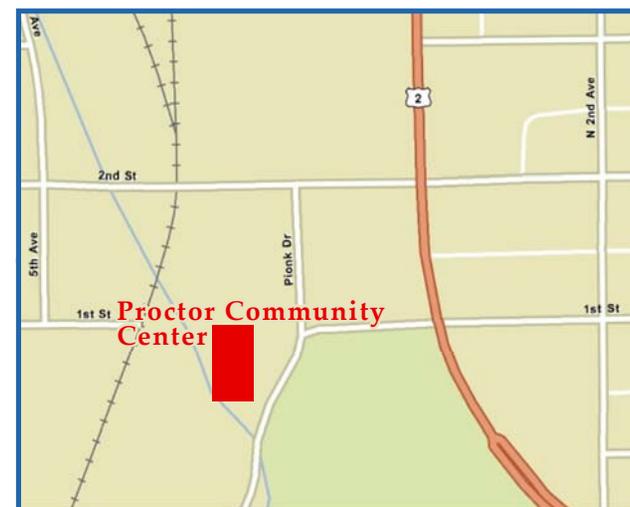
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# Proctor Community Center

100 Pionk Drive Duluth, MN



It is recommended that you use local routes during the I-35 Mega-Project construction



Metropolitan Interstate Council Policy Board

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**MEETING AGENDA**

<b>1. Introductions/Agenda Review</b>	
<b>2. Committee Business</b>	5 min
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting Summary of 10.15.19 (for Approval)</li> <li>Director's Report (to follow or handed out at mtg)</li> </ul>	
<b>3. Guest Speaker – Scott Poska – Sr Traffic Engineer – Alliant Engineering</b>	20-30 min
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Duluth First Street Study <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Operational feasibility of the change from 1-way to 2-way</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>4. 2020 MnDOT HSIP Performance Measure Targets</b>	5 min
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review for Approval, James Gittemeier</li> </ul>	
<b>5. 2020-2023 Duluth Area TIP Amendments #1-6</b>	10 min
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review for Approval w/opportunity for public comment, James Gittemeier</li> </ul>	
<b>6. MIC Area Pedestrian Plan</b>	15 min
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presentation and Discussion, James Gittemeier</li> </ul>	
<b>7. Bike &amp; Ped Planning Update</b>	20 min
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presentation and Discussion, James Gittemeier</li> </ul>	
<b>8. 2024 Duluth Area TIP Project Solicitation</b>	10 min
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presentation and Discussion, James Gittemeier</li> </ul>	
<b>9. Round Table</b>	5 min
<b>10. Project Updates</b>	5 min
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proctor Transportation Plan</li> <li>Superior Active Transportation Plan</li> </ul>	

**TRANSPORTATION  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
(TAC)**

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*Next Meeting*  
*Happy New Year*  
**Tuesday, January 14th, 2020**  
**WisDOT/Lake Superior Rm**  
**Superior, WI**  
1:30 pm



\* = Approval Item

**1. INTRODUCTIONS / AGENDA REVIEW**

**2. COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

- Meeting Summary of 10.15.19
- MIC Director’s Report (to follow or handed out at mtg)

**3. GUEST SPEAKER - ALLIANT**

- Duluth First Street Study - Scott Poska – Sr Traffic Engineer – Alliant Engineering

The City of Duluth is conducting a study of 1st Street from Mesaba Avenue to 24th Avenue East. This urban street through Downtown and the East Hillside Neighborhood is a two-way street in some sections, and a one-way street in other sections. The directional changes lead to driver confusion and safety issues – for people in vehicles and people walking – along the corridor. This study will include; understanding uses and needs along the corridor, documenting street width, parking, turning movements, and other pertinent information, developing traffic forecasts to determine how a two-way street will function, and what changes would be needed for a two-way street, identifying cross-section alternatives for the street, and a conceptual layout. A presentation on this study will be given, with a focus on the findings from the traffic modeling.

**4. 2020 MnDOT HSIP PERFORMANCE MEASURE TARGETS**

In accordance with federal law, each MPO must adopt at least five safety performance measure targets by a given deadline. The MPO has the option to either adopt and use safety performance measure targets adopted by the state or to develop their own targets. The state of Minnesota set new targets for safety, effective August 31, 2019.

The MIC therefore proposes to adopt the new safety performance measure targets set by the State of Minnesota (MnDOT) for CY 2020, as follows: number of fatalities (375.4), rate of fatalities (0.626/100M VMT), number of serious injuries (1,714.2), rate of serious injuries (2.854/100M VMT), and number of non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries (317.0).

Measure	2019 Target	2020 Target
Number of Traffic Fatalities	372.2	375.4
Rate of Traffic Fatalities	0.622 per 100 million VMT*	0.626 per 100 million VMT*
Number of Serious Injuries	1711	1714.2
Rate of Serious Injuries	2.854/100 Million VMT*	2.854/100 Million VMT*
Number of Non-Motorized Fatalities & Serious Injuries	267.5	317.0

\*VMT (Vehicle Miles Traveled)



**5. 2020-2023 DULUTH AREA TIP AMENDMENT #1-6**

The City of Duluth and MNDOT District 1 are requesting amendments to the 2020-2023 Duluth Area TIP. These project changes took place after the TIP was approved by the MIC in June 2019 and had to wait until the final approval of the TIP by the State of Minnesota, FHWA and FTA in November 2019 before they could be amended in. These projects include changes to existing projects as well as new projects being added for 2020.

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RED text indicates proposed changes, deletions and/or additions from the original project listing.

Amendment #	Project #	Description	Est. Length (Miles)	Year	Federal	State/ Local	Fed AC Payback	Total
1	118-010-028	TED MN 23/West River Dr in Duluth, intersection signalization.	0.00	<del>2019</del> 2020		\$354,000		\$354,000
2	118-090-018	In Duluth Phase 2 Cross City Trail from Irving Park to Carlton St. .	2.47	<del>2019</del> 2020	\$1,364,951	\$384,000		\$1,748,951
3	6982-322 LTM	I-35 in Duluth, first phase of Twin Ports Interchange construction and bridge replacement.	0.00	<del>2019</del> 2020	<del>\$1,530,000</del> \$3,700,000	<del>\$170,000</del> \$411,111		<del>\$1,700,000</del> \$4,111,111
4	6933-100	In Duluth, local traffic mitigation. Resurfacing MN 194/Central Entrance from Anderson Rd to Mesaba Ave.	1.71	2020		\$600,000		\$600,000
5	6982-337	I-35 in Duluth, acquisition of early steel/expansion joints in advance of Lake Ave Bridge Repair.	0.00	2020			\$100,000	\$100,000
6	6982-338	I-35 in Duluth, acquisition of early steel/expansion joints in advance of Lake Ave Bridge Repair.	0.00	2020			\$75,000	\$75,000

Any questions please contact James Gittemeier, [jgittemeier@ardc.org](mailto:jgittemeier@ardc.org)



## 6. DULUTH-SUPERIOR METRO PEDESTRIAN PLAN

The original Pedestrian Plan was completed 20 years ago. This planning process is to provide a full review and update of the 1999 plan. This plan is a federally required component of the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). With the LRTP completed, this project is now scheduled to begin. MIC staff will provide an overview of the Scope of Work, a proposed timeline for the planning process, and a preliminary list of potential advisory committee members.

## 7. BIKE AND PED PLANNING UPDATE

MIC staff will provide an overview of the November BPAC meeting, including the following topics, election of a new chair and vice chair, discussion on the Educational Workshops that took place in 2019 and ideas for 2020, the East 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Reconstruction Project, and the next steps for implementation of the Bikeways Plan.

## 8. 2024 DULUTH AREA TIP SOLICITATION

The Metropolitan Interstate Council (MIC) is soliciting candidate projects for federal funding for FY 2024 in the Duluth Area. Applications are due Friday January 3, 2020. Applications for Transportation Alternatives (TA) projects are also due on January 3. This solicitation process follows a similar timeframe but is a separate process. Details for the TA process can be found at [www.nemnatp.org](http://www.nemnatp.org).

## 9. ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

## 10. PROJECT UPDATES

- Proctor Transportation Plan
- Superior Active Transportation Plan

The Superior Active Transportation Plan (ATP) is at the developing of the draft network stage of the planning process. A recommended bikeway network and proposed pedestrian approach has been drafted and is under review by the advisory committee.