



## Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council Policy Board

Wednesday, September 16th, 2020 at 4:00 pm  
**VIRTUAL MEETING NOTICE**

*For the protection of the community, all MIC committee meetings will be held online and by telephone during the current Minnesota COVID-19 State of Emergency. Public access and public comment opportunities will be provided as permitted by Minn. Stat. § 13D.021 for local government meetings, allowing the use of communications media technology such as telephone and video conferencing.*

Login and call-in information and meeting materials can be viewed on the [meeting web page](#) as well as at the bottom of this page.

### Items for Approval:

- Meeting Summary of 8.20.20 (for Approval)

### Items for Presentation and Discussion

- DRAFT - 2021-2022 Duluth-Superior MIC Work Program & Budget
- Duluth Area TIP Project Selection Process
- Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Pedestrian Plan
- Harbor Planning
- Proctor Transportation Plan
- 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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### VIRTUAL MEETING AGENDA

<b>1. Introductions/Agenda Review</b>	
<b>2. Committee Business</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting Summary of 8.20.20 (for Approval)</li> <li>Director's Report</li> </ul> <p><b>*** Opportunity for Public Comment***</b></p>	10 min
<b>3. Draft – 2021-2022 Duluth-Superior MIC Work Program &amp; Budget</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presentation and Discussion, Ron Chicka</li> </ul>	10 min
<b>4. Duluth Area TIP Project Selection Process</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presentation and Discussion, James Gittemeier</li> </ul>	10 min
<b>5. Duluth-Superior Metro Pedestrian Plan</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presentation and Discussion, James Gittemeier</li> </ul>	10 min
<b>6. Harbor Planning</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presentation and Discussion, Ron Chicka</li> </ul>	10 min
<b>7. Proctor Transportation Plan</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presentation and Discussion, James Gittemeier</li> </ul>	10 min
<b>8. Round Table</b>	
<p><b>*** Opportunity for Public Comment***</b></p>	5 min
<b>9. Project Updates</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bike &amp; Ped Planning</li> <li>Safe Routes to School</li> </ul>	5 min

### Next Meeting

Wednesday, October 21st, 2020

Virtual - MS TEAMS

4:00 pm



## Policy Board Agenda Topics and Project Updates

September 16th, 2020 Meeting

### Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council

\* = Approval Item

#### 1. INTRODUCTIONS / AGENDA REVIEW

#### 2. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- Meeting Summary of 8.18.20
- MIC Director's Report – to follow

#### 3. Draft - 2021-2022 DULUTH-SUPERIOR MIC WORK PROGRAM & BUDGET

Further discussion is needed before approval next month. Updated Draft to follow later in the week.

#### 4. DULUTH AREA TIP PROJECT SELECTION PROCESS

The MIC's Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Sustainable Choices 2045 that was approved last October is providing a more specific direction for transportation planning in the region. As a significant step towards implementing the LRTP the LRTP Implementation Team has been working on revising the TIP Process to better align it with meeting the LRTP's goals and objectives and provide additional information necessary for adequate reporting on the progress towards meeting the goals and objectives of the LRTP and the required performance measure targets. The LRTP Implementation Team and MIC staff have produced a set of draft documents that will be discussed during this TAC meeting and an overview will be shared with the MIC Policy Board this month. The goal is to bring the finalized documents before the MIC Policy Board next month.

Updated draft documents will be provided.

#### 5. DULUTH-SUPERIOR METRO AREA PEDESTRIAN PLAN UPDATE

An overview of the Pedestrian Plan survey will be provided. The survey received a great response, with over 600 surveys completed. Key findings include filling sidewalk gaps and keeping sidewalk clear of obstructions and snow. A discussion on solutions and recommendations will take place.

#### 6. HARBOR PLANNING

The Harbor Technical Advisory Committee (HTAC) met on September 2, 2020. This was the first time the quarterly HTAC meeting has been held virtually. Having cancelled the June meeting, this meeting was well attended, with approximately 67 people logged or called in. The agenda included the following:

- Shipping Update in this COVID-19 Year
- HTAC Bylaws Update
- Shipping Channel Dredge Material Placement in 2020 and 2021
- HTAC Dredging Subcommittee vs USACE Dredged Material Management Work Group
- Paddle Safe Twin Ports Update
- Erie Pier Management Plan Rewrite Update
- 2020 St Louis River AOC Updates

Ron will share a few key details from the September HTAC meeting.



### 7. PROCTOR TRANSPORTATION PLAN

An update on this Plan will be given, including a review of the recently installed curb extensions demonstration project. The curb extensions are located along 2nd Street in two locations, Hwy 2 and 5th Ave. A review and discussion on the potential key transportation projects will take place.

### 8. ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

**\*\*\* OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT\*\*\***

### 9. PROJECT UPDATES

- ***Bicycle & Pedestrian Counts***

The annual bike and ped counts will take place on Thursday September 10. The locations are:

- West Superior St & 19th Ave W
- Woodland Ave & Arrowhead Rd
- Woodland Ave & Snively Rd
- Haines Rd & Maple Grove Rd
- Skyline Pkwy at Enger Tower

- ***Safe Routes to School***

Walk to School/Anywhere Day is Wednesday October 7, 2020. While it is unknown at this time if students will be having in-person classes at this time, students are still being encouraged to get outside and walk anywhere on this date. Also, with student transportation looking different this school year, MnDOT released COVID 19 recommendations to maintain Safe Routes to Schools. When students return to in-person classes, it is anticipated that school congestion will increase due to more students being dropped off. This congestion can make it more challenging to walk and bike to school. MnDOT has provided schools and local government ideas to consider to ensure students will be able to safely walk and bike to school. See link below.

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/MNDOT/bulletins/2988d1a>