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**SUBJECT: Process of Converting West 1st Street to Two Way Traffic will Begin Next Week**

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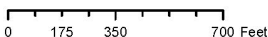
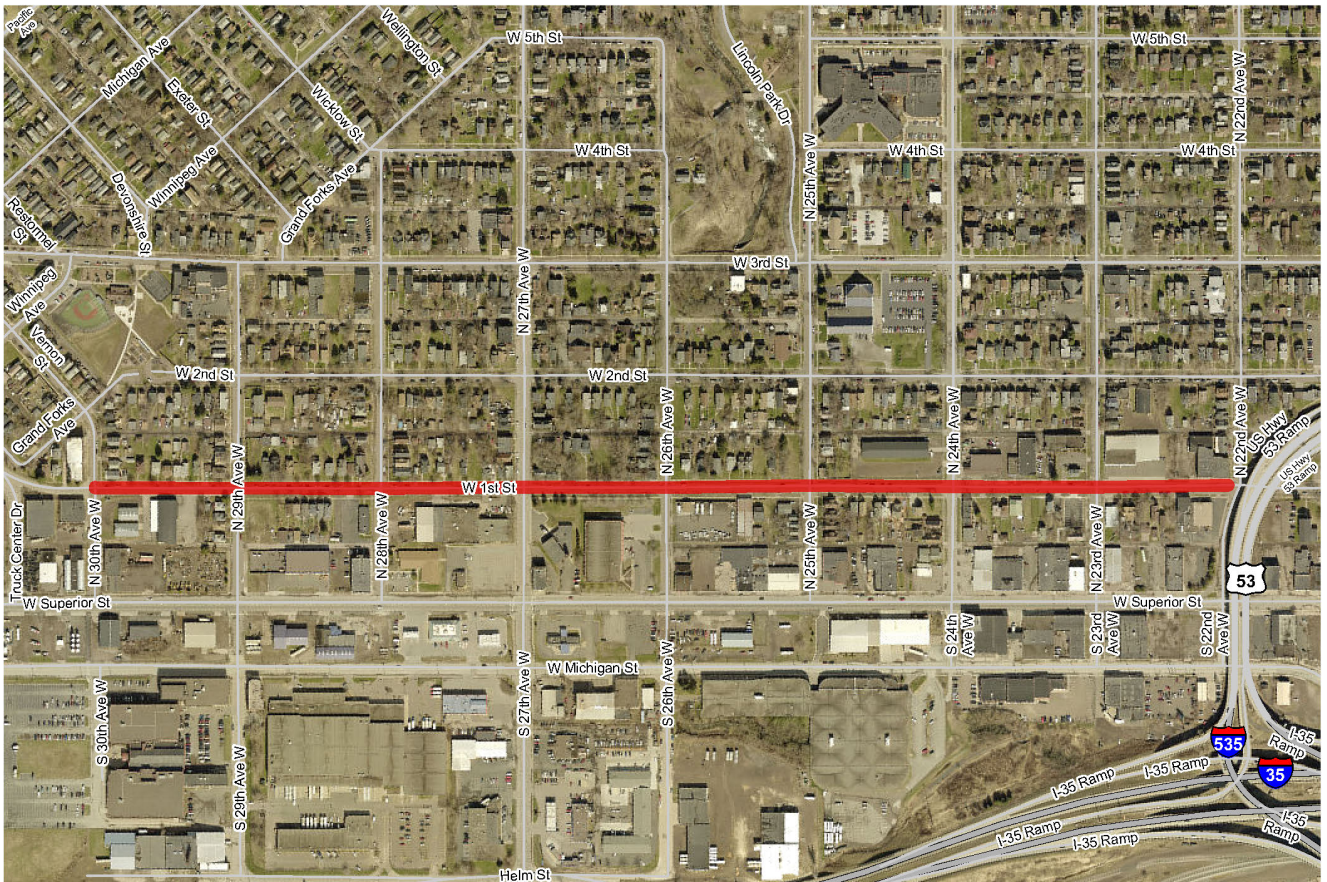
[Duluth, MN] Eight blocks of West 1st Street will convert from one way traffic to two way traffic in an effort to improve safety, livability, and accessibility along this corridor. The conversion of West 1st Street from 22nd Avenue West to 30th Avenue West will improve the corridor by eliminating the potential for drivers to drive the wrong way, provide slower speeds, better circulation, allow for quicker emergency response, and improve flexibility for transit and truck routes.

The conversion was introduced this summer and approved by the Duluth City Council in September. The work will involve signage changes and centerline striping. Please see the attached map.

The fieldwork will start the week of September 30th and will be weather dependent. City crews will start at 22nd Avenue West and work their way block by block to the west. Each block will be closed to through traffic during the conversion of that block; however, local traffic will still have access. If we need to temporarily No Park any on street parking during the project, the spaces will be posted 24 hours in advance, but we will try to minimize these impacts. The intersections will remain open for avenue traffic.

The public is reminded to pay extra attention for the changes and new direction of travel.

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**Conversion of West 1st Street from one way to two way traffic**  
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