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SUBJECT: Duluth Public Utilities Commission to hold Public Hearing on August 18

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[Duluth, MN] The Duluth Public Utilities Commission will hold a public hearing regarding the proposed stormwater rate increases to fund the capital costs of improvements to the City of Duluth's storm sewer system on Tuesday, August 18 at 5:15 p.m. The purpose of the public hearing is to discuss the current state of the stormwater utility, explain the proposed changes to stormwater rates, and to receive comments from the public regarding the proposed changes.

The public hearing will take place at the beginning of the regular Commission meeting. The meeting which will be held electronically pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.021 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Some members of the Commission will be participating through video conference.

Due to the COVID-19 emergency and the limitation on the use of City facilities, the hearing and regular meeting will be in a virtual, electronic format and not in a personal, public format, and public comment will not be taken in person. However, members of the public can monitor the hearing and meeting and provide public comment on the proposed rate increase and on other agenda items through WebEx Events. Go to <https://duluthmn.gov/live-meeting> to access the meeting. The presentation that will be given at the public hearing pertaining to the stormwater rate increase is posted on the Commission's webpage, <https://duluthmn.gov/boards-commissions/duluth-public-utilities-commission/>, for public viewing. The public is also encouraged to submit written comment to jbenning@duluthmn.gov prior to the meeting. Please include "August 2020 DPUC Agenda" in the subject line, and include your name and address and the agenda item you are speaking to. The Commission's agenda can be found online at <https://duluthmn.gov/boards-commissions/duluth-public-utilities-commission/>. Please note that all public comment is considered Public Data.

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