

## PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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## PUBLIC HEARING FOR U.P. HEALTH SYSTEMS MARQUETTE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

The City of Marquette (City) has completed an Environmental Assessment (EA) for proposed transportation improvements related to the relocation of U.P. Health Systems Marquette (formerly known as Marquette General Hospital). U.P. Health Systems Marquette is being relocated from its existing location on West College Avenue to a site on West Baraga Avenue.

The City will conduct a public hearing in the Commission Chambers at City Hall (300 W. Baraga Avenue, Marquette, Michigan) on July 27 to receive comments on the EA document. To allow easier participation, the public hearing will take place continuously from 5 to 8 p.m. in an "open house" format. Members of the public are welcome to attend during any portion of this time period.

The EA describes and analyzes the proposed project and the measures taken to minimize harm to the project area. The proposed project involves construction of roundabouts at three intersections: US-41 at Hospital Drive, US-41 at Grove Street/7th Street, and W. Baraga Avenue at Hospital Drive. The proposed project also includes non-motorized facilities; widening of 7th Street, Spring Street, W. Baraga Avenue, and McClellan Street; and improved traffic signal infrastructure for the intersection of McClellan Street and Washington Street.

The City has encouraged public involvement during the study process by conducting public meetings on September 17, 2015 and February 25, 2016, and by providing study information and opportunities to comment at <a href="http://www.mqtcty.org/hospital-relocation-project.php">http://www.mqtcty.org/hospital-relocation-project.php</a>. The EA is available for review and comment through August 12, 2016, at the following locations: Marquette City Hall, 300 W. Baraga Avenue, Marquette; Olson Library - Northern Michigan University, 1401 Presque Isle Avenue, Marquette; Peter White Public Library, 217 N. Front Street, Marquette; Michigan Department of Transportation - Transportation Service Center, 100 S. Westwood Drive, Ishpeming. The EA is also available online at <a href="http://www.mqtcty.org/hospital-relocation-project.php">http://www.mqtcty.org/hospital-relocation-project.php</a>.