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CITY WINS KDOT GRANT FOR K7/MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENTS

Atchison – Atchison’s Main Street, between 10th Street and 12th Street, will soon see a construction project featuring up to \$300,000 worth of concrete improvements. A letter from the Kansas Department of Transportation congratulating the City of Atchison on their grant award was received at City Hall earlier this week. City staff had submitted the grant request following previous interactions with KDOT about the project and receiving the blessing of the City Commission this past March.

The grant comes through KDOT’s Access Management Construction Project Program, which has the stated mission to “manage state highway access and create transportation corridors that reasonable balance safety, efficiency, and economic activity.”

The grant award letter states that KDOT will reimburse the City for expenses incurred to build the project up to \$300,000. The City will be responsible for engineering design, project management, and construction inspection.

“This wasn’t exactly a project that was a huge priority for the City,” said Justin Pregont, Director of Public Works & Utilities. “Even so, we appreciate that it was a priority for KDOT and we’d certainly rather see this project built with KDOT grant money than not built at all. This is good project for making our community a little bit nicer.”

The City expects the project to be built sometime in 2018. More information about public construction projects in Atchison can be found on www.buildingblocks.blog.

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