

### Path Cleared For New Westar Substation

(KAIR)--A \$50 million investment in Atchison moves forward following Atchison City Commission approval this week for the vacation of an alley.

The action pertaining to the alley, located between Smith Street and Q Street, running north to south between South Fourth and South Fifth Streets, paves the way for the construction of a new Westar Energy substation in the city, to be constructed near the Bradken Foundry.

According to a Westar document, construction of the "Amelia Earhart Substation," to be built between Fourth and Fifth Streets on the city's south side, will begin this summer.

The Atchison Planning Commission earlier this month gave its approval to the plan.

Along with the substation, and as part of the overall Atchison investment, Westar will also rebuild the transmission line along Park Street, between Fourth and Eleventh Streets.

Westar says the projects will improve electric system reliability overall, provide more consistent power for residents and businesses, and enable economic growth.

Along with the substation construction, the line replacement is expected to start this summer.

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