

Atchison to seek grant for Unity Street improvement project

(KAIR)--The city of Atchison will seek a grant that would transform Unity Street in the same design concept as the 2nd Street Corridor Project completed in 2019.

According to a release from the city, the Atchison City Commission unanimously approved a resolution when they met Monday authorizing submittal of a grant application to the Kansas Department of Transportation for funding through the federal Transportation Alternatives Grant Program.

The city will seek more than \$1.1 million through the grant program, which would cover 80% of the project costs. The city would be responsible for the remainder of the funds.

If successful, the release says Unity Street would get new curbs, sidewalks and lighting from 2nd Street west to 13th Street. The improvements would likely be completed in either 2022 or 2023.

The grant application will include a phasing provision, which would allow the project to be split into two smaller projects over multiple years and funding cycles.

The application is due in November and expected notification of awards would be sometime in 2021.

The 2nd Street Corridor Project completed in 2019 improved curbs, sidewalks and lighting from Commercial Street to Mound Street.