

Atchison brick streets set for annual repair

(KAIR)--Atchison brick streets are set for a makeover, following approval by the Atchison City Commission Tuesday to hire a local firm to make those repairs.

Approval came after a presentation by Atchison Public Works and Utilities Director Clinton McNemee, who outlined the following regarding the annual project:

- The City budgets annual CIP dollars for brick street repairs. The modest annual budget is targeted at blocks of brick street that primarily just need smaller, isolated improvements to noticeably increase the ‘driveability’ of that block.**
- The repairs consist of removing the brick pavers within the affected area (e.g. a 6 ft. by 6 ft. square), removing a certain amount of subgrade material and replacing it with compacted rock, a bedding of sand, and resetting the pavers.**
- The recommended target areas for 2024 include the 600, 900 & 1000 Blocks of Kearney Street and the 500 & 600 Blocks of Laramie Street.**
- The 2024 CIP includes a budget of \$35,000 for brick street repairs.**
- One bid was received by Urban Lawncare, priced at \$14.00 per square foot.**

Following the presentation, and resulting questions, the Commission approved the hiring of Atchison-based Urban Lawncare to repair the brick streets at a rate of \$14 per square foot, not to exceed \$35,000 in total project costs.

Urban Lawncare submitted the lone bid for the project.

According to McNemee, the areas to receive brick street repairs this year include the 600, 900 & 1000 Blocks of Kearney Street and the 500 and 600 Blocks of Laramie Street.

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A timeline for the work isn't immediately available.