

City of Bel Aire, Kansas

STAFF REPORT

DATE: February 12, 2025

TO: Ted Henry, City Manager

FROM: Anne Stephens, PE, City Engineer

RE: Construction Engineering Agreement, 53rd Street Multi-Use Path



SUMMARY

In 2023, the City applied to WAMPO for grant funding for assistance in constructing a multi-use path along 53rd Street from Woodlawn to Oliver. The City was awarded the grant and signed an agreement with KDOT in July 2025 to have KDOT administer the federal funds. As with any KDOT project, Construction Engineering inspections (CE) must be provided by inspectors that meet KDOT qualifications. City staff does not have the qualifications, or time, to take on this role. However, staff reached out to Sedgwick County in the early development of the project and learned that Sedgwick County can provide Construction Engineering for a relatively low fee. The agreement now before City Council would lay out the terms of payment for these Construction Engineering costs. Per this agreement, KDOT would pay 80% of the Participating Costs of Construction Engineering (CE) up to the upper compensation limit of \$37,551.07. Bel Aire would pay 20% of Participating Costs of CE until Secretary's funding limit is reached, then 100% of Participating Costs after Secretary's funding limit is reached and 100% of Non-Participating Construction Engineering Costs. The City's share of the cost of this project will be financed through a general obligation bond. It is the recommendation of staff to enter into the agreement with KDOT.