

Fiscal Comments
Commission Meeting
March 14, 2023
Regular Meeting

Policy Report No. 23-11

Consider Approval of the Scope and Fee with Wilson & Company for the Wilson Avenue Project and Authorize the Mayor to Execute the Contract
City Project No. 2021-954

During City Commission Study Sessions, the City Commission expressed interest in using ARPA funds to improve the commercial and industrial access on Wilson Avenue south of Limit Street. Staff requested a scope and fee for the project. The project will provide a wider roadway and include pavement properly designed for heavier loads. The improvements will also provide better stormwater management and an ADA compliant sidewalk.

The City generally uses the Qualifications Base Selections (QBS) process to select engineers for professional services. Wilson & Company is one of the City's on-call engineers that was selected through a QBS process. They have significant experience with this type of work in Kansas.

Wilson & Company has provided a Scope and Fee for the project. They provided two options. The first option, which includes survey and design work for 1,300 feet of Wilson Avenue south of Limit Street, is \$98,000. Staff also requested addition survey for the remaining portion of Wilson up to Saint Mary's Street, and a section of Ash Street from Wilson Avenue to 200 feet to the west. The fee for the additional survey work is \$16,000, which would bring the total cost to \$114,000.

Funds for the project will come from the ARPA Fund.

Staff recommends approval of the selected scope and fee choice with Wilson & Company for the Wilson Avenue Project, and the Mayor be authorized to execute a contract in an amount not to exceed either \$98,000 or \$114,000, depending on which option is selected.