

# Construction – Southwest Corner of Washington Avenue and 1<sup>st</sup> Street

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Portions of the Old Town parking lot at the southwest corner of Washington Avenue and 1<sup>st</sup> Street will be under construction through June and July. Westar Energy is working in the area in order to re-route powerlines for the upcoming 1<sup>st</sup> Street reconstruction project. The Westar project is being undertaken in four phases. The first three phases include trenching in the parking lot, the fourth phase generally consists of wiring. It is anticipated that the first three phases will be completed in July 2017.

## Parking Impacts

City staff are coordinating with Westar Energy and the construction contractor to minimize impacts to parking where possible. The construction will occur Monday through Friday and the construction locations will be made usable for the general public each weekend.

## Schedule and Locations

Below is a graphic that shows the locations of the three phases and a listing of the general timeframes.

Phase 1: June 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>

Phase 2: June 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>

Phase 3: July 5<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>

There will be an additional Phase 4 at a later date to complete the wiring. No trenching work is anticipated as part of this phase. An outage will be necessary for this phase and Westar will be contacting businesses to determine a schedule.



## Background

This Westar Energy project is being undertaken in order to prepare for the upcoming renovation to 1<sup>st</sup> Street. Information about the 1<sup>st</sup> Street project has been presented at the following meetings.

- District Advisory Board on December 5, 2016
- Wichita City Council on February 7, 2017
- Old Town Association
- Wichita City Council on July 11, 2017

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