KDOT recommends change at Hiawatha intersection

(KNZA)--The Kansas Department of Transportation is recommending that the traffic lights at 1st and Oregon in Hiawatha be removed and the intersection be made a 4-way stop.

City Administrator Mike Nichols shared the initial results of a traffic study conducted by KDOT with the City Commission Tuesday evening, which he says indicates the traffic flow at the intersection does not call for signals.

KDOT initiated the study in response to the city's desire to see left turn lanes and signals installed at the intersection.

Commissioners voiced their opposition to the intersection being controlled by stop signs, citing safety concerns and the history of the intersection being controlled by traffic lights.

Nichols says KDOT will send the study to the city for review once its finalized. He said from what he's been told, the city will have input into the final outcome on whether a change is made.

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