

USD 415 moves forward on HES parking lot improvements

(KNZA)-- The Hiawatha School Board, during a special virtual meeting Tuesday morning, voted to move forward on elementary school parking lot and driving lane improvements.

The improvements will include a separate exit, a revised driving lane that will no longer be two-way and islands and parking spaces for parked cars.

Board members asked District Maintenance Director Chris Morey to come up with a drawing that addressed concerns over the flow of traffic at the elementary school. In addition, board members wanted to explore the possibilities of adding an additional exit from the parking lot.

After getting input from board member Ian Schuetz, Superintendent Lonnie Moser and Elementary School Principal Paul Carver, Morey presented a drawing at Tuesday's meeting of proposed changes to the parking lot.

Following discussion, the board voted to approve the drawing with a couple of amendments and to solicit bids for the grading, electrical and concrete work needed to complete the proposed changes. The east side of the drive will change from one lane to two lanes and traffic will exit from the parking lot right only on to Miami Street.

The parking lot will be chip and sealed by county crews this summer following all other work.

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