Falls City Council Denies STOP Sign Request

(KLZA)-- On a 5-3 vote Monday night the Falls City Council denied a request to make the intersection of 16th and Barada Street a 4-way-stop.

Terry Stradtman who lives on the southwest corner of 16th and Barada made the request, suggesting with two businesses there and children in the area, it could make it safer.

The Council tabled the agenda item April 3rd. Since that time, Councilman Charlie Bentley said he had observed traffic in the area. Bentley said the average was 12-20 vehicles an hour. But he felt the intersection is no more dangerous than any other intersection in town.

City Administrator Gary Jorn said he had received a letter supporting the STOP sign request. Debbie Nussbaum, manager of the Falls City Senior Center said she was concerned about the safety of her senior center patrons and would support the 4-way-stop proposal.

Councilman John Vaughn said adding STOP signs on 16th Street would mean four consecutive intersections with stops, suggesting another stop would be overkill.

Bentley's motion to deny the request was approved on a 5-3 vote with council members Mike Dougherty, Kirby Robidoux and Judy Murphy casting nay votes.

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