

David Woosley

From: Hedges, Julie [jhedges@ku.edu]
Sent: Monday, April 30, 2007 11:46 AM
To: David Woosley
Subject: Dangerous Intersection

Dear Mr. Woosley:

I would like to let the city know of a dangerous intersection close to where I live. It is the intersection of East 24th Street and Ponderosa Drive. There are yield signs for the north and southbound traffic and no signs for east-west traffic. I travel through this intersection every day and see people not obeying the yield signs. It seems it has been happening more frequently lately. There have been at least a few wrecks that I know of since I have moved in to the area.

I was wondering if the city would consider replacing the yield signs with stop signs, or put in place something that would get people's attention. I have seen many close calls over the last few weeks and feel that something needs to be done.

If you are not the person that handles these matters, please let me know who I need to forward this to. Thanks so much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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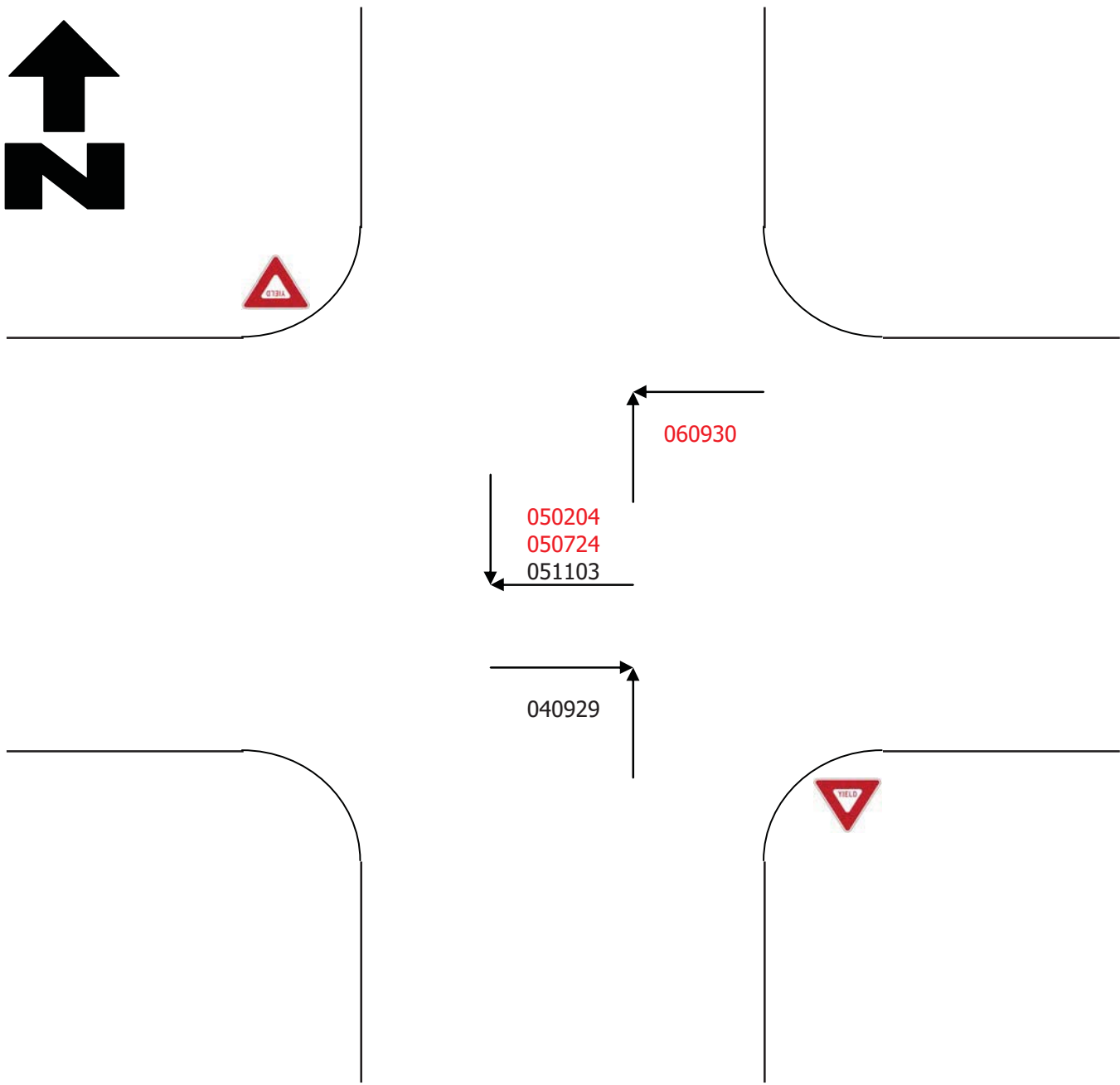


City of Lawrence, Kansas
Traffic Engineering Division
Crash Diagram



Location: **24th Street & Ponderosa Drive**

Date: **2004-2006**



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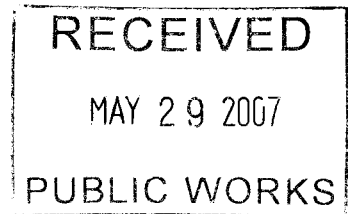
ITEM NO. 3

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CONSTRUCTION

May 25, 2007



Mr. David Woosley, P. E.
Transportation/Traffic Engineer
City of Lawrence
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Lawrence, KS 66044-0708

Re: Ponderosa Drive at 24th Street

Dear David:

I am writing to offer our support for the proposal to remove the YIELD signs and install STOP signs at 24th and Ponderosa Drive. Our offices are located just east of this intersection and we have many employees passing through this intersection every business day. Although we have not had any employees involved in accidents at the intersection we have had numerous reports of near misses almost always as a result of a vehicle traveling north/south not yielding to east/west traffic. The unfortunate fact is that too many people simply ignore YIELD signs.

There is another issue at this intersection that also merits your review. On the northwest corner the parking lot extends much closer to the curb lines than current City Code allows. For the past week there has been a pickup truck with a horse trailer attached parked in that extreme southeast corner of the parking lot and it significantly obstructs the view for southbound traffic on Ponderosa Drive of eastbound traffic on 24th Street. For those southbound drivers who typically ignore the YIELD sign because they believe they have a good view of eastbound traffic having the trailer blocking their view eliminates any margin of safety they may think they will have and the potential for an accident is significantly increased.

Please feel free to contact me if any additional information is required.

Sincerely,

Stephen E. Glass
President