



An elevation depicting a future assisted living center in Sisters.

APPROVAL: Commission vote was unanimous in favor

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chance for public comment. There was no public commentary offered at the commission hearing on the application. The 77,000-square-foot facility will include 82 private-residence rooms. Each room will have a door to the common area, and a door to the outside. The common area will include a dining facility, a chapel/theater, a fitness center, a library and laundry facilities.

The exterior will include a series of 13 individually themed landscaped gardens with water features.

Both the gardens and the individual outside access are

optional features added by ALF developer Mark Adolf. They are included to fit with the more active outdoor lifestyle of Central Oregon residents of all ages. The monitored exterior doors from each room add to the fire safety of the residents.

In keeping with its downtown commercial zoning, there will not be parking lots between the street and the building. The primary entrance will be off Public Way — a street that is mapped on the city’s master plan, but not yet completed between the post office and the northern boundary of the ALF complex. There will be a second entrance off Larch Street.

A similar project has been on the books for several years for the property on McKinney Butte just east of and adjoining Sisters High School. The

McKinney Butte project was to include low-maintenance senior housing off McKinney Butte, an assisted-living complex in the center of the property, and low-income housing at the north end of the property. The ALF drawings for the Carpenter property are for the most part identical to the McKinney Butte project plans.

The developers of the McKinney Butte project included Mark Adolf and a group of local developers represented by Bill Willitts. At that time, the plan for the ALF was also to include a senior center to be donated to Sisters by the developers.

With the Carpenter property development, the status of the McKinney Butte project is unclear.

Sisters grad nears Gonzaga mile record

By Charlie Kanzig
Correspondent

In his first outing at a collegiate runner, Brandon Pollard entered the record books for Gonzaga University when he ran 4:10.6 in the indoor mile to become the fastest frosh of all-time for the Bulldogs. His time was the second-fastest ever for a Bulldog miler indoors.

Running in the University of Washington Preview Meet in Seattle, Pollard surprised even himself with how good he felt as the race progressed.

“I just kind of hung on with the lead pack of my heat and with a lap to go (300 meters) I felt really good and went into second place and kept a fast kick to make 4:10,” he said.

Two other runners well-known to Pollard, Brett Willyard of Seaside High School and Travis Neuman of Summit High, sophomores who both now compete for the University of Oregon, ran in a different heat and ran 4:10.06 and 4:10.89 respectively.

“It felt good to know I ran up there with those guys and

now I have a new goal to get down to 4:05-4:06 so that I can own the overall school record,” Pollard said. “I have set a high bar for myself for the rest of the season, so I just hope to stay consistent and keep running good times.”

Pollard is no stranger at meeting high standards. He is the school record holder at Sisters High School for 800 and 1,500 meters and won the state title in the 800 and placed second in the 1,500 at the 4A state meet last May.

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Pollard is one of four former Outlaws competing collegiately in track this season. Taylor Steele is a senior at Whitworth College, Hayley Palmer is a senior at Pacific University, and Zoe Falk is a freshman at Northern Arizona University.

Agenda

- Sisters City Council
520 E. Cascade Ave.
January 22, 6 p.m.
- Joint workshop — Sisters City Council/Community Assets Committee
1. Community Assets Committee update.
 2. Other business.
- Regular meeting
7 p.m.
- Staff report: Deschutes County Sheriff’s Office.

- Council business:
- A. Public Hearing and Consideration of Resolution No. 2015-01: Adopting a supplemental budget.
 - B. Accept public improvements for Pine Street Commons.
 - C. Accept public improvements for Three Creek Brewing.
 - D. Merit increase for the city manager.

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