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Planners propose short-term rental regulations

By Sue Stafford
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Tighter restrictions on the location and operation of short-term rentals in Sisters made it through the Sisters Planning Commission last week.

Proposed Development Code amendments related to short-term rentals (STR) were passed on to the City Council for a public hearing tentatively set for November 14, with a 6-1 vote by the Planning Commission at their meeting last week.

The sole dissenter was vice-chairman Jeff Seymour, who stated he is opposed to any spacing requirements between properties, as the 250-foot buffer between STR

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The god of chainsaws...

Master craftsman J. Chester Armstrong carved Sagen "the god of chainsaws" into Sisters Rental's chainsaw retirement tree last Saturday.



PHOTO BY JERRY BALDOCK

Food drive to boost Kiwanis program

Starting Wednesday, October 24, and running till Thanksgiving, *The Nugget* will be conducting a food drive in support of the Sisters Kiwanis Food Bank.

Community members are invited to drop off donations of canned or packaged goods or cash donations to *The Nugget* during regular office hours during the week (closed Wednesday).

The Food Bank provides a vital service to many families in Sisters — families who are struggling to get by in a high-cost town; families who need help getting through a crisis; families who don't have a home.

The volunteers who operate the Food Bank report that donations have declined year-over-year by 30 percent and some major cash donors

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Rules ready for council if voters OK marijuana

By Sue Stafford
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It only took the Planning Commission a few minutes to adopt Resolution 2018-07, recommending the City Council adopt Development Code text amendments (TA#18-02) establishing new land-use regulations for retail sale, producing, growing, processing, wholesaling, research, and testing of marijuana and related amendments to definition and use tables.

No members of the public attended the hearing to speak in favor or against the amendments. They were previously reviewed in workshops held by the Planning Commission

on July 19 and August 16, and City Council on August 8 and 22.

The citizens of the city are currently voting on two ballot measures explained on the blue insert in the ballot envelope regarding local marijuana measures. Local measure 9-122, if approved, allows recreational and medical marijuana establishments in Sisters. Approval makes the City eligible to receive distribution of state marijuana tax revenues.

Local measure 9-123, if approved, will impose a local three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items by

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Beware of aggressive deer

By Jim Cornelius
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It's an increasingly common story in Sisters — and across North America: Urban deer populations that have become accustomed to human presence can sometimes turn aggressive.

Last week, a local resident contacted *The Nugget* to report that a small dog was attacked by a big doe near the Tamarack Apartments at the north end of town.

There are a great many deer in town, and they think nothing of hanging out in the yards of homes and businesses.

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A stout mule deer buck lives in town. Don't feed him.

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