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City, county will search for homeless solutions

Joint meeting to be held Wednesday discuss ideas such as a managed camp

BY BRENN A VISSER

The Bulletin
Guy Cavallo has a simple request: a place he can call his own.

For the past 10 years, the 69-year-old has been homeless, finding new places to put his RV around Redmond every few years. Most recently, he joined dozens of other homeless residents in calling the cor-

ner of 17th Street and Greenwood Avenue in Redmond home.

Getting to live in a house or apartment again would of course be his preference — he lost his former Redmond house when his wife died, he said.

But his income of \$820 from Social Security makes that basically impossible to do.

"It's so hard to get going again," Cavallo said. "With the price of everything, what do you do?"

So for Cavallo, even having a parking space where he knew he could legally park would make a world of difference in

his life.

A program that could offer this is now being considered in Redmond.

On July 21, the Redmond City Council and Deschutes County Commission will meet to discuss several proposals in an effort to address the city's growing homeless population.

The number of homeless residents in Redmond has more than doubled from 89 to 189 in two years, according to data from a yearly point-in-time count, which counts the number of homeless people in a given region on one night in January.

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Guy Cavallo, 69, works on securing a tarp over a load of trash July 8 in preparation to drive to the dump from his campsite along 17th Street in Redmond.

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Wetlands Complex expansion



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An aerial view of the City of Redmond's water pollution control facility irrigation site, at 5801 Northwest Way in Redmond.

Redmond to relocate its wastewater treatment facility

BY NICOLE BALES • The Bulletin

The city of Redmond is seeking to acquire more than 900 acres from the federal government to relocate and expand its wastewater treatment plant. The current facility, built in 1978, is located less than two miles from the city center in the Dry Canyon, and abuts residential homes and farmland.

Further north, the proposed relocation site sits adjacent to the city's 610-acre irrigation complex which has a holding pond for treated water and hay fields. The water is used to irrigate the hay and biosolids are used for fertilizer. The city leases land from the federal Bureau of Land Management next to the site where disinfected water is infiltrated into the ground.

The relocation and expansion, known as the Redmond Wetlands Complex project, will use constructed lagoons and wetlands to

naturally treat wastewater before discharging it into the groundwater.

Fewer chemicals

Ryan Kirchner, the city's wastewater division manager, said the natural process achieves the same goal as a mechanical system, but uses fewer chemicals and takes more land and time to treat and clean wastewater.

Constructed lagoons will screen the wastewater and break down energy and nutrients in 15 to 20 days.

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Redmond police station plan moves forward

City council OKs \$2.2M buy of NW Canal Boulevard property for new HQ

BY GARRETT ANDREWS

The Bulletin

The fast-expanding city of Redmond took another step this week in its plan to build a new police station.

The project would include an on-site mental health triage center similar to the stabilization center at the Bend public safety campus on Poe Sholes Road, which officials say has been successful.

Police leaders in Redmond say the department long ago outgrew the 25-year-old station at 777 SW Deschutes Ave. The 12,850-square-foot building, located on a 1-acre lot, used to have a 36-person staff. The department has grown to 61 employees today.

The building is "functionally obsolete" and afflicted with failing HVAC and plumbing systems, police officials say, and there is a shortage of secured parking and storage space for evidence. The current facility also does not offer equal locker rooms or bathrooms for female officers, according to City of Redmond documents.

Three months ago, the council took a first step in building a new police station, which had been identified by the current council as a goal.

The emerging plan for a Redmond public safety campus was discussed in greater detail last week at a meeting of the Redmond City Council, which resulted in councilors authorizing the city manager to move forward with a plan to purchase an 8-acre parcel at 2983 NW Canal Blvd. The council had eyed another parcel — on S. Canal Road — but that option didn't make as much financial sense to councilors.

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Spokesman Calendar

Events in and around Redmond

The Redmond Spokesman welcomes event information for its community calendar. Submissions are limited to nonprofit, free and live entertainment events. Deadline is 5 p.m. Thursday for the following Wednesday's paper. Items are published on a space-available basis and may be edited. Contact us at news@redmondspokesman.com or fax 541-548-3203.

WEDNESDAY 7/21

Redmond Fire & Rescue Board Meeting: The board will discuss the wildland radio purchase, City of Redmond Downtown Urban Renewal District revenue sharing and more; 9:30-10:30 a.m.; free; Redmond Fire & Rescue, online, Redmond; redmondfireandrescue.org

Yoga Nidra: A relaxing guided meditation known as "yogic sleep"; 6-7 p.m.; free; Deschutes Public Library, online; deschuteslibrary.org

The Tangents at Over the Edge: The classic rock band will perform; 6-8 p.m.; free; Over the Edge Tap House, 13959 SW Commercial Loop Road, Terrebonne; facebook.com/overth-

eedgetaphouse

Mystery Book Club: Discussing "Girl in Disguise" by Greer Macallister; 6-7 p.m.; free; Roundabout Books, online; roundabout-bookshop.com

THURSDAY 7/22

Live at the Vineyard — Michael John & Rob Fincham: The local duo will play a variety of hit covers; 5-8 p.m.; \$15 advanced tickets required; Faith, Hope and Charity Vineyards, 70450 NW Lower Valley Drive, Terrebonne; faithhopeandcharityevents.com

'Bad Mommy Bad Writer' by Kim Cooper Findling: The

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