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Rendering of the outside of the proposed Redmond Recreation Center. The Redmond Area Parks and Recreation District is looking to pass a \$49 million bond in November to fund construction of the new facility.

## NEW RECREATION CENTER?

Parks & rec district to float \$49 million bond for new facility

BY NICK ROSENBERGER • Redmond Spokesman

edmond voters will have the chance to fund a recreation complex that will include multiple swimming pools, a bouldering wall, sports fields, fitness center and more.

A \$49 million bond to construct SW 35th Street and Lava Avenue, will be presented to voters in November by the Redmond Area Parks and Recreation District. A separate ballot question will also ask voters to fund a 5-year levy to help fund the center's operations.

The proposed 74,500-square-foot facility would include a new 25-meter indoor lap pool, another indoor pool with waterslides and lazy river, bouldering wall, fitness center that includes weight room and an elevated track, hiking and biking trails, community rooms, recreation fields for youth soccer as well as tennis and pickleball courts.

There would also be a child watch

room so parents or guardians could or attending classes.

Employees of the recreation district said it's high time to improve facilities in fast-growing Redmond.

"As our community has grown, recreation needs have changed in our community," said Katie Hammer, executive director of Redmond Area Parks and Recreation District (RAPRD). "There's such a strain currently on (the Cascade Swim Center). It's been insane the last year how busy our lap lanes are."

The swim center was built in 1979, when Redmond's population was just 6,500 people. Today, the park district serves roughly 45,000 people in Redmond, Terrebonne, parts of Crooked



Rendering of the pool area of the proposed Redmond Recreation Center. The Redmond Area Parks and Recreation District is looking to pass a \$49 million bond in November to fund construction of the new facility.

River Ranch, Eagle Crest and parts of Tumalo.

The location of the proposed facility was chosen to be centrally located for RAPRD and is roughly 10-20 minutes from the edges of the district.

From Crooked River Ranch, the furthest population center, it would be an approximately 20-minute drive. Eagle Crest and Tumalo are roughly 14 minutes away.

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### 'Pups on the patio' plans to help the BrightSide Animal Center

**BY LEO BAUDHUIN** 

Redmond Spokesman Cascade Lakes Brewing Co. will release its limited Pawsitive IPA at a July 24 launch party to benefit

BrightSide Animal Center.

"Pups on the Patio" is set to run from 3-8 p.m. at Cascade Lakes' Seventh St. location in Redmond, with \$1 donated to BrightSide for every pint sold. BrightSide will also hold raffles at the event to raise additional money for the shelter.

Besides the beer and prizes, BrightSide is bringing dogs who are available for adoption, and attendees are encouraged to bring their own canine friends to join the fun.

This year's launch party is the third of its kind. Members of the 2020 Redmond Leadership class — including now-BrightSide volunteer Louise Kaplan — started the initiative as way to pay for the replacement of BrightSide's aging and dilapidated outdoor kennels.

BrightSide shelter manager Pat Bowling said the outdoor kennels had been there for 20 years.

"It got to the point where it was dangerous for the dogs to stay in

there," she said. "It was dangerous for staff too because they would have wires sticking out."

So BrightSide started a capital campaign to replace them. Despite the pandemic, Cascade Lakes launched its first canned Pawsitive IPA in July 2020. General manager and co-owner Andy Rhine estimated that the event raised about \$2,000 for BrightSide. The animal shelter used the money to replace 16 of its kennels, according to a press release for the 2021 event.

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Cascade Lakes brewery in Redmond will host "Pups on the Patio" July 24.

#### NORTH **REDMOND**

# Hayden plans major housing project

**BY TIM TRAINOR** 

Redmond Spokesman Hayden Homes is planning a 498-unit development in northwest Redmond near Dry Canyon.

On July 12, representatives of the Redmond-based homebuilder shared their concepts for the development with city council.

According to Megan Norris, forward planning manager at Hayden Homes, the development would include a mixture of housing types, from multi-family plexes to cottages, townhomes and single family homes. Plans also call for 8.5 acres of parks and open space, including trails. It would require extensions of Quince, Spruce and Upas streets.

The 76 acres of development would be west of Northwest Way and bisected by NW Spruce Ave.

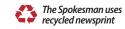
Norris said Hayden Homes has been meeting with the city for more than two years to formulate building plans for the area. Councilors would need to annex the property, which is currently within the urban growth boundary but outside city limits, into the city of Redmond.

The development is an early phase of a muchlarger northwest development plan by the city to add large amounts of housing in north Redmond and add some commercial development as well.

Multiple city councilors asked about the need to increase commercial areas within the residential developments, including for a grocery store, day care centers, restaurants and more.

"I know we need housing and housing units, but we also need to have neighborhoods where people can stay when they get home from work," said councilor Cat Zwicker.

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