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COURT *from A1*

Meyers said. "They're saying fix homelessness, is what they're saying but it's interesting talking to lawyers about this because it's opened so many doors.

It's basically criminalizing homelessness and by using 'cruel and unusual punishment' well, how far does that go? What if you're hungry and you steal a piece of bread and we punish you? Is that cruel and

unusual punishment? You were hungry?"

While the city works with attorneys to clarify the ruling, Meyers said it is also looking into ways to secure the parks whether it be gates officially closing the parks at 10 p.m. or signs notifying the public the parks are closed.

Currently, individuals who sleep in RVs or other vehicles leave the park when it closes and return at 5 a.m., according to Meyers.

However, under the new ruling, individuals would be free to park on public streets, moving at least once every 72 hours in accordance with current city ordinances.

"But, are all of those vehicles registered and insured?" Meyers asked. "We


could take action on that."

Another option that would comply with the ruling would be a city-sanctioned area for camping.

The court ruled that the issuance of a citation was a constitutional violation if another designated location was not available and shelter space was inadequate.

Cottage Grove does not currently have a homeless shelter but according to Meyers, it would be possible to create a space for sanctioned camping.


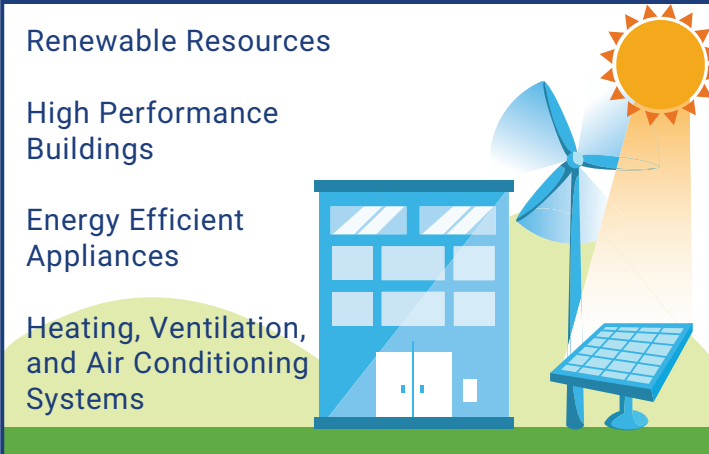
"We could tie it into other services from South Lane Mental Health and maybe veterans' services that those people aren't utilizing because they're spread apart," he said. "But I don't know, we don't know, do we designate a space?"



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