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Reworked land deal pushed

Shasta County looking to expand custody campus work

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Did a push by supervisors to get the city of Redding to approve a lease for 90 acres so Shasta County can move forward on the development of an expanded alternative custody campus work?

The Redding City Council is expected to consider approving a reworked lease at its Sept. 2 meeting, City Manager Bar-

ry Tippin said last Thursday. The date is a lot sooner than when county officials expected it to happen at their last meeting on Aug. 19.

On Tuesday, supervisors will be asked to sign the lease, which will take effect after the state declares the property surplus.

This all comes in the wake of the board's Aug. 19 meeting, when supervisors voted 5-0 to approve the lease, rejecting a request by the city that the

county not sign it until the state declares the 90-acre parcel surplus property.

That prompted Supervisor Matt Plummer later at that meeting to make a motion to delay approving a resolution for the county to conduct the Nov. 4 special election for Redding until the city signs the lease for the Eastside Road property.

The motion passed 3-2 with Plummer and Supervisors Kevin Crye and

Corkey Harmon voting yes. Supervisors Chris Kelstrom and Allen Long voted no.

Plummer argued that the county and city had been negotiating the terms of the lease for about eight months.

"This has taken way too long for this to happen. I'm not here to point fingers. ... We just need the city to do whatever they can to expedite this," Plummer said during the meeting.

A day after the supervisors' meeting, Redding Vice Mayor Mike Littau told the Record Searchlight that he met with

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Hordes of tarantulas across U.S. emerging for mating season

Elizabeth Weise USA TODAY

If you're hiking or camping in the arid Southwest and West in the next couple of months, get ready for what could be the experience – or fright – of a lifetime.

Across the United States, in California, Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico and Texas, tens of thousands of tarantulas will be crawling out of their burrows in search of females – making for a fascinating, if a little creepy, display of the wonders of nature.

It's tarantula mating season.

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Contrary to common fears, tarantulas don't want to interact with humans any more than most humans want to interact with them. JUSTIN SULLIVAN/GETTY IMAGES

Trump announces firing of Fed governor

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President Donald Trump's announcement that he's firing Federal Reserve Governor Lisa Cook is an unprecedented move that could lead to a long legal battle as the president looks to shape the balance of the central bank's seven-member board in his favor.

The Aug. 25 move raises more questions about the Fed board's independence, a president's involvement in monetary policy and credibility in U.S. investments.

"I have determined that there is sufficient cause to remove you from your position," Trump wrote in a letter to Cook shared on Truth Social, pointing to accusations that Cook made false statements on mortgage agreements.

Cook said Aug. 26 the president lacked the basis and the authority to oust her from the board of the central bank.

Her firing comes amid Trump's monthslong efforts to influence the central bank's rate-cut decisions. Trump had previously focused on pressuring Fed Chair Jerome Powell to lower rates through name-calling and termination threats, although the president has since walked back

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