



LOCAL NEWS

Construction for new development underway in west Homewood

by: [Sidney Spencer](#)

Posted: Jun 6, 2024 / 05:52 AM CDT
Updated: Jun 6, 2024 / 05:52 AM CDT

SHARE    

HOMWOOD, Ala. ([WIAT](#)) — Construction on a new mixed-use development in west Homewood is swiftly moving along following its initial proposal in 2023.

The space along Oxmoor Rd. off of I-65 was once home to an Econo Lodge motel. That motel was demolished in October 2023.

[Decreased New Jersey congressman wins primary](#) >



[Learn More](#)

Homewood City Councilor Carlos Aleman said the development project will help revitalize west Homewood.

"The ability to now make that a lively area, this is what the residents said they want and so we've been working over 10 years to make this a reality," said Aleman. "We want Homewood to be a destination to come and shop and partake in the amenities we have, but also makes it more valuable for the residents who are already here."

The project was first presented by Village Creek Developments in 2023 in which Homewood City Council approved.

ADVERTISEMENT

The new redevelopment is a far different sight than it once was.

"We formerly had the Econo Lodge there and there were some concerns about that in terms of the neighborhood and criminal activity, and just really an opportunity to revitalize the neighborhood," said Aleman.

The opportunity is one stirring conversation among residents who live nearby.

"I think it's certainly better than what we had over there. You know, I think my concern is it's going to bring a lot more traffic into that area, make it harder for us to get out of the neighborhood, but, overall, I think it's probably going to be a good thing for us," said Homewood resident Don Little.

ADVERTISEMENT

[READ NEXT >](#)

Florida authorities warn of shark dangers along Gulf Coast beaches after 3 people are attacked



[READ NEXT >](#)

[Next story in 5](#)

[Cancel](#)

Man found shot, killed on motorcycle in Birmingham ➤

With construction expected to be complete in the summer of 2025, some residents said they are excited to check it out.

"It's a good area to expand, you know. It hasn't always been the best, so making it better is always good," said Homewood resident Darian Griffin.

Homewood City Engineer Cale Smith said this redevelopment is not a city of Homewood project; it is by a private developer.

The mix use development is estimated to cost \$32.5 million.

Copyright 2024 Nexstar Media Inc. All rights reserved. This material may not be published, broadcast, rewritten, or redistributed.

SPONSORED CONTENT

[Privacy Policy](#)

Citi Custom Cash® Card

Citi

[Learn more](#)

50-Year Wall St. Legend: "Buy This A.I. Stock Now"

Chaikin Analytics

[Click](#)

TITLE Boxing Gyro Balanced Leather Speed Bag - Black / XXS

Title Boxing

[Go !](#)

The Citi Rewards+® Card

Citi

[Learn more](#)

Flight Attendant Shows How To Fly Business Class For The Price of Economy

Travel Savings Tools

Amazon's Worst Nightmare: Thousands Canceling Prime for This Clever Hack

Online Shopping Tools

Citi® Diamond Preferred®

Citi

[Learn more](#)

Killer New Hyundai Santa Fe Is Perfect for Seniors (Take a Peek at Prices)

Hyundai Santa Fe

[Learn more](#)

READ NEXT >

[Florida authorities warn of shark dangers along Gulf Coast beaches after 3 people are attacked](#)



READ NEXT >

[Next story in 5](#)