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Town of Zionsville breaks ground on new Town Hall

Zionsville Mayor Tim Haak, Zionsville Town Council President Susana Suarez, Town Council members and community representatives broke ground today on the new Zionsville Town Hall. Town employees, along with other organizations and partners, plan to move into the new building in the fall of 2017.

The two-story 42,600-square-foot facility will replace the 45-year-old former church Zionsville has used as Town Hall. The new Town Hall building, constructed by RL Turner Corporation and designed by CSO Architects, will be located directly north of the current Town Hall.

The new building will provide space for Planning and Economic Development, Finance and Records, Technology Department, Fire Department Administration, the Mayor's office and others, plus public access space for community meetings and neighborhood associations. A central lobby will greet visitors and house payment centers. The second floor will provide space for multiple meeting rooms and a large community room.

"From a structural and mechanical standpoint, this building will be much more efficient and will greatly improve the working environment for town departments," Haak said. "But beyond that, this building will have welcoming spaces for the community and neighborhood associations to gather."

Besides hosting more than 100 meetings a month, the public will also be able to enjoy an outdoor plaza located off the Rail Trail. Sidewalks around the property will connect the building to the Rail Trail.

To finance the project, the town will purchase the building over time with lease payments instead of using bonds. To make lease payments, the town will use revenues approved by the Town Council from the county option income tax, food and beverage tax, cumulative capital development fund and two tax increment financing districts.

"Today marks the ceremonial beginning our new physical building, but it really is a milestone showing the growth and successes of Zionsville," Haak said. "The new Town Hall will be a source of great civic pride for town employees and the community."

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Groundbreaking: Mayor Tim Haak; Greg Turner – President/CEO, RLTurner Corporation; Joe Raper – Principal, CSO Architects; Susana Suarez (and daughter Eva) – President, Zionsville Town Council; James VanGorder, Fire Chief

Groundbreaking 2: Jeff Papa, Zionsville Town Council; Kevin Spees, Zionsville Town Council; Josh Garrett, Zionsville Town Council; Elizabeth Hopper, Zionsville Town Council; Mayor Tim Haak; Susana Suarez, Zionsville Town Council; Bryan Traylor, Zionsville Town Council; Ed Mitro, Deputy Mayor; State Representative Donna Schaibley