



LOG IN

SUBSCRIBE



THE NEWS TRIBUNE

Local News TNT Diner Business Sports Tacoma Now • Seahawks High School Sports

BUSINESS

Second 6-story Proctor project moving forward

By Kate Martin

kmartin@thenewstribune.com

UPDATED JUNE 06, 2016 11:34 AM





The developers of Proctor Station are planning a second mixed-use building across from the Metropolitan Market at the corner of North 25th and North Proctor Streets. The businesses pictured at left are Sonja Clothes To Live In and Proctor Frozen Yogurt. The alley at right is the cut-off of the project's footprint. DREW PERINE
dperine@thenewstribune.com

Developers are laying the groundwork for a second 65-foot-tall mixed residential-retail building in Tacoma's Proctor District.

If community reaction to this project is [anything like its cousin](#) a few blocks north, Proctor Station at North 28th and Proctor streets, it's bound to attract controversy.

Like Proctor Station, this development has about 140 apartments, is six stories tall with internal parking for residents and includes a ground-floor retail component.

Preliminary documents from Rush Development Co. of Gig Harbor [call the development Proctor South](#), although Rush representatives said the name will change.

[As of last year](#), the company and business partners Bill Evans and Erling Kuester had bought several properties on the block north of Metropolitan Market at North Proctor and 25th streets.

Get unlimited digital access

Subscribe now for just \$2 for 2 months.

CLAIM OFFER

Rush now has an option to buy Proctor Dry Cleaners, said Deanna Dargan of Rush: “It’s definitely part of the overall plan.”

A man who answered the phone Tuesday at the dry cleaners refused to comment.

Dargan declined to say when the company might start demolishing the 12 buildings on the site.

“Right now we don’t want to commit to a timeline, given that there’s still a lot of balls in the air,” Dargan said.

Evans said the development is also creating new angled street parking along the north side of North 25th Street, from North Madison to North Proctor streets.

Indigenous Affairs

Weekly roundup of news affecting Native American communities in the Northwest.

SIGN UP

This site is protected by reCAPTCHA and the Google Privacy Policy and Terms of Service apply.

[Proctor residents have known](#) for months that a second project was in the works, but that doesn’t make it easier to stomach, said resident Randy Asbjornsen, who lives a few blocks north of Proctor Station.

Last week he said Proctor doesn't need another large apartment building and that other Tacoma neighborhoods "could use a boost."

"It's having an effect on the character of the whole neighborhood," Asbjornsen said of Proctor Station. When asked for specifics, Asbjornsen said "I think it's too early to tell."

Kelly Hale, president of the [Proctor District Association](#), said it will be hard to tell Proctor Station's effect until it's fully leased and all retail spots are open.

"The only concern would be — once again an ongoing topic in Proctor for years now — parking issues," Hale said.

Some told a city hearings examiner that the "transient" residents — referring to people who rent the high-end apartments — wouldn't be interested in keeping up the area. Many said the structure, which replaced a strip mall and dirt parking lot, would [ruin the character of the neighborhood](#).

Proctor Station, at North 28th and Proctor streets, is now about 70 percent leased, Dargan said.

City planning rules, [in place for years](#), allow this kind of mixed-use development in that area.

Kate Martin: [253-597-8542](tel:253-597-8542), [@KateReports](https://twitter.com/KateReports)

Proposed development

Units: 137-140 middle- to high-income apartment units.

Parking: 140 interior parking stalls and 29 off-street, nose-in parking stalls.

Size: 183,000 square feet, 65-feet high on half a block north of Metropolitan Market.

This story was originally published May 27, 2016 10:25 AM.

RELATED STORIES FROM TACOMA NEWS TRIBUNE

LOCAL

Proctor, North End Tacoma residents

BUSINESS

The view from Proctor Station

tell city: Stop planning to cram our neighborhoods with new housing

AUGUST 18, 2015 10:00 PM

APRIL 23, 2016 7:30 AM

Take Us With You

Real-time updates and all local stories you want right in the palm of your hand.



[TACOMA NEWS TRIBUNE APP →](#)

[VIEW NEWSLETTERS →](#)

SUBSCRIPTIONS

[Start a Subscription](#)

[Customer Service](#)

[eEdition](#)

[Tacoma Now](#)

[Vacation Hold](#)

[Pay Your Bill](#)

LEARN MORE

[About Us](#)

[Contact Us](#)

[Newsletters](#)

[Archives](#)

[Personal Finance](#)

ADVERTISING

[Information](#)

[Place a Classified](#)

[Place an Obituary](#)

COPYRIGHT

PRIVACY POLICY

TERMS OF SERVICE