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Special City Council Meeting on First United Methodist/Franklin Synergy Project scheduled Feb. 22

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. — The Murfreesboro City Council will meet in a special meeting on Thursday, Feb. 22, 5:00 p.m., at City Hall, 111 West Vine Street, Murfreesboro, Tenn., 37130, to discuss the First United Methodist/Franklin Synergy property project.

Who: The Murfreesboro City Council.

What: The Council will gather in a special meeting to discuss potential projects for the First United Methodist/Franklin Synergy property.

When: Thurs., Feb. 22, 2018, 5:00 p.m.

Where: Council Chambers
111 West Vine Street
Murfreesboro, TN 37133

On Oct. 26, 2017, Council heard four proposals for the property. Developers presented their vision for a mix of retail, commercial, hotel and residential development. City Development Company of Nashville, Murfreesboro Investment Group (MIG), Southern Building Group, LLC and WRS Real Estate Investments made initial proposals.

On Jan. 7, 2016, Council authorized City acquisition of the property on East College and Church Street owned by Franklin Synergy Bank for \$1.55 million. City leadership is seeking to facilitate the proper development of the property while preserving at least some portion of the former First United Methodist Church brick structure and its iconic bell tower. The building dates to 1888 and served the congregation of First United Methodist until the congregation

relocated to Thompson Lane in 2003.

Franklin Synergy continues to lease space from the City in its former downtown headquarters after opening its new location in the Gateway.

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