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Office will be part of the 135-acre development called The Farm.



The FarmWORK One building will open next summer. (Omniplan )

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Developers of a new Allen mixed-use project are starting off with a speculative office building. JaRyCo plans to construct a 102,000-square-foot building as the first phase of its 135-acre Farm development on State Highway 121 at Alma Drive.

Called FarmWORK One, the three-story office building is scheduled to open next summer in the project's central district.

"We spent a lot of time with our design team and the brokerage community to understand what is important to office tenants today and have created a unique building that promotes health and wellness of employees and brings long-term benefits to office users," Bruce Heller, president of JaRyCo Development, said in a statement. "This office design continues our overall concept of providing a totally unique and different type of mixeduse center at The Farm in Allen."

Allen-based JaRyCo announced plans for The Farm last summer and wants it to include more than 1.6 million square feet of office space, 142,000 square feet of retail, a 150-room hotel, 60,000 square feet of restaurants, townhomes and 2,400 urban residential units.

The Farm will also include an entertainment and restaurant complex called The Hub, which will be across the street from the planned office building.

Dallas architect Omniplan designed the offices. Commercial property firm Avison Young is leasing the project.

The Farm in Allen will also have a 11/2-acre lake, boardwalk restaurants, more than 2 miles of hike-and-bike trails and a 16-acre greenbelt along Watters Creek.

The office building is the latest of a series of new offices started or announced in the S.H. 121 corridor.

"Corporate office is the primary driver for Allen's growth on S.H. 121 and exemplifies our strategy to bring quality jobs to residents," said Dan Bowman, CEO/executive director of the Allen Economic Development Corp. "The unique design and amenities of FarmWORK One address the demands of today's market and will set Allen apart as a premier office destination."

Several office buildings are in the works along S.H. 121 in the Craig Ranch development.

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