

Plan In Works For A Walgreens

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UNIVERSITY AREA - University Plaza shopping center, home to a new Office Depot and Aldi supermarket, could be home to a new Walgreens drugstore as well.

Hillsborough County, at the developer's request, has rezoned the northwest corner of Bruce B. Downs Boulevard and Fletcher Avenue, home to one of two Citgo gas stations at the shopping center.

Attorney Mark Bentley said the St. Petersburg-based Sembler Co. hopes to have all of its permits in place by the end of the year.

"As soon as they have the permits, they're going to start demolition of the gas station," Bentley said. "The target date to start construction is first of the year, and they hope to open by Nov. 1, 2009."

The site plan calls for a 14,820-square-foot store with 75 parking spaces on 1.6 acres.

Officials from Walgreens declined to comment to on the project.

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