



Residents looking forward to Parkdale Plaza renovation

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CORPUS CHRISTI - A new Wal-Mart Supercenter will soon be built at Parkdale Plaza, on the corner of Staples and Gollihar. ([map](#)) Those plans mean big changes for that area, and nearby residents are both excited and concerned about the changes.

In the not-so-distant future, construction crews will begin to demolish Parkdale Plaza. People living nearby said it's about time for the shopping center that had passed its prime.

"Oh, for a long time. I'm like 'Oh God, can we do something about this?' Because it's really an eyesore," said Mary Isaguirre.



"Parkdale Plaza's been going' down for years. From what I was told, it was once a very well off shopping center," said Aaron Flemings.

In its place, a new shopping center that will feature restaurants, a bank and several smaller shopping islands. The centerpiece is the planned [Wal-Mart Supercenter](#) aimed to appeal to the center of Corpus Christi.



Planning diagrams show that the loading docks that will be on the back of the Wal-Mart will face Gollihar, and we asked residents across the way what they thought about the possibility of 18-wheelers going up and down their road.

"I don't understand if it's gonna be on the Gollihar side or the Staples side. I would prefer it to be on the Staples side, because I'm worried about the traffic," Isaguirre said.

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"Why can't we ask someone to move it somewhere else? Why should it be on this side, no body was asking where to put it before? They have everything planned and everything set up," George Nowicki said.

Most nearby residents are eager to see construction start, even if the project brings heavy traffic to their neighborhood.

"Ahh, I think it's allright. Good for business, maybe for us, too," Nowicki said.

"Well, I'm excited because everything new is going that way. (laughs) So it's exciting, it's going to be walking distance, and that's convenient," Perez said.

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