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Move at former Northridge site sets the table for future projects

An announcement that Penzeys Spices owner William Penzey is transferring ownership of the former Northridge Mall Boston Store property to the City of Milwaukee for redevelopment into light industrial space “sets the table” for future projects at the site, **Alderman Chantia Lewis** said today.

Alderman Lewis, whose 9th Aldermanic District includes the entire former Northridge property in Granville, said the former department store and its parking lot could be the footprint for three light industrial buildings, totaling approximately 300,000 square feet.

“None of this would be happening if not for the generosity and thoughtfulness of Bill Penzey,” Alderman Lewis said. “Penzey’s is a great community partner, and I am looking forward to more development at Northridge and across Granville.”

The move allows the city to begin marketing the property for redevelopment very soon -- likely in early 2018, Alderman Lewis said. “We have been building toward a future of revitalization in Granville that picked up steam with the great work of the charette earlier this year, and this move allows us to pivot in a new direction and one that can be the catalyst in bringing in some key initial projects and growth. It’s very exciting.”

The city’s redevelopment plan for the Granville area calls for converting the former mall into light industrial space, along with developing a public plaza with neighborhood-oriented stores and restaurants near the northwest corner of W. Brown Deer Rd. and N. 76th St.

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