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Special Meeting of the City Council on First United Methodist/ Franklin Synergy Project July 27

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. — The Murfreesboro City Council will gather in a special meeting at 4:00 p.m., Thurs., July 28, 2017, at City Hall, 111 West Vine St., Murfreesboro, Tenn., 37130, to review proposals for the First United Methodist/Franklin Synergy Project.

Who: The Murfreesboro City Council.

What: The Council will gather to discuss proposals for the First United Methodist/Franklin Synergy Project.

When: Thursday, July 27, 2017 - 4:00-5:30 p.m.

Where: City Council Chambers
111 W Vine St.
Murfreesboro, TN 37130

The City Council authorized purchase of the former First United Methodist Church property in January 2016 from Franklin Synergy Bank for \$1.55 million. The City purchased the property to guide future development and help preserve at least a portion of the historic structure. The building dates to 1888 and served the congregation of First United Methodist Church until the congregation relocated to Thompson Lane in 2003. In May 2016, the City engaged citizens with a downtown public chalkboard as an opportunity for the public to submit ideas for development of the historic structure and former bank location on 1.9 acres.

Following a lease agreement with the City, Franklin Synergy Bank relocated its headquarters to a newly-constructed facility in the Gateway. Through a Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals (CSP) process, the City has received some proposals from developers for developing the property.

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