

Hooper at Sullivan Historic Site Taking Shape

Central City Hall: A New Vision



NEW VISION FOR CITY HALL — Proposed design of new Central City Hall by Grace Hebert Curtis Architects. Central Mayor Wade Evans is asking the Central City Council to approve funding for the design work at the Council meeting on Tuesday, April 25.

Council to Consider Authorizing Building City Hall on Property Owned by Schools

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CENTRAL — Mayor Wade Evans is proposing the City of Central build a new City Hall on school board property at the corner of Hooper and Sullivan roads near the school system's new Central Office.

The idea has been around in one form or another for at least 10 years but Mayor Evans feels now is the time to move forward.

The proposed City Hall would house the Mayor's office and the City Council Chamber on one side and Central City Services and other entities on the other side, including a private motor vehicle center for getting license plates and registration certificates. He wants to discuss with Clerk of Court Doug Welborn the possibility of the Clerk providing some of his services at the facility, including birth certificates and marriage licenses.

The new 13,000-square foot City Hall would cost about \$5.5 million. The mayor will ask the Central City Council to approve funding for architectural work at the Council meeting on Tuesday, April 25. Mayor Evans is hopeful Sen. Bodi White will continue his efforts to assist with state funding for the project. "Sen. White has been great in helping the city, and we're hoping he has another successful legislative session."

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Central Softball Wins Bi-District Championship

CENTRAL — The Central High Lady Wildcats (23-7) won the Bi-District Division I Championship with a 3-1 victory over the Covington Lions in a playoff game April 14 at Central High School.

The winning pitcher for the Wildcats was Cailyn Heyl.

The Lady Wildcats are coached by Michelle Efferson.

They lost the Quarterfinals 1-0 to Northshore Wednesday, April 19 at Northshore.

The Central High baseball team (21-10) plays archrival Zachary High (16-16) in a best-of-three playoff series for the Division I Bi-District Championship.

They will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 20 and again at 6 p.m. Friday. A third game, if necessary, will be at noon Saturday.



SAFE! A. C. Riley scores and Central wins the Division I Bi-District Championship!

Open House for Schools' New Central Office

Public Gets 1st Look At School System's Administrative Office

CENTRAL — Central taxpayers got their first look at the new Central Community School System administration office at the corner of Hooper and Sullivan roads during an Open House Monday afternoon.

The new 13,000-square-foot facility was built at a cost of \$4.5 million. It will house offices for 30 staff members, a school board meeting room that will hold up to 200 people, and a multi-purpose room.

It is located on an historic tract of
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CENTRAL OFFICE — After renting office facilities since the Central Community School System was founded in 2007, the school system now has its own Central Office for the superintendent, office staff, and Central Community School Board meetings.