

9th Ward News

From Alderman Anthony Beale

Chipotle and Potbelly Opening in Pullman/Roseland Community

As the first fast casual restaurants to open in the community in more than 20 years, the new Chipotle

Mexican Grill and Potbelly Sandwich Shop locations are scheduled to be constructed along 111th street just west of Doty Road, affording more dining options to the 9th Ward community.



Alderman Anthony Beale, in close collaboration with Chicago Neighborhood Initiatives, Inc. (CNI), received Chicago City Council approval to embark on the next phase of retail development on the former Ryerson Steel plant site and gateway into the new Pullman National Monument.

“The thoughtful planning and redevelopment of the 111th street gateway into the new Pullman National Monument with quality retail will be critical to the success of the site, while at the same time providing local residents with access to amenities and services that have for so long been missing from the neighborhood’s fabric,” said Alderman Beale. “We welcome Chipotle and Potbelly to our community, and we are looking forward to the additional retail development that is sure to follow.”

“In the last three years the Pullman and Roseland community has attracted more than \$125 million in new investments that has added to the already vibrant core of business, industry, churches and institutions in the area,” said David Doig, CNI President. “These new dining options will serve the surrounding Pullman and Roseland communities along with the 300,000 visitors per year expected to visit the Pullman National Monument.”

CNI hosted planning workshops and meetings with community organizations, businesses, churches and stakeholders to ensure the overall development honored the historic Pullman neighborhood. CNI expects to complete all financing and entitlement work required to close and begin construction this Spring. The project, expected to open in the Fall of 2016, will create approximately 40 construction jobs and 50 new permanent jobs.