

Lacey sees first corporate-flex buildings

Two first of their kind buildings opened in Thurston County last month at Commerce Business Center in Meridian Campus in Lacey. Built by Kent-based Davis Property & Investment, they offer flexible functionality and a first-rate corporate appearance.

Flexible zoning allows a range of operations at the site such as office, retail, services, light manufacturing and distribution.

The developer said corporate-flex and incubator buildings are commonplace in the Pierce and King county real estate markets, and interest expressed thus far suggests they'll be equally successful in Thurston County. Northeast Lacey is a hub of residential growth, with Meridian Campus, a 1,153-acre master-planned golf community, and Jubilee at Hawks Prairie, a planned community for adults age 55 and older, expected to attract thousands of new residents over the next five years.

Each building features high-profile entry, generous on-site, high-visibility signage and easy access for clients. Other amenities include large grade-level doors, high ceilings and large parking spaces.

Scheduled for completion in September 2005, the second phase of the project will include a third building, either 44,000 square feet of space that will accommodate industrial or manufacturing and distribution area or 37,440 square feet of corporate-flex and incubator space.

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