




## Mixed-use development in Scott's Addition fills commercial space

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The Summit's ground floor commercial space has been leased. (*Mike Platania photo*)

The commercial space at a new Scott's Addition project has been gobbled up — and one of the spaces could go to a taco joint familiar to local Hokies.

The Summit, a new mixed-use development (<https://richmondbizsense.com/2018/06/07/6-story-mixed-use-building-eyed-scotts-addition/>) with 166 apartments by SNP Properties at 3022 W. Broad St., recently leased both of its retail storefronts.

One of the leases was signed by Cory Harris, a Richmond local who helped open Cabo Fish Taco in Blacksburg in 2005.

Harris said he's "99.9 percent certain it'll be a Cabo," opening at The Summit, but that he's still finalizing the details. He added that he should have assurances in a few weeks.

Cabo Fish Taco first opened in Charlotte, North Carolina in 2001 and now has four locations, including two in Virginia in Blacksburg and Roanoke.

Its menu features tacos, burritos, wraps and quesadillas stuffed with grilled tuna, beer-battered shrimp, fried oysters and blackened mahi-mahi. Cabo also offers beef, chicken, pork and tofu options, and over a dozen types of margaritas.



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Cory Harris said he's nearly certain the restaurant will be Cabo Fish Taco, a chain that's been in Blacksburg for 16 years. (*Courtesy of Cabo Fish Taco Facebook*)

Harris' lease is for 4,400 square feet facing West Broad Street.

Taking over the Summit's other 3,200-square-foot commercial suite on the project's Summit Avenue-facing side is Ezaddin Alshami, who will open NGM Summit Market.

Alshami said the market will be similar to his Northside Gourmet Market, which he opened last fall (<https://richmondbizsense.com/2020/12/09/northside-gourmet-market-concept-draws-interest-from-southside-developers/>) at 2208 North Ave., and Mocha Gourmet Market, the former Fine Food Market in Oregon Hill (<https://richmondbizsense.com/2021/01/21/mocha-gourmet-market-taking-over-fine-food-market-in-oregon-hill/>) he bought last year and began renovating.

"It's over 3,000 square feet and we can do more in (The Summit)," Alshami said. "We might have more craft beer and more wine. More basically everyday things people need."

He said they're in talks with a national coffee brand to become franchisees and open a coffee stand within the market as well, though that hasn't been finalized.

Alshami said if everything goes to schedule, he'll have NGM Summit Market open in September.

Madeleine Alderman and Brett McNamee of Divaris Real Estate represented SNP in the deals.

The Summit has taken shape on a site that once housed a SunTrust bank branch that had been set to be converted into a brewery, before those plans were scrapped (<https://richmondbizsense.com/2018/02/16/plans-broad-street-brewery-scrapped/>) in 2018.

SNP, meanwhile, is working through plans for another sizable project in Jackson Ward. It's teaming with Philadelphia-based Parkway Corp. on a 12-story mixed-use building with over 250 apartments at 200 E. Marshall St.

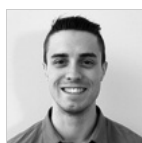




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