

# GROW



## Quick Facts

Oak Mountain Trail



What is Tractor Supply Co.?

- Tractor Supply Co. is a national retail chain that sells work clothing & boots, pet food, feed & farm supplies, recreation vehicles & kayaks, and home decor. It also has a garden center.
- The new store is set to open in time for the holiday shopping season.
- Learn more about Tractor Supply Co. [here](#).

## MOVING MOUNTAINS

### New Retail Destination Under Construction

New options for retail, dining, and lodging are coming to an area just off Exit 242 on Interstate 65. The site is located at the intersection of County Highway 52 and Oak Mountain Trail, directly behind a Shell gas station.

Pelham City Manager Gretchen DiFante said the property had been for sale for several years before the City purchased it. "A few months ago, the former owner lowered the price significantly, so the City jumped on that opportunity to acquire it. This land is important to the City because it's the last available gateway to Pelham." The City petitioned the Alabama Department of Transportation to lower the ridge on the property for better visibility from I-65. Crews are currently working on site preparation and drainage at the property. The work is estimated to cost around \$1.2 million.

The first building on the site will be Tractor Supply. The company hopes to open its doors in time for the holiday shopping season this year. The City has worked with Tractor Supply to make sure the design standards will work in concert with the rest of the property. In addition to Tractor Supply, the City hopes to attract a high-end hotel, and at least two sit-down restaurants.

Pelham's Economic Director Michael Simon said the project's Request for Proposals and Qualifications submission deadline is June 28, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. "We hope that we receive several bonafide development proposals that could be presented to the City Council." He said the City would then move to negotiations of an agreement and a much more detailed project development plan. For details on the RFP process, please [click here](#).



## Half Shell Oyster House

Pelham residents will have a new dining option beginning June 8. That is the tentative opening date for Half Shell Oyster House, located in Campus No. 124 on Pelham Parkway. Kelsey Griffin, Marketing Director for the Gulfport, Mississippi-based restaurant group, said the Pelham location will bring unique design, atmosphere, and cuisine to the city. She described the ambiance as "opening the doors to the French Quarter when you walk in". Griffin said the Campus No. 124 space provides an exciting and very interconnected space with the surrounding businesses. "Moving into a development like this is a first for us, and we are excited to see how the community will embrace the activity here." She also said that the restaurant is committed to supporting local nonprofit organizations, and community events.

## Caliber Collision

Construction is underway for a new location of Caliber Collision on Highway 31, adjacent to The Little Tomato. Caliber Collision is a Texas-based company with locations in 40 states. According to the company's website, Caliber Collision strives to improve the image of the automotive service experience. It's also a group that is well-known for its commitment to community outreach, and regularly hosts food drives and supports community needs.

According to Michael Simon, Economic Director for the City of Pelham, the City worked extensively with Caliber Collision on the design of the building. "During the planning process, the business went through an extensive architectural design review with the City of Pelham Building Department and is subject to all of the requirements of the ordinances governing the corridor overlay district."



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