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## WELCOME ADDITION

### Local Manufacturer Expands Into Pelham

The City of Pelham is proud to announce a boost to our local economy and the possibility of new jobs. Specification Rubber has been operating just across the city limits in Alabaster for 55 years. The company is expanding its footprint into Pelham by purchasing property for a new warehouse.

Specification Rubber recently acquired what's known as the former Wal-Mart building in the southern part of Pelham, which has been empty for about two years. The 120,000-square-foot building sits on 16 acres just off Highway 31. The new warehouse will be less than a half mile from Specification Rubber's manufacturing headquarters in Alabaster. The Pelham warehouse will house finished goods inventory and raw materials. Specification Rubber manufactures molded rubber products for the waterworks industry.

Renovations on the existing building are expected to be completed in six months. With this expansion, the company plans to increase its workforce by about 10 percent.

Specification Rubber is a subsidiary of Birmingham-based AMERICAN Cast Iron Pipe Company, founded in 1905. Specification Rubber was recognized as a Shelby County Small Business of the Year in 2023 and one of Alabama's safest manufacturers by Business Alabama magazine in 2019. The company has been named a Rubber News Best Place to Work for the past three years. Read the full story of Specification Rubber Products' expansion plans on the [City of Pelham website](#).



## Retail Space Available

Ground floor commercial space at The Canopy is now open for potential tenants. The 12,000 square feet of available space is located under the apartments of the westernmost building. Southpace Properties, the company marketing the development, hopes to attract restaurants, coffee shops, and retail stores to join Taco Mac, Cahaba Cycles, and Mountain High Outfitters in the complex.

The mixed-use development contains 234 apartments ranging from 1-3 bedrooms. There is dedicated, retail-only parking fronting the retail space. Suites are available with flexible layout options to suit potential tenants.

## Entertainment District Update

The Pelham Entertainment District is up and running, with signage to define the boundaries. Margarita Grill was the first establishment to apply for an Entertainment District permit, with the Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arenta second.

The Entertainment District includes Highway 119/State Park Road restaurants and bars such as Oak Mountain Brewing Company, Margarita Grill, Hooters, Applebee's, and Creekside BBQ. Current Campus No. 124 establishments Beer Hog and Half Shell Oyster House are included. On Amphitheater Road, Taco Mac at The Canopy and the Pelham Civic Complex are in the district.

Additionally, the Entertainment District boundaries include three hotels: the Hampton Inn, Fairfield Inn, and Holiday Inn Express. This means you can pick up food and a drink at a participating Entertainment District establishment and take it to a room in the hotel.

The Entertainment District provides an excellent marketing opportunity for participating establishments and provides mobility and connectivity between local businesses.



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