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# Tanger Outlets in Glendale plan expansion with restaurants, entertainment

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The Tanger Outlets in Glendale plans to expand its footprint with new restaurant space and an entertainment venue after buying vacant land adjacent to the outlet mall.

Tanger Outlets bought seven acres from the Arizona Department of Transportation at an auction in 2021. The narrow strip of land runs vertically north to south between the outlet mall and Loop 101. It was previously used as overflow parking for nearby events.

The outlet mall is in the city's sports and entertainment district near Loop 101 and Glendale Avenue.

Adam Baugh, partner at Withey Morris who is representing Tanger Outlets in the zoning case, said the parcel does not have access except through Tanger's existing property, but does have freeway visibility, giving the outlet mall additional visibility for patrons. The outlet mall is also planning an additional digital billboard as part of the expansion.

“It’s kind of tucked behind the outlet mall, but it is visible from the freeway,” he said. “It’s a good way to round out that area.”

According to documents filed with Glendale, Tanger plans to add four new freestanding restaurants and an entertainment venue. Baugh said there are some tenants that are planning locations at the new portion but could not announce any tenants that had finalized leases. In total the restaurant space will add about 30,000 square feet and the entertainment venue will be about 14,000.

“It has been great for Tanger,” Baugh said. “It allows them to expand their offerings to more sit-down restaurants.”

A representative for the Tanger Outlets declined additional comment on the expansion. The planning commission recommended approval of the addition, and the item will go to the City Council for final approval.

Tanger Outlets first opened in Glendale in 2012, then expanded in 2014.

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