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This rendering shows how the Abercorn Center executive office building will look upon completion of renovations.

Abercorn Center gets facelift

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The Abercorn Center, one of the southside's first executive office buildings, is undergoing a \$100,000 makeover.

The two-story, 39,000-square-foot property at Abercorn Street and Jackson Boulevard was built in 1977 by the late Edward H. Lee. Few commercial developments other than Oglethorpe Mall stretched south of DeRenne Avenue at the time.

The renovation includes changes to the main-entry façade, access to high-speed Internet and updates of common areas. Joe Marchese Commercial Construction and Kern-Coleman & Co. are heading up the project.

The work should be completed by the end of the month, said Gary Mankin, the building's leasing agent.

"These major improvements will reposition the Abercorn Center to better suit both office and some types of retail tenants, offering them signage visible from Abercorn Street," said Mankin of Re/Max Savannah.

Abercorn Center was originally



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home to Branigar, International Paper's real estate development arm, and Liberty Mutual Insurance. Branigar was in the early stages of developing The Landings at the time.

Current tenants include Lutheran Ministries of Georgia, Quest Diagnostics, the March of Dimes, the law offices of Barbara B. Brazier, the Better Business Bureau, Health Care Staffing

and the State of Georgia.

"The Abercorn Center has served its tenants well over the years with its convenient, central location," said property owner Rebecca Lee West. "The renovations to this property confirm my belief that Savannah continues to outpace the rest of the state in its economic recovery and need for quality office space."