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Hannaford Supermarket and Pharmacy Planned for Walden, N.Y.

SCARBOROUGH, Maine – Hannaford Supermarkets today announced plans to build a full-service supermarket and pharmacy at the Thruway Shopping Center Plaza in Walden, N.Y.

The 35,000-square-foot store is to be built on the site now occupied by Thruway Super Foodtown, as part of a major redevelopment of the shopping center.

“Thruway Plaza is one of the area’s best-known retail destinations and has a long history as a commercial center,” said Eric Blom, Hannaford spokesman. “The location provides convenient access for customers who need groceries and prescription medications. We are excited about becoming part of the Walden community.”

The project developer, Southern Realty and Development Corp., today submitted a proposal for the shopping center redevelopment to the Walden Planning Board. No timetable for construction has been set, and all businesses at the plaza will continue to operate during the municipal review process.

Approximately five months after the redevelopment plan receives municipal approval, the primary Thruway Market building would be razed. Construction of the Hannaford Supermarket and Pharmacy would then begin.

After permitting, a Hannaford Pharmacy will open at a temporary location in the south end of the plaza. Existing Thruway Pharmacy customers will transition, without any interruption in service, to the Hannaford Pharmacy.

All other businesses in the plaza, including Thruway Sporting Goods, Thruway Liquor and Thruway True Value Hardware, will remain open throughout the entire redevelopment process.

“We are working closely with our partners to create a wonderful shopping destination that will serve area residents for years to come,” Blom said.

Hannaford plans to build the Walden supermarket to standards set by the U.S. Green Building Council’s Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) program. The store will

employ energy-efficient lighting and refrigeration systems, as part of an overall effort to minimize the environmental impact of the company and its stores.

Hannaford Supermarkets, based in Scarborough, Maine, operates 179 stores in the Northeast. Stores are located in Maine, New York, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont. All Hannaford stores feature Guiding Stars, America's first storewide nutrition navigation system and most stores have full-service pharmacies. Hannaford employs more than 26,000 associates. Additional information can be found at www.hannaford.com.

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