

# Hill Center celebrates second building's tallest point, First Tennessee Bank to occupy

By SAMANTHA HEARN Published: July 27, 2016



Hill Center stakeholders celebrate a project milestone on Wednesday morning. // PHOTO VIA BRADFORD GROUP

Turner Construction held a topping out ceremony on Wednesday morning to celebrate the topping off of the second office building at Hill Center Brentwood.

The center's second office building was built to its tallest point, with First Tennessee Bank being the marquee tenant and occupying 31,000 square feet of the three-story, 96,000 square foot structure.

First Tennessee Bank plans to move into the building in the spring of 2017, and will house approximately 100 employees at the new location. First Tennessee Bank will still maintain its headquarters in downtown Nashville.

TMPartners will also occupy 12,000 square feet of the building. The architecture, interior design and planning firm will open its office with approximately 40 employees in the fall of 2017.

Key players in the project's development kicked off Wednesday's event by gathering on the top floor to sign a column, including First Tennessee Bank of Middle Tennessee President Carol Yochem, Chairman and CEO of H.G. Hill Realty Company Jimmy Granbery, Associate Principal of TMPartners, the architect of the building, JP Cowan and Vice President and General Manager of Turner Construction's Nashville office John Gromos.

"First Tennessee is proud to be part of such a significant project at the Hill Center," Yochem said. "This wonderful location will be a significant resource for both our employees and our customers in Williamson County."

Part of the first phase of the multi-phase project, the building will offer both retail and office space.

"It's exciting to see Hill Center Brentwood coming together," Granbery said. "We are honored to have both First Tennessee and TMPartners as tenants in this new building. We look forward to the Hill Center Brentwood being part of the fabric of this community."

Upon completion the Hill Center will feature 450,000-square-feet for office space and 150,000-square-feet for retail. Hill Center's first tenants are expected to move in November of 2016, just three months away.

"It's great to see one of our buildings move from plan to reality," Cowan said. "In this case, since this building will be our new home, it's especially gratifying."

Turner Construction's work on the Hill Center is nearing completion. This is the largest office complex ever built in Brentwood's Maryland Farms and the largest real estate project ever undertaken by H.G. Hill Realty Company. The 17-acre mixed-use development, once complete, will consist of 600,000 square feet of office, retail and restaurant space in 10 buildings.

"Hill Center Brentwood is a ground-breaking project for Brentwood and one of the most significant commercial projects Turner has undertaken during our 41 years of operation in Tennessee," Gromos said. "Like everything developed by H.G. Hill Realty, this multi-use campus of retail and office buildings will be a vibrant and welcoming place. We are honored to have been chosen to build such a landmark structure."

The Hill Center was built to its tallest concrete point in the fall of 2015, setting the half-way mark for Turner Construction's completion of the project. LBMC accounting firm will occupy nearly 80,000 square feet of the 600,000 square-foot space that will serve as offices, retail shops and restaurants.

Several other restaurants and retail stores have signed leases with the Hill Center including Del Frisco's Grille, Holler & Dash, The Cosmetic Market, Hand and Stone luxury spa, Cori and Co. Baby Child, Uncle Julio's Mexican Restaurant, Nama Sushi Bar and YEAH! BURGER.

The complex is going in adjacent to a strip shopping center owned by H.G. Hill on land at the corner of Franklin Road and Maryland Way that previously was offices for the Southern Baptist Convention and for Murray Ohio Manufacturing. Those buildings were demolished for the new complex.

First Tennessee Bank is the largest bank headquartered in Tennessee, with the number one deposit market share in Chattanooga, Knoxville, Memphis and the Tri-Cities, and a top-five deposit market share in Nashville.

The FTB Advisors wealth management group has 313 financial advisors and \$25 billion in assets under administration.

For more information visit [www.hillcenterbrentwood.com](http://www.hillcenterbrentwood.com).