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## **Doctor's Office Building Coming to MLK Campus**

For the first time in its long history, the Martin Luther King Jr. Medical Campus is poised to get a medical office building to house physicians as well as other healthcare providers as part of a broader plan to transform the medical campus into a center for innovation and medical excellence.

The Board of Supervisors agreed Tuesday to have the Community Development Commission begin negotiations with developer Trammell Crow to lease the land owned by the County. It is hoped that construction will begin within 18 months and that the 50,000 square foot facility will open in 2018.

In a new era of healthcare, where providers are rewarded for keeping people healthy, the new medical offices will play a key role. The physicians affiliated with the new hospital will be able to see their patients in a state-of-the-art facility located in their community and in close proximity to the new hospital. The area surrounding the Martin Luther King Jr. Medical Campus historically experienced a shortage of primary care and other providers and rates of preventable diseases such as diabetes, high blood pressure and raised levels of cholesterol are high.

“This is an important piece of the medical campus puzzle that has always been missing,” said Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas, who authored the motion. “With the Outpatient Center, the Mental Health Urgent Care Center, the Center for Public Health, a brand new hospital, this medical office building and other new initiatives coming, we are truly on our way to creating a holistic approach to healthcare on this campus.”