

Remington Rand developers looking for empire zone opportunity in NT

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Interested developers of the Remington Rand building in North Tonawanda are looking for incentives to set up in the city.

Developers met with city officials Tuesday night to garner local support for the project as developers seek a special review to obtain empire zone status for the building, project consultant Greg Sehr said.

The building has been contracted for purchase by Anthony Kissling, who owns multiple properties in Buffalo and New York City. Developers are seeking incentives such as tax rebates and deductions for building owners and occupants in order to entice development, Sehr said.

“We just need an opportunity to go over it with the state,” he said. “In this case, we would need to demonstrate we would be bringing in new companies.”

Plans for the building include 51 work and living lofts for businesses, as well as a restaurant, health club and antique boat museum, which would be occupied by the Niagara Frontier Chapter of the Antique and Classic Boat Society.

The building has already received a \$1 million grant from the Restore New York program. The building’s renovation cost is estimated at about \$14 million.

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