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# Tampa General Hospital to construct new medical campus on Kennedy Boulevard

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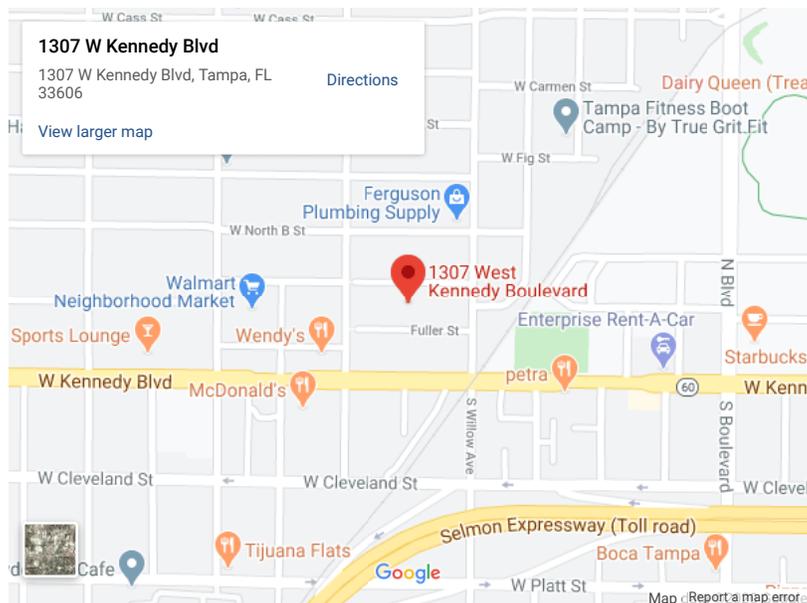
Tampa Bay's largest hospital has filed plans for a new medical campus near downtown Tampa.

Tampa General Hospital filed plans with the city to build a rehabilitation center at 1307 West Kennedy Blvd. Plans show two building structures, one eight stories and the other five, along with a five-level parking garage that would be on 9.6 acres. The property is near the University of Tampa's campus and Oxford Exchange.

The plans would allow the Davis Islands-based hospital to expand its reach into the downtown patient pool and offer care in a more modern facility and convenient location.



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Rendering of what the project would look like from the northwest



"The hospital use is currently envisioned to focus on in-house physical rehabilitation but may also include other typical hospital services. A freestanding emergency room use may be developed prior to the construction of the more intensive hospital use," according to the technical memorandum for the project dubbed TGH Rehab Campus.

Florida Health Sciences Center, which does business as Tampa General Hospital, filed a letter of intent last year with the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration in its February batching cycle seeking approval to build a 59-bed hospital. "We have begun planning a freestanding rehabilitation specialty hospital near our main campus," a TGH spokeswoman told the Tampa Bay Business Journal at the time.

The 59-bed facility will replace TGH's current rehab center located on the main campus, TGH said at the time.

The rezoning hearing for the property is set for July 16.

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