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Beckley Crossing owner buys Raleigh Mall

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— Raleigh Mall, a Beckley shopping staple for more than 30 years, has been sold.

Barry Nicholson, a spokesperson for H.L. Libby Corp., confirmed Wednesday that “one of our entities” had purchased the mall, located on Robert C. Byrd Drive.

“We have only owned the property for three weeks, and while we do not have definitive plans, we have several concepts that we are currently considering,” Nicholson said.

He pointed out that many Beckley area residents may remember that H. L. Libby purchased Beckley Crossing and renovated it.

“We own 20 shopping centers throughout the eastern United States and this will be our third center in West Virginia,” he said.

“We are familiar with Beckley and have always had our eye on Raleigh Mall, wanting to redevelop it for the people of the area.”

H.L. Libby, he continued, is a family organization now headquartered in Pittsburgh. According to Nicholson, the company specializes in purchasing existing properties to refurbish instead of building them from the ground up.

More information about the corporation and its past projects can be seen at www.hllibbycorp.com.

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