New Building on Oxford, home to Worthington’s Papa Murphy’s

WORTHINGTON, MN- It’s great to see young local entrepreneurs take advantage of existing business opportunities and take action to meet market needs. Nick Hagen started putting together his plans for the new Worthington Papa Murphy site a while ago before he settled on a site located next to Johnson Builders on Oxford Street. The site however, needed a lot of work and Nick Hagen worked directly with the city of Worthington and WREDC to formulate his plans to open Papa Murphy’s at 1036 Oxford Street.

The business is now open and it has been great. The new building housing Papa Murphy’s is a clear illustration of the opportunities that exist in our own backyard and the market gaps that could be filled with the initiative of local entrepreneurs.

Mr. Hagen said “we have 20 new hires at the Worthington location and we are open Sunday thru Thursday 11-8 pm, Friday and Saturday 10-8 pm, customers can order online at www.papamurphys.com or by calling 507-295-9082.

Steve Robinson, City Administrator said it best when he stated that “Papa Murphy’s development on Oxford represents the standard for future development/redevelopment along this important commercial corridor in Worthington. We want to encourage private investments that increase value in our commercial sector” he added.

The project consisted of demolishing the old building and clearing the site through direct help from the city of Worthington’s site prep program and also required coordination with Worthington School District to help pave the parking and alley way to the east and south of the building. Mr. John Landgaard, Worthington Schools Superintendent, was very helpful and assisted in making the project a success by working with us to meet parking requirements” said Mr. Hagen. “The Papa Murphy project is a good example of private and public sectors working together to meet business demands and offer new services to area customers” added Hagen. While the building houses Papa Murphy’s which opened its doors August 16th 2017, it also has another 1,300 square feet commercial space that is available for rent.

“Part of the challenge of accommodating entrepreneurs’ needs is finding a ready to move into commercial space and the Papa Murphy’s building represents part of the answer to such a challenge. It serves as a signal to area investors of what is possible along commercial corridors in Worthington” said Abraham Algadi, Executive Director, Worthington Regional Economic Development Corp.

“We are very thankful of the investment that Nick Hagen made in our community. People like to have choices and the more we can do to support businesses in Worthington, it is a win for everyone” said Darlene Macklin, Executive Director, Worthington Chamber of Commerce.
Worthington’s latest business addition, Papa Murphy’s at 1036 Oxford Street.