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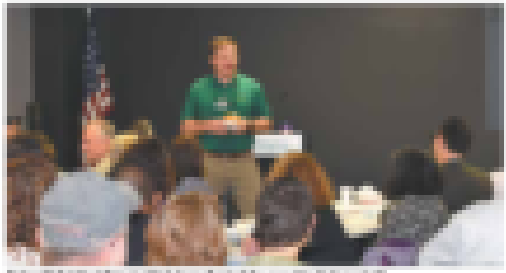

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Tennova site plans draws crowd at North Knoxville meeting

By Jane Smith

Hundreds of residents filled the auditorium at Fulton High School on Tuesday evening to hear about plans for a new Tennova Healthcare facility in North Knoxville. The proposed site, located on a 42-acre tract of land near the intersection of Broadway and Emory Road, would include an emergency department, outpatient services, and a medical office building. Officials said the project could create more than 300 jobs.

Many attendees voiced concerns about traffic congestion in the area, which already experiences heavy delays during rush hour. Others asked questions about the impact on nearby neighborhoods and whether the facility would accept patients regardless of their ability to pay.

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School board approves Five Year Strategic Plan

By Jane Smith

At its meeting on March 12, the Knox County Board of Education voted unanimously to approve the district's Five Year Strategic Plan. The plan sets goals for student achievement, graduation rates, and school safety through the year 2030.

Superintendent Dr. Jon Rysewyk presented the plan to the board and to a packed audience in the boardroom. He said the plan was developed over the course of more than a year with input from teachers, parents, students, and community members.

State of City speech set for Gateway Park

By Mike Young
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