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Bank will open in Saint Luke's Building

IN PLATTE CITY

Remodeling Begins on lower level

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Nodaway Valley Bank will be opening a branch location in the lower level of the Saint Luke's Multispecialty Clinic in Platte City.

A "coming soon" sign went up on the side of the building in recent days. The bank will be leasing space in the lower level.

Earlier this year the Nodaway Valley Bank (NVB) had obtained a city permit to put up a temporary structure in the green space east of Price Chopper, where Direct Medical Care and Platte Valley Dental are also planning new buildings. But the bank abandoned that plan, apparently over concerns about



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Nodaway Valley Bank will open a full service branch in the lower level of the Saint Luke's Multispecialty Clinic along Running Horse Road in Platte City.

space, and has decided its home will be in the lower level of the Saint Luke's clinic, located at 2703 Running Horse Road.

NVB currently operates a loan office at 2425 Prairie View Road in Platte City. The loan office will be consolidated into the new branch.

The NVB facility in the Saint Luke's building will be a full service branch of the bank, complete with a drive-through and an on-site ATM. The

building already has a drivethrough that a previous occupant of the space--a pharmacy--had put to use.

It is estimated the location will be ready in about 90 days, David Lewis, executive vice president for Nodaway Valley Bank, said in a telephone interview this week.

"We're just starting the remodeling process," Lewis said, to prepare for the significant bank equipment needed for a full service facility.

At least for the time being, the bank has abandoned constructing a new facility, citing a lack of building lots available in Platte City.

"There are not a lot of building lots available in Platte City," Lewis said, a problem city officials have openly discussed in the past.

"We own all of our other properties, so we anticipate building something there eventually," Lewis remarked.

A 90-day completion time on the remodeling would put the NVB location in the Saint Luke's building on track for a December opening.