

Vineland cold storage company clear to do 2-phase expansion off N. Mill Road

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The 222,186 square feet of buildings to be added will more than double warehouse capacity at the company's already sizeable 1200 North Mill Road facility.

The expansion required adding land to the M & O property. The company recently bought about 5 acres adjacent to it, and it has a contract to buy another 11.7 acres from the city.

Planners recently approved a subdivision to create that second lot for sale.

In total, project attorney Michael Fralinger said Thursday the acquisitions create a roughly 27-acre property at North Mill and West Oak Road in the municipal industrial park.

The original warehouse opened in early 2019 at the location, with a site plan calling for a 175,286-square-foot facility.



Testimony did not address the construction timetable for these expansions.

The industrial park in North Vineland is near Exit 35 of Route 55, which makes it attractive for storage and distribution businesses.

Mayor Anthony Fanucci, in his annual State of the City address earlier on Thursday, highlighted growth in the local industrial sector.

"In fact, there is currently over 1.5 million square feet of new commercial and industrial construction underway or approved to begin," Fanucci said. "This includes new manufacturing operations like Comar and Rovagnati, and expansions at established companies like Northeast Precast, Davy Cold Storage, Freshwave, Del Rey Farms, Safeway, and Garton's Rigging."

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