

Former Bavarian Brewery Site plans via Merus, Urban Sites unveiled

\$26M Kenton County Bavarian Flats apartment project



Kenton County has reached a deal with Merus and Urban Sites on the \$26 million apartment project. Images by: Elevar Design
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STORY HIGHLIGHTS

- Kenton County approved a development agreement for the Bavarian project.
- The \$26 million project includes 125 apartments above a garage.
- Construction will start after the garage's completion in October.

An agreement is in place with the development team tapped to build an apartment building above a state-funded parking garage next to the Kenton County Government Center. The Kenton County Fiscal Court at its March 25 meeting approved the development agreement giving Merus, [formerly known as Al Neyer](#), and Urban Sites development rights to the air lot above the future garage. The developers [were named in December 2023](#). The \$26 million project, called the Bavarian, will include up to 125 apartment units in a five-story building at the southeast corner of Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard (which becomes 12th Street) and Main Street.

Construction is expected to begin once the garage is complete in October, according to a media release. Conceptual renderings of the Bavarian, a \$26 million apartment project next to the Kenton County Government Center expected to begin construction in late 2025. The Catalytic Fund provided financial and project analysis to the county. The 248-space garage will serve the Kenton County Government Center, located in the former Bavarian Brewery building, [whose renovation the county completed in 2019](#).

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet is reimbursing Kenton County up to \$15 million to cover the garage's construction costs. The state funding is because the government center will lose multiple surface parking lots as a result of the [Brent Spence Bridge project](#).

Kenton County Judge/Executive Kris Knochelmann in the release said preserving the historic Bavarian Brewery site was just the first step in revitalizing Covington's 12th Street Gateway.

"Now, the Bavarian will build on that progress by bringing new energy to the Kenton County Government Center and the surrounding area beyond business hours," he said.

Merus and Urban Sites are [the same development team that built the Hayden in downtown Covington](#).





We've gathered nearly 20 beers, all Ohio brewed by women for International Women's Day to feature at [Pomona's Abundance: A Celebration of Women in Ohio Craft Beer](#) presented by [RahrBSG](#)!

Join us on Saturday, April 5 from 1-4 p.m. in the Reliquary at [Urban Artifact](#) in Cincinnati for this one-of-a-kind event. In addition to the amazing [beer list](#), we'll have crafting stations, merch vendors (including our new Ohio Craft Beer "Buzz" astronaut shirts), a food truck, a selfie wall and a panel discussion with women working in the craft brewing industry. Plus, all attendees get a 9 oz. souvenir

Pomona's Abundance tasting glass to take home.

[Ohio On Tap passport app](#) users can also get a five-point bonus stamp at the event.



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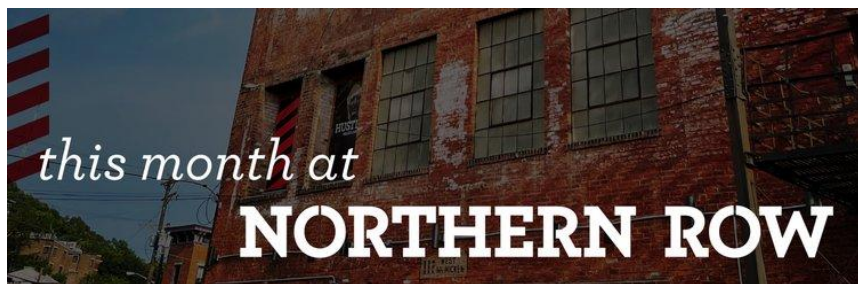
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Introducing our new beer, brewed in collaboration with the Pride Supporter group. Supporter is our classic Kolsch with blood orange added to make this a crushable favorite for FC Cincinnati season.



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Fresh beer, fresh season, fresh eats! This Kolsch Night, we're pairing our rotating rounds of crisp, cold Kolsch with a special spring-inspired German dinner.

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