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Hospital and City of Rexburg to Share Office Space

In a scheduled work meeting the Rexburg City Council unanimously approved the purchase by the City of Rexburg of the AMET Building at 35 North 1st East. The building will become a new city hall that will house all departments currently using the existing city hall, and the community development departments housed on Main Street. Additionally, Madison Memorial Hospital will lease, on a long-term basis, a major portion of the building to assist their growth requirements.

The city council reviewed several options, but determined the existing AMET building purchase was the most economical route to pursue, particularly now with the hospital's lease agreement.

Additionally, Madison Memorial Hospital will purchase the existing city hall building. According to hospital CEO, David Rowe, these moves create a "win-win for the hospital, the City of Rexburg and the community." By purchasing the city hall building and relocating a portion of the hospital's non-clinical operations to these two properties, the agreement provides space in the hospital needed to add seven new baby rooms, and a much needed Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, allowing the hospital to keep pace patient needs and the growth at BYU-Idaho and in Madison County.

The city's Community Development Building on Main Street is also under contract, with the purchaser to be named upon loan approval.

"The council is keeping a strong eye on our financial responsibilities, particularly in these economic times. As Rexburg continues to grow it is vital that the city continues to provide our citizens with the best services possible," said Mayor Shawn Larsen. "The funds have been in place for some time, and with the sale of the buildings and other city property, we are able to use existing money to make this happen. We have proceeded cautiously with this project, but we will continue as all of the pieces have fallen into place to make this the best time to make the move."

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