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# Another phase of downtown facelift begins

Another phase of the Rapid City downtown redevelopment program is underway with the razing of the former commercial buildings at the northeast corner of Sixth and Main Street.

That space along with the former Sears parking lot and space formerly occupied by the Trailways bus depot will be developed into off-street parking with space for approximately 130 vehicles.

The new lot will be similar to the one at Eighth and Main which has been completed with the installation of blacktop surface, concrete medians and landscaped with shrubbery.

Acquisition of the property and development of the lots is being financed with proceeds from assessments against property owners in the downtown area. Those property owners accepted formation of the parking district and are paying annual assessments based on front footages to provide the off-street parking lots which are free to the public.

That self-help program and the construction of the

landscaped corner nodes in the central core area can't help but make downtown a more attractive and convenient place to work and shop.