

LORAIN

More redevelopment plans move on Broadway

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Moves are being made near the corner of Broadway and West Ninth Street in Lorain.

The former Visual Expressions, 901 Broadway, was demolished May 16 in its first phase of redevelopment plans by Lorain developer Jon Veard.

Demolition company All-American Demolition Corp. tore down the walls down in this first phase of the project.

In addition, carpentry crews of Don Mould's Plantation Garden Center boarded and painted the walls May 16 of a Lorain County-owned build-

ing that will hold storage at 929 Broadway in Lorain.

Jim Cordes, Lorain County administrator, said crews are sealing up the back half of the original building that was left after the front end was recently demolished.

"They're just sealing up the front of it," Cordes said. "The building was actually in two section, and the back section was in really, really good condition, so they tore the old front that was all beat up and collapsed down, and they're putting a temporary front on it and sealing it up."

"Hopefully, we'll be able to do something with it."

Cordes said the next step will be to green up the front area and plant grass.

"There was another



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The former Visual Expressions facility at 901 Broadway in Lorain comes down May 16 by All American Demolition Corp. Lorain Developer, Jon Veard, is planning to redevelop the property.

building behind it, and we didn't know whether it was a shared wall or not," he

said. "And sometimes you tear those buildings down that are adjacent, and you don't know what you'll find between them."

"You ever see when one building goes down next to another how terrible it looks? So it's a temporary front."

It's a few thousand dollar project to put a temporary front on it, paint it and try to grow some grass out front, Cordes said.

"For the time being, we're probably going to use it for storage for our Black River Clean Up crew because there's a garage door in the back and a man door in the back that goes all the way to the old alleyway there," he said. "I'm glad they're out there sealing and painting it."