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Downtown mixed-use property sells for \$5.9M

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WESTFIELD - A downtown mixed-use property has been sold for \$5.9 million. Located at 219-225 E. Broad St., the two-story, 13,006-square-foot

property was acquired in a deal arranged by Marcus & Millichap, a commercial real estate brokerage firm specializing in investment sales, financing, research and advisory services. Downtown III Realty sold the building to 26 Eastmans Associates. The sale closed on Aug. 14.

Alan Cafiero, executive managing director investments in Marcus & Millichap’s NJ office, said in a news release, “This transaction reflects the continued demand for well-located mixed-use assets in New Jersey’s strongest downtown markets.

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Frenchtown named best small arts town in America

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Frenchtown is receiving national attention for its thriving arts and cultural community, independent businesses, vibrant downtown, and Delaware River character after Travel + Leisure named the town the Best Small Arts + Culture Town in the United States for 2026. The publication, in its “America Best Small Towns” list published Aug. 18 describes Frenchtown as a creative riverside community offering world-class arts programming, a walkable downtown filled with independent businesses, and access to outdoor recreation along the Delaware River. Frenchtown Mayor Brad Myhre, who also serves as Hunterdon County administrator, said the recognition is particularly meaningful because the community’s character has grown organically through the contributions of residents, local businesses, artists, nonprofit organizations, and volunteers. “As mayor, I could not be prouder to see Frenchtown recognized nationally for something our residents have long known—this is an incredibly special community,” Myhre said.

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The sun rises over the Atlantic Ocean in Florida. U.S. Rep. Gus Bilirakis, R-Fla., a lead sponsor of legislation to make daylight saving time permanent, backed the measure approved by the House, while all four members of Arkansas’ congressional delegation voted against it. GEORGE “CLAY” MITCHELL/TIMES RECORD

Permanent DST would have big impact on NJ sunrise

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New Jerseyans may eventually be able to stop changing their clocks twice a year, but keeping daylight saving time year-round would come with a noticeable trade-off: later winter sunrises. So what would that actually look like in New Jersey? Here’s what to know.

Does New Jersey have a daylight saving time bill?

Yes. Companion bills introduced in the New Jersey Legislature this year would establish permanent daylight saving time in the state. Senate Bill 3236, sponsored by Sens. Shirley Turner, Nicholas Scutari, Troy Singleton and Angela McKnight, was introduced Feb. 2 and referred to the Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee. Assembly Bill 1703, sponsored by Assemblywoman Verlina Reynolds-Jackson and Assemblyman Vincent Kear-

ney, was introduced Jan. 13 and referred to the Assembly State and Local Government Committee. The legislation would keep New Jersey on Eastern Daylight Time throughout the year, but only if the federal government first changes federal law to allow states to observe daylight saving time year-round. Federal law currently does not permit states to independently remain on daylight saving time throughout the year. What would permanent daylight saving time mean?

The biggest difference would come during the winter. New Jersey observes daylight saving time from March through early November, at which point clocks move back one hour and the state returns to Eastern Standard Time. Under permanent daylight saving time, New Jersey no longer would “fall back.” That wouldn’t create additional daylight. Instead, winter daylight would effectively shift one hour later on the clock, meaning later sunrises and later sunsets.

Around the winter solstice, for example, the sun is expected to rise in Newark at about 7:17 a.m. and set around 4:32 p.m. on Dec. 21 under the current system. If New Jersey remained on daylight saving time, those times would instead be about 8:17 a.m. for sunrise and 5:32 p.m. for sunset. That means many New Jersey residents could be starting their work or school days before sunrise during portions of the winter. Summer would essentially look the same. New Jersey already observes daylight saving time throughout the summer, so making it permanent wouldn’t push summer sunsets another hour later. For example, the sun rises in Newark at about 6:18 a.m. and sets around 7:36 p.m. on Aug. 27. Daylight saving time ends at 2 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 1. Clocks will move backward one hour, giving residents an extra hour overnight and bringing earlier sunrises and sunsets.

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Star of ‘Mary Poppins’ will share breast cancer story

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The future is looking “practically perfect” for Broadway actor Kara Lindsay, set to star in Paper Mill Playhouse’s “Mary Poppins” this fall. But before she takes the stage, she’s sharing her personal story, helping inspire others battling breast cancer. Lindsay, star of Broadway’s “Newsies,” “Wicked” and more, is a Stage II breast cancer survivor who has been open about her fight on social media. She will “share her inspirational story of courage, vulnerability, early detection, community, and continuing to find light and purpose through life’s most challenging chapters,” say organizers, during “Wickedly Strong and Brave,” Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital Somerset’s annual Annual Breast Cancer Awareness Symposium at Bridgewater Manor on Oct. 20. The evening will help attendees “understand the prevalence of cancer diagnosis at various ages, the psychological grit and mindset needed when

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