

# Colliers International moving downtown Minneapolis office

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Colliers International | Minneapolis-St. Paul is moving its downtown Minneapolis office into AT&T Tower in May, the real estate brokerage announced Tuesday.

The 901 Marquette Ave. tower is on the same block as Colliers MSP's current space inside the Oracle/International Center. The company is taking a 5,700-square-foot space on the 34-story AT&T Tower's third floor.

"We wanted to create an environment that our people would be excited about in a welcoming, easily accessible location in the central business district. And, as a top commercial real estate firm in the Twin Cities, we wanted to refresh our downtown presence to ensure that our space reflected our expertise in workplace strategy," said Jean Kane, CEO of Colliers MSP, in a statement.

Colliers MSP is also moving its main Twin Cities headquarters in May, relocating to West End Towers, located at 1600 Utica Ave. in St. Louis Park, from 4350 Baker Road in Minnetonka. The company announced that move in December.

Colliers MSP employees can move between the two local offices, so the company couldn't give an exact count of how many will be affected by either move. Colliers has about 240 employees in the Twin Cities, but that total includes building engineers and property service employees who work at the buildings they maintain, said Marly Ramstad, director of marketing and communications for Colliers MSP.

"We are thrilled to move to the AT&T tower and are designing our space more efficiently by maximizing flexible workspaces through innovative design," said Mark Parten, COO of Colliers MSP, in a statement. "We are also excited about the third workspace options that AT&T Tower provides our modern workforce, such as conference rooms, fireplace lounge areas and the Peace Coffee location on the ground floor."

Colliers MSP hired Minneapolis-based architecture firm Nelson Worldwide to design its new downtown office. Plymouth-based Intereum is supplying furniture. A request for proposals is out for a contractor on the project.

Parten and Colliers MSP Senior Vice President Tom Hoffman led the search for a new downtown office. Mark McCary and Larissa Bodine of CBRE Group Inc. brokered the sale for AT&T Tower owner ASB Capital Management, a Bethesda, Maryland-based investment management firm.

In September, ASB put the 610,000-square-foot Class A office building on the market for \$135 million.



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AT&T Tower, showing the Foshay Tower in reflection

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