

Village Super Market buys Fairway in Pelham Manor

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Fairway Market in Pelham Manor is officially under new ownership.

The lease of the 75,000-square-foot supermarket recently sold at auction to Springfield, New Jersey-based Village Super Market Inc., an established grocery operator with more than three dozen stores.

The company, which dates to 1937, operates a chain of 30 supermarkets under the ShopRite name in New Jersey, Maryland, New York City and eastern Pennsylvania, as well as three specialty markets under the Gourmet Garage brand in Manhattan.

Village Super Market Inc. also purchased four additional Fairway locations in New York City as part of a bankruptcy auction.

Fairway Markets filed for bankruptcy on Jan. 23, and at the time reported

plans to auction off its five stores in Manhattan, a distribution center in the Bronx and its store in Pelham Manor.

Fairway Markets also closed a store in Nanuet in September 2019.

The Pelham Manor property at Post Road Plaza has been a neighborhood landmark since opening in 2008, according to Matthew K. Harding, chief executive officer of Levin Management Corporation, the property's leasing and managing agent. "For Post Road Plaza and its shoppers, the involvement of a well-established and well-respected regional operator is great news," he said.

"The grocery sector is playing a vital role in supporting communities during the current, challenging climate."

The market has remained open throughout the coronavirus pandemic and, said Harding, will retain the Fairway Market name.

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The Fairway Market at Post Road Plaza in Pelham was sold to Village Super Market. WILLIAM NEUMANN PHOTOGRAPHY

