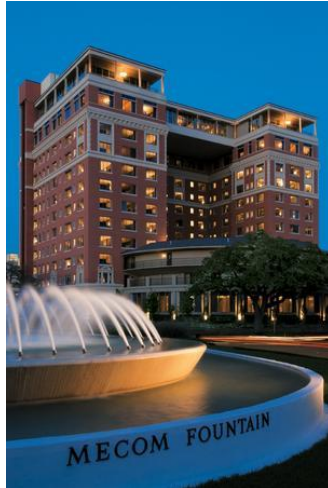


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Another Hotel ZaZa is coming to Houston



MetroNational Corp. is on a roll in Memorial City.

The Houston-based real estate investment, development and management company said Friday that it has entered into negotiations with Z Resorts to build a Hotel ZaZa at Memorial City.

Dallas-based Z Resorts LLC will operate and manage the luxury boutique hotel. Z Resorts also has Hotel ZaZa locations in Houston's Museum District and Dallas.

An unnamed source recently told CultureMap that MetroNational was planning a new mixed-use center anchored by a Hotel ZaZa and a Whole Foods at the southwest corner of Interstate 10 and Bunker Hill Road.

Public documents show MetroNational recently filed a construction permit with the city of Houston valued at \$1.8 million. The permit is for 963 Bunker Hill Road, which is at the southwest corner of I-10 and Bunker Hill. It's also directly across I-10 from an H-E-B and a block east of Memorial City Mall.

MetroNational's Friday news alert did not specify where the Hotel ZaZa at Memorial City might be built, and a spokesperson for the company was not immediately available.

MetroNational's latest project in the area is Gateway Memorial City, located just west of Memorial City Mall. Vallone's, a steakhouse named after restaurateur Tony Vallone, and Cordúa Restaurants LLC's latest Churrascos recently opened in the mixed-use development.

Owned and managed by MetroNational, Memorial City is a mixed-use development containing 7.6 million square feet of developed real estate across 265 acres.