

Parade's \$110m revamp

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A \$110 MILLION overhaul of a tired Norwood shopping mall will be "the most exciting development in a generation" for the precinct, says the local mayor.

The Norwood Mall redevelopment, at the heart of The Parade, includes new shopping centres, 24 two-storey townhouses and two five-storey towers of apartments.

The existing Coles shopping centre will be razed and expanded under plans ap-

proved by the state planning authority on Thursday. The rebuild will feature four towers on land bordered by Edward St, George St and The Parade.

The new precinct will also include four shops, a medical centre and an office in an eight-storey building.

The upper levels will house the two-storey townhouses and two levels of carparking above the ground floor.

Two five-storey towers will house 40 apartments and four penthouses.

In addition, nine apart-

ments are proposed for a three-storey complex facing George St.

The building will be 34.5m tall at its highest point.

Norwood Payneham and St Peters Mayor Robert Bria said it "aligns well with the council's vision for the precinct and fits in with timing of The Parade masterplan".

"This development will only reinforce The Parade's reputation as Adelaide's premier main street," Mr Bria said, adding that it was a generational development for the popular

shopping strip. "To have it approved is a big boost for confidence in the local economy."

Three significant trees and four regulated trees will be removed but a 127-year-old cork tree – which was at the centre of controversy when earlier upgrade plans were released in 2014 – and a large river red gum will be saved.

The development will include 440 car parks, 93 for residents.

The plans include charging stations for electric vehicles.

The approved plans also in-

clude 120 bicycle spaces. Developer Australasian Property Developments, an Adelaide based company, was contacted for comment.

Its other projects include the Channel Nine building on Hindmarsh Square and refurbishment of the former Citi Centre site on the corner of Pulteney Street and Rundle Mall.

Construction of the Norwood Mall project is expected to start towards the end of 2020. Coles first discussed an upgrade of the mall in 2011.



EXCITING: An artist's impression of the mall.