Holiday Inn Grand officially converts to Radisson in Billings

The Radisson brand took hold in Billings in July 2015, and now the owners of the former Holiday Inn Grand at 1000 Midland Road are eager to stand out and replace them with the Radisson franchise, starting a new transition for the 4,436-square-foot facility.

Nalley said a designer has been hired to update the property and plans have been submitted to Radisson. Discussions with the new owners are ongoing, he said.

Nalley stressed that the hotel would remain open during this period.

In November, Nalley had said he was planning to move into the property. The building features public-private partnership to improve the area and to attract more businesses to town.

These talks remain preliminary, and Nalley said the owners are focused on hotel renovations first.

The Radisson brand should be there in Billings in February 2016. The downtown Northern Hotel became the brand in 1998, and Nalley said the owners are focused on hotel renovations first.

The Radisson in Billings is one of 433 hotels under their partnership, called Radisson Hotel Group, which is owned by the CRH Capital Partners company.

The company bought the Radisson brand from Frits Van Passen’s Radisson Hotels Inc.

Radisson has been operating a store in Wyoming for about three years. It has 1,656 in the United States, the highest quarterly amount since Lex Machina began compiling those stats in 2010. Tease said.

About 90 percent of her clients are independent inventors, looking to patent their inventions. They range from a new type of drill bit or systems to serve a broader purpose: detecting gunshots in public places like schools, and serve a broader purpose: detecting gunshots in public places like schools, churches or shopping malls, shortening response times and possibly saving lives.

“Imagine, if you will, if you could detect gunshots immediately send a message through a cell phone network to the appropriate authorities. Would this prevent 20 people from losing their lives?” Tease said.

The company was born on Billings South Side.

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