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A prominent Brewery District office building has a new owner.

NAI Ohio Equities has brokered the sale of 555 S. Front St. to a Kyle Katz affiliate. The building has 41,460 square feet.

The deal also includes a 5,193-square-foot building at 551 S. Front St.

The 555 building was built by the Edwards Cos. in 1997 and had fallen into financial trouble.

Katz told me he bought the properties as a "long-term hold." These are "great buildings and we're excited to have them in our portfolio."

551 S. Front is fully leased by Holy Water Spirits, a distillery that plans to open soon, and the bigger building is 90 percent leased.

Financial terms weren't disclosed.

The 555 property is one of three buildings that 555 South Front Ltd. turned over to Bayview Loan Servicing LLC in 2012 on behalf of mortgage holder German American Capital Corp.

Cabo Leasing LLC, an affiliate of the Uptivity call center software firm formerly known as CallCopy, bought the buildings in April 2013 for a combined \$1.2 million.

Cabo sold the buildings to Katz. Elford Land Co. owns the site, which Katz leases.

Tenants in the larger building include Uptivity, which has the bulk of the space, and Summit Technologies.

The sale was brokered by NAI Ohio Equities' Peter Merkle and Matt Gregory, who represented the seller.

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