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## Mickey Gilley saddles up for his next chapter

Someone tell Bud and Sissy  
– Gilley's bar is back.

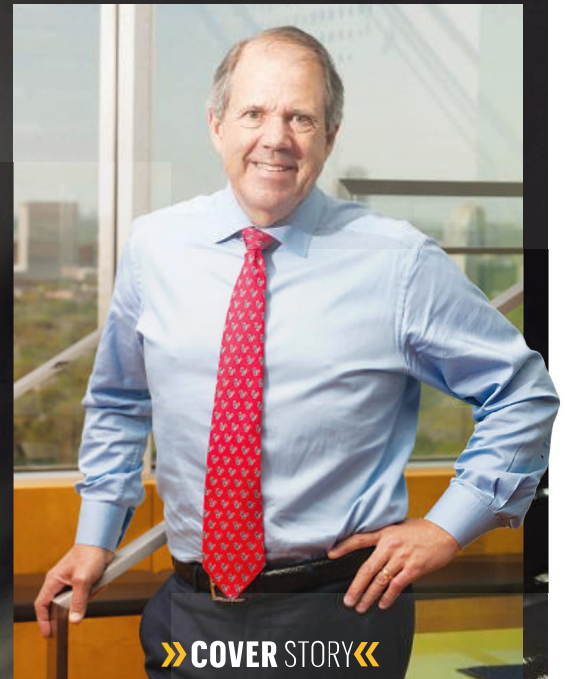
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# OFFICE BUILDING

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## AIR LIQUIDE CENTER

Paris-based Air Liquide moved its American corporate headquarters from the Galleria area to Memorial City in November 2015, becoming the fourth major company to relocate to Memorial City in the last three years.

Air Liquide Center occupies two LEED Silver-certified buildings at 9811 and 9807 Katy Freeway, a 20-story, 452,000-square-foot tower and an adjacent 14-story, 145,000-square-foot building. The company joined Murphy Exploration & Production Co., Nexen Petroleum and Cobalt International Energy as major tenants, further positioning Memorial City as a local hub for corporate relocations.

In addition to reconfiguring the land, the Air Liquide Center site included a mixed-use development that featured a variety of retail and restaurant tenants, including Le Peep and Starbucks.

Air Liquide Center's LEED Silver certification furthers developer MetroNational's commitment to developing environmentally conscious structures. MetroNational incorporated eco-friendly design elements and materials to help reduce Memorial City's overall carbon footprint. The 9807 Katy Freeway tower features a rooftop garden that helps with the building's insulation, as well as provide an eye-catching design element for tenants to enjoy.

The complex offers tenants the option to expand as well as accommodate Air Liquide's plans for future growth. The buildings also connect through a network of skywalks to Memorial City Mall and other area amenities.



COURTESY

### DEALMAKERS

**Developer:** MetroNational

**Architect:** Morris Architects (for 20-story tower at 9811 Katy Freeway), Gensler (for 5-story building at 9807 Katy Freeway)

**General contractor:** Anslow-Bryant Construction

**Structural engineer:** Cardno Haynes Whaley

**MEP:** Bury Inc.

**Broker:** MetroNational represented itself; CBRE represented Air Liquide

**597,000**

**Square footage**

**FINALIST**

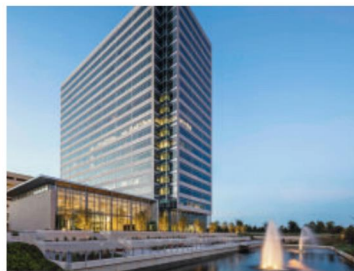
## NOBLE ENERGY CENTER 2

Noble Energy Center 2 is a 470,623-square-foot, LEED Gold-certified building in northwest Houston that includes a 20-story tower, a nine-story parking garage, and a skybridge that connects to the recently redeveloped Noble Energy Center 1.

A distinguishing feature of Noble Energy Center 2 is the 7,000-square-foot, multipurpose town hall area. The town hall, which includes a basketball court, provides space for company meetings and industry events. It has a large green roof that is aesthetically pleasing to employees.

Looking to elements of nature, the lobby expresses abstract concepts of strata and rock. Back-painted glass has a random pattern that mimics stacking rock. The linear wood panels act as strata, projecting in and out to provide textural and visual interest. The lobby extends toward the exterior with a glass façade that encourages employees and visitors to experience the amenity water feature, which has two fountains that are easily visible to drivers approaching the site. Sitting areas are available for employees and guests to get close to the water's edge.

Noble Energy Center sought a new corporate headquarters to serve as a world-class facility for its partners and customers, help retain employees and accommodate future growth.



COURTESY

### DEALMAKERS

**Developer:** Trammell Crow Co.

**Architect:** Kirksey

**General contractor:** Austin Commercial

**Engineers:** Cardno Haynes Whaley, Wylie Consulting Engineers

**Brokers:** CBRE, James Arket & Co.

**Financier:** JPMorgan Chase

**Interior designer:** Kirksey

**470,623**

**Square footage**



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