



The hope for [the meeting taking place this evening](#) at [Shift Workspace](#) starting at 6 p.m. is to answer the question of if there is a future for [coworking](#) in Birmingham, AL. The collaborative space opened to [much fanfare](#) (and [media coverage](#)) last May. [We've maintained a desk in the space for several months and are considered an anchor tenant](#), originally hoping to use it for a series of conversations about issues affecting the city.

This January however, [a post on the site quietly announced an initial decision to downsize](#) and move the concept of the space to Austin, TX. [A recent article in the Birmingham Business Journal revealed that the location would most likely close when its lease is up](#), though some of the members are trying to see if they will be able to keep the idea alive (whether it be there or elsewhere in the city), hence why [they're meeting tonight](#).

The hope is to see if the city's tech and creative communities want a space and, if so, what's needed to make it useful for them. Come on out and share your thoughts.

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