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RE: **AGC Build Michigan Awards Program
Recommendation of Moore Trosper Construction, Inc.**

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To the Selection Committee:

Harley Ellis Devereaux recommends Moore Trosper Construction, Inc. for an AGC Build Michigan recognition award for their outstanding performance in constructing the Capital Area Transportation Authority (CATA) Administrative Office Building addition and remodel project in Lansing, Michigan, for which our firm served as architect/engineers.

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The project consisted of an 8,000 square foot vertical expansion and total remodel of an existing one-story 15,000 square foot office building, constructed in two parts around 1972 and 1990. Moore Trosper was instrumental in meeting the following key construction challenges:

Planning

Architecture

Engineering

Interior Architecture

Landscape Architecture

Construction Services

- Maintaining operations of CATA throughout the 15-month construction period which required a phased construction approach. CATA operates the Lansing area bus system, which has 24/7 operations that needed to be accommodated during construction.
- The 60-foot wide existing facility is shoehorned between a public street on its front-side and a bus storage building that abuts the office building's back-side. Construction access was very restricted and basically only available from the street side where overhead power lines greatly inhibited crane operations. In addition, staging and on-site storage areas were very limited, bus traffic flow had to be maintained and the close proximity to an adjacent residential neighborhood had to be respected.
- Remodel of the aging existing building required replacement of systems and quick solutions to hidden conditions such as mold, unforeseen underground utilities and undocumented existing structural conditions.
- Undersized foundations in one section of the existing building required an unusual structural solution to support the new second floor in this area. A large structural steel beam literally had to be hand-threaded through a tight existing ceiling space and hung from the new structure above to resolve the problem.
- A specific completion schedule had been established for CATA's predetermined grand opening date that could not be altered. Milestone dates and pre-ordering of long-lead items were successfully dealt with to meet the schedule.

Partner Companies:

Spectrum Strategies

GreenWorks Studio

iQ - Investment in Quality

Crime Lab Design

HED Build



Execution of the architectural design not only added needed work space, but also created a new image for CATA that, from a design standpoint, captured the white metal panel and glass technology of bus design, along with a light and airy contemporary interior that makes the facility an exciting and invigorating place to work.

Locations:

Los Angeles

Chicago

Riverside

San Diego

Cincinnati

Bakersfield

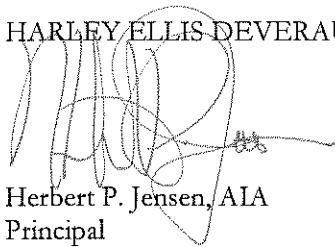
Moore Trosper Construction provided the project management and skilled trades to meet the stringent schedule deadlines while also meeting the Owner's expectations on budget and producing an end product that greatly enhances CATA's mission. Their phasing plan allowed CATA personnel to remain working in one area of the building while construction work proceeded in another. The new second floor was erected over the existing first floor without incident or safety issues and enclosed in a timely fashion to allow build-out of the interiors. A new stair and elevator were erected within an existing interior lobby/work space, which required extensive coordination with existing conditions. A second stair became part of a horizontal expansion at the south end of the building. New and old construction were blended seamlessly, with careful attention to matching existing brick and mortar colors.

Although a relatively small project, the building expansion incorporated a variety of materials and details ranging from metal panel systems, window wall and curtain wall glazing, skylight restoration, masonry, stone flooring, glass handrails, interior glass partitions, custom lighting and a variety of interior finish materials for which Moore Trosper put forth an extra effort to meet our high expectations for quality detailing. Moore Trosper was a true team player who maintained excellent working relationships with the owner, architect/engineers and the sub-contractors during the construction period. Their focus was not only on getting the job done on time, but in getting it done to a high level of quality and within budget.

Moore Trosper truly played a key role in the overall success of this project and is deserving of being acknowledged with an AGC Build Michigan Award.

Sincerely,

HARLEY ELLIS DEVERAUX

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Jensen', written over the typed name 'Herbert P. Jensen, AIA'.

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