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Colorado Judicial Department and Colorado Historical Society choose firm to manage building projects

The Colorado Judicial Department and the Colorado Historical Society have chosen Trammell Crow Company to provide professional project management services for the design and construction of new, independent facilities for each organization. Trammell Crow Company was jointly selected as a result of its submission to a Request for Proposals (RFP) that was issued on March 16, 2006.

Two buildings, the Colorado Judicial Building and the Colorado History Museum, comprise the Colorado Judicial Heritage Center. The center encompasses the one full city block between Lincoln Street and Broadway and 13th and 14th avenues, near Denver's Civic Center Park and the state capitol.

Last year, the Colorado Judicial Department asked the Urban Land Institute (ULI) to study the two buildings. ULI determined that the buildings do not meet the current or expected future needs of either organization.

According to the study, the Colorado Center of Justice is projected to house the Colorado Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, State Court Administrator's Office, Attorney General's Office, Office of the Public Defender, Supreme Court Library, and other justice related services. The facility will allow consolidation of these services in a secure location.

The Colorado Historical Society has identified the need for a new Colorado History Museum building that will house exhibits and collections, as well as administrative offices, the Stephen H. Hart Library, the Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation, and the State Historical Fund.

ULI recommended that both organizations work together to find a feasible solution. As a result, an RFP was issued and Trammell Crow Company was one of three firms interviewed. The two other firms were Jacobs Facilities, Inc. and Vanir Construction Management, Inc.

Pending successful final contract negotiations, Trammell Crow Company will review the recommendations from ULI and work with each organization. The initial phase will include preparing a feasibility study to determine the space requirements for each organization, the estimated cost for each project, and financing alternatives. Subsequent phases will include design and construction management services. The proposal is based on a seven-year completion schedule.

“We were very pleased with the proposals we received to our request for project management services,” said Jerry Marroney, State Court Administrator. “The needs of the Colorado History Museum as a cultural institution, and the needs of the Colorado Judicial Department, an independent branch of government, are completely different.”

“Yet, both require public and professional spaces that are efficient, allow room for growth, and that convey the civic spirit of each entity,” added Georgianna Contiguglia, Colorado Historical Society president. “Trammell Crow was selected because its proposal demonstrated that it can manage a project of this size and breadth while meeting the diverse needs of each organization.”

Trammell Crow Company has been active in the Denver real estate market for more than 30 years. “Trammell Crow is very excited to participate in this project,” stated Bill Mosher, area director for Trammell Crow’s Development and Investment Group. “Having worked on five projects within one-half mile of the state capitol, we feel that our team can bring strong local market knowledge and experience to both of these projects.”

Trammell Crow will team with Steinmann Facility Development Consultants, CRL Associates and LOA Architects to undertake a first-phase feasibility study. Additional architects, contractors, and financial and legal consultants will be selected once the projects are approved for design and construction.

For more information about Trammell Crow Company, visit www.trammellcrow.com. For a copy of the study from ULI and the published RFP, please visit www.courts.state.co.us and click on “Request for Proposals for Program Management Services for the Colorado Judicial Department and the Colorado Historical Society.” Or, call either media contact directly for more information.