



Concert's Tapestry

Trades' finesse is needed for this historic landmark

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Members from several affiliated trades are working on Tapestry, Concert Properties' redevelopment of the Vancouver Hospital Nurses' Residence.

Concert is gaining a reputation for having the skills and sensitivity for developing projects that blend with and enhance the neighbourhood in which they're built.

The 10-storey Nurses' Residence, at 12th Ave. and Heather St. in Vancouver, is a landmark. "Redeveloping the historic Nurses' Residence was both an honour and a task we took to heart," said Concert President David Podmore. "We took great care in assembling our extensive team. The challenge was not only to build upon the rich legacy and recreate a sense of place, but also to build homes that blend seamlessly into the neighbourhood and ensure we had the necessary trades to deliver our vision."

Renovating and extending the historic art moderne architectural façade requires a number of specialized trades. More than a third of the existing structure will be retained and the ambiance of that era will be recreated through

the use of brick, glazed walls and a special stone veneer. A second six-storey residence has been designed to complement the existing building's historic architecture and reflect design elements prevalent throughout the neighbourhood.

Tapestry will be surrounded by parks and green space. Concert plans to add an additional quarter city block of open green space at the corner of Willow St. and 13th Ave. In addition, there will be a Heather Commons, a community courtyard spanning two city blocks north of 12th Avenue, an outdoor sanctuary and pedestrian greenway west of Willow Street.

The \$94 million project with more than 254,000 square feet will see the two buildings house 230 modern and spacious condominiums ranging from studio suites to two bedroom plus den homes. The development will also incorporate a 3,000 square foot area of community rooms and an 8,000 square foot daycare facility—all required to meet the needs of the growing community.

With the demolition, excavation and shoring of the site complete, construction of the underground parking is

under way. Tapestry will be ready for occupancy in spring 2008.

"Designed and constructed by our highly-skilled team of professionals and trades people to meet the demands of today's homeowners, Tapestry will embody Concert's commitment to setting the standards for excellence in design, construction and livability," said Podmore.

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