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Margulies Perruzzi Architects to design Simpson Gumpertz & Heger's new headquarters

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Waltham, MA Margulies Perruzzi Architects (MPA) has been selected by Simpson Gumpertz & Heger (SGH) to provide space planning and interior design services for SGH's new complementary locations in Waltham and Boston. SGH will move from its current headquarters to 110,000 s/f at 20 CityPoint in Waltham and 14,000 s/f in Boston's Prudential Tower. The two new locations will embrace a high-performance and sustainable workplace strategy, with open and efficient floor plans promoting collaborative, team-based work.

Workplace strategy is a key component of MPA's open and modern designs, which maximize collaboration, natural light, and operational flexibility. Both of SGH's spaces will have multiple and varied office resources for employees to work both independently and in teams, such as individual work stations, focused/quiet work areas, unstructured space, and collaborative work spaces with different technology resources. SGH's headquarters at 20 CityPoint incorporates a gallery on the first floor where clients and visitors can observe and interact with ongoing activities in the company's physical and materials testing, laboratory, and experimentation areas.

MPA assisted SGH with an accelerated design process for the Prudential space for an August 2018 occupancy. Concurrent with the Prudential design, MPA advanced the planning and design for the CityPoint space so that SGH and Boston Properties could incorporate the tenant improvements into the ongoing construction of the new building. The CityPoint location is expected to be complete in August 2019. Boston Properties is the landlord for both locations.

The project team includes: Architect, Margulies Perruzzi Architects; developer, Boston Properties; construction manager, Commodore Builders; structural engineer, Simpson Gumpertz & Heger (SGH); and MEP engineer, AHA Consulting Engineers.

"MPA's commitment to exceptional design and thoughtful workplace strategy is a winning combination that will help us realize our vision for both locations," said Charles Russo, CEO of SGH. "We are partnering with MPA to create an inspiring CityPoint location that grows our laboratory, research, and innovation capabilities and a vibrant downtown Boston location that immerses our engineering team with our long-standing clients and academic partners, and with the innovation of Boston."