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## **NEI General retained for Mason Sq. II at Indian Motorcycle**

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Former Indian Motorcycle Factory at 837 State Street - Springfield, MA

Springfield, MA NEI General Contracting has been retained by First Resource Development Corp. LLC for the historic rehabilitation of an existing 55,000 s/f mill building and adjacent 15,000 s/f firehouse. Located in the McKnight National Historic District at 837 State St., the existing historic building is best known as the original home of the Indian Motorcycle Factory where the motorcycles were built and distributed nationwide.

NEI General Contracting will start by renovating the existing site drainage systems and new site utility work to support the renovation of the mill and firehouse buildings before demolition of the existing structures, the addition of drainage system and site improvements to provide an accessory parking lot to support future residents. The mill building will be renovated to include 45 apartment units. NEI will keep the majority of the timber beams intact to reflect the mill aesthetic. In addition, the historic renovation of the façade will include large 4' x 8' windows and the repair of existing masonry. The firehouse will also undergo interior and exterior renovations to create 15 apartment units.

Upon completion in late 2020, the Mason Sq. II at Indian Motorcycle will consist of 60 rental units ranging from one bedroom to three bedrooms. Mason Sq. Apartments at Indian Motorcycle appears as a gateway to its neighbor, the American International College (AIC), and is located on a major bus route that allows access to the surrounding area. The Square is also nearby to banks, parks, restaurants, and major commuter routes including I-90 and I-290.

The renovation is being designed by The Architectural Team (TAT).

NEI's continued dedication to the preservation of historic and landmark properties is evident in the company's expansive portfolio of successful projects. As a direct result of its unwavering commitment and leadership to restoring historic properties, NEI was awarded the 2014 Preservation Massachusetts Paul Tsongas Award in addition to eight other preservation awards for its work in the New England community.

“We have a long-standing relationship with NEI General Contracting and this is our eighth project together. They share our commitment to historic preservation and affordable housing to improve and create communities that are secure and appealing, vital and revitalized,” said Gordon Pulsifer, president of First Resource Development Corp. “With every project we are mindful of neighborhood history; we are committed to building on the positives that each unique history conveys to a community. We also look to the future, serving as a catalyst for improvement and change.”

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