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Suffolk/Eckman JV selected for Elliot at River's Edge ambulatory care center

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Elliot Health System and the Anagnost Companies have selected Suffolk/Eckman, a joint venture, as general contractor for construction of the Elliot at River's Edge ambulatory care center. The Suffolk/Eckman joint venture consists of Suffolk Construction Co., Inc. of Boston and Eckman Construction Company, Inc. of Bedford, N.H.

The ambulatory care center will be located on the former Jac Pac site off Queen City Ave. The 236,000 s/f, four-story facility will include the city's first urgent care facility, as well as the Elliot 1-Day Surgery Center, diagnostic imaging, breast health, endoscopy, pain management, physical rehabilitation, pulmonary rehabilitation, laboratory services, durable medical equipment, and more. An 800-car parking garage is also included in the plans for the \$87 million project.

"We are committed to ensuring that the community benefits from the Elliot at River's Edge on all fronts," said Doug Dean, president and CEO of Elliot Health System.

Groundbreaking for the Elliot at River's Edge will take place on October 14, at which time, the Anagnost Cos. will begin demolition and clearing of the site. Suffolk/Eckman will move on-site in January 2009.

"The River's Edge project is an incredible opportunity for our specialized healthcare team to deliver the highest quality project and begin building a longstanding relationship with Anagnost Companies and Elliot Health System," said John Fish, CEO, Suffolk Const.

The building is the first of its size in Manchester to be designed green and is also the largest private building construction in Manchester since the Mall of NH. The Elliot at River's Edge is part of a seventeen-acre project, which will also include a medical office building, retail building and residential building.

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