

## Congress|EMJ and Tremont Development Partners break ground on 30-unit project in Taunton, MA

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Shown (from left) are: Bill Nicholson, Congress Construction; Sebastian Zapata, MassHousing; Rich Mazzocchi, Tremont Development Partners; mayor Shaunna O'Connell; Angela Meehan, Eastern Bank; Jay Pateakos, Taunton office of economic and community development; and Patrick Dellarusso, CFO city of Taunton.

Taunton, MA Congress|EMJ, Tremont Development Partners, MassHousing, Eastern Bank, and city of officials, including mayor Shaunna O'Connell, held a groundbreaking ceremony on Thursday,

January 11, to mark the commencement of a new 30-unit, two-story multifamily development. The project will be built under MassHousing's CommonWealth Builder (CWB) program, which provides grants to eligible projects that deliver deed restricted affordable homeownership units in gateway and disproportionality impacted communities.

Congress|EMJ was selected by Tremont as the construction manager for the project, based upon their extensive multifamily housing experience and expertise, and their track record with MassHousing including multiple CWB projects. The architect for this project is Davis Square Architects. Eastern Bank provided the construction financing for the project.

Congress|EMJ will manage all on-site construction activities, cost control, quality control, safety and project procedures during the construction of the project.

"This site offers a tremendous opportunity to create homeownership opportunities in the City of Taunton at an attainable price point for first-time homebuyers," said Rich Mazzocchi, principal of Tremont Development Partners. "We are truly grateful for the support of our financing partners and the City of Taunton, and we look forward to achieving the successful delivery of these homes to the community."

William Nicholson, Congress|EMJ principal said, "We are honored to have earned Tremont Development's award of this exciting project, and to continue our ongoing relationship with the City of Taunton and MassHousing, for which we have constructed multiple projects. We echo Mayor Shaunna O'Connell's statement that home ownership is one of the cornerstone fundamentals of any community, which this project assists and supports, and we applaud Tremont Development for assembling a skilled, hardworking team which made this project a reality."

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