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CONSTRUCTION NEWS BRIEFS

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CISCO BOARD ANNOUNCES SELECTIONS FOR TOP 2021 PROJECTS

CISCO's Board of Directors recently determined which construction projects were winners in six different construction categories - part of CISCO's Annual Pride in Construction Awards for Projects of the Year. Among the entries submitted by General Contractors, Builders, Architects and other organizations, the top choices were:

New Construction - Chicago (+\$20m):

Midway Security Checkpoint Expansion; GC - F.H. Paschen; Cook County.



New 80,000 sf expansion that bridges over Cicero Ave. connecting air-side terminal to land-side terminal.

New Construction - Suburbs (+ \$20m):

Forester Hotel; GC - William A. Randolph; Lake County.



Six-story, 95,400 sf building with 156 guest rooms overlooking the east side of I-94 at the East Townline Road exit.

New Construction - City/Suburbs

(Under \$20m): Kane County Multi-Use Facility; GC - R.C. Wegman; Kane County.



New 58,000 sf facility houses the Kane County Coroner's Office and morgue, County Sheriff's fleet maintenance space, Office of Emergency Management (OEM) fleet, storage, training and support facilities.

Infrastructure: I-294 Mile Long Bridge; GC - F. H. Paschen; Cook County.



The bridge features 27 spans supported by 26 piers, reducing the impact on waterways, roadways and rail operations. The bridge deck is supported by 273 precast concrete beams and 52 steel beams. Nearly 16,000 cubic yards of concrete were used for the new bridge, an amount equal to 1,760 fully-loaded concrete-mixing trucks.

Rehabilitation: Queen Bee School District Additions/Renovations; GC - Riley Construction; DuPage County. (See photo at top of 3rd column.)



The renovations and additions were completed in multiple schools for Queen Bee School District 16. Americana Elementary School, Glen Hill Elementary School, Glen Side Middle School and Pheasant Ridge School were consolidated into three schools. In addition, renovations were done to the Queen Bee Early Childhood Center.

Residential: Westerly; GC - James McHugh Construction; Cook County.



This project is a 188-unit mixed-use apartment complex. The upscale mid-rise includes a mix of studio, one, two and three-bedroom apartments ranging in size from 544 to 1,513 square feet.

CISCO wishes to recognize each and every entry for its quality of construction, design, impact on the community and safety record. Even under extreme circumstances, amidst an unprecedented pandemic, general contractors, subcontractors and the men and women who construct these buildings collaborated to stay safe, stay on time, and within budget to complete these amazing projects.

More news and photos on the back page.

CISCO ON THE MOVE

CISCO ANNUAL MEETING SET FOR FEBRUARY 11, 2022

CISCO's Annual Meeting will return to its regular annual time-frame and be held on Friday, February 11, 2022. The event will also return to a familiar venue - Maggiano's Little Italy restaurant in Schaumburg, 1901 E. Woodfield Road. Invitations will be sent out in December, so members should watch their mailboxes, email boxes, social media and other outlets for the official notice.

The event will feature the presentation of CISCO's Pride in Construction Awards - now in its 17th year. The winners of the Project of the Year Awards appear on the first page of this issue.

In addition to the Project of the Year Awards, two individuals and one entity are recognized as Educator of the Year, Public Body of the Year and Labor Advocate of the Year.

The Board approved John Daniels, Teacher/Counselor at Stagg High School as Educator of the Year. The Public Body of the Year is DuPage County, in part, for enacting a Responsible Bidder Ordinance. The Board discussed nominees for the Labor Advocate of the Year, and the announcement is pending.

CISCO ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM UNDERWAY FOR 2022



CISCO has begun to accept applications for its long-standing Annual Scholarship Awards Program. The applications for these different categories can be found on CISCO's website/homepage at www.cisco.org.

The three scholarship program categories are: **1) Four-year college scholarships for high school seniors;** **2) Two-year awards for seniors planning on attending a community college;** and **3) Two-year continuing education awards to union members**

or contractor employees.

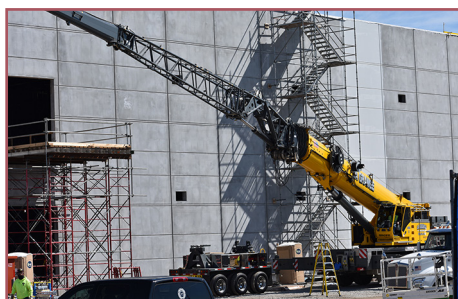
The deadline to submit the applications is Friday, February 18, 2022. Interested students may email the completed applications, or send in the mail. For more information, call CISCO at (630) 472-9411.

MOUNT PROSPECT SET TO APPROVE NEW DATA CENTER

CISCO Executive Director Dan Allen was at the Mount Prospect Village Board meeting as it discussed a plan to build three data centers on former United Airlines property the town annexed in 2017.

The project promises to bring many jobs, creating 1,000 construction jobs each year over the next six years and 450 full-time jobs for engineers, security and maintenance personnel.

Allen testified on behalf of the project and called it a "win-win" for local union contractors and the skilled union workforce they employ. "The Chicago area is becoming a center for data centers," he said, "and all types of other technologies will follow."



Construction of a data center in nearby Elk Grove Village last year.

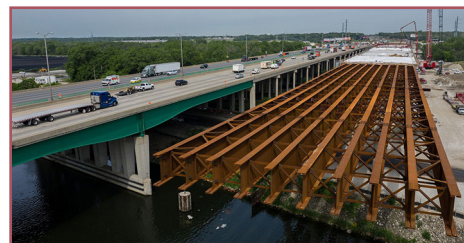
CloudHQ, which is based in Washington, D.C., unveiled the plan, which calls to build three data centers at 566,767 square feet each.

The Chicago area is the fourth-largest data center market in the world. This coincides with 2019 legislation, qualifying that Illinois data centers are exempt from paying state and local taxes on equipment over a 10-year period making the state a major draw for the market.

INDUSTRY NEWS

According to a recent article in The Illinois Economic Policy Institute's (ILEPI) *Illinois Insights*, reconstruction of I-290 would create jobs, reduce traffic and enhance access to jobs for disadvantaged communities.

The article details that proposed improvements for a 13-mile stretch of I-290 between I-94 and the I-88/294 interchange in Chicago would create more than 22,000 jobs and provide amongst the best economic, equity and traffic impacts of any project in the region by 2050.



The new ILEPI report, "I-290 Reconstruction: Creating a Modern Multimodal Corridor" analyzes the impacts of the \$2.7 billion project, which combines transit and pedestrian improvements alongside bridge and roadway upgrades.

The reconstruction project is estimated to reduce corridor travel times by 25-56% according to IDOT, while growing the economy by more than \$2.6 billion and boosting local, state and federal tax revenues by more than \$450 million.

To highlight the release of the report, ILEPI's Transportation Director Mary Tyler joined a press conference held by the Rebuild 290 Coalition at the Old Post Office in Chicago.

Funds from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act are expected to help fund this project.

