

>> 2007 CONVENTION CENTER CONSTRUCTION UPDATE <<

Branson Convention Center Branson, Mo.	OPENING DATE : Sept. 2007 COST IN MILLIONS : \$43	OWNER, OPERATOR : City COMMENTS : New facility; 220,000 sq. ft. total, 100,000 square feet of exhibit space; 23,000-sq.-ft. ballroom. Associated with local Hilton Hotel. Price includes a parking structure.	ARCHITECT : TVS, Turner Construction Co.
Palmetto Convention Center Greenville, S.C.	OPENING DATE : Spring 2008 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$22	OWNER, OPERATOR : City, SMG COMMENTS : Expansion; adding ballroom and concourse space to balance out exhibit space. Reducing exhibit space from 368,000 sq. ft. to 315,000 sq. ft. to provide 200,000 sq. ft. of exhibit space.	ARCHITECT : TVS, Craig Gaulden & Davis
Lancaster County Conv. Cntr. Lancaster, Pa.	OPENING DATE : May 2008 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$169.7	OWNER, OPERATOR : County COMMENTS : New facility; Includes 47,000 sq. ft. of meeting space, a 9,000 sq. ft. ballroom and 9,200 sq. ft. of meeting space.	ARCHITECT : Cooper Carry, MM Architects
Alaska Civic & Conv. Center Anchorage	OPENING DATE : Summer 2008 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$93	OWNER, OPERATOR : Conv./Visitors Bureau COMMENTS : New facility; a standalone structure that includes a 50,000 sq. ft. exhibit hall, 25,000 sq. ft. ballroom and 11,000 sq. ft. of meeting space.	ARCHITECT : LMN Architects (design), RIM Architects
Ocean Center Daytona Beach, Fla.	OPENING DATE : Fall 2008 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$76	OWNER, OPERATOR : County COMMENTS : Expansion; adds 100,000 sq. ft. exhibit space, up to 30,000 sq. ft. of meeting rooms. Rising construction costs have pushed the price tag up by \$19 million. City Council has put a cap on costs.	ARCHITECT : TVS, DJ Design
Raleigh Convention Center Raleigh, N.C.	OPENING DATE : Sept. 2008 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$230	OWNER, OPERATOR : City COMMENTS : New; 500,000 sq. ft. of meeting space, 900-car parking garage and attached Marriott Hotel.	ARCHITECT : TVS, O'Brien Atkins & Clearscapes
Direct Energy Centre Toronto, Ontario	OPENING DATE : Nov. 2008 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$76	OWNER, OPERATOR : City of Toronto COMMENTS : Expansion; 1 million sq. ft. of existing space, with a proposed 45,000 sq. ft. of meeting room space after expansion is complete.	ARCHITECT : Norr Limited
Phoenix Convention Center	OPENING DATE : Dec. 2008 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$600	OWNER, OPERATOR : City COMMENTS : Expansion Phase II; Project includes 1 million-sq.-ft. exhibition space in two phases, 50,000 sq. ft. ballroom, 150,000 sq.-ft. of meeting rooms, street level food court, grand atrium entrance with link to Symphony Hall, outdoor gardens and landscape; phase I to be LEED Certified.	ARCHITECT : HOK, Leo A Daly
Capital City Conv. Center Jackson, Miss.	OPENING DATE : Dec. 2008 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$65	OWNER, OPERATOR : City, SMG COMMENTS : New Facility; Includes 246,000 sq. ft. of space; connected to the Mississippi Telecommunications Conference and Training Center.	ARCHITECT : Arquitectonica
Tulsa Convention Center Tulsa, Okla.	OPENING DATE : Early 2009 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$50.5	OWNER, OPERATOR : City, SMG COMMENTS : Expansion; Changes in the project have prompted a six-month delay in construction, slated to begin in January. New facility will be constructed closer to the BOK Center.	ARCHITECT : Matrix
Pasadena Conv. Center Pasadena, Calif.	OPENING DATE : Early 2009 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$121.6	OWNER, OPERATOR : City COMMENTS : Expansion; Will give the facility 85,000 sq. ft. of exhibit space, 28 breakout rooms, a new 25,000 sq. ft. ballroom, and a 17,000 sq. ft. restored, historical ballroom.	ARCHITECT : Fentress Bradburn
Mississippi Coast Coliseum & Convention Center Biloxi	OPENING DATE : Spring 2009 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$55	OWNER, OPERATOR : Miss. Coast Col. Com. COMMENTS : Expansion, resulting in 330,000 sq. ft. total. Full convention center closed from July 2007 to January 2008 for renovations. Adding 200,000 sq. ft. for a total 380,000 sq. ft.	ARCHITECT : Guild Hardy, TVS
Vancouver Conv. Centre Vancouver, B.C.	OPENING DATE : Spring 2009 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$495	OWNER, OPERATOR : Province COMMENTS : Expansion; 1.1 million sq. ft. Integral to Central Business District. 250,000 sq. ft. of exhibition hall, 71,000 sq. ft. of meeting rooms, 50,000 sq. ft. ballroom and a 12,000 sq. ft. signature room.	ARCHITECT : LMN
Northlands Edmonton, Alberta	OPENING DATE : 2009 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$150	OWNER, OPERATOR : Northlands non-profit COMMENTS : Expansion; Adding 197,200 sq. ft. of new exhibit and conference space for a total of 522,200 sq. ft. Facility will have four halls and a conference center with ballroom and multiple breakout spaces.	ARCHITECT : Cohos Ebamy
Indiana Convention Center Indianapolis	OPENING DATE : 2009 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$275	OWNER, OPERATOR : City COMMENTS : Expansion, 465,000 sq. ft., will be built where the RCA Dome stood when the new stadium is complete. The state is funding the project. Conventional Wisdom is programming consultant.	ARCHITECT : Ratio Architects
Las Vegas Conv. Center	OPENING DATE : 2009 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$400	OWNER, OPERATOR : L.V. Conv. Authority COMMENTS : Expansion; more meeting rooms, reconfigures existing space into a 100,000-sq.-ft. multi-function room, creates pedestrian area along South Hall, adds grand concourse and a signature façade.	ARCHITECT : HNTB, MWH (consulting)
Jacob K. Javitz Conv. Center New York	OPENING DATE : 2010 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$900	OWNER, OPERATOR : A. Epstein & Assoc. COMMENTS : Expansion; from 760,000 sq. ft. to 1.1 million sq. ft. of exhibit space, adds 210,000 sq. ft. of meeting space, 86,000-sq- ft. ballroom.	ARCHITECT : TVS
Gaylord Texan Resort & Convention Center Grapevine	OPENING DATE : 2010 PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$315	OWNER, OPERATOR : Gaylord Entertainment COMMENTS : Expansion; Will add an additional 200,000 sq. ft. of meeting space, 500 luxury guestrooms and a new resort pool. The project is still awaiting approval from the U.S. Corps of Engineers.	ARCHITECT : TBD
Irving Multipurpose Irving, Texas	OPENING DATE : 2010 PRICE IN MILLIONS : TBD	OWNER, OPERATOR : City, SMG COMMENTS : Expansion; Features a 50,000-sq.-ft. exhibit hall that can be converted into a 7,500-seat arena.	ARCHITECT : HOK Venue
Norfolk Convention Center Norfolk, Va.	OPENING DATE : TBD PRICE IN MILLIONS : \$49	OWNER, OPERATOR : City COMMENTS : Part of a \$125 revitalization project that will include a 16-story, \$47-million hotel.	ARCHITECT : TBD

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