



Event Center Project Newsletter

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We survived the County Fair!

by Washington County Project Manager, Geoffrey Kavulya

As we usher in August, it is vital to take a pause and reflect on the exciting journey we've undertaken thus far. In addition to construction activities, we have been busy with branding and project naming efforts. Working with our consultants, we conducted a comprehensive research and discovery process that brought together various stakeholders to the table. In establishing the naming matrix, we followed general and project-specific criteria. The general criterion was informed by a need to create a distinctive and memorable name that encapsulates layers of meaning/symbolism and creates a sense of ownership. In terms of project-specific criterion, we sought to engender a robust positive image that not only reaches beyond county limits to attract, intrigue and invite but also relates to the architectural form particularly the butterfly roof.

Moreover, proximity to the Hillsboro airport played into a naming strategy. The Board of County Commissioners unanimously approved the Event Center Branding and name selection on 07/16/2019. The new name is The Wingspan Event and Conference Center. It's official!

We notified the City of Hillsboro of the outcome and are preparing to apply for a Comprehensive Sign Permit. We hope to get the signage permit in time to begin fabrication, a lengthy endeavor due to many intricate steps and logistics.

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Team Spotlight: Steve Mileham Principal-in-Charge, LRS ARCHITECTS

By LRS Staff

After working on Washington County Fair Complex Master Plan updates over the past 20 years, Steve Mileham is excited to finally be working on the new Event Center, the centerpiece of the Master Plan. Steve is the Principal-in-Charge at LRS Architects and has been leading the design of this exciting new facility. He supervises a very talented team of architects, as well as expert consultants specially selected for this project. Steve found inspiration for the Event Center's design in wing-like aviation forms (from the Hillsboro airport nearby), as well as the angled profile of the coastal mountains.

Originally from New Jersey, Steve received his B.S. in Architecture from the University of Virginia and then moved west to pursue his Masters of Architecture from the University of Oregon. Steve has worked at LRS Architects for 31 years and has been a Managing Principal there for 23 years. His design focus is centered on event centers and fairgrounds planning, as well as civic, retail, office and auto dealership projects. Steve is committed to timeless design and inspires his team to create innovative design solutions for attractive and highly functional buildings. Steve's recent local project designs include the Hillsboro Civic Center, the Hillsboro Intermodal Transit Facility, the Fair Complex Master Plan and the Sunset Porsche dealership.

In his free time, Steve plays beach volleyball, tennis and golf, and enjoys hiking and photography. He and his family also travel extensively, with recent trips to Norway, Peru, China, Australia, and New Zealand.



Steve Mileham.
Principal-in-Charge
LRS ARCHITECTS

This new image from LRS Architects highlights a view of the Wingspan Event and Conference Center at dusk. The rendering provides a glimpse of the planned landscaping and lighting features showcasing the grand entrance.



Spotlight on...



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Above: Members of The Wingspan Event and Conference Center Leadership team tour the project site

In terms of logistics, we had a busy July. We have completed key preconstruction activities, for example, review of mechanical air handler and make-up air units, structural steel & joist framing fabrication for Areas A and B, cross laminated timber/Glulam fabrication and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) notification for crane mobilization. Additionally, we have completed slab on grade for areas A and B, loading dock walls, installation of 1000G grease interceptors, irrigation sleeves at north lot, and cast in place catch basin.

The month of August will be pretty busy as we are on schedule to go vertical after many months of civil site work. Key on the agenda are installation of structural steel (Areas A, B, C), mass timber (Areas B, C), metal decking (Areas A, B) and placement of loading dock ramp. The first structural steel batch for Area A was delivered on 08/01/2019. We expect to have structural steel for Areas A and B to be delivered by the second week of August. Mass timber delivery is planned for 08/19/2019. Both structural steel and mass timber are ahead of schedule. Logistics, sequencing and coordination meetings between the structural steel and mass timber teams along with the structural engineer have been arranged. The intent is the fine-tune on the fine details, particularly site-specific structural and mass timber erection & safety plans.

Several quality control activities are planned, including first work inspection for structural steel Installation, pre-installation meeting for mega trusses and mock-up installations and review.

We are pleased to report that, the project site has remained safe since groundbreaking. The project team was on task to bring its "A game", particularly in the area of public interaction with the project boundary to ensure site safety and logistical coherence. We made it through without hiccups during the 2019 Washington County Fair. With expected activity ramping up over the next several months, safety is of utmost importance. Safety first, safety always!!

Last but not least, the project schedule is holding firm due to vigorous and participatory team collaboration. As always, we are thankful to our stakeholders and County leadership for all the support.



Above: Final preparations to the Loading Dock area are made prior to concrete pour



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Project Schedule

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WBS / Activity	Activity ID	Start	Finish
WCEC Milestone Schedule		4/30/2019 A	4/13/2020
◆ Foundations Complete	A1000	4/30/2019A	4/30/2019 A
◆ Area A SOG Complete	A1010	5/21/2019 A	5/21/2019 A
◆ Area B SOG Complete	A1020	6/5/2019	6/5/2019
◆ Area C SOG Complete	A1030	11/11/2019 A	11/11/2019 ...
◆ Area D SOG Complete	A1040	11/20/2019 A	11/20/2019 ...
◆ Start of Structural Steel	A1050	7/31/2019 A	7/31/2019 A
◆ Structural Steel Complete	A1060	10/14/2019 A	10/14/2019 ...
◆ Start of Mass Timber	A1070	8/30/2019 A	8/30/2019 A
◆ Mass Timber Complete	A1080	10/4/2019 A	10/4/2019 A
◆ Start of Roofing	A1090	10/1/2019 A	10/1/2019 A
◆ Roofing Complete	A1100	11/15/2019 A	11/15/2019 ...
◆ Start MEP Building Rough In	A1110	10/21/2019 A	10/21/2019 ..
◆ MEP Building Rough In Complete	A1120	3/23/2020 A	3/23/2020 A
◆ PGE Power Complete	A1130	3/2/2020 A	3/2/2020 A
◆ Start Solar Installation	A1140	11/19/2019 A	11/19/2019 ...
◆ Solar Installation Complete	A1150	1/27/2020 A	1/27/2020 A
◆ Start of Building Finishes	A1160	10/28/2019 A	10/28/2019 ...
◆ Building Finishes Complete	A1170	4/13/2020 A	4/13/2020 A
◆ Start of Landscape	A1180	10/9/2019 A	10/9/2019 A
◆ Landscape Complete	A1190	2/24/2020 A	2/24/2020 A

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