



Domino Development Features Precast Panels

WILLIAMSBURG, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

Two Trees Management is converting the site of a historic Domino Sugar refinery (above) and the adjacent land into a five-building mixed-use community. The 3-million-ft² mega-development includes renovation of the refinery along with construction of several large multi-use buildings, including a 42-story mixed-use residential building that will feature a façade of 993 architectural precast concrete panels.

The buildings will surround Domino Park, a park and waterfront esplanade that includes an urban beach. The park opened this summer, ahead of construction on the other buildings. A five-block-long elevated Artifact Walk documents the history of the 160-year-old refinery building and the area, featuring original factory machinery and architectural features salvaged from the warehouse. Landscaped sections and a picnic area, food stations, and other amenities line the path to the Walk.

The south-end park offers more active spaces, including a dog run, bocce court, sports field, and volleyball court. At the center, Water Square features such amenities as a four-level seating section, a space for viewing the river, a garden decorated with the refinery's original syrup tanks, and a central water feature.

When completed, the 10-year project will reportedly contain 2,300 apartments, 500,000 ft² of commercial space, and a new school. For more on the architectural precast concrete panels, see the article on 3-D printing techniques on page 14 in this issue.

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Smith-Midland Names New CEO

MIDLAND, VIRGINIA

Smith-Midland Corp. has appointed Ashley Smith its new chief executive officer, replacing Rodney Smith, who remains chairman of the board.

Smith, son of Rodney Smith, began his full-time career with the company 33 years ago in the Sales & Marketing department.

He was named president and chief operating officer in 2008 and has been involved with management and oversight of all company divisions throughout his tenure. He was named to the board in 1994.



Smith-Midland Signs Largest Contract

MIDLAND, VIRGINIA

FAM Construction LLC (a joint venture of Ferrovia Agroman US and Allan Myers) has named Smith-Midland to supply 900,000 ft² of its SoftSound brand noise-absorptive precast concrete soundwall panels for the Interstate 66 Outside the Beltway express lanes project in northern Virginia.

The 22.5-mile-long project will provide two express lanes alongside three regular lanes on I-66 from Interstate 495 to Route 29 in Gainesville, Va., along with other amenities and space reserved for future transit options. The Midland, Va., plant began production this summer, with final project completions scheduled for 2022.

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