New Calgary office building going up at University Research Park

Global headquarters for Computer Modelling Group

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Rendering of Computer Modelling Group's, new global headquarters, to be built at University Research Park in Calgary. Renderings courtesy of IBI Group Architects Engineers.

CALGARY - It's not often that new office space is breaking ground in the northwest part of the city.

But well-known Calgary builder Remington Development Corporation is building a new global headquarters for Computer Modelling Group in the University Research Park area, adjacent to the University of Calgary.

"It's a perfect location for a globally-minded research and development technology company such as CMG," said Cody Clayton, president of Remington, adding it is near the Brentwood LRT station, nearby parking, bike paths, green space, and the neighbouring communities of Brentwood, Varsity and Silver Springs.

Clayton said there isn't much new office construction taking place in northwest Calgary these days.

"There's a serious lack of land zoned for office up in the northwest . . . There's certainly a demand for office space in the northwest. There's so many people that live up in the northwest quadrant of the city.

It would be the easiest commute for them and the nodes that have developed really are in the southeast and the northeast for offices."

The just over 90,000-square-foot building is expected to be completed in the spring of 2017 with a LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) designation. It will have 44 surface parking spaces, 193 underground parking spaces, and 36,500 square feet of park and green space.

Peter and Justin Mayerchak of Colliers International in Calgary were involved in finding the location for the building and in the design of it. They represented CMG in the transaction.

"We are excited about the dedicated floor for our customer-focused activities, including training rooms and ample meeting space," said Ken Dedeluk, president and chief executive of CMG. "By bringing our Calgary-based employees back together in one office, we increase efficiency and encourage collaboration."

The company, with just over 200 employees, is currently located in two offices near where its new building is being constructed. Dedeluk said having all employees in one building will allow the company to manage long-term costs and focus its investment on product development and research and development.

The software company was established in 1978 and went public in 1997. It provides software principally for oil and gas companies which predicts the performance of reservoirs.

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