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Preserving the Good in Goodrich Apartments

June 8, 2010 (Grand Rapids, MI) – Fryling Wolverine is pleased to announce preservation work on Goodrich Apartments at 333 & 339 South Division in downtown Grand Rapids. Construction has begun on the 32,000 square foot building, renovating 14 low-rent apartments subsidized by the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA.) Goodrich Apartments is managed by The Dwelling Place, a non-profit affordable housing developer that focuses on revitalizing existing neighborhoods. DTS + Winkelmann is the architect.

The Goodrich Building has been a component of the Historic Heartside District of Grand Rapids since 1891 when it was first built as the Schuchardt & De la Mater. Since then the building has held a variety of tenants over its history reflecting the changing atmosphere of the neighborhood. The Dwelling Place purchased the building in 1983. Today renovation is necessary to preserve the historic building and provide quality homes to deserving residents for many years to come.

The Fryling Wolverine team plans heavy renovations to mostly interior components including upgrades to electrical and plumbing systems, as well as installing new flooring, cabinetry, and finishes. Construction also includes minor demolition for barrier-free units to accommodate handicap residents, adding two skylights, and rebuilding the street-front sidewalk to match the Cathedral Square theme across the street. The estimated project cost is \$1.2 M.

Fryling Wolverine will be following sustainable construction practices during renovation as The Dwelling Place plans to seek L.E.E.D. certification for Goodrich Apartments.

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