



Fifth floor of site.

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\$43.7 million for MCC downtown site

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Contracts for work totaling \$43.7 million on Monroe Community College's new downtown campus have been approved by the County Legislature.

The seven contracts, approved by the legislature at its Tuesday meeting, were awarded in a competitive bidding process by the county's purchasing office. The bids selected were 5 percent lower than cost estimates, said county spokesman Justin Feasel.

Feasel said that steps could now be taken to begin the extensive renovations in November to the cluster of buildings that will become MCC's new downtown campus. The buildings, located at the corner of State Street and Morrie Silver Way, had been part of Eastman Kodak's corporate headquarters.

The renovations are expected to be completed by the fall of 2017. Monroe County is the local sponsor of MCC, which is part of the State University of New York system.

MCC currently rents space in the Sibley Building for its Damon City Campus.

Contractors awarded work include:

- Manning-Squires-Henning Co., Inc., \$18,647,000 million for general construction.

- Elmer W. Davis Inc., \$3,801,000 for roof construction.
- Schindler Elevator Corp., \$1,082,000 for elevator construction.
- Monroe Piping & Sheet Metal, LLC, \$1,185,300 for fire protection construction.
- Thurston Dudek, LCC, \$1,735,900 for plumbing construction.
- Crosby-Brownlie, Inc., \$10,782,900 for mechanical (HVAC) construction.
- Schuler-Haas Electric Corp., \$6,495,750 for electrical construction.

The county has committed \$36 million for the new \$78 million downtown campus, with the state matching that \$36 million. Another \$6 million comes from grants obtained by MCC and the county and matched by SUNY.

MCC expects to use about 250,000 square feet in the cluster of buildings for its downtown campus.

Work on the new site began last December and included asbestos abatement, utility separation, fire alarm decommissioning and sprinkler removal.

In the county's statement announcing the award of the seven contracts, MCC President Anne Kress is quoted as saying that the "goal is to create a dynamic, innovative and welcoming learning environment that matches the aspirations of our students and meets the needs of the local community, and to do that within budget."

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