

Press Release

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Ramada Oasis Hotel to host Groundbreaking for expansion of Convention Center

Springfield, MO – A groundbreaking ceremony is set for 4 p.m., Monday, November 7, 2011, for the expansion project at the Ramada Oasis Hotel & Convention Center, 2546 N. Glenstone Avenue.

The Ramada Oasis is excited to begin expansion of the convention center that will add an additional 13,000 square feet of space.

“The project will consist of adding three meeting/banquet rooms that will each accommodate 150-250 guests, a new airwall system that will allow the three new meeting rooms to open into the present convention center creating space that will accommodate up to 1,300 guests for banquet events and up to 1,800 guests for meetings,” said Missy Handyside, general manager. “There will also be a new convention center lobby that will attach with an enclosed walkway to the Ramada Oasis Hotel and Fire & Ice Restaurant & Bar.”

The current convention center will be completely renovated and will offer a tropical contemporary décor with state-of-the-art audiovisual.

“It will be absolutely gorgeous and offer everything a meeting or group planner expects in a first class facility,” Handyside said.

The decision to add additional space is due to the demand of the current client base as well as the many requests from meeting/convention/group planners that have expressed interest in booking events with the Ramada but needed additional and more versatile space.

Robert Low, owner of the Ramada Oasis Hotel & Convention Center selected Slone Architects to design the project and Killian Construction to construct it. Brenda Van Eps with Studio V Design is the lead interior designer on the project. Completion date is scheduled for May 31, 2012. Handyside confirmed that they already have groups contracted in the convention center beginning in June 2012.

For more information about the expansion project at the Ramada Oasis Hotel & Convention Center, contact Missy Handyside at 522-7710 or mhandyside@springfieldoasis.com.

Directions to the ground breaking ceremony: 2546 N. Glenstone. Enter the Ramada Oasis Hotel’s parking lot and follow drive behind the hotel. Ground breaking will take place in the parking lot adjacent to the current convention center. A reception will immediately follow in the indoor atrium area of the Ramada Oasis Hotel.

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