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### **JMI REALTY SELECTS CONTRACTOR FOR THE VAN ZANDT HOTEL & RESIDENCES** *Walton South to Start Construction in April*

*Dallas, Texas* – Walton South, LLC was recently selected by JMI Realty, Inc as the general contractor for The Van Zandt Hotel + Residences in Downtown Austin, Texas.

Located near Town Lake, at the intersection of Red River and Davis Street, The Van Zandt is a mixed-use project consisting of 284 boutique hotel rooms, over 10,000 square feet of upscale meeting space and for-sale condominiums located in the top 11 floors of the building. The 516,600 square-foot project will include the construction of an elevated amenities level including a full-service spa, three-meal restaurant, and a guest pool deck featuring an urban-chic bar and live music stage. In addition, a private pool and lounge area will be provided for the Van Zandt Residences on the 17<sup>th</sup> floor.

The Van Zandt was designed by Hornberger + Worstell of San Francisco and WDG Architecture of Dallas, and will be managed by Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants, located in San Francisco. Both JMI Realty and Walton South have previously worked with Kimpton to complete prominent hotels. In 2005, JMI Realty completed the Hotel Solamar in San Diego, and Walton has recently completed the Dallas Palomar Hotel, both Kimpton managed boutique hotels.

Construction of The Van Zandt, 605 Davis Street, will start on April 2. For information concerning the subcontracting needs of this project, contact Rick Bachmeyer, Walton's director of preconstruction services, at 214.219.2255 or 214.995.5080.

JMI Realty has completed numerous hotels across the nation including recent projects such as the 511-room Omni San Diego Hotel and Metropolitan Condominiums and a full-service Marriott in Del Mar, Calif.

Walton South is a joint-venture partnership between Walton Construction Company, LLC and Baird Building Group. Established in 1985, Walton Construction maintains full-service offices in Dallas, Kansas City, St. Louis, Springfield, Mo., New Orleans and Shreveport, La. Baird

Building Group was established in 2004 and is based out of Dallas, Texas. Baird has projects in Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Texas.

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