Luxury Condo Complex Completed

Expertise ensures Belvedere Place goes up effortlessly

Belvedere Place, the six-story residential development next to the Bacardi building, has recently been completed.

Harrichand Sukdeo, of developers West Hamilton Holdings Limited, says, "The construction was substantially completed on schedule in the middle of August. We are 60 percent occupied and with strong interest in the remaining units. I anticipate the residential building to be fully occupied very soon."

West Hamilton has planning permission to construct a sister building next door, as well as planning permission to add two more levels of parking to the existing structure that fronts Pitts Bay Road.

Property experts believe there is strong demand in this immediate area for development, fueled by the well-established Waterfront complex, the new office space at Waterloo House, the rejuvenated Hamilton Princess Hotel and the presence of Bacardi's world headquarters.

"Contractors are approaching us looking for the opportunity to bid on these projects," says Sukdeo. "When the time is right, they will both go forward, commencing with the additional levels of parking."

The construction at Belvedere Place went very smoothly with the only issue some ground conditions that were described as a minimal problem with easy remedies available. "Of course it did add a little to the cost of the building that was unforeseen", says Sukdeo, "but other than that we did not have any issues to deal with".

Architects BotelhoWood drew inspiration from the neighbouring Bacardi building

Belvedere Place nearing completion

"One reason the construction went so smoothly", says architect Germano Botelho, a partner in BotelhoWood, "is because of the level of detail in the drawings. It all starts with the drawings. If you're giving a contractor information to build from, and it's not clear, they make guess at it, or make it up. We draw out everything. There is no guessing".

The building has been designed to harmonise with the adjacent iconic international headquarters of Bacardi. World famous German-American architect Ludwig Mies van der Rohe created the well-known Bacardi building using a precise composition of monumental steel columns and an overhanging roof plane with a glass enclosure. These same elements were the inspiration for Belvedere Place architects BotelhoWood.

"The design of Belvedere Place complements the Bacardi building and its architecture" explains Botelho. "We've taken some of its features like the full height glazing, which looks fantastic. We have also introduced some Bermuda features, such as a traditional Bermuda roof, as well such as large balconies from which residents can enjoy the views. Some apartments look out over the waters of the Great Sound and beyond."

Belvedere Place features refined interior design and high-end finishes, as one would expect for luxury urban living. The interiors may be customised to meet the tastes of the buyer.

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