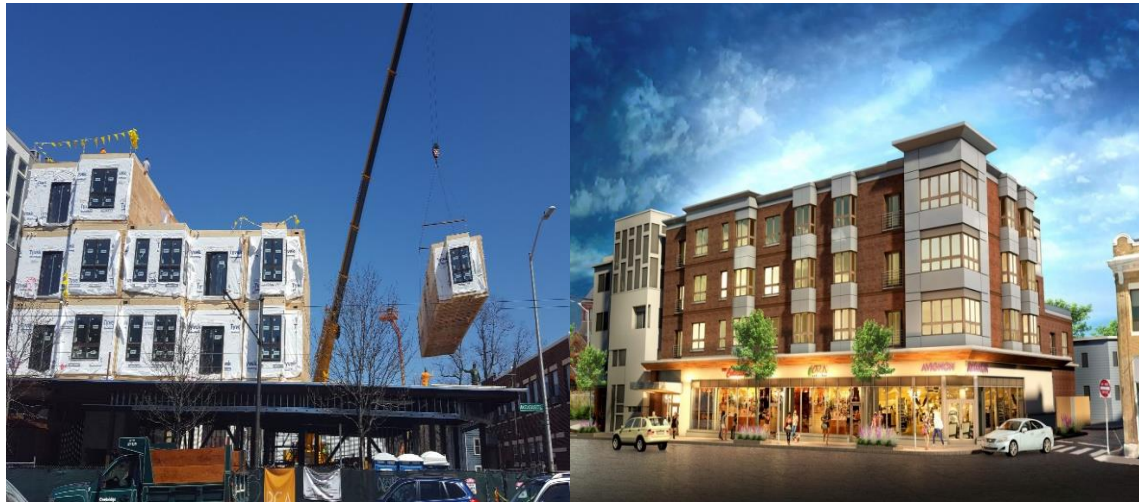


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Going Up The Fast Way: Modular Construction Project by Urban Spaces Construction is a Cambridge Sensation

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The Rand, developed by Stone River Properties and Urban Spaces

Porter Square in Cambridge has been buzzing the last few days as a giant crane lifted modules into place that will soon become 20 new residential units at **1975 Massachusetts Avenue**.

“It was so exciting watching the building take shape and people stopping their cars and bikes to take photographs and videos on their phones,” said **Paul Ognibene**, CEO of Urban Spaces, a Cambridge based real estate development company.

Located down the street from the Porter Square Mall and MBTA Red Line Station, the new development will have 4,000 square feet of street level retail space and off-street parking for the 19 new condominium units and one single family home.

“Using pre-fabricated construction has significantly sped up our building process and allowed us to offer these new units to residents much sooner than conventional methods,” **Paul Ognibene** said. “This technology is more efficient than traditional stick-built construction because units are produced with precision in a controlled factory resulting in reduced waste and less environmental impact. With this state-of-the-art methodology, quality materials are used and careful attention is paid to detail.” Paul Ognibene said.

The new building will be called The Rand (www.RandCambridge.com), named after Benjamin Rand, a Cambridge carriage maker who purchased the land and built his home nearby in 1813.