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# BRIX Condominiums on track for completion in Salem

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BRIX Condominiums remains on track for a summer 2021 completion, with Groom Construction continuing the momentum despite the COVID-19 crisis.

Groom met any challenge related to the crisis head-on by proactively certifying superintendents and field employees in COVID-19 safety measures.

“We continually provide training to prepare our team for an immediate response to any given situation,” said Graeme Poole, project executive at Groom. “Our team was able to quickly address issues that others might take for granted — like running hot water, often a novelty for a site only months into construction. As a result, the project never had to shut down despite the challenging environment of COVID-19.”

The 61-unit BRIX Condominium project recently held a ribbon-cutting for its sales office heralding almost 50 back-to-back appointments the first week. Salem Mayor Kim Driscoll joined the BRIX team as well as many other local dignitaries to celebrate this important project to the Salem community.

“Working with Mayor Driscoll and the city of Salem in an open and collaborative manner has been incredibly gratifying,” said Paul Ognibene, CEO of Urban Spaces at the sales gallery opening. “We’re proud to have had the opportunity to develop BRIX, a building that will make a beautiful contribution to historic downtown Salem, one of America’s municipal treasures.”

BRIX’s transitional design reflects the historic nature of the city with a modern flair. Located at 65 Washington St., 100 yards from the city’s recently updated regional rail station and MBTA Commuter Rail Newburyport/Rockport Line, the mixed-use development will provide condominium owners immediate access to both rail and bus transportation.

The landmark development comprises 61 condominiums, with one-, two- and three-bedroom units, approximately 3,000 square footage of retail/commercial space, a recreational facility, a multi-purpose library and

common space. The project includes lower-level and ground-level parking for 61 total spaces, six tandem spaces and up to 21 owner purchased sticker units.

“This is our second project with developer Urban Spaces,” said David Groom, principal of Groom Construction. “Our team has worked collaboratively with their leadership, Tise Architects and the city of Salem on this landmark project in historic downtown. As a Salem-based company, we are proud to be one of the core teams as its builder.”

BRIX was developed jointly by Urban Spaces and Diamond Sinacori.