

#### 90 ARBORETUM NEW HAMPSHIRE'S FIRST MASS TIMBER BUILDING: FROM CONCEPT TO CONSTRUCTION

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## 90 ARBORETUM NEWINGTON, NH

## **SAM ALTREUTER** FARLEY WHITE INTERESTS

#### FW is an real estate investor who:

- Buys existing buildings
- Builds new buildings
- Buys with the intent of major renovation and value creation

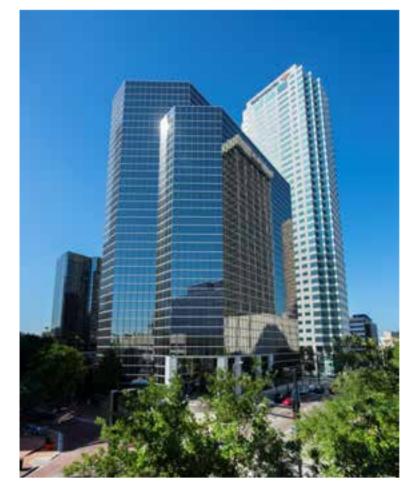
#### **Our Portfolio Includes:**

- Urban & Suburban Office buildings many of which are mill buildings
- Locations include: MA. NH and Florida





Wannalancit Mills 650 Suffolk Lowell, MA. **150 Apollo Drive** Chelmsford, MA



**Fifth Third** Tampa, FL



**Wannalancit Mills** Typical Interiors Before **Wannalancit Mills** Typical Interiors After





**32 Wiggins** Before **32 Wiggins** After



**55 Executive Drive** Before



**55 Executive Drive** After



**480 Pleasant Street** Before



**480 Pleasant Street** After

#### Most of our projects are conservative and focus on cost control and predictability

#### We became aware of the potential that comes from Mass Timber

- Mill-like aesthetic without tight column spacing much sought after in today's market
- High ceilings and exposed mechanical / electrical ability to treat exposed elements in in a sculptural manner
- Positive environmental attributes carbon sequestration in particular



**90 Arboretum** Entry Lobby



**90 Arboretum** Typical Tenant Floor

#### **Our Approach**

- Work with an Architect and Contractor we know well We have over 2 decades of experience with each on 90 Arboretum
- Purchase the timber structure on a design/build basis
- Heavy use and reliance on 3D computer modeling
- Mock up major systems in an existing similar building prior to purchasing



**90 Arboretum** CLT Shear Wall Core



**90 Arboretum** CLT Shear Wall Core & Framing

#### Where we are today

- Regulatory hurdles caused us to start work in the fall and erect the frame in the winter
  Today the frame is up and nearly enclosed
- In discussions with two potential tenants



## 90 ARBORETUM NEWINGTON, NH

**JEFF TOMPKINS** SGA

## SGA is a tech forward design firm with multiple disciplines :

- Architecture / Master planning
- Virtual Design & Construction
- Interior Design
- Environmental Branding
- Graphic Design

#### Our markets focus on:

- Commercial Office
- Life Science
- Higher Education
- Accelerators & Incubators
- Sustainability
- Passive house

We pioneer tech-forward design that redefines how projects are visualized & delivered. Our team-first approach and trademark creativity coupled with our technological abilities have resulted in over 300M of successful, innovative commissions with certainty of outcome.





#### Why Mass Timber?

- It fits our sustainability goals
- It fits our desire to innovate
- When designed correctly it has a high certainty of outcome and high aesthetic value
- The 90 Arboretum project allowed the firm to leverage expertise from all of our design disciplines
- Cost competitive

#### **Project Challenges & Solutions:**

- Regulatory NH had not yet adopted the 2015 IBC that allowed Mass Timber construction
  - SGA worked with the state Fire Marshall to allow the use of 2015 IBC while it was being debated at the State House.
- MEP/FP Consultants unfamiliar with the structural system
  - Model EVERYTHING! We modeled every piece of the MEP/FP and Architectural Systems in many cases up to a LOD 400





#### **Project Challenges & Solutions:**

- Lateral Bracing System Many options
  - CIP Concrete?
  - Steel Brace Frames?
  - CLT CORES!
- CLT shear walls made the most sense for the project aesthetic and keeping it simple and predictable.
- Once the team modeled all the MEP pathways it was actually Less coordination risk between trades.
- Aesthetics were in keeping with the ultimate design goal
- We liked the connection details as well





#### **Metrics and Planning:**

- Efficient multi tenant floor plates
- 23,326 GSF / Floor
- 72,978 GSF Total
- 20'-0" x 25'-0"
- 14'-0" Floor to Floor
- CLT Shear Walls
- Concrete Foundation
- SOG at Floor 1
- 3" LW conc. topping slab floors 2-3



Common Area
Office Area

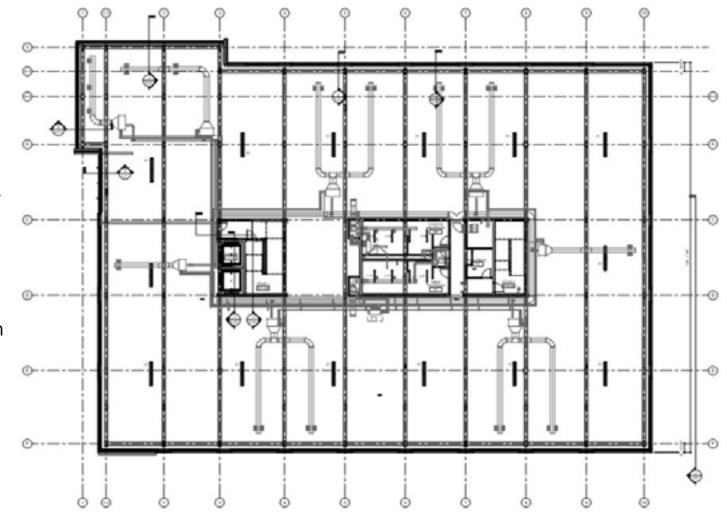
#### **Metrics and Planning:**

- Contemporary aesthetics with charm of a mill building interior.
- Curtainwall entry element
- ACM & Trespa rain screen exterior wall system
- Aluminum storefront punched windows
- Maximize glazing to meet energy code but also to expose as much of the CLT from the exterior as possible



#### **Metrics and Planning:**

- Energy efficient HVAC and lighting systems
- Variable Refrigerant Flow (VRF) Heating & Cooling condensers.
  - 1 Interior & Exterior zone per column bay
- Energy Recovery Ventilator (ERV) fresh air system
  - VRF & ERV lighter weight than typical RTU or cooling tower systems
- LED strip lighting fixtures



#### **Metrics and Planning:**

- Fully exposed structure is a desirable outcome
- All systems were highly modeled and coordinated
- All systems are exposed and all pathways, included future tenant needs, were planned
  - Additional beam penetrations were coordinated for tenant use
- The building was classified as Type 5 construction to allow the tenant to install ceilings in specialized areas





CLT Shear Wall Connection

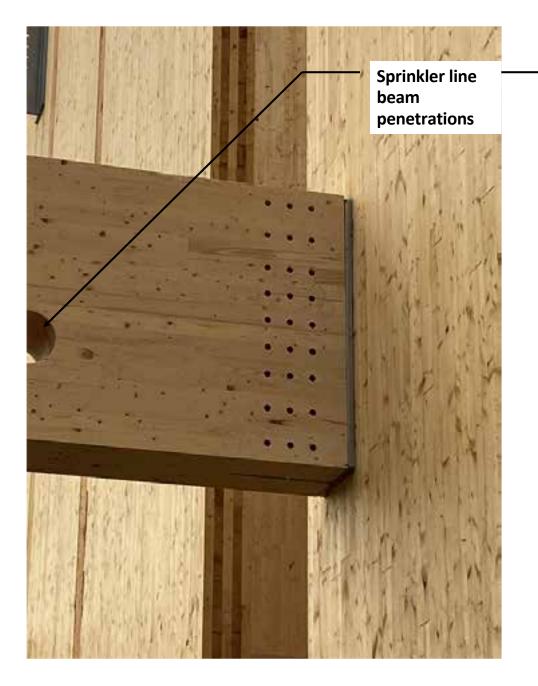




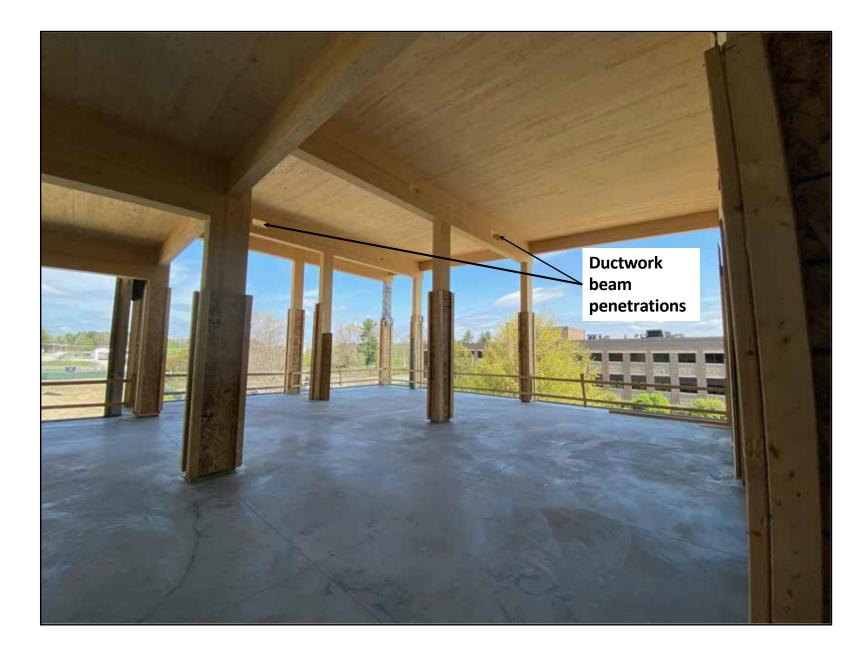
CLT Shear Walls



CLT Shear Walls + Framing



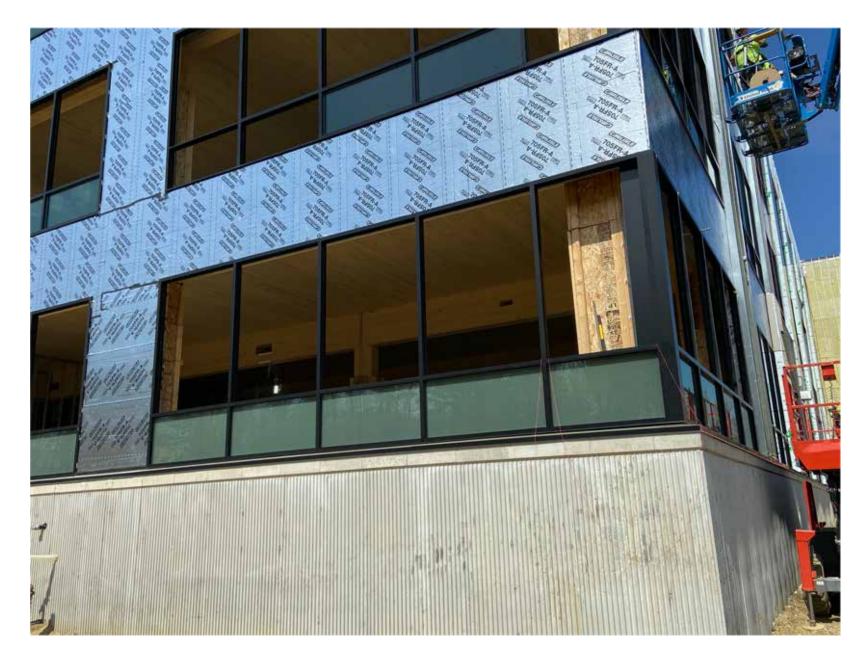




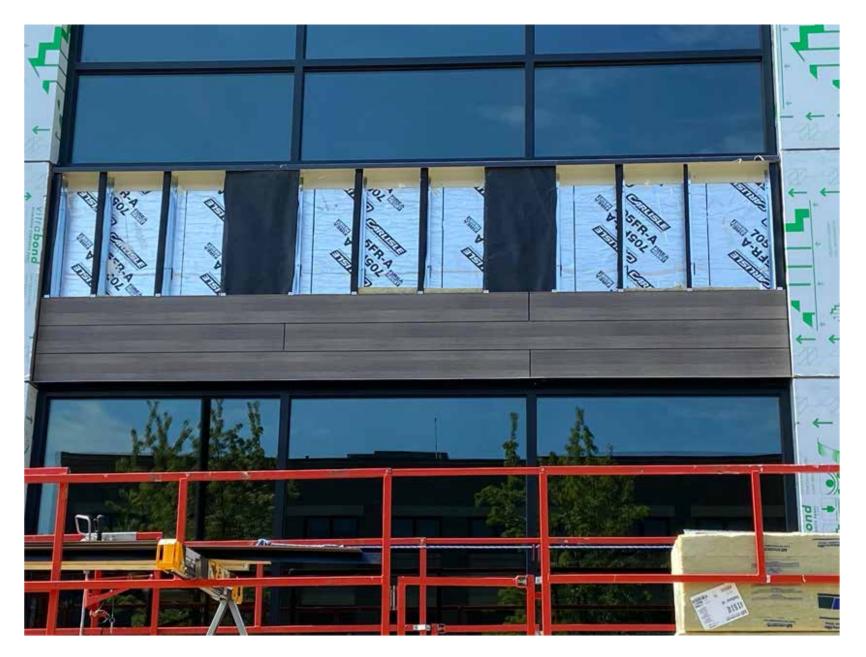




Exterior Wall System

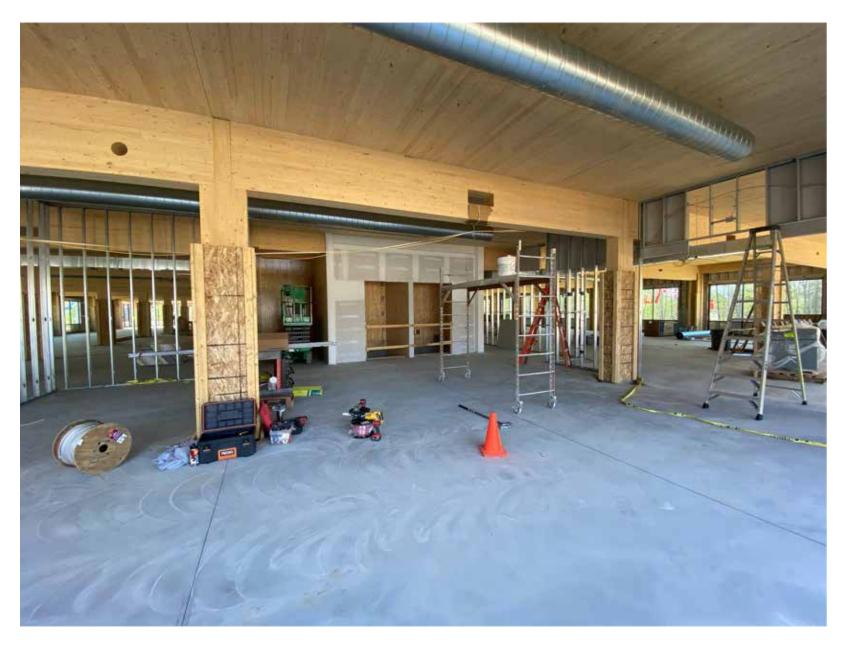


Exterior Wall System



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Lobby Under Construction



#### HVAC System Under Construction



HVAC System Under Construction

**THANK YOU.** Q +A

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