Timothy Haahs & Associates, Inc. NEWSLETTER

#### **Focus**

#### A Year of Transition, Growth, and Celebration



This year we have been fortunate to see a number of exciting things take place at TimHaahs. Each event or recognition has been extremely important. We feel blessed that these things were possible,

and are encouraged by what they mean for us now and in the future.

Last spring we held our second Parking Seminar, hosted by our office in Miami, FL. The seminar gave our clients, associates, and friends in Miami, and throughout the South, the opportunity to benefit from what this unique event has to offer.

This fall we celebrated the official opening of our office in Atlanta, GA. Our Atlanta office is already making their presence known, working on a number of noteworthy projects, including the prime design of two parking structures at Valdosta State University.

This year TimHaahs was privileged to be recognized nationally as one of the fastest growing firms by Zweig White's Hot Firm list for 2007. This annual list features the nation's fastest growing architectural, engineering, and environmental firms.

In addition, we were also honored with our induction into the Philadelphia 100 Hall of Fame. The Philadelphia 100 recognizes the fastest growing privately held companies in the Greater Philadelphia region. The Hall of Fame distinction acknowledges those firms which have been named to the list five times.

This has been a busy year for us in terms of growth, and in stretching ourselves on a national scale. We hope that this year has brought each of you remarkable success and growth as well.

However, while it is our hope that your professional achievements are great, we hope that your personal developments are greater; because at the end of the day, we all know that is what's most important. Have a great 2008!

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Timothy H. Haahs, P.E. President

#### **Master Planning**

# Successful Future Development Starts Now

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Today, the key to making sure any project becomes a successful reality hinges on the creation of a quality master plan. One of the most important reasons for this is that development has finally evolved to the point of realizing just how important parking is for project success. Creating a master plan not only helps to locate parking appropriately in relation to the surrounding development, but it also helps to plan for cost.



When planning for development, it is important to keep in mind that creating an effective master plan is critical. Planning for future development benefits everyone involved, from government officials and developers, to business owners and residents – setting criteria for a suc A master plan is an important asset for effectively integrating housing, retail, and office space with safe and convenient parking.

business owners and residents – setting criteria for a successful project, identifying key program elements and design parameters, and understanding the ramifications of each of these decisions.

Master planning is valuable because it provides a strategy for implementing best practices for all the desired uses on a site. A master plan is an important asset for integrating housing, retail, and office space, together with safe and convenient parking. Identifying and "right sizing" each of the program components early in the planning process – including parking – set a project on the path to success.

In decades past, a more common approach to development was to group housing in one area, while entertainment, retail, restaurant, and work destinations were sited in separate locations further away. This increased commuting times, costs, and inefficiency, as people drove to many locations to get things done.

Creating a master plan for any development, large or small, can add significant value to the project and the surrounding neighborhood. Whether the goal is to develop an entire area of a town, city, or campus; to revitalize an urban corridor; or to implement a master plan for parking; taking the vital first step and creating a master plan can drive the proposed project to successful completion.

# Best practices for all desired uses of a site

# **MASTER PLAN**

As the popularity of mixed-use buildings and developments has flourished, we have witnessed considerable positive change in this area. Project owners and developers now recognize the benefits to incorporating many uses in one area, resulting in countless successful projects like Reston Town Center in Reston, Virginia, and Mizner Park in Boca Raton Florida. Having a quality master plan helps to take great ideas like these and turn them into successful and profitable results.

# **PROJECT SHOWCASE**

| Rahway Town Center                     | Rahway, New Jersey         |
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| Savannah River Landing                 | Savannah, Georgia          |
| Phoenixville Shopping Center           | Phoenixville, Pennsylvania |
| Kennesaw State University              | Kennesaw, Georgia          |
| Florida International University       | Miami, Florida             |
| Norristown Mixed-Use Parking Structure | Norristown, Pennsylvania   |
| Miami Jai-Alai Feasibility Study       | Miami, Florida             |

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Parking is becoming the heart of development, and it plays a particularly critical role in making a master planned or mixed-use development a success...

Rahway Town Center Master Plan

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The Rahway Town Center and Transportation Center

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## **FOCUS on Rahway**



have already created numerous opportunities for future development in the city.

# "Redevelopment & Revitalization"

In 2002, the City of Rahway was designated by the New Jersey Department of Transportation as a "Transit Village", recognizing it as a community which has adopted the principles of "Smart Growth." This was a major acknowledgement for the City, which has long embraced a vision for economic revitalization.

Rahway's commitment to redevelopment has already brought about a number of plans and projects to realize that vision. The Rahway Parking Authority agreed to reprogram certain parking lots throughout the city as development sites for residential and mixed-use projects. This resulted in the construction of the Rahway Transportation Center, a multi-use garage, with office space for the Rahway Parking Authority. TimHaahs provided prime design services for the Center, which incorporates the excess parking capacity from these planned redevelopment projects.

In addition to the Transportation Center, TimHaahs is also designing the Rahway Town Center Master Plan. This will result in a new "public square" atmosphere for the city. The Town Center will include parking facilities, a civic plaza, outdoor theater, shopping district, residential units, a police station and a variety of entertainment venues.

The Rahway Town Center and Transportation Center have already created numerous opportunities for further development in the City. Both developments will help make Rahway a vibrant destination for visitors, as well as residents of the City and the surrounding areas.

#### **Focus on Restoration**

#### Sam Bhuyan, P.E. Joins Timothy Haahs & Associates, Inc.



Sam Bhuyan joins TimHaahs as our new parking structure restoration specialist. Sam has over 25 years of experience in the structural evaluation and restoration of concrete structures, including over 500 parking structures.

He has frequently been involved in the evaluation, selection, and implementation of corrosion protection systems and repair methods for existing and new structures.

In addition to his extensive restoration experience, Sam's background also includes significant structural design experience related to commercial, institutional, and industrial buildings. Throughout his career Sam has managed a number of extremely complex projects, as well as played a major role in the development and implementation of project quality assurance and quality control plans.

As an acknowledged international expert, Sam is a frequent speaker at professional association seminars, national conferences, and university continuing education programs. He also co-authored the book Parking, Planning, Design, Construction, Maintenance, and Repair.

TimHaahs is excited about the new opportunities Sam will bring to our team. With Sam's knowledge and experience, we will now be better equipped to serve our clients as a leader in the planning and design of parking and mixed-use structures.

#### **Focus on Atlanta**

## **Atlanta Office Open House**



On October 3, 2007 TimHaahs celebrated the official opening of our newest office in Atlanta, GA.

The open house gave TimHaahs staff in Atlanta, as well as representatives from our Miami and Blue Bell offices, the chance to get together with clients and friends. The event received a great deal of positive feed back.

The turnout for the Atlanta open house was encouraging, and we are excited about the opportunities this new office will bring to our firm. Atlanta is a great new market for us, and we look forward to serving our current and future clients in the area.

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#### **Awards and Press**

Hot Firm List, Zweig White wning A/E Firms Nationwide One of the Fastesrt G

Best Firm to Work For Structural Engineer Magazine Ranked 6 out of Top 15 N

Outstanding Project Award, Excellence in Structural Engineering Delaware Valley Association of Structural Engineers University of Medicine and Dentistry Norfolk Expansion/Student Housing, Newark, NJ

Award of Excellence for Parking Equipment Award of Merit for Innovation and Design of a New Parking Facility Pennsylvania Parking Association Paoli Hospital Parking Structure, Paoli, PA

Philadelphia 100, Hall of Fame Philadelphia Business Journal List of the fastest growing, privately held companies in the Greater Philadelphia Region

#### New Jersey Parking Parking Institute A. J. Ward Award Recognizing Timothy Haahs, P.E.



▲This November, Timothy Haahs received the New Jersey Parking Institute's A.J. Ward Award. The award recognizes those individuals who have gone out of their way to help improve the parking industry.

### Speaking Out

Ed Rahme, AIA

Pennsylvania Parking Association "The Mixed-Use Development: The Role of Parking Today" September 2007

New Jersey Parking Institute

"The Mixed-Use Development Case Study & Rahway Town Center" November 2007

Timothy H Haahs PF New Jersey Downtown Revitalization and

Management Institute "Overcoming Downtown Parking Challenges: The Role of Parking Today" July 2007

Todd J. Helmer, P.E New York State Parking Association "The Mixed-Use Development: The Role of Parking Today" October 2007

#### Roamy R. Valera, CAPP

Park Across America "Public Parking Challenges and Opportunities" October 2007





#### **Current Projects**

#### **Pennsvlvania**

Riverwalk Intermodal Mixed-Use Facility - Easton Riddle Memorial Hospital Garage - Media 7 Tower Bridge - Conshohocken Lancaster Newspapers Parking Study - Lancaster East Stroudsburg University Feasibility Study -

Douglassville Bucks County Parking Management Plan - Doylestown Park Towne Place Restoration - Philadelphia Cira South Parking Structure - Philadelphia

#### **New Jersey**

Kennedy Health System, Washington Township Structure -Turnersville The Peninsula at Bayonne Harbor - Bayonne Pier Village – Long Branch Ocean Place Development Consulting - Long Branch Easton Avenue Mixed-Use Facility - New Brunswick

#### Delaware

Bayhealth Medical Center Parking Structure - Dover

#### Florida

Miami Courthouse Mixed-Use Facility - Miami The Blue Rose - Orlando Bay Harbor Island - Miami Naples 8th Street Garage - Naples Jupiter Medical Center - Jupiter Miami Jai-Alai Feasibility & Concept - Miami MIMO 2nd Avenue Study - Miami MIMO Biscayne Boulevard Study - Miami

#### Georgia

Kennesaw State University Master Plan - Kennesaw Overton Park Mixed-Use Development - Atlanta Valdosta State University Parking Structures - Valdosta Georgia State University Parking Concept - Atlanta Perimeter Center East Mixed-Use Development - Atlanta Capital Building – Atlanta

**South Carolina** 

City of Beaufort Concept - Beaufort

#### Maryland

T. Rowe Price Design - Owings Mills T. Rowe Price Phase 3 Garage - Owings Mills Towson Town Center - Towson University of Maryland - Shady Grove

#### Virginia

Norfolk Hilton Parking Structure - Norfolk Belharbour Station Parking & Mixed-Use Structure -Virginia Beach NGA Garage - Fort Belvoir Potomac Town Center - Woodbridge

#### **Rhode Island**

Providence Parking Structure Feasibility - Providence

#### **New York**

Walden Galleria Parking Structure - Cheektowaga Yonkers Parking Authority Consulting - Yonkers Albany Parking Authority Feasibility - Albany

#### Tennessee

The Crown Office Building Parking Structure - Nashville Bradley Memorial Hospital Study - Brentwood

#### Arizona

St. Joseph's Hospital & Medical Center Update - Phoenix

#### International

Abu Dhabi Hotel - Dubai Zayed Lahore Consultation - Pakistan Guyana Master Plan - Guyana

We exist to help those in need.

We emphasize assisting those medical, religious, and charitable organizations (as well as individuals) directly involved with helping those in need.

We believe that the best way to accomplish this mission is to become a recognized leader in our chosen field and profession, and provide engineering and architectural services that are not merely adequate, but distinguished.

We will use, to the best of our abilities, our God-given talents in Architectural Design, Structural Engineering, Parking Consultation, and Project Management.

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