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## **THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK OFFICIALLY BREAKS GROUND FOR THEIR NEW POLICE HEADQUARTERS**

HIGHLAND PARK, IL – May 5, 2005 – The City of Highland Park recently held a groundbreaking ceremony to commemorate the start of the new police headquarters project. Present at the groundbreaking were Police Chief Paul Shafer, Commander Michael Olshefke, Mayor Michael Belsky, Mayor Pro Tem Michael Brenner, Councilwoman Mari Barnes, Councilmen James Kirsch, and Lawrence Silberman, City Manager David Limardi, Retired Police Chiefs Daniel Dahlberg and Michael Bonamarte Jr., Former Mayor Daniel Pierce, State Representative Karen May, and representatives from The City of Highland Park, Joseph J. Henderson & Son Inc., Sente Rubel Bosman Lee Architects and AT Associates.

The Highland Park Police Department was created in 1874 and consisted of a City Marshal and his assistant. Over the years the police department has seen steady growth and today consists of 60 sworn men and women who respond to approximately 30,000 calls for service each year. They are supported by an additional 22 civilian staff who handle communications, records, and other services that do not require a sworn officer.

Recognizing an increasing demand for space within the current building, a space needs analysis was conducted by Sente Rubel Bosman Lee Architects in 2000, resulting in the recommendation for a new facility. After interviewing several architectural firms, SRBL was ultimately selected to design the new headquarters. In February of 2005, Joseph J. Henderson & Son, Inc. was awarded the contract to construct the new facility. Final completion is anticipated in March of 2007.

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