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Flintco Selected as Construction Management Company for Gilcrease Museum Project

The City of Tulsa announced Flintco was selected to lead the Vision Tulsa construction project for Tulsa's most historic and valuable cultural institution, Gilcrease Museum.

Flintco will work with the City of Tulsa, Gilcrease Museum, Gallagher & Associates, and architects SmithGroup and 1 Architecture on the renovation project that will lead to the Museum's improved design that will allow for better engagement with the Tulsa community as well as its national audience through architecture, exhibitions and programming.

"Tulsans own the greatest collection of American Art and history outside of that owned by the federal government, and I am excited that Flintco - a world-class Tulsa company that employs our fellow Tulsans - has been selected to construct the revitalized Gilcrease Museum," Mayor G.T. Bynum said.

"Flintco is honored to be selected as the construction partner for the renovation and expansion of Gilcrease Museum. This collection is a national treasure for our community," Dave Kollmann, President of Flintco said. "We are grateful our fellow citizens voted to support improving the Gilcrease campus, and are excited to collaborate with the City, TU and design and consultant teams to deliver this unique and important work. As a 111 year-old Tulsa headquartered company, our Flintco team loves being involved with projects that create energy and sense of place for generations to come."

With the construction management contractor in place, planned improvements for the museum will be guided by the Museum's recently completed interpretive master plan and feasibility study, developed by Gallagher & Associates, and focused upon transforming the visitor experience and effectively showcasing the vast Gilcrease collection.

In addition, the improvements will allow for more of the Gilcrease collection to be exhibited as well as the addition of expanded space for hosting traveling exhibitions. Some of the other features will include a new building façade, a grand entry and great hall, open storage space for additional displays, and dedicated education space.

“We share the mayor’s excitement in having Flintco join the Gilcrease Vision Team. They have a proven track record of delivering great projects, including museums, on time and in budget. They also have a successful history of including local, small businesses in their projects helping keep Tulsa dollars in Tulsa,” said Susan Neal, executive director of Gilcrease Museum.

In the coming months, the design phase will begin as all consultants for the project are contracted.

Voters approved the Vision Tulsa package in 2016, which included the \$65 million capital project for Gilcrease Museum. A generous donation of an additional \$10 million from the A.R. and Marylouise Tandy Foundation will lead to a total project budget of \$75 million. The University of Tulsa has managed Gilcrease Museum for 11 years on behalf of the City. TU is committed to help move Gilcrease toward long-term sustainability as it continues to support its faculty and student engagement with the Gilcrease Collection through the Helmerich Center for American Research.

About Vision Tulsa

Vision Tulsa, an \$884 million sales tax renewal package approved by voters in 2016, is making substantial investments in economic development, education, public safety, streets and transportation needs citywide. With citizen priorities providing the driving force behind the creation of Vision Tulsa, transformative projects and enhancements are setting the stage for a bright future for Tulsa.

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