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Ground broken for \$39.5M Embassy Suites in Berkeley Heights

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A rendering of the planned Embassy Suites in Berkeley Heights. - (TOCCI BUILDING COMPANIES)

Tocci Building Companies, a Boston-area construction manager, announced Thursday that it has broken ground for an Embassy Suites Hotel in Berkeley Heights.

The 187,000-square-foot development located within the Connell Corporate Park will be an eight-story, 176-room hotel with a project cost totaling \$39.5 million. The project team includes architect PFVS Architecture; Ehlert Bryan, structural engineer; mechanical-electrical-plumbing engineer TLC Engineering; consulting engineer Maser Consulting P.A.; and culinary design consultant Ricca Design.

"With several design and layout changes throughout the initial planning stages, we worked closely with ownership and all project teams to ensure a successful start to kick off the development," John Tocci, chief enabling officer at Tocci Building Companies, said in a prepared statement. "We are confident that the new Embassy Suites will be a great addition to the popular Connell Corporate Park and provide a much-needed hotel option to complement the variety of nearby, existing office buildings."

The property is owned by Connell Hospitality LLC and will be operated by Davidson Hotels & Resorts.