



The first-phase renovation of the 17,900-square-foot ground floor of the Embassy Suites Hotel at 4550 La Jolla Village Drive in the University Towne Center (UTC) area has been completed.

San Diego-based **Architects | Delawie Wilkes Rodrigues Barker** provided the design and technical documents for the \$2.1 million project. **Sunstone Hotel Investors Inc.** (NYSE: SHO) of San Clemente is the owner/developer.

Phase one of the renovation, completed in July, included modernizing the lobby, relocating the in-house rental car kiosk, adding a business center, and consolidating some front desk and back-of-house office spaces.

The next phases of construction involve refurbishing the existing bar/lounge area and converting the present restaurant into additional meeting space.

The final phase of the project focuses on the atrium and food service area.

Frank Ternasky is principal-in-charge for the architect, with David Salud as project manager and Erin Bilz as lead interior designer.

ILA+ Zammit is the electrical engineer and **Walsh Engineers** is the mechanical engineer. **Wimmer Yamada & Caughey** is the landscape architect.

Dan Kelly, vice president of **Diva Consulting Inc.**, is the general contractor.

The 12-story, 335-room hotel-La Jolla was sold in mid-2006 for \$100.1 million. The property opened in mid-July 1987.

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