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City gives out building excellence awards

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The city of Boise's Planning & Development Services Department and the Building Owners and Managers Association, or BOMA, on May 21 honored seven building projects with the eighth annual Building Excellence Awards

The projects were recognized in the areas of accessibility, sustainability, fire-life safety, excellence in design and the Mayor's Award.

Excellence in Accessibility



Henriksen/Butler added wheelchair access ramps to its building. Photo courtesy of city of Boise.

Herniksen/Butler, a Salt Lake City-based contract furniture dealer, was honored for adding wheelchair ramps to the rear of the 1939 building that originally housed the John Regan Post No. 2 American Legion Hall. Clear access for electrical equipment conflicted with original ramp design and it was difficult to get parking spaces close to the ramp. Henriksen/Butler maintained the building's Art Deco exterior, including original windows, and integrated accessibility with the building's historic nature.

Henriksen/Butler

401 W. Idaho St.

• Building Owner: Thomas Mannschreck, Thomas Development

• Architect: erstad Architects

• Contractor: EKC Construction

Excellence in Fire Life Safety



Boise Brewing added a sprinkler system. Photo courtesy of city of Boise.

Boise Brewing (formerly Bogus Brewing) added a wet fire sprinkler system and increased the safety and flexibility of the 3,463-square-foot building.

Boise Brewing

521 W. Broad St.

• Building Owner: Sally Freeman

• Boise Brewing CEO: Collin Rudeen

• Fire Vendor: Treasure Valley Fire Protection

• Architect: Steve Trout, Trout Architects

Excellence in Sustainability

The Flicks installed 96 solar panels on the movie theater roof that generate 34,500 kilowatt hours of electricity, 1,500 kwh more than



The Flicks installed 96 solar panels on its roof. Photo courtesy of city of Boise.

expected. Twenty-five percent of the power used by The Flicks is generated by the solar panels.

The Flicks

646 Fulton St.

• Owners: Carole and Rick Skinner

• Engineer: Riley Mahaffey

• Contractor: David Whitaker, Altenergy Inc.

Excellence in Sustainability



Idaho Power remodeled a 1947 building into office space. Photo courtesy of city of Boise.

Idaho Power took a 1947 building that had been used for storage since 2006 and remodeled it as an energy-efficient office space called Idaho Power Plaza II. High-efficiency rooftop units and efficient windows for natural daylighting were installed, as was LED lighting. Timbers from the original double barreled roof ceiling were reused and an electric car charging stations was added.

Idaho Power Plaza II

1325 W. Idaho Street

• Owner: Idaho Power

• Architect: Rudeen Architects

• Contractor: ALTA Construction

Excellence in Sustainability



The Doyle House eaves extend out more than five feet. Photo courtesy of city of Boise.

The single-family residential Doyle House has seven-inch-thick walls, eaves that extend out 5 feet and 3 inches, and a radiant floor system. There is a Spanish-style shaded courtyard and an artist's studio that opens onto the patio.

The Doyle House

415 W. Warren Street

• Owner: Carol Doyle

• Contractor and designer: M.A. Goldy and Flying Cowboys Design

Excellence in Design

The 951 apartments that welcomed its first residence in January impressed PDS and BOMA Idaho with its contemporary style that incorporates parapets of varying heights,



The 951's contemporary design caught the eye of city and BOMA judges. Photo courtesy of city of Boise.

exterior wall modulation, clean wall planes with fields of similar colors and three different panel exterior systems that create visual interest.

The 951

951 E. Front St.

• Owner: 916 Park, LLC

• Architect and developer: Glenn Levie, Levie Architectural Group LLC

Contractor: Steed Construction

Mayor's Choice:

The Owyhee



The Owyhee added 36 apartments to its mixed-use redevelopment of the historic hotel. Photo courtesy of The Owyhee.

Boise Mayor David Bieter selected The Owyhee's transformation from hotel into a mixed-used project as the best overall project completed in Boise between June 2014 and May 2015. The 105-year-old building was converted into street level restaurant and retail space, event space, business tenant space and 36 market-rate apartments. Many of the original features of the building were uncovered in the remodel of the building and incorporated into its new design.

The Owyhee

1109 W. Main St.

• Building Owner: Owyhee Place LLC

• Developers: Mike Brown, LocalConstruct and Clay Carley

• Architect: David Ruby, The Architects Office

• Contractor: Anderson Construction

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