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# CLC to anchor Occidental complex

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**Corporate Lodging Consultants**, a Wichita company that bills itself as the largest lodging management service provider in country, will be the lead tenant at the new 80,000-square-foot office complex opening at 32nd Street North and Rock Road next year.

**Key Construction Inc.** is renovating the former Northrock 6 theater into the complex, which is being developed by **Occidental Management**. Marty Gilchrist and Grant Tidemann of **J.P. Weigand & Sons Inc.** acted as agents on the Corporate Lodging deal, while **Bank of the West** is doing the financing. **Spangenberg Phillips Architecture** designed the renovation.

Occidental CEO Michael Monteferrante calls it a "world-class team," and Corporate Lodging CEO George Hansen agreed.

"We're extremely excited, because I think you've got a great set of players involved," Hansen says. "And I still think this is the perfect part of town, being so close to K-96."

Corporate Lodging has its headquarters across the street from its new site, in a suite at Northrock Place, 8110 E. 32nd Street N.

Corporate Lodging, which has about 150 employees in its headquarters, will occupy about 30,000 square feet in the Northrock theater building, including a portion of the main floor and the entire third floor, operating on a five-year lease.

"We looked high and low for space that would be appropriate for us in the relative long term, and this was perfect," Hansen says. "Its proximity to where we currently are is extraordinary. A new location usually disadvantages some people. This disadvantages no one."

Gilchrist says it is one of the largest office deals in Wichita this year.

"We think it's terrific," Gilchrist says. "(Corporate Lodging) is a high-quality tenant in all aspects. They're highly successful, they're growing, they have great leadership -- they just have a lot going for them."

The glass-heavy office complex will include a gymnasium, a coffee kiosk, a visitors lounge with flat-screen televisions and a power emergency system, Monteferrante says.

Interior demolition will begin on the building in about two weeks, says Key Construction executive vice president Pat Ayars. He compares it to renovating the Hotel at Old Town, a project that involved supporting the exterior walls from the outside and building a new skeleton inside.