Olympia’s Façade Completes Installation At 30 Front Street In DUMBO, Brooklyn

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Façade installation is complete on Olympia, a 33-story residential tower at 30 Front Street in DUMBO, Brooklyn. Designed by Hill West Architects and developed by Fortis Property Group, the 401-foot-tall structure will yield 76 condominium units in one- to five-plus-bedroom layouts with interiors designed by Workstead and sales and marketing by the Eklund Gomes Team at Douglas Elliman and Karen Heyman at Sotheby’s. Urban Atelier Group is the general contractor for the property, which is bound by Front Street to the north, York Street to the south, and Washington Street to the east.

At the time of our last update in July, the construction elevator had recently been dismantled and work was progressing on the gap where it was attached. Since then, the remaining windows and façade panels have been put in place, revealing the completed look of the building’s sail-shaped massing. Construction has now shifted to the ground floor, which remains partially exposed and surrounded by scaffolding.

Olympia makes a bold visual statement over the adjacent Brooklyn Bridge promenade. The sunlight reflects off the sloped mechanical crown and the dense grid of gray metal panels, floor-to-ceiling windows, and glass-lined balconies. Residents will have prime views of the Brooklyn Bridge, the nearby East River, and the entire Manhattan skyline from Lower Manhattan to Billionaires’ Row in Midtown.

The flat eastern wall features 40,000 square feet of exterior insulation finishing systems (EIFS) installed by King Contracting Group, which also performed 100,000 square feet of roofing and 90,000 square feet of CMUs. The blank rear elevation incorporates subtle horizontal bands marking every floor and lightly scored squares embedded onto the flat surface. This motif runs all the way up to the crown, which is made up of a pleated metallic mesh screen surrounding mechanical equipment.

Work is also ongoing on the roof of the multi-story podium, which will house outdoor amenities including a full-sized tennis court, as well as the open motor courtyard on the northern side of the site.

Interior work is progressing and should be completed in the coming months. The sales gallery for Olympia is located on site at the westernmost tip of the ground floor, by the confluence of Front and York Streets.