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# **The Hilton Baltimore Convention Center Hotel**



## **3.0 Building Overview**

## Project Information

The HBCCH is a full-service hotel located in the heart of downtown Baltimore. Immediately adjacent to both Oriole Park at Camden Yards and the Baltimore Convention Center, guests at the HBCCH will range from businessmen attending conferences to tourists looking to visit Inner Harbor and catch a Baltimore Orioles' game. The HBCCH is comprised of two separate buildings (East and West) connected by a two-story walking bridge that spans over Eutaw St.

**Figure-1: Site Location**



The East Building is a three story structure which houses a restaurant, Starbucks, junior ballroom, and numerous meeting/conference rooms. The second floor of the East Building also has a second walking bridge that spans Howard St. to allow patrons to access the Baltimore Convention Center.

The first three levels of the West Building hold the hotel lobby and lounge, large pre-function areas, grand ballroom, swimming pool and workout areas, and more meeting/conference rooms. The western side of these floors and also the two below-grade levels underneath house the 250,000 sq. ft. parking garage. The West Building also

has two towers that rise up on its northern and eastern sides. The 758 hotel guest rooms are located on floors 4-19 of these towers. Floors 20 and 21 are for service use only.

Construction on the HBCCH began in February of 2006 and is set to be completed at the beginning of August 2008. At a cost of over \$250 million, Hilton Hotels wants the HBCCH to be the centerpiece of Baltimore's downtown attractions.

### Primary Project Team

**Table-1: Project Team**

<b>Role</b>	<b>Company</b>
Building Owner	Baltimore Hotel Corporation
General Contractor	Hensel Phelps
Architect	RTKL
Civil Engineer	Whitney, Bailey, Cox, and Magnani
Landscape Architect	Mahan Rykiel Associates
Structural Engineer	RTKL; Hope Furrer Associates
Electrical Engineer	M.C. Dean
Mechanical Engineer	Southland Industries
Fire Protection Engineer	National Fire Protection
Lighting Designer	Brandston Partnership
Food Service Designer	Clevenger Frable LaVallee
Restaurant Designer	Arnold Syrop Associates
Interior Designer	Daroff Design