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## **The Elizabeth Hotel to Open in Fort Collins Fall 2017**

**Downtown hotel to be part of Firehouse Alley featuring restaurants, retail, parking and rooftop bar**

Fort Collins, Colo. (April 28, 2016) – McWhinney, a Colorado based national real estate development company, and Sage Hospitality, a national hotel developer and operator, are proud to announce The Elizabeth Hotel as part of a new downtown development currently in progress at 354 Walnut Street in Fort Collins, Colo. The Elizabeth will be a modern upscale hotel focused on community, music, expert design and service.

The 164 room hotel will feature locally curated art from students, professors and musicians. Music will carry through the building with accents in the interior design, programming, amenities and experiences to reflect the scene in the city. From the vibrant lobby bar to the upscale roof top lounge, local beverages will be served with spirited entertainment. The hotel will offer 3,500 square feet of meeting and event space including patio space with views of Walnut Street.

The hotel is part of a mixed-use development in the center of Old Town, Fort Collins, defined as Firehouse Alley, featuring an exciting new restaurant to be announced at a later date, the hotel and its unique amenities, a parking structure and retail. The 3,850 square feet of retail will face the alley, an activated and vibrant space between the hotel and parking structure that will be a gathering place to hang out for locals and visitors alike. Music from The Elizabeth's lobby bar will create an extension of Fort Collins' vibrant downtown scene.

Hensel Phelps has been named the project's general contractor and construction on the block will begin in May 2016 with an anticipated completion in fall of 2017. The project architect is Denver-based 4240 Architecture, while DLR Group is the interior designer of the hotel, its public spaces and roof top lounge. Additionally, Dash Design will be designing for the restaurant and destination lobby bar space.

"We're thrilled to bring an upscale hotel to Ft. Collins' historic Old Town neighborhood, there's a real need for overnight accommodations downtown," said Chad McWhinney, CEO and Co-Founder of McWhinney. "The design will be elegant and create an experience that connects both locals and visitors to the existing fabric of the city."

At this time The Elizabeth Hotel is not taking reservations, further announcements and constructions updates are to follow. For more information on McWhinney visit [www.mcwhinney.com](http://www.mcwhinney.com) and for more information on Sage Hospitality visit [www.sagehospitality.com](http://www.sagehospitality.com).

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