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Sunroad Enterprises says steel has been ordered and ground has been broken on the first phase of Sunroad Centrum, a master-planned, 1-million-square-foot Class A office campus located within the 232-acre Spectrum business and residential community in Kearny Mesa. Sunroad Centrum I features a 12-story, state-of-the-art tower with 300,000 square feet of space. The project will create more than 400 new San Diego construction jobs.

More than 2,300 tons of steel have been ordered for the tower at a cost of about \$6 million. The first steel beams will be erected in June and completion of the tower is expected by June 2007. "This project represents a milestone not only for Kearny Mesa but for the San Diego office market at large," says Rick Vann, president of the real estate division of Sunroad Enterprises. "Sunroad Centrum will be the largest and only office project of this caliber in the mid-city area."

Vann says Sunroad Enterprises is entitled to build 600 multifamily units on the eastern-most portion of the site, with construction expected to start in early 2007. There are about 1,000 residential units already located within Spectrum.

Sunroad Centrum is being built on a 25-acre site fronting Highway 163 and Kearny Villa Road. Two additional high-rise towers are planned, one 350,000 square feet and the other 400,000 square feet. All three office towers and two free-standing parking structures will surround a landscaped quad area.

The project was designed by Brian Paul & Associates. Mark Wayne, Dan Runyon and Eric Vann of Burnham Real Estate comprise the leasing team.