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**Mullet's Aluminum Awarded Contract for Citrus Square**

**Company to Provide Fully Welded Aluminum Railing, Fencing and Gate Systems**

SARASOTA, FL (September 10, 2008) – Downtown Sarasota will soon have it's first authentically designed realization of the city's new pedestrian friendly master plan thanks to the seasoned team of Building Contractor, Pierce Contracting and Architectural Firm, JONATHAN PARKS ARCHITECT.

Complimenting this highly successful team will be Mullet's Aluminum Products, Inc. with a fully welded aluminum railing, fencing and gate system. "There is extraordinary detail in every aspect of Citrus Square and our craftsmen are thrilled at having the opportunity to contribute to this amazing property." says, Jay Coblentz, Director of Sales for Mullet's Aluminum. "There has been no detail overlooked - and for the few residences who will be fortunate enough to call Citrus Square home – satisfaction in knowing that only the finest quality went into constructing their new home. We are very honored to have been selected."

Citrus Square is a mixed-use community that represents the first significant effort to realize the new Downtown Sarasota Master Plan by Andres Duany, showcasing a vibrant walkable community. Subsequent phases will stretch three city blocks transforming North Orange Avenue into a pedestrian-friendly enclave with abundant on-street parking. These three-story, authentically-detailed buildings will house boutiques, restaurants and residences. The street facades are enlivened through the use of large windows, French doors with balconies, and stone mouldings. Retail spaces with wooden storefronts under multicolored canvas awnings compliment the sidewalk experience. High ceilings are reminiscent of classic early 20<sup>th</sup> century luxury apartments.

The firm of **JONATHAN PARKS ARCHITECT (JPA)** believes that design, in its purest form, fulfills functional and aesthetic requirements completely, elegantly and economically.

From new construction to historical restoration, from luxury residences to large-scale commercial projects, JPA provides comprehensive services in planning, architecture, interior design, sustainable design, and graphic design. Known for their clarity of concept and quality of work, JPA has received national and regional awards – winning First Place for their Interior Rehabilitation of the Cohen House from *Old House Journal* and National Trust for Historic Preservation, and the prestigious Honor Award from AIA Tampa Bay for the last two consecutive years. JPA offices are located in Tampa and Sarasota. For additional information about JPA, contact (941) 365-5721 or visit online at [www.jpa-architect.com](http://www.jpa-architect.com).

The contractor, Pierce Contracting, Inc, has successfully been serving the communities of Southwest FL for over 25 years, specializing in new urbanism mixed-use retail and residential communities, waterfront properties, and retail/commercial development. Locally owned and operated by Mark S. Pierce, Pierce Contracting believes in providing the highest quality contracting services and developing long-term relationships with its clients. They strive to exceed customer expectations with the little details and extras. This attention to detail and a desire for building long-term community relationships is the foundation for the vision that is Citrus Square.

Founded in 1978 by Freeman and Sandi Mullet, Mullet's Aluminum is an award winning company and Southwest Florida's premier source for quality building products and superior installation services to the residential, condominium and commercial markets. The company has 130 employees and 5 business divisions; Windows & Doors Division; Metal Roofing Division; Pool Cages & Enclosures Division; Railing, Gates & Fencing Division; and Gutters, Siding & Soffit Division. Mullet's Aluminum is a privately held company with corporate headquarters, manufacturing and fabrication facilities located in Sarasota, FL. For additional information about Mullet's Aluminum, contact (941) 371-3502 or visit online at [www.mulletsaluminum.com](http://www.mulletsaluminum.com)