

Emeryville City Hall

Emeryville, California

Owner

City of Emeryville

Architect

NBBJ (Fisher-Friedman Associates)

Completion Date

2000

Construction Cost

\$6.8 million

Total Area

27,500 sf

Number of Stories

3

Awards

2002 Pacific Coast Builders
Conference Grand Award



Thornton Tomasetti provided structural design services for a new two-story, 20,000-square-foot building that includes administrative offices and multipurpose areas. It features an innovative lateral-force-resisting system that reconciles the aesthetic requirements of an exposed structure with up-to-date special concentrically braced frame design and includes detailing procedures for ductile seismic response.

The project also included the seismic upgrade of the three-story, 7,500-square-foot City Hall originally built in 1903. Center coring of the existing unreinforced masonry walls was utilized to provide strength with minimum impact on the existing finishes of the registered historic building.