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## Golden Mile begins to glow

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At least 10 contractors have been invited to submit expressions of interest for the estimated \$400 million main construction package on the Golden Mile project on Palm Jumeirah. The contract is expected to be issued for bid in the fourth quarter. The scope of works includes construction of a 20,000-square-metre shopping mall, 800 luxury apartments and 220 retail and restaurant outlets along the strip. Located on the palm's trunk, the project will overlook a 1.5-kilometre canalside corniche and be linked to the palm monorail (see page 18). Abu Dhabi-based **NSCC** is carrying out the foundations, enabling and piling package. Plans call for the project to be completed in late 2007. South Africa's **DSA Architects International** is the architect and consultant and the UK's **Currie & Brown** is the quantity surveyor. A joint venture of the local **Nakheel** and Kuwait-based **IFA Hotels & Resorts** is the developer (MEED 29:4:05).

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