



REGULAR LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

September 3, 2026 - 6:30 PM
Los Altos Community Center - Sequoia Room
97 Hillview Avenue
Los Altos, CA 94022

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AGENDA

ESTABLISH QUORUM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **Approve minutes of the regular meeting on August 6, 2026**

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

2. **Receive Update on Main Library Improvement Project**
3. **Discuss Library Commission Event**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

STAFF REPORTS

4. **Receive report from Santa Clara County Library District**
5. **Receive report from Main Library Staff**

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

6:30 PM – Thursday, August 6, 2026

Los Altos Community Center – Sequoia Room

ESTABLISH QUORUM

Vice Chair Fawcett called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

Present: Vice Chair Fawcett; Commissioner Valadez; Commissioner Bedard; Commissioner Bhardwaj

Absent: Chair Morris

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Public Comment: None

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **Minutes:** Approve minutes of the regular meeting on May 7, 2026

Public Comment: None

Action: Commissioner Bedard moved that the Commission accept the minutes of the regular meeting of May 7, 2026. Commissioner Bhardwaj seconded the motion.

Approve: Fawcett, Valadez, Bedard, Bhardwaj

Oppose:

Abstain:

Absent: Morris

Motion passed: 4-0-0-1

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

2. **Discuss Library Commission Event**
3. **Discuss Library Closure Preparations**

Public Comment: Linda Swan, Cindy Hill, Freddie Wheeler, Scott Rotondo

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS ONLY

STAFF REPORTS

4. Receive report from Santa Clara County Library District
5. Receive report from Main Library Staff

Public Comment: Freddie Wheeler

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Fawcett adjourned the meeting at 7:35 pm.

Staff Report



Meeting Date: September 3, 2026
Prepared By: Anthony Carnesecca

Subject: Receive Update on Main Library Improvement Project

RECOMMENDATION

BACKGROUND

During the November 18, 2024 North County Library Authority meeting, their board unanimously approved the funding allocation to the City of Los Altos for Phase 1 of the Main Library Improvements Project.

During the December 10, 2024 City Council meeting, Council unanimously awarded a contract for ABA to execute the Main Library Improvements Project for Phase 1 with an option to amend for Phases 2 and 3.

Beginning in January 2025, ABA began their work to complete Phase 1 of the Main Library Improvements project focused on investigating the existing condition, creating design alternatives, evaluating cost estimates, and garnering consensus for a final preferred design.

Initially, ABA investigated the existing conditions of the Los Altos Main Library by evaluating the building, and reviewing the proposals presented by the Library Commission Ad-Hoc Subcommittee and previous Needs Assessments. This analysis helped inform their analysis of the building and proposed improvements to the space.

While evaluating the existing conditions, ABA moved forward with beginning to engage with the library community and beyond. As part of the initial design alternative process, ABA conducted three feedback workshops to review and discuss the proposed improvements into order to gain a shared understanding of project background, goals, and timeline; and, input for validation of prioritized improvements. These events were hosted on March 6, 2025 at a Library Commission meeting, March 12, 2025 3 – 5 pm, and March 22, 2025 10 am – 12 pm.

At the culmination of those meetings and the existing site investigation, ABA reviewed the current site analysis, the proposals from the Ad-Hoc Subcommittee, and community feedback.

Accordingly, ABA created two design concepts that were presented to the public for specific commentary. These two design concepts were presented at three public engagement opportunities, a

Special Library Commission meeting on May 22, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the Orchard Room, and two workshops in the Library Open Space on May 24, 2025 from 10 am – 12 pm and May 28, 2025 from 3 – 5 pm.

After reviewing the feedback provided to the design team through those community feedback sessions and beyond, the design team made modifications to the design and identified a preferred design concept that met the prioritized proposals from the Library Commission Ad-Hoc Subcommittee.

The design proposal accomplishes three main objectives:

1. increases the ability of the Library to provide programs and services to the community,
2. improves the infrastructure of the Library as it stands today; and,
3. incorporates feedback received from the community through the engagement process.

This preferred design concept was presented to the Library Commission on August 7, 2025, where the Commission unanimously recommended that the project move forward to City Council.

During the August 26, 2025 City Council meeting, the City Council unanimously recommended bringing a funding request to NCLA for the next phases of the project.

During the September 15, 2025 NCLA meeting, the NCLA Board unanimously approved releasing the requested funds for the next phases of the project.

During the September 30, 2025 City Council meeting, the City Council unanimously approved a resolution to amend the existing contract with ABA to continue their work on the Main Library Improvements Project.

In early 2026, the design team worked to complete the Schematic Design Drawings and Cost Estimate based upon the design concept. They continually refined the Cost Estimate to reflect the scope of work outlined in the Schematic Design drawings and identified any outstanding issues that need to be addressed or considered on the project.

On Monday, May 4, 2026 and Thursday, May 7, 2026, the design team presented an update to NCLA and Library Commission with updated cost estimates and the tentative timeline respectively.

DISCUSSION

The attached presentation provides an update on the timeline, costs, design, design elements, and next steps.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Los Altos Main Library Improvements Commission Meeting Presentation



Project Update - Library Commission
September 3, 2026

CITY OF LOS ALTOS
Main Library Improvements



Introduction / Agenda

Project Context

The design team has finalized Design Development (60% Design) based on the work done in the schematic design phase and further discussions with the Technical Advisory Committee and key stakeholders.

Purpose & Intended Results

- Provide project status update
- Review the design development costs
- Review key interior design progress

01

Introduction

02

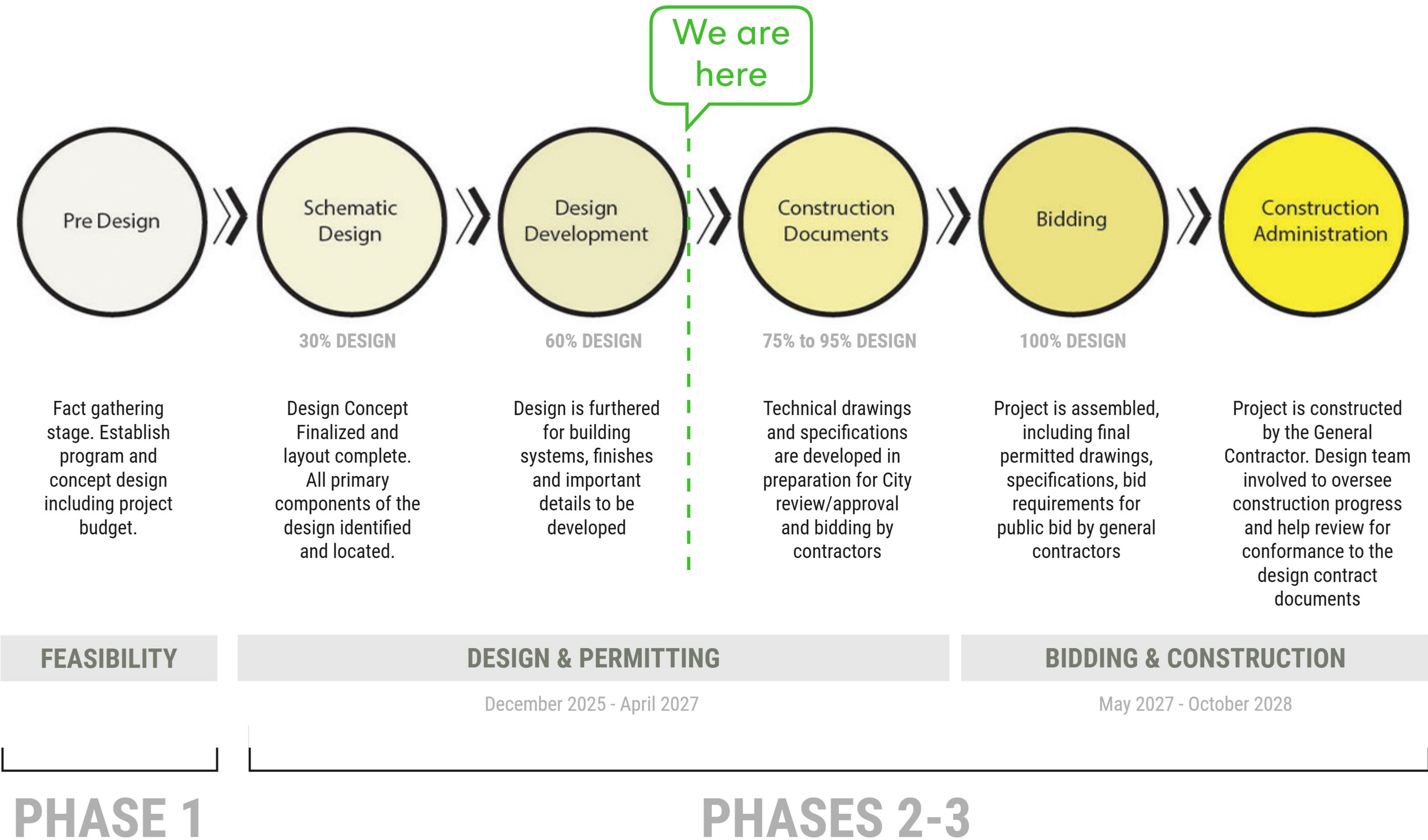
Project Cost Update

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Project Design Update

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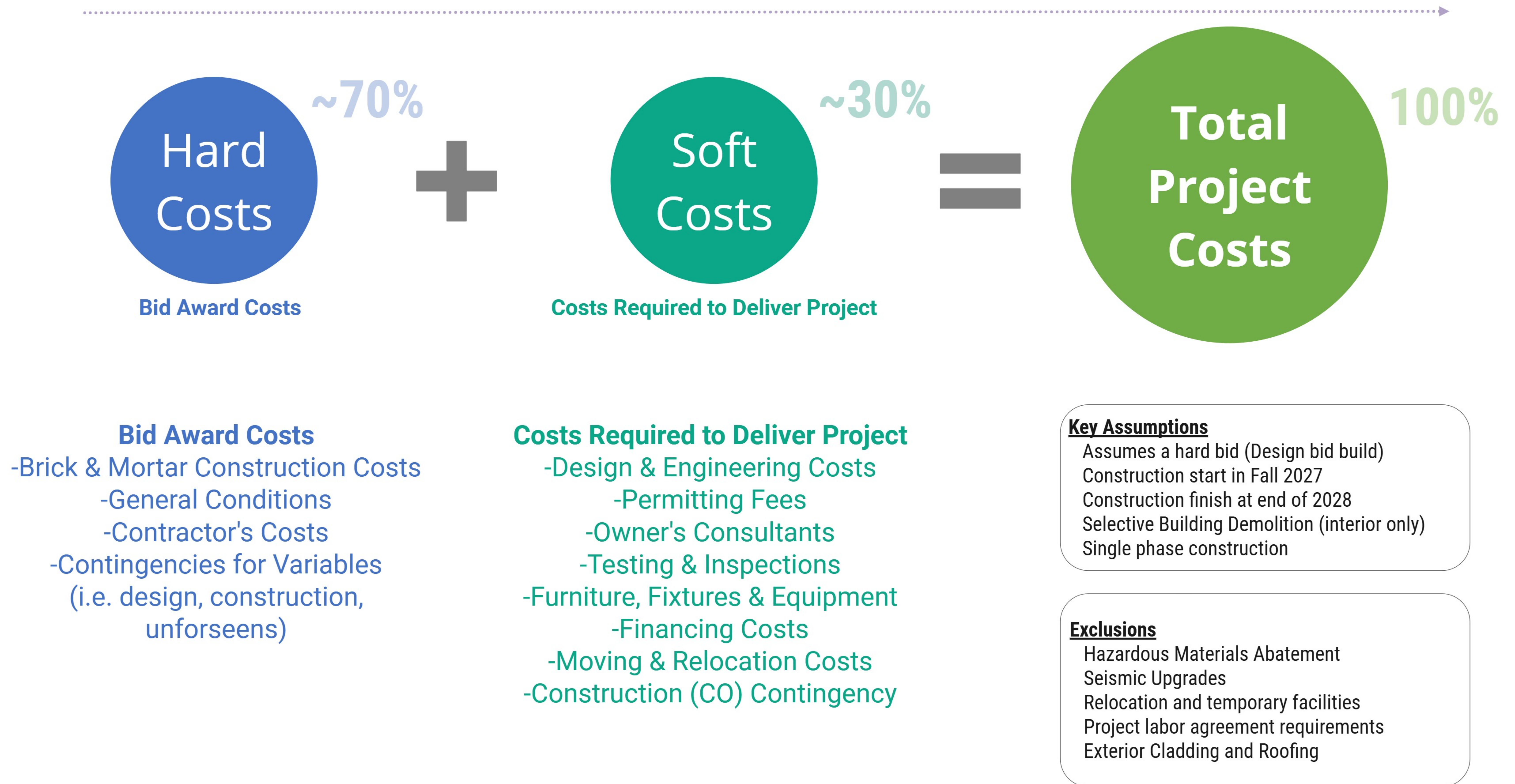
Conclusion & Next Steps



1.1 Design Development Phase (60% Design)

02 Project Cost Update

FACTOR OF TIME (ESCALATION)



2.1 Design Development Cost Estimating

FACTOR OF TIME (ESCALATION)



Bid Award Costs

\$10.532 M



Costs Required to Deliver Project

\$3.271 M



\$13.803 M

2.2 Design Development Cost Summary

HARD COSTS

- \$7,558,738 - Direct Costs of Construction
- \$226,762 - General Requirements
- \$778,550 - General Conditions
- \$231,229 - Bonds & Insurance
- \$263,858 - Contractor's Fee
- \$634,140 - Design Contingency
- \$839,035 - Escalation

\$10,532,312 TOTAL HARD COSTS

SOFT COSTS*

- \$1,140,000 - Design & Engineering Fees
- \$160,725 - City Plan Review & Permitting Fees
- \$113,080 - Owners Consultants
- \$6,920 - Haz Mat Testing Fees
- \$100,000 - Testing & Inspections
- \$400,000 - Construction Contingency
- \$400,000 - Owner Contingency
- \$200,000 - Audio Visual & Other Equipment
- \$750,000 - Furniture Fixtures & Equipment

\$3,270,725 TOTAL SOFT COSTS

** Draft anticipated soft costs based on information available to date.
Subject to change through coordination with the City.*

2.3 Design Development Project Cost Breakdown

		Schematic Design (23,613 sf) 4/8/2026	Design Development (23,613 sf) 8/3/2026	Variance (SD to DD)
Element		Total	Total	
02 Existing Conditions		\$200,089	\$257,146	\$57,057
03 Concrete		\$72,627	\$132,507	\$59,880
05 Metals		\$76,337	\$121,396	\$45,059
06 Wood, Plastics, And Composites		\$158,931	\$325,619	\$166,688
07 Thermal And Moisture Protection		\$24,226	\$33,634	\$9,408
08 Openings		\$436,370	\$431,172	(\$5,198)
09 Finishes		\$931,997	\$1,045,289	\$113,292
10 Specialties		\$140,300	\$133,486	(\$6,815)
11 Equipment		\$17,160	\$4,253	(\$12,908)
12 Furnishings		\$36,980	\$46,151	\$9,171
21 Fire Suppression		\$94,452	\$94,452	
22 Plumbing		\$317,328	\$327,473	\$10,145
23 HVAC		\$1,012,430	\$980,839	(\$31,591)
25 Integrated Automation		\$99,555	\$114,673	\$15,118
26 Electrical		\$2,652,949	\$2,419,366	(\$233,584)
27 Communications		\$271,550	\$622,584	\$351,034
28 Electrical Safety And Security		\$489,970	\$415,275	(\$74,695)
31 Earthwork			\$53,425	\$53,425
Subtotal Cost		\$7,033,250	\$7,558,738	\$525,488
General Requirements	3.0%	\$210,997	\$226,762	\$15,765
General Conditions	10.0%	\$724,425	\$778,550	\$54,125
Bonds & Insurance	2.7%	\$215,154	\$231,229	\$16,075
Contractor's Fee	3.00%	\$245,515	\$263,858	\$18,344
Design Contingency	7.0%	\$842,934	\$634,140	(\$208,794)
Escalation to MOC, 04/29/28	8.7%	\$922,736	\$839,035	(\$83,701)
Total Estimated Construction Cost		\$10,195,011	\$10,532,312	\$337,302

2.4

Design Development Construction Cost Detail

Anticipated Expenses

\$13.803 M Anticipated Project Cost at 60% Design Phase

-\$0.950 M Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment Costs by SCCLD

-\$1.140 M Design Team Costs Allocated (spent)

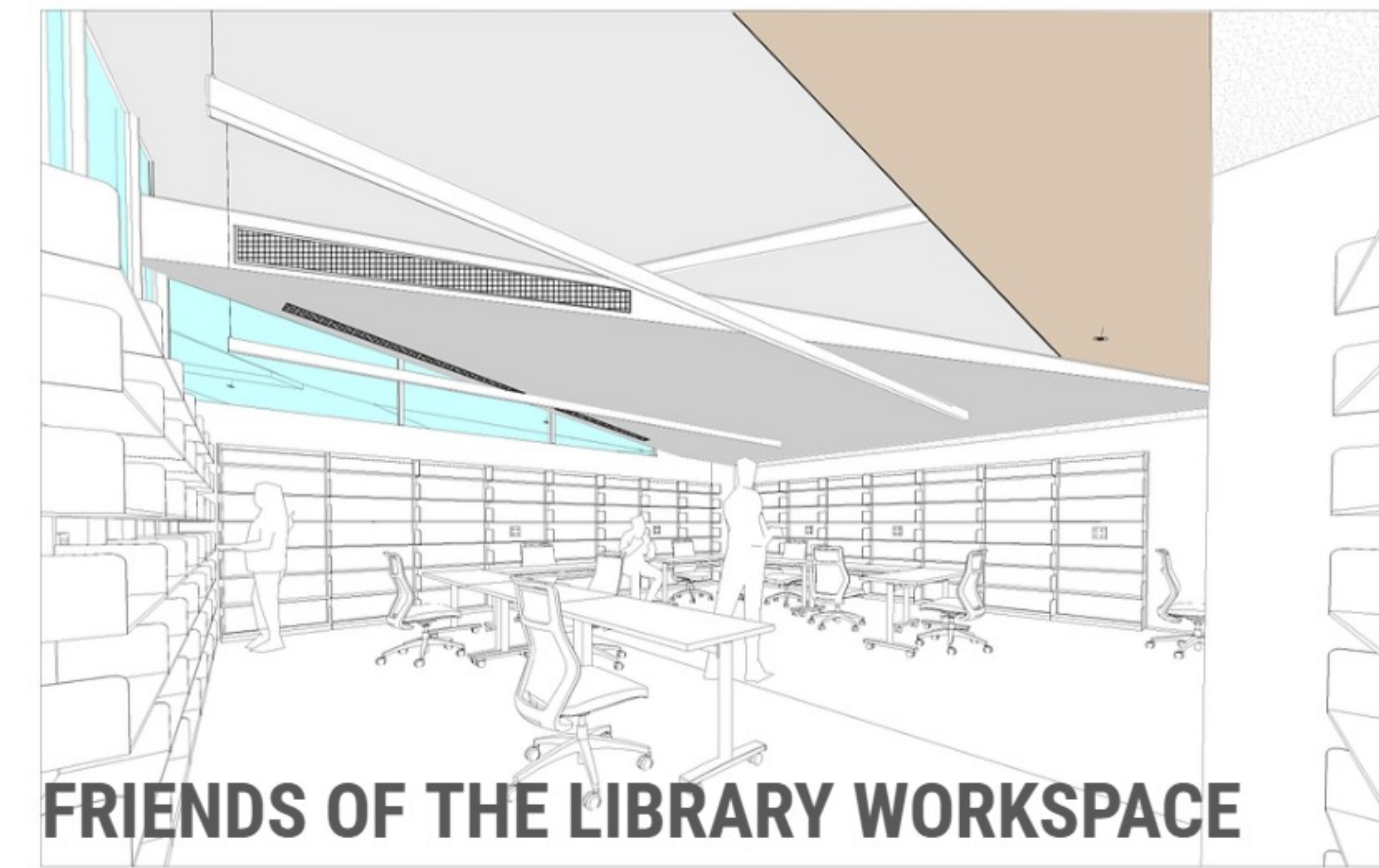
\$11.713 M Remaining Project Costs

2.5 Design Development Project Cost Summary

03 Project Design Update

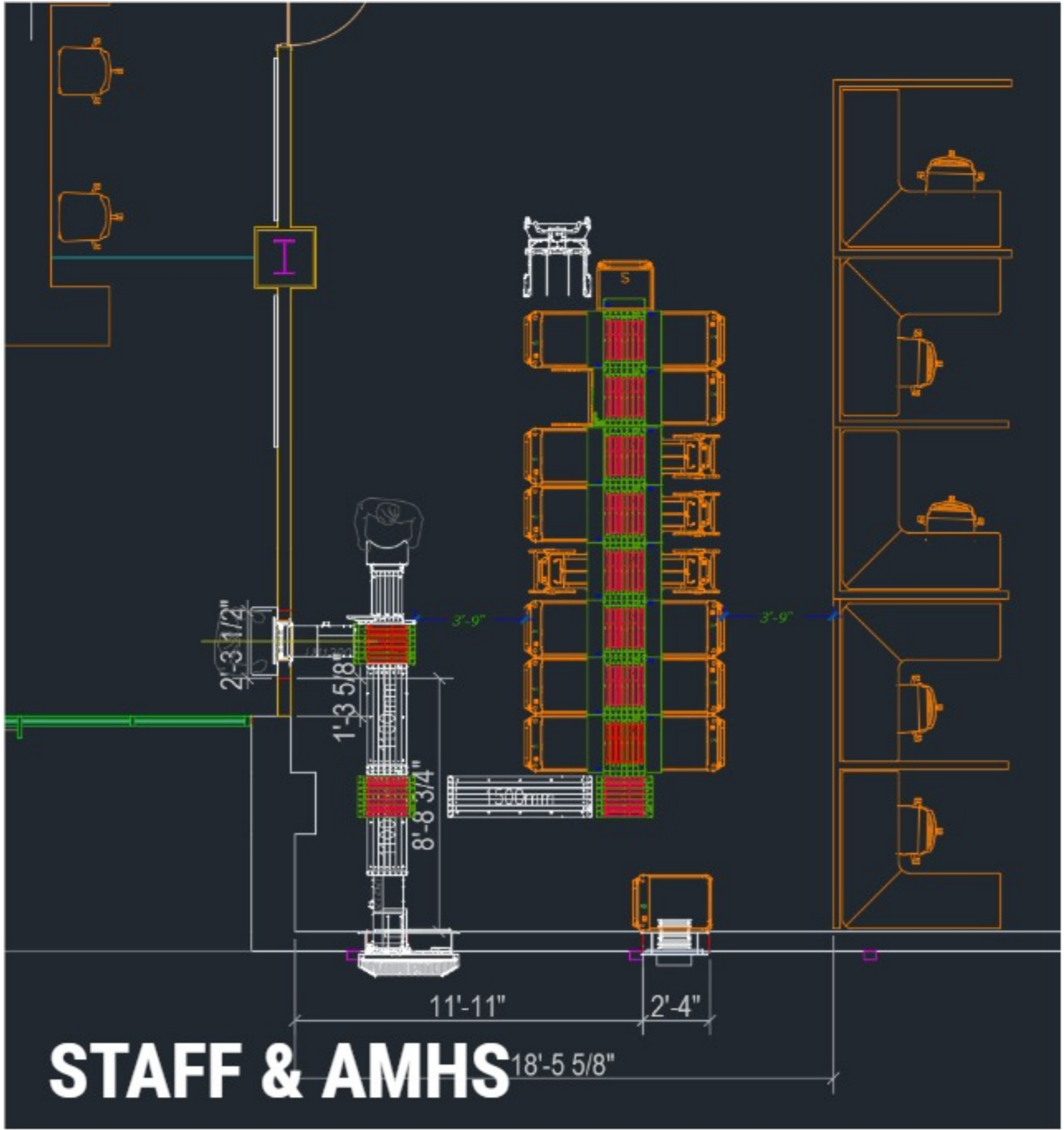
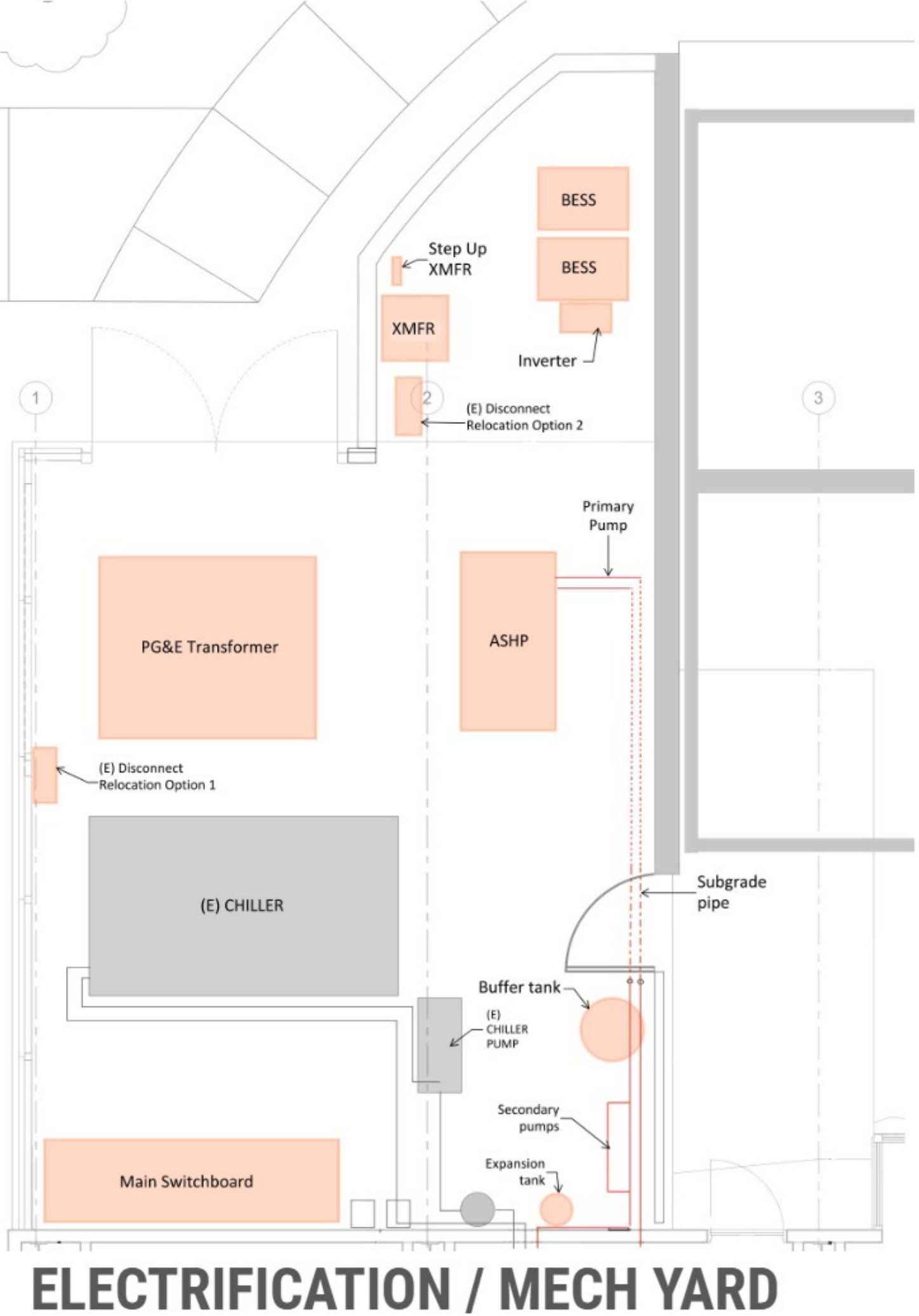
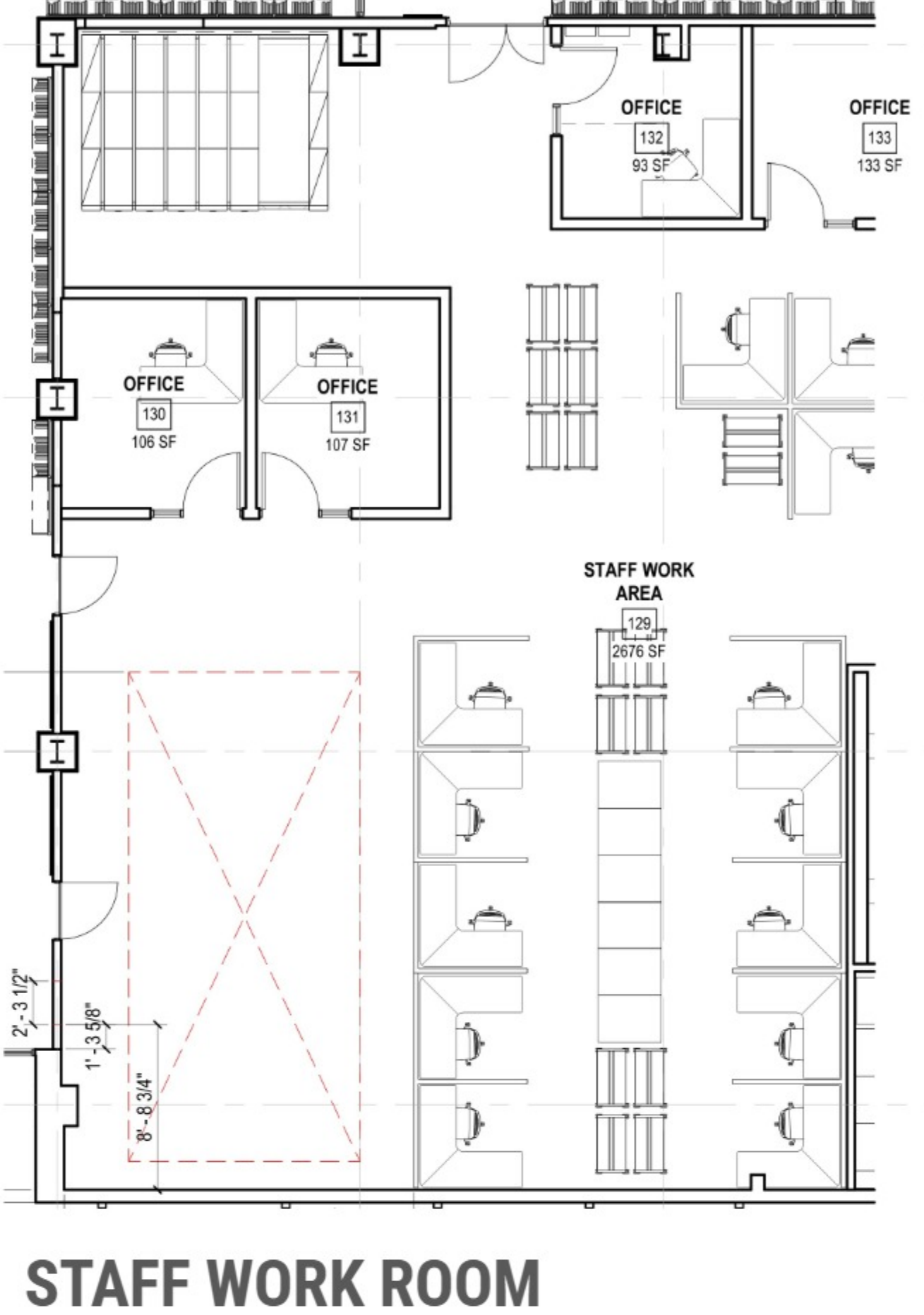
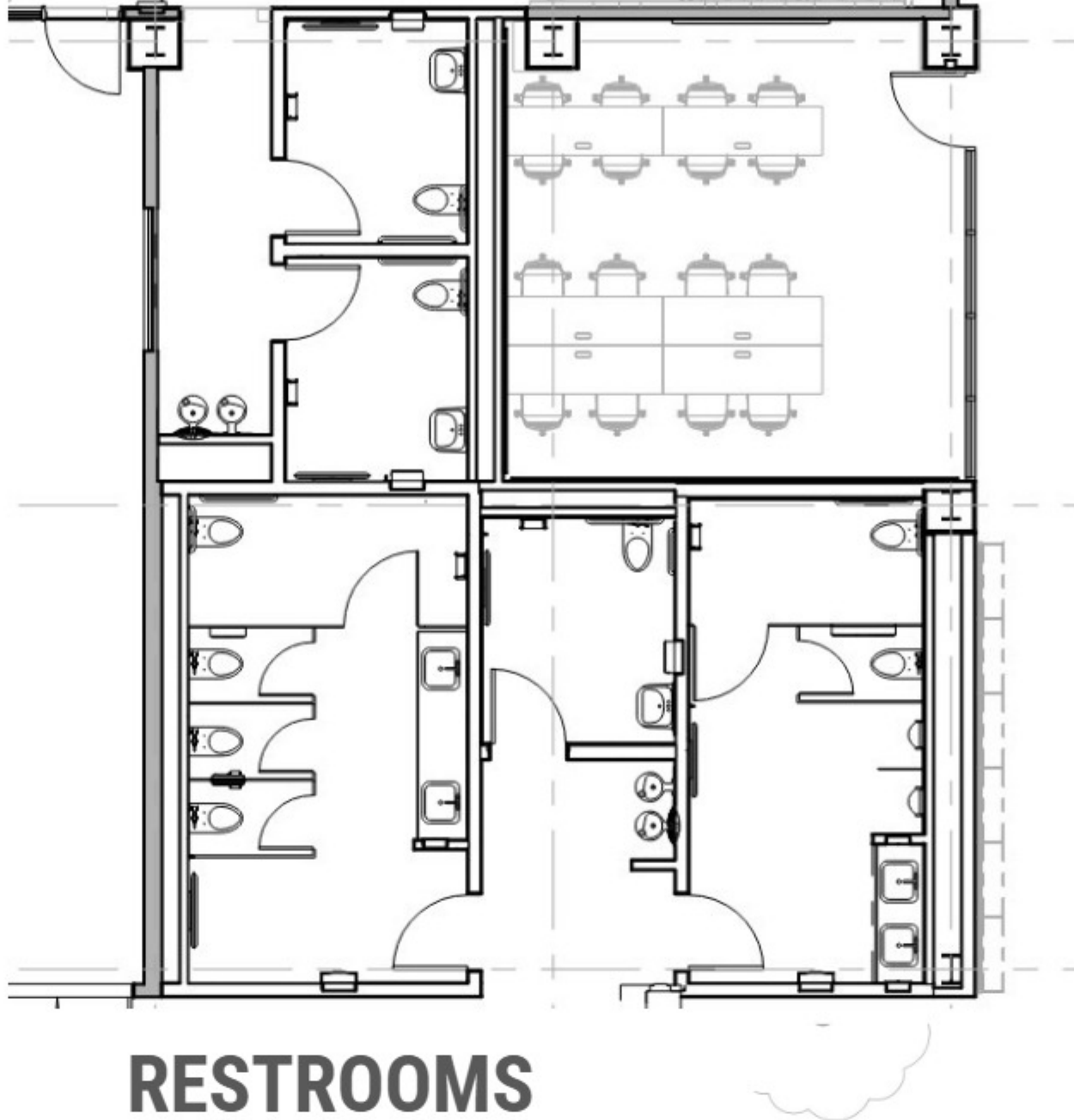
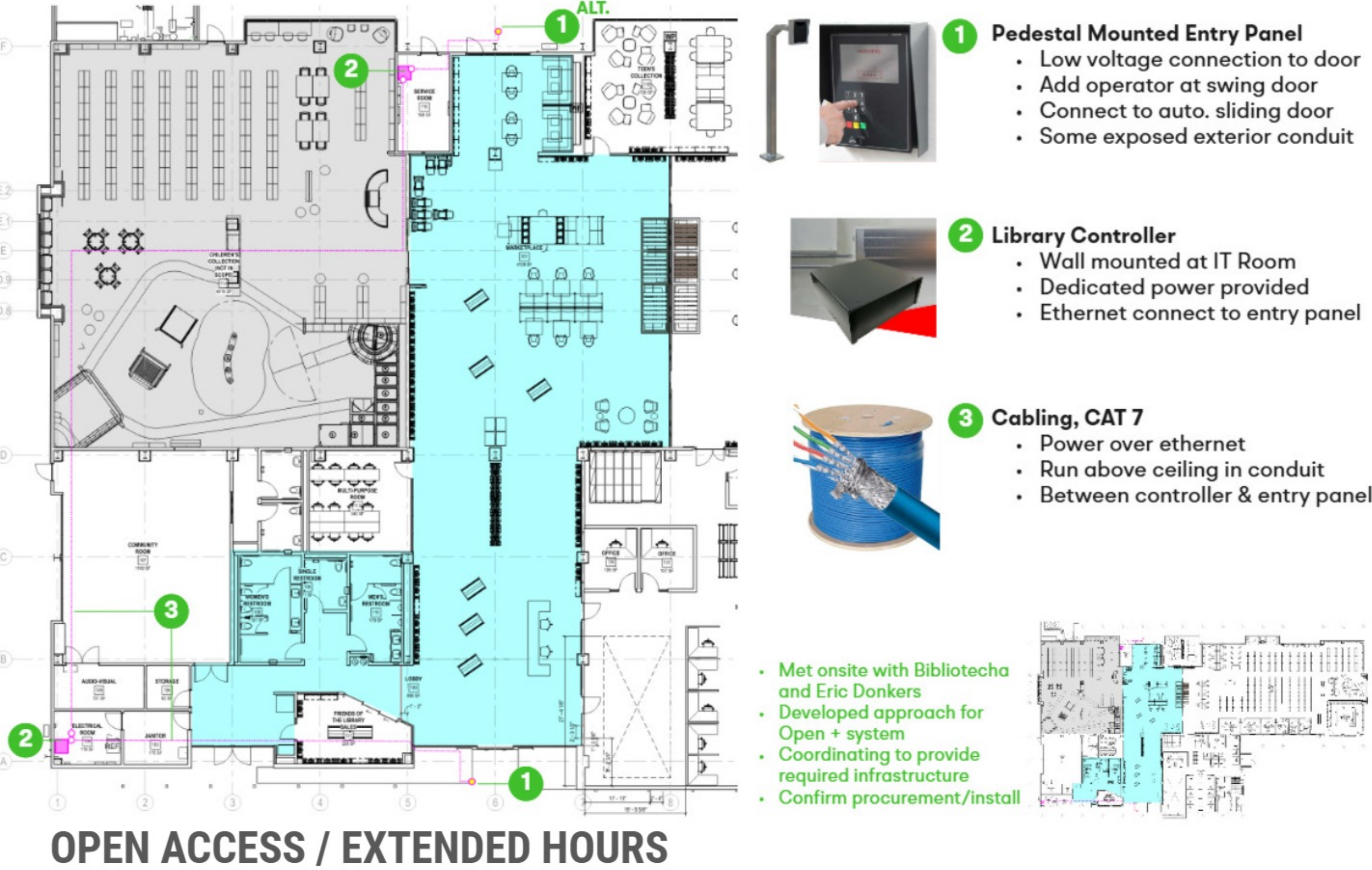
No questions of the Library Commission this evening. This section is to provide a brief update on key design decisions and progress made by the Technical Advisory Committee.

DESIGN ADVANCEMENT ACROSS MULTIPLE AREAS

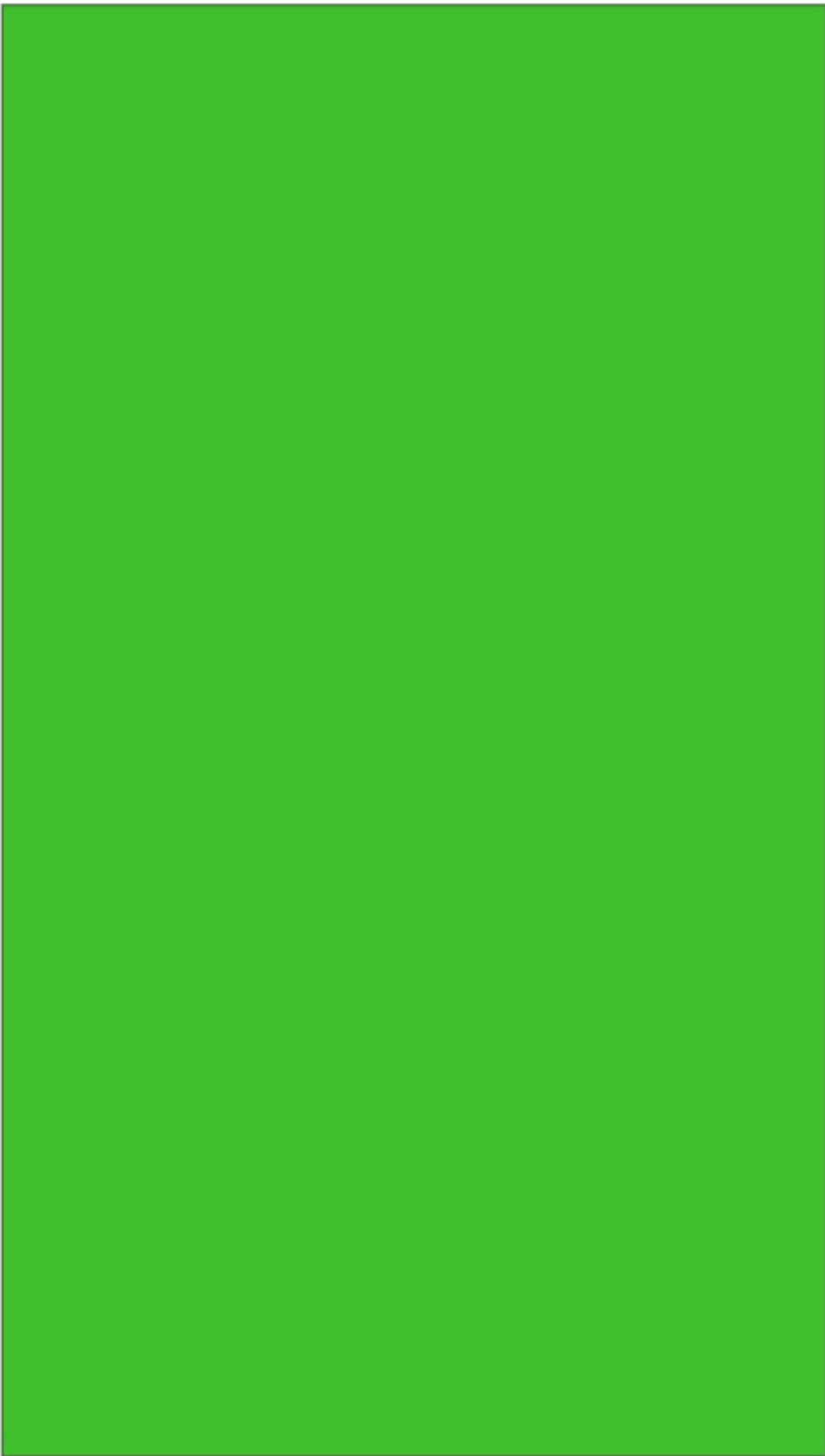


3.1 Design Advancement w/ Stakeholders & TAC

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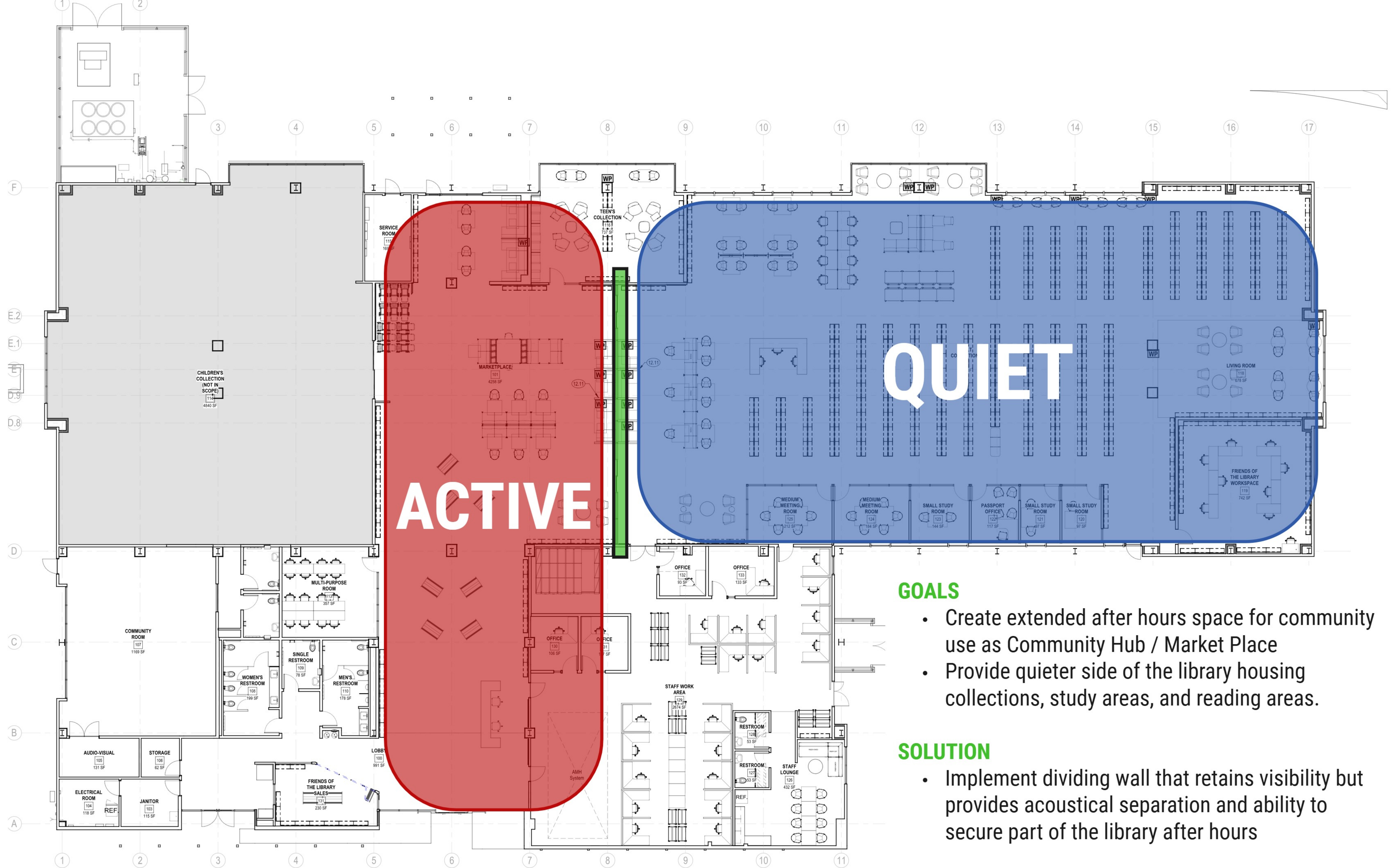
3.2 Design Advancement w/ Stakeholders & TAC



Focused Project Design Update

COMMUNITY HUB / MARKET PLACE

- ACOUSTIC SEPARATION FROM QUIET AREAS
- VISUAL CONNECTION & SAFETY/ACUITY



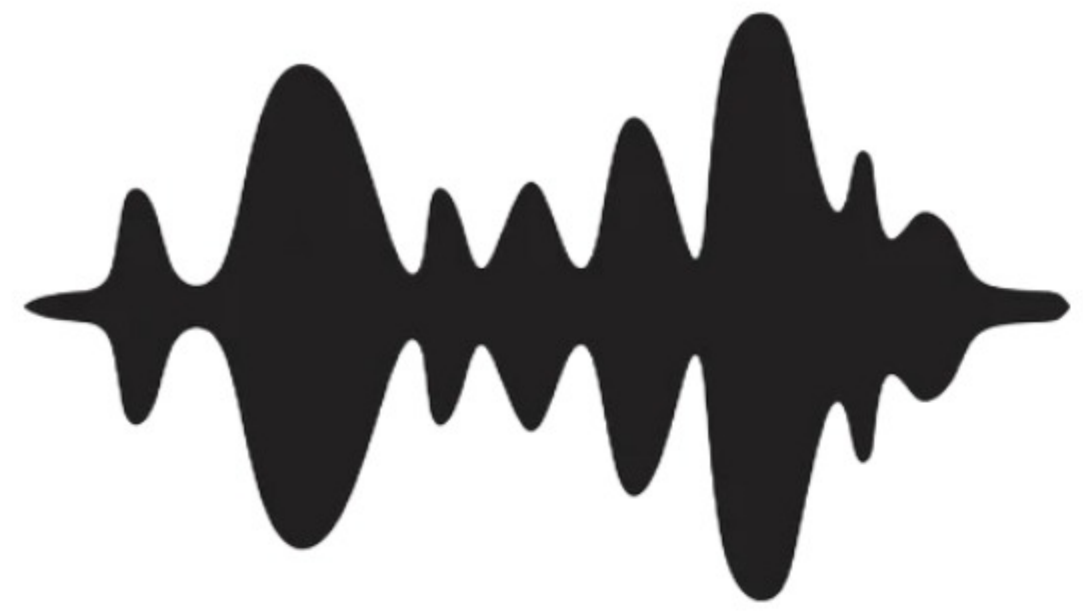
GOALS

- Create extended after hours space for community use as Community Hub / Market Place
- Provide quieter side of the library housing collections, study areas, and reading areas.

SOLUTION

- Implement dividing wall that retains visibility but provides acoustical separation and ability to secure part of the library after hours

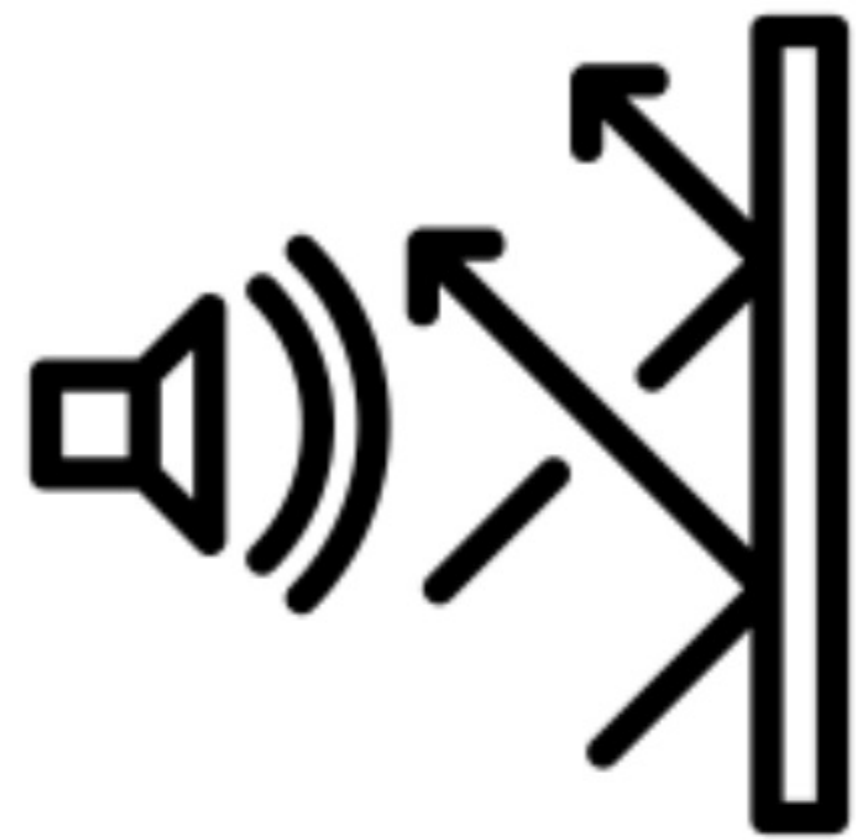
3.3 Separation - Balancing Needs



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SOUND TRANSMISSION

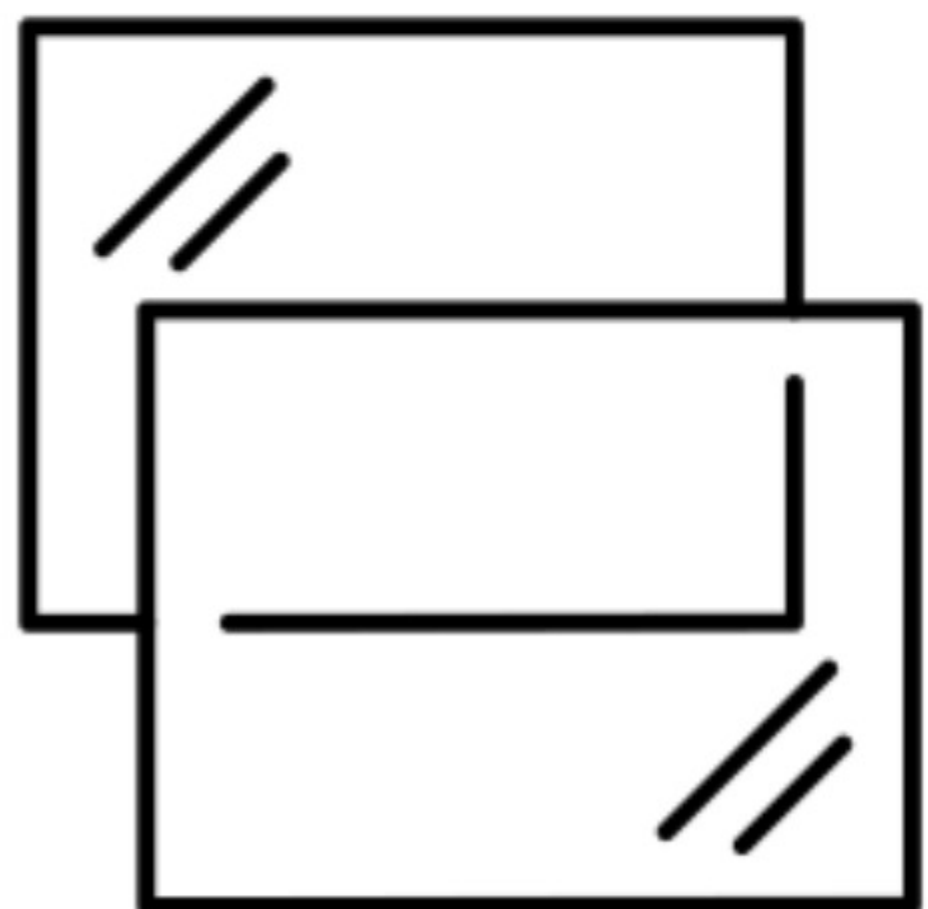
- Limit/reduce transmission of sound
 - Design glass dividing wall to minimize transmission
 - *By doing this, unintended reflection of sound can occur...*



2

SOUND REFLECTION

- Mitigate reflected sound and reverberation through multiple strategies:
 - Carpet Flooring
 - Acoustic Ceiling Material
 - Acoustical Wall Material
 - Furniture Selection
 - Active Sound Masking

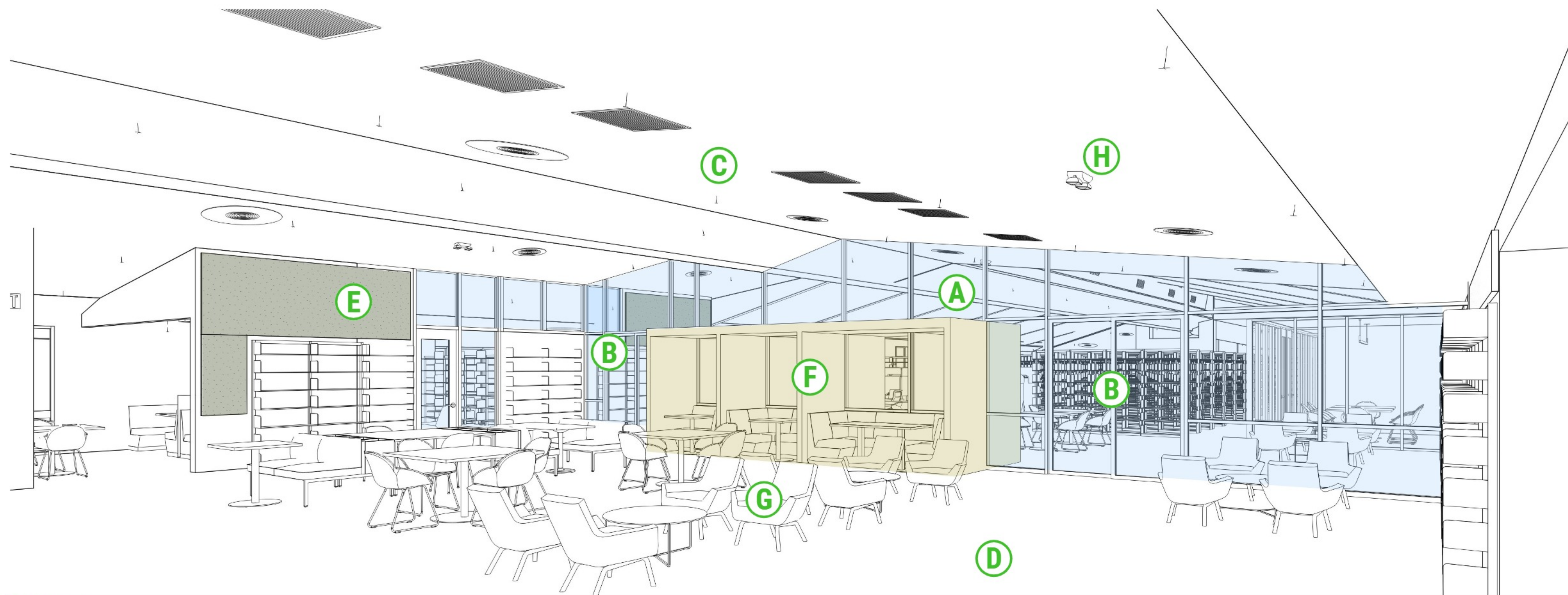


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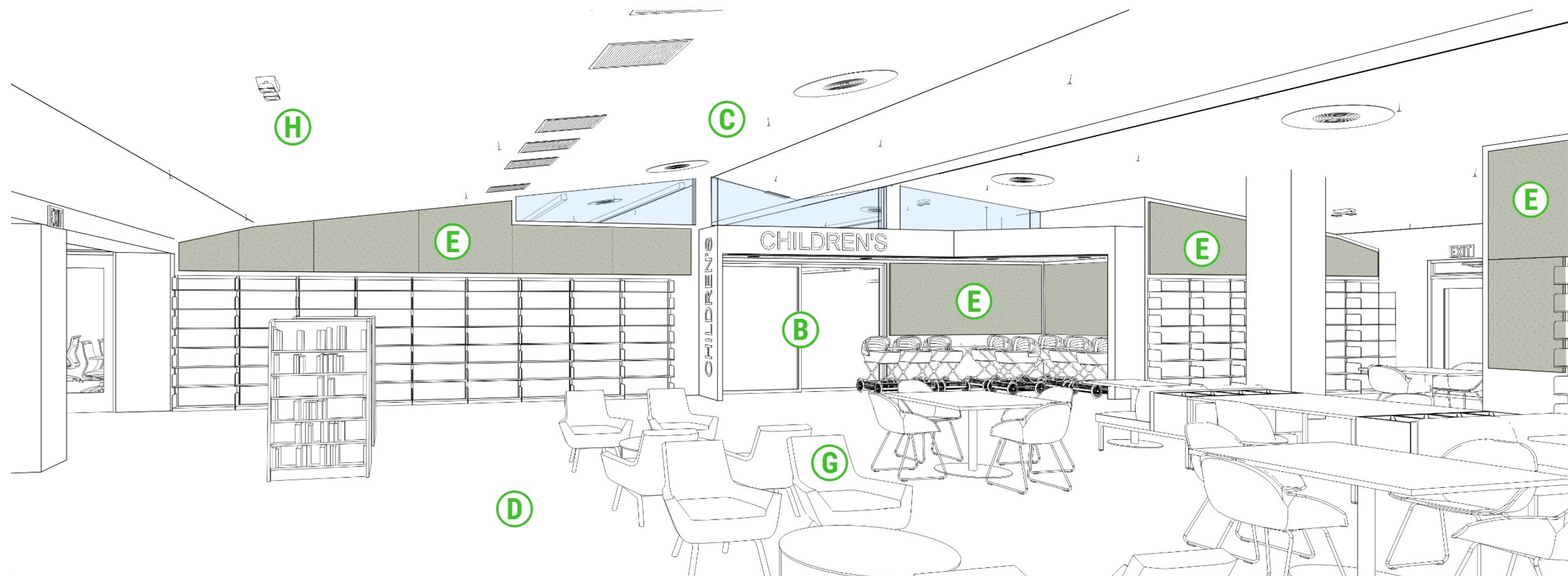
VISIBILITY AND SAFETY

- Maintain visibility through wall - encourage connection and curiosity
- With transparency for visibility comes risk of running into glass wall

3.3 Separation - Key Issues



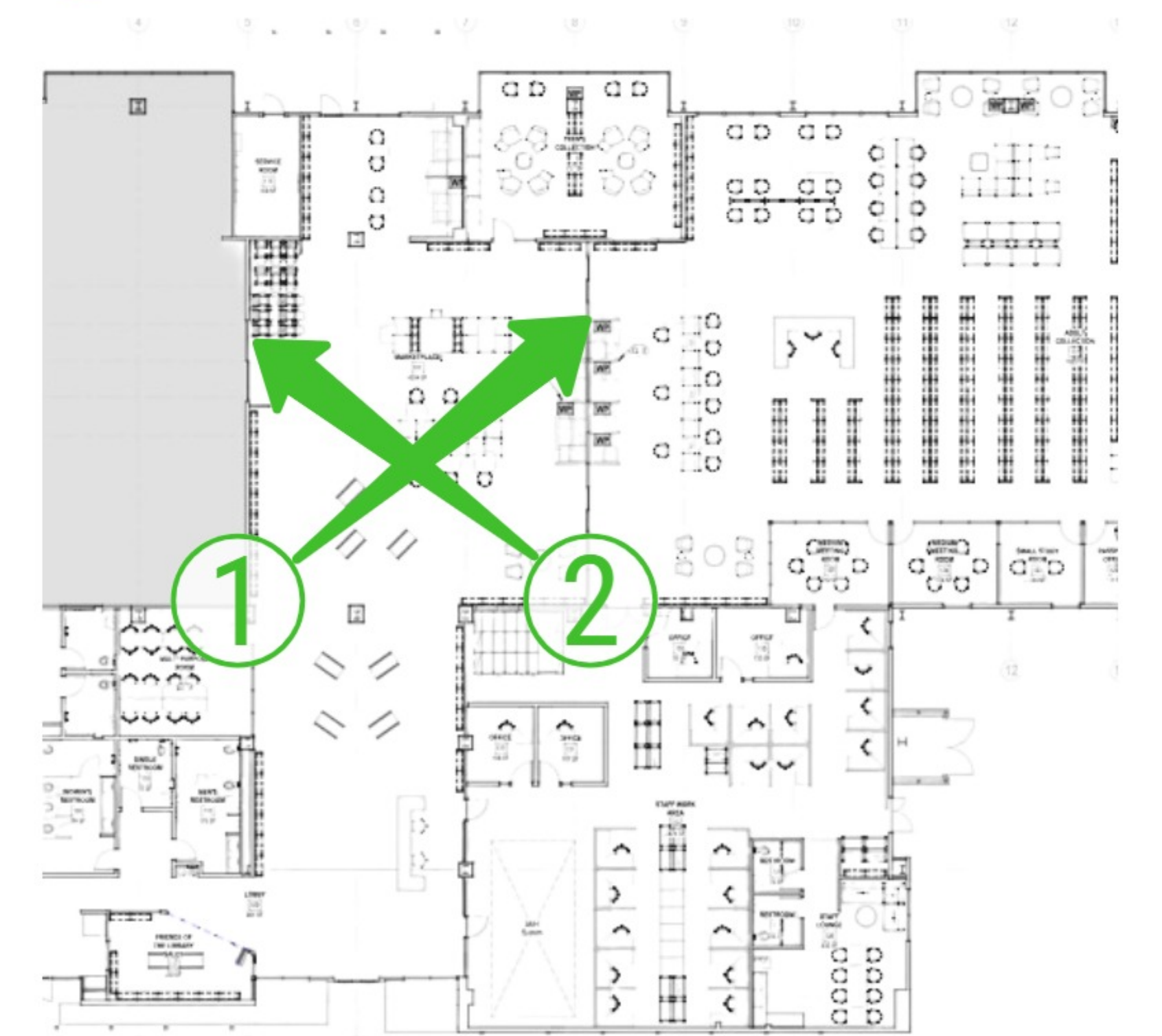
VIEW 1



VIEW 2



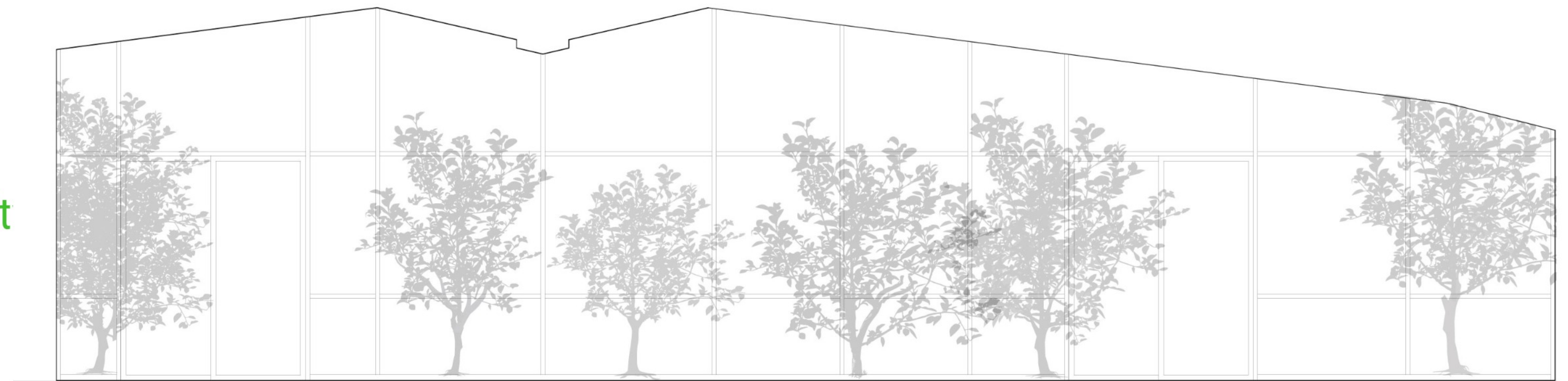
- (A) TRANSPARENT INSULATED GLAZING WINDOW WALL
- (B) GLAZED AUTOMATIC SLIDING DOOR
- (C) EXISTING ACOUSTICAL CEILING
- (D) CARPET FLOORING
- (E) ACOUSTIC WALL PANELS
- (F) BOOTHS WITH SOUND ABSORPTIVE MATERIALS
- (G) FURNITURE WITH SOUND ABSORPTIVE FABRIC
- (H) SOUND MASKING SYSTEM



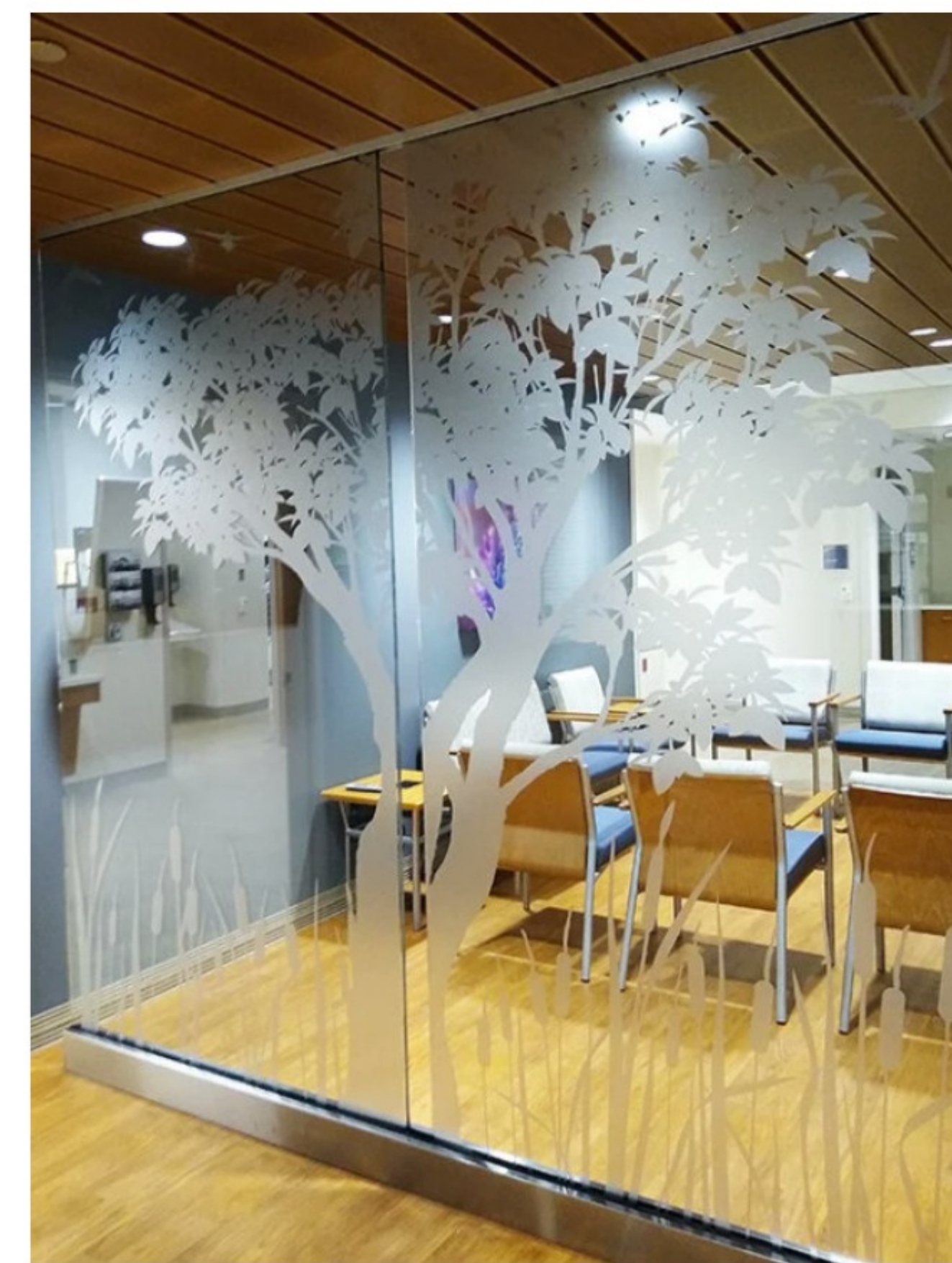
KEY PLAN

3.4 Design Solutions for Acoustics

- Ceramic ink or film **applied to glass**
- **Design element** recalling orchard
- **Glass visible** while maintaining visibility through, **increasing safety**
- Level of **opacity** can be varied



INTERIOR ELEVATION OF COMMUNITY HUB / MARKETPLACE



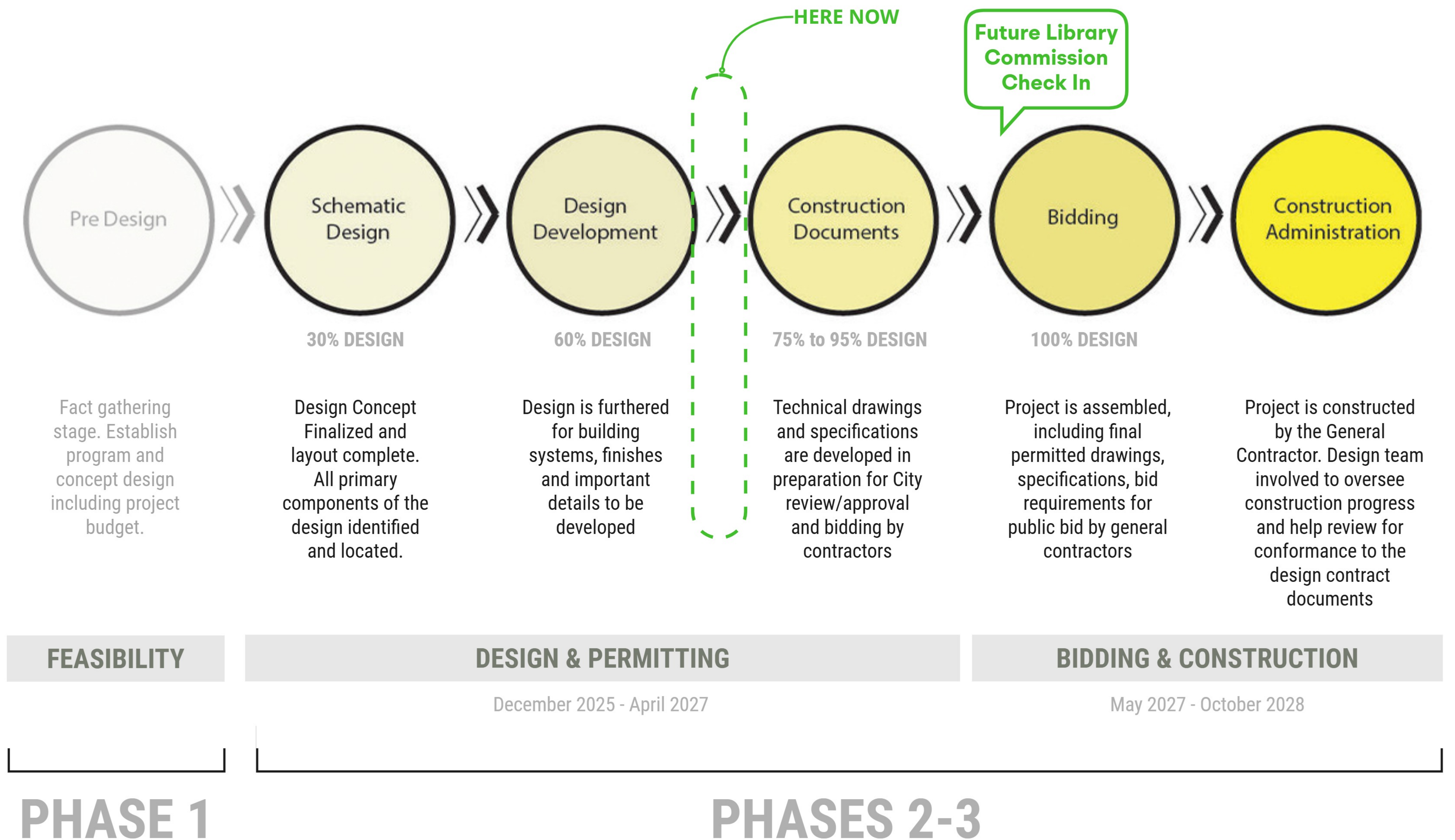
Images similar to concept

3.5 Design Solutions for Transparency/Visibility



3.6 Community Hub / Marketplace

04 Conclusion & Next Steps



4.1 Next Steps

Staff Report



Meeting Date: September 3, 2026
Prepared By: Anthony Carnesecca

Subject: Discuss Library Commission Event

RECOMMENDATION

BACKGROUND

The Library Commission established Commissioners Christine Fawcett and Jeanine Valadez as the Library Closure Preparations Ad-Hoc Subcommittee at its March 5, 2026 meeting.

The Library Commission Event will be held on Sunday, September 20, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Grand Oak Room of the Los Altos Community Center. The featured performer, Happy Birds, has been confirmed and booked.

The finalized event schedule includes book bag and bucket hat decorating activities, a brief introduction by Library Commissioners, and the Happy Birds presentation. Library staff, commissioners, and volunteers will assist with setup and cleanup.

Tentative Schedule

- 10:00 a.m. – Event setup
- 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. – Book bag and bucket hat decorating
- 11:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. – Welcome remarks and introductions by Library Commissioners
- 11:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. – Happy Birds presentation
- 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. – Book bag and bucket hat decorating
- 12:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. – Event cleanup and takedown

The City will purchase supplies for approximately 100 attendees, including book bags, bucket hats, decorating materials, and pre-packaged nut-free snacks.

The City is covering all event costs, including performers, supplies, and refreshments. Current plans remain well within the approved event budget.

DISCUSSION

Library staff created the attached flyer.

Information regarding the event has been distributed through the In The Heights Newsletter and will be shared through the City and Library District social media channels.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Library Commission Event Flyer



Happy Birds

presented by the
**Los Altos
Library Commission**

Sunday, September 20
10:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Los Altos Community Center
Grand Oak Room

10:30 AM Decorate a book bag or bucket hat

11:00 AM Happy Birds

12:00 PM Additional time for decorating a book bag or a bucket hat



September 2026 Library Report
Jennifer Weeks, County Librarian



Bring a New Patron to the Library this Month

September is [Library Card Sign-Up Month](#), when we encourage everyone in our communities to open a free library account. A library card opens up a world of discovery. From the best and latest books and magazines to valuable electronic resources that would cost thousands of dollars a year to access independently, libraries offer a wide variety of information, education, and entertainment free of charge.

This year, SCCLD is teaming up with the San Jose Sharks to produce two new limited edition library card designs for patrons who sign up for a new account or wish to replace their current card. The new designs will be revealed on Tuesday, September 1, when they will be available at all of our libraries, as well as the Bookmobile. Be one of the first to get a special, limited edition San Jose Sharks library card.

Join us and a SJ Sharks player for a special Sharks-themed [Storytime](#) on Tuesday, September 8 at 4 PM at the Cupertino Library. After the fun you can check out the newly restored aquarium afterward!

Full access library cards allow patrons to borrow up to 100 items at a time, with a limit of 10 console games or 30 DVDs/Blu-Rays. Digital eCards are also available to anyone who resides in Santa Clara County and these provide access to our online resources like eBooks and Audiobooks. Learn more about our different types of library accounts [on our website](#).

FYI- All SCCLD libraries will be closed on Monday, September 7 for the Labor Day holiday. Our [Online Library](#) will be open.

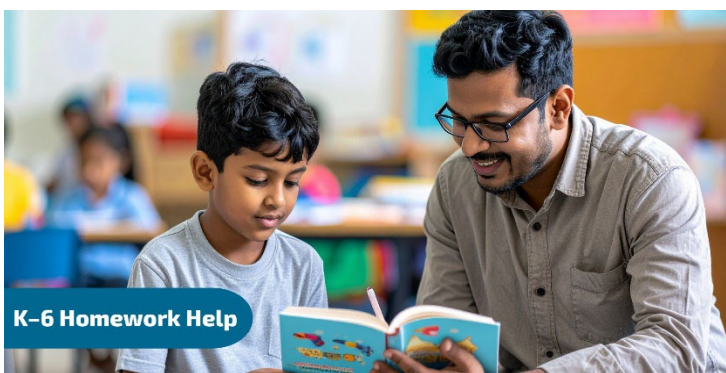
Hispanic Heritage Month

Hispanic culture and the Latino community are the focus of [Hispanic Heritage Month](#), which is celebrated from September 15 to October 15. Here in the Bay, we have a rich history of native peoples like the Ohlone, as well as missions and cities that were founded by the Spanish. Like the rest of the golden state, we also were once part of Mexico.



The Latino community is large and diverse, spanning the entire continent and parts of the Caribbean. Spanish is a largely shared language, with many indigenous languages also spoken. The library has many [language learning resources](#) for those interested in connecting with their heritage or who wish to add a language ability, including [Mango Languages](#) and [Recursos en Español](#) by Learning Express. We also offer numerous [newspapers and magazines in Spanish](#) and from across Latin America.

Many [events are planned](#) at our libraries. These include arts and crafts, book clubs, movie screenings, musical acts and dance performances. Acclaimed author [Francisco Jimenez](#) will speak about growing up as the child of farm workers after a screening of *Unbroken Sky* at the Gilroy Library on Sat., Sep. 26. Other highlights include Virtual Authors talks in English and Spanish with [Lucky Diaz](#) on Thu. Sep. 24 and [Mariachi Estelar](#) at the Saratoga Library on Sun., Sep. 27. More details in our Monthly Calendar. There are also [booklists](#) for kids, teens and adults around the month, as well as a special travel guide.



Homework Help for K-6 Students

Students in grades K-6 can drop by any SCCLD community library during the school week for assistance with their homework assignments. This free tutoring service will be offered from September through April on [multiple afternoons](#) per week after classes let out, with energetic teen and adult tutors there to help. No appointment is needed.

Students under the age of 10 must have a parent or caregiver stay in the Children's Room during the session. Find other resources around homework help in our [Online Library](#).

SCCLD is always looking for good tutors to help with its Reading Program, Homework Help and other literacy initiatives at our libraries. If you or someone you know are interested, find [information here](#).

Helping Young Kids Read to Lead

SCCLD is [seeking volunteers](#) 14 and older to serve as tutors as part of the new Read to Lead tutoring initiative at the Gilroy and Morgan Hill libraries. South County students in grades 2-3 who need reading support are the main focus.

Barely half of county 3rd grade students meet the state target for reading at grade level by the end of the 3rd grade. You can help change this figure with your efforts. The commitment is for 90 minutes on two afternoons each week at a library from October through mid-December. Parents or caregivers will need to stay in the Children's area during sessions. Find the full list of requirements on [our website](#). Training dates will take place in September.



September Virtual Author Talks

Five authors join us this month for [Virtual Author Talks](#).

Sep. 1- Fiction and nonfiction writer [David O. Stewart](#) explores what ideas of the Founding Fathers mean for us today in [The Democracy we Keep](#). [Please register](#).

Sep. 8- Dive into the dark mysteries of deep space in [Daniel Kraus](#)' new novel, [The Sixth Nik](#). [Please register](#).

Sep. 15- Hear how ideas can change the way we handle disagreements from [Priya Parker](#) ([The Art of Fighting: The Transformative Power of Conflict](#)). [Please register](#).

Sep. 17- Learn how to reconnect with your true self and open the door to real change with [Yasmine Cheyenne](#) ([The Comeback Era: From Limiting Beliefs to Living Without Limits](#)). [Please register](#).

Sep. 24- Family favorite performer [Lucky Diaz](#) shares about his bilingual picture book, [Paletero Man](#). There will be back-to-back sessions given in English and Spanish. Please register: [English/Spanish](#).



**VIRTUAL
AUTHOR TALKS
SEPTEMBER 2026**

REGISTER AT:
SCCLD.ORG/EVENTS

David O. Stewart September 1 at 11:00 am - 12:00 pm "The Democracy We Must Keep"	 
Daniel Kraus September 8 at 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm "The Sixth Nik"	 
Priya Parker September 15 at 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm "The Art of Fighting"	 
Yasmine Cheyenne September 17 at 11:00 am - 12:00 pm "The Comeback Era"	 
Lucky Diaz September 24 at 4 pm - English September 24 at 5 pm - Spanish "Paletero Man"	 

Images from the New Woodland Library Terrace and Native Habitat



A big crowd [came out](#) on Saturday, August 15 for the grand opening of the beautiful new space next to the Woodland Library in Los Altos. Patrons and their families can now sit under awnings, play a game or enjoy the native landscaping. The Los Altos Library Endowment is responsible for this great initiative.





Thank you, Dolly Parton for being a champion for early literacy.

We will always love you.

Celebrating Dolly Parton

January 19, 1946 - August 25, 2026

scclcd.org/ImaginationLibrary

Dolly Parton was an icon; a singer, songwriter, actress, author and entrepreneur known for her warm personality, bold style, and dedication to childhood literacy. The Santa Clara County Library District is greatly saddened by the news of her passing. Through Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, more than 332,411,200 books have been gifted to children aged 0-5 all over the world. This includes 150,000 books to kids throughout Santa Clara County. Her gift of early literacy is a legacy that lives on through the Imagination Library. Thank you, Dolly, for being a champion for literacy and bringing light to so many lives.

SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT SEPTEMBER 2026 EVENTS

**SCCLD Libraries will be closed and services unavailable on
Monday, September 7 for Labor Day. Our Online Library is
available at scclld.org/Online-Library**

CAMPBELL LIBRARY – 77 Harrison Avenue

Music and Movement Storytime

Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Community Room

Music and movement help our littlest learners develop their communication skills, their imagination, and their connection with the loving grown-ups in their lives.

ESL Conversation Club

Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room

Practice your English conversation skills. Please register.

Goodnight, Little Storytime

Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Community Room

There will be songs, silliness, and (of course) stories.

Tween Dungeons and Dragons

Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, & 23, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Community Room

Join our fall season of Tween Dungeons and Dragons. Our Game Master will teach you what you need to know. The rules and realms will be modified to ensure the table remains kid-friendly and age appropriate. Please register for this 8-week program.

Homework Help for Grades K-5

Wednesdays and Thursdays, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Tween Area

Drop in for free homework help. No registration is required. Basic school supplies will be provided.

Little Explorers: Tape Town

Friday, September 4, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Borrow a small toy car or bring your own and zip around the masking-tape streets in our Community Room.

Pop-up Temporary Tattoo Parlor

Saturday, September 12, 3 – 5 p.m., Children’s Room

Choose from dozens of temporary tattoo designs. The tattoos will wash off in a day or two.

Campbell Book Club

Monday, September 14, 7 – 8 p.m., Community Room

We will discuss [*The Possession of Alba Díaz*](#) by Isabel Cañas.

Natural Solutions for Calming Inflammation

Monday, September 21, 1 – 2 p.m.

Inflammation is behind different symptoms: Body pain, excess weight, allergies, digestive issues, low energy, headaches and more. Learn three hidden causes behind it.

Campbell LEGO Club

Thursday, September 24, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Community Room

Kids 5+ years old can apply building skills and their imagination to have fun with LEGOs!

Kids younger than 5 can enjoy our Duplos.

Cinema Sunday

Sunday, September 27, 2 – 4:15 p.m., Community Room

To celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, we will watch **Selena** (Rated PG).

CUPERTINO LIBRARY – 10800 Torre Avenue**ESL Conversation Club**

Tuesdays, September 1, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A

Improve your English listening and speaking skills and learn about other cultures in a supportive environment. Please register.

Toddler Storytime

Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101

This storytime features lots of movement, singing, and action and is geared towards 1–2-year-old toddlers who can no longer sit in laps.

LEGO Club

Tuesday, September 1, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Students in Kindergarten–8th grade can play and create with LEGOs. Space is limited.

Poponta Japanese Storytime

Wednesday, September 2, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 101

This Japanese storytelling session will include traditional kamishibai (paper theater), puppets and books!

The Art of Science and Deception

Wednesday, September 2, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 201

Join us for a mind-bending exploration of the human mind from the perspective of a magician. Presented by Joss Lee, a magician and educator, this talk bridges the gap between performance and science.

Bedtime Story Time

Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, Room 101

This storytime series is suitable for all ages and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances, all to encourage the development of crucial early literacy skills.

Baby Storytime (0-12 Months) and Stay and Play

Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10:30 – 11:45 a.m.

This storytime series is suitable for children ages 0 to 1 and will feature stories, songs, fingerplays, and more, all to encourage the development of crucial early literacy skills. Limited to the first 30 babies. Please bring a mat or blanket to sit on.

Qigong

Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Room 201

Discover the restorative power of Qigong which combines gentle movements, deep rhythmic breathing, and mindful focus to help reduce stress and increase vital energy. The exercises are simple, safe, and suitable for participants of all ages and fitness levels.

Reading Program Tutor Orientation

Thursday, September 3, 1 – 2 p.m. and 6 – 7 p.m., Room 201

This orientation is a great opportunity to learn about how you can become a volunteer adult literacy tutor and support an adult learner improve their English reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills to achieve their lifelong goals.

Reading Buddies

Thursday, September 3, and Monday, September 14, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 101

Children who have completed K-5th grade can buddy up with a furry friend and practice reading skills to build self-confidence. Children must register for this program in-person at the Children's Reference Desk.

Knit-Alongs at Cupertino Library

Fridays, September 4, 11, 18, & 25, 2:30 – 4 p.m., Room 201A

Adult knitters and crocheters can make new friends, start new projects or finish old ones. There will be some supplies available, but everyone is encouraged to bring their own supplies.

Mandarin/English Family Storytime/ 中/英文雙語說故事時間

Fridays, September 4 & 18, 7–8 p.m., Room 101

Join us for stories, songs, flannel board story, fingerplay and a craft project with a Children's Librarian in Mandarin and English.

兒童圖書館員將為小朋友讀圖畫故事書;唱兒歌;用絨布板講故事;手指謠和做美勞。

Family Storytime

Saturdays, September 5, 12, 19, & 26, 10:30–11 a.m., Room 101

This storytime series is suitable for all ages and features stories, songs, rhymes and dance, all to encourage the development of crucial early literacy skills.

Baby Sign and Sing

Sunday, September 6, 11–11:30 a.m., Room 101

Adult caregivers will learn basic signs to communicate with their babies aged 0-12 months.

Sing a Story: Hansel and Gretel

Sunday, September 6, 3–3:45 p.m., Room 101

San Francisco Opera Guild presents, Sing a Story, an interactive introduction to opera for **ages 4–10**. The entire audience will then participate in performing the opera.

San Jose Sharks Storytime

Tuesday, September 8, 4–5 p.m., Room 101

Let's dive into a fin-tastic storytime with the San Jose Sharks! Listen to fun stories featuring some very special guests.

Homework Help for Grades K-6

Tuesdays and Thursdays starting September 8, 4:30–6 p.m., Room 101

Students in grades K-6 can get free homework help with a trained tutor. No registration necessary.

Children's Literature for Adults Book Club

Tuesday, September 8, 7–8 p.m.

Adults will discuss, reminisce, or discover a beloved children's classic. Registration is required at the Children's Reference Desk.

Natural Solutions for Calming Inflammation

Wednesday, September 9, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Inflammation is behind different symptoms: Body pain, excess weight, allergies, digestive issues, low energy, headaches and more. Learn three hidden causes behind it.

Level Up Readers

Wednesdays, September 9, 16, 23, & 30, 5 – 6 p.m., Room 101

Level Up Readers is a TK-8th grade drop-in space where your child can read to a volunteer.

Wings of Freedom: Soaring Eagles

Wednesday, September 9, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 201

Joan Sparks will share pictures of eagles and other majestic birds so you can observe their diverse behaviors and discover unique traits of these remarkable raptors.

Art Therapy for Tweens

Friday, September 11, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101

Kids ages 10+ will create their own unique piece of art to take home. Materials will be provided while supplies last.

Create CU: Joomchi

Friday, September 11, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201B

Through the papermaking technique Joomchi, multiple wet layers of Korean mulberry paper are agitated, squeezed and thrown by hand to make one durable fabric-like sheet. Registration is required.

Nonfiction Book Discussion

Sunday, September 13, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Room 201B

We will discuss [*A History of the World in Six Glasses*](#) by Tom Standage (2005).

Book Discussion for Adults

Wed., September 16, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Thur., September 17, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201B

We will discuss [*Some Strange Music Draws Me In*](#) by Griffin Hansbury.

Origami for School Age Kids

Thursday, September 17, 4 – 4:45 p.m., Room 101

Come and learn origami. There will be 3 projects demonstrated step-by-step.

Poetry Open Mic

Saturday, September 19, 3 – 4 p.m., Room 201

Hosted by Cupertino Poet Laureate Thomas Célérier, come listen, read, perform, or simply be present at this open mic program. Please register.

Reading Program Tutor Training

Monday & Wednesday, September 21 & 23, 10:30 a.m. – 1:15 p.m., Room 201

This training is for those who have completed the orientation to become a tutor for the Library's Reading Program.

Hispanic Heritage Month: Changemakers Book Club for Grades 1 & 2

Tuesday, September 22, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101

We will discuss [*Catalina Incognito*](#) by Jennifer Torres. Sign up at the Children's Reference desk and pick up a copy of the book.

Tuesday Travel Nights: Istanbul and Beyond

Tuesday, September 22, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201

Lying at the nexus linking Europe and Asia, Istanbul offers a myriad of treats for visitors. David Couzens delves deep into this unique city to photograph the Ottoman architecture, enjoy the cultural richness, indulge in the cuisine, and mingle with the citizens.

Mini Makers (Ages 2-5)

Wednesday, September 23, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 101

We'll have three different stations to practice and learn more about fine motor skills.

Voyagers Book Club (Grades 3-4)

Thursday, September 24, 4 – 5 p.m.

We will be all discussing the same book, [*Picture Purrfect*](#) by Hilda Eunice Burgos. Kids will make a craft, and take-home snacks will be provided.

Parallel Career Path as a Professional Dancer

Friday, September 25, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 201

This session offers inspiration and practical guidance for anyone exploring multiple avenues in their personal or professional journey.

Folclórico Colibrí Dance Performance

Saturday, September 26, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Room 101

Attendees will get to see a Mexican folklore dance group that promotes pride in LGBTQ+ Latinx identity through costume, tradition and the art of Mexican Folklorico dance.

Little Learners Club

Monday, September 28, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 101

Children ages 3-5 will build early literacy skills as we explore different themes and hands-on activities.

GILROY LIBRARY – 350 W. Sixth Street**Zumba Fitness Class/Clase de Zumba Fitness**

Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 5:45– 6:45 p.m., Community Room

This Latin-inspired, easy-to-follow dance exhilarates your senses and works all major muscle groups. Este baile de inspiración latina y fácil de seguir estimula tus sentidos y trabaja todos los grupos musculares principales.

Reading Buddies/Compañeros de Lectura

Tuesday, September 1, 6 – 6:45 p.m., 1st Floor Burrow

Come practice your reading skills and read aloud one on one with a furry friend! ¡Ven a practicar tus habilidades de lectura y lee en voz alta uno a uno con un amigo peludo!

Beginner Line Dancing

Tuesday, September 1, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room

Move to rhythms of Pop, Rock, Hip-hop, R&B, Reggae, Salsa, and classic Country Western favorites. Whether a first-time dancer or have years of experience, all are welcome.

Back to School Night

Wednesday, September 2, 6 – 7 p.m., Community Room

Families with teens and college students can learn about academic resources and take a behind the scenes tour of the library.

Books and Boogie Storytime/Hora de Cuentos

Thursdays, September 3, 10, & 17, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Children's Area

Children and their caregivers are invited to enjoy engaging stories, playful rhymes, lively fingerplays, and music and movement activities that nurture early literacy skills.

Compartiremos historias divertidas, rimas, canciones y baile.

Knitting and Crochet Weekly Meetup/Tejido y Crochet

Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 1 – 4 p.m., Quiet Study B

Bring your projects, ask questions, receive help, share ideas, and meet new people! ¡Trae tus proyectos, haz preguntas, recibe ayuda, comparte ideas y conoce gente nueva!

Book Discussion

Friday, September 4, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m., Quiet Study B

We will be discussing [*Recursion*](#) by Blake Crouch.

Safe Space Meetup for LGBTQ+ Youth/Encuentro de Espacio Seguro Para Personas LGBTQ+

Fridays, September 4 & 18, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Quiet Study B

Our staff-led meetings offer a safe space for LGBTQ+ youth to play games, participate in group activities & discussions, and build community. Nuestras reuniones, dirigidas por nuestro personal, ofrecen un espacio seguro para que los jóvenes jueguen, participen en actividades y debates grupales, y forjen una comunidad.

Maracas and Movement

Saturdays, September 5, 12, 19, & 26, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., 1st Floor Burrow

We will explore music, movement, and children's rhymes in English and Spanish. Exploraremos música, movimiento y rimas infantiles en inglés y español.

Mending and Hemming Workshop

Saturday, September 5, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room

We'll go over how to shorten pants, mend holes and replace lost buttons. Practice garments will be provided, but you can bring your own clean clothes for advice on how to mend them. Registration is required.

Learning Chinese Language and Culture (Ages 8-13)

Saturdays and Sundays, September 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26, & 27, Children's Area

Join us for an interactive program designed to help participants learn basic Chinese language skills and develop an appreciation for Chinese culture through fun and engaging activities. Registration is required for each session.

Free Snacks for Kids/Meriendas Gratis Para Niños

Mondays – Friday, through June, 3 – 4 p.m., Lobby Area (except for GUSD school breaks)

Kids 18 years old and younger can stop by for a free afterschool snack. ¡Pasa por la biblioteca y recoge una merienda GRATIS después de clases!

Reading Program: Learner Orientation

Wednesday, September 9, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 6 – 7 p.m., Reading Program Room

Adults who are interested in learning to read English can learn more about the Reading Program's structure, services and expectations. Learners must be adults, understand basic spoken English, can respond to basic questions in English, can read or write at an 8th grade level. Durante la sesión, aprenderá sobre los requisitos del programa y cómo este puede ayudarle a alcanzar sus metas para seguir aprendiendo en inglés.

A Busy Person's Guide to Cyber Safety

Thursday, September 10, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Community Room

Topics covered include staying safe from scams, how to use payment methods securely and strategies to keep the entire family safe online.

LEGO Club

Friday, September 11, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Community Room

We provide LEGOs, children build fun creations! ¡Nosotros proporcionamos los LEGOs, los niños construyen creaciones divertidas!

Plan Your Fall/Winter Vegetable Garden

Saturday, September 12, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Find out how many cool season vegetables are easy to grow and best for our climate.

Gilroy Election Forum for City Council and School Board

Saturday, September 12, 1 – 4:45 p.m., Community Room

City Council and School Board decisions affect our jobs, neighborhoods, and infrastructure. Learn how candidates stand on local issues at this public forum and ask the important questions before casting your ballot.

Open Poetry Readings

Saturday, September 12, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Downstairs Meeting Room

Everyone is welcome to attend and listen to or read poetry and join in related discussions.

Hispanic Heritage Month Paint Day: Grades K-2

Sunday, September 13, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Join us to learn and paint. Ven a pintar y aprender. Register online.

Early Learning Readiness/Aprendizaje Temprano

Mondays and Wednesdays, September 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, & 30, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room

This early learning readiness program creates a place for young children to play, learn and develop skills they will need for school. A caregiver or parent attends classes also and learns developmental activities to do at home.

1-on-1 Tech Help/Ayuda con la Tecnológica

Mondays, September 14, 21, & 28, 1 – 5 p.m., Upstairs Computer Area

Our bilingual tech mentor volunteer will do their best to assist you with your technology needs. No registration required.

Nuestro mentor técnico es un voluntario bilingüe que hará todo lo posible para ayudarle con sus necesidades tecnológicas. No es necesario registrarse ni concertar cita.

Tiny Paintings for Teens (ages 12-18)

Monday, September 14, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., Community Room

Paint your own miniature painting or create a mini print of your favorite famous painting. Please register.

Homework Help/Ayuda con la Tarea

Mondays and Wednesdays starting September 14, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., 1st Floor

Students in grades K–6 can receive free homework assistance in a collaborative, small-group setting. Los estudiantes de los grados K a 6 pueden recibir ayuda gratuita con las tareas escolares en un entorno colaborativo de grupos pequeños.

Create-N-Play/Crear-Y-Jugar

Mondays, September 14, 21, & 28, 5 – 6 p.m., 1st Floor Burrow

Join us on Monday nights in the Children's area for a crafty exploration of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math. Acompañenos los lunes en el area infantil para explorar todo lo relacionado con Ciencia, Tecnología, Ingeniería, Arte y Matemáticas.

Pajama Storytime/Hora de Cuento en Pijama

Mondays, September 14, 21, & 28, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Children's Area

We read stories, sing songs, play games, and wear our pajamas. Leemos cuentos, cantamos canciones, y jugamos. No olviden llevar sus pijamas puestos.

National Voter Registration Day

Tuesday, September 15, 1 – 7 p.m., Lobby

Stop by our volunteer-staffed table in the lobby to fill out your voter registration form.

Business Owner Class: Entity Structures

Wednesday, September 16, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room

In this class, we will review the main type of business entities – sole proprietorships, partnerships, LLCs, LLPs, S-Corporations, and C-Corporations. You will also learn about liability protection, taxation, management structure, and administrative requirements.

Playdough Playtime (Ages 2-7) / Hora de Juego con Plastilina (2 a 7 años)

Wednesday, September 16, 3 – 4 p.m., Community Room

Shape, roll, and squish playdoh using cutters in different shapes. Los niños podrán amasar, moldear y aplastar plastilina usando divertidos cortadores en formas diferentes.

Dance Folklórico Performance

Wednesday, September 16, 6 – 7 p.m., Community Room

This local group will feature traditional dances in celebration of Mexican Independence Day on September 16. Este grupo local presentará bailes tradicionales para celebrar el Día de la Independencia de México, el 16 de septiembre.

Repair Café

Saturday, September 19, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Repair Cafe will bring tools, materials, and volunteer experts to help you make any repairs you need on clothes, furniture, small appliances, bicycles, electronics, toys, and more.

Sensory Movement & Regulation Workshop / Regulación Sensorial con Musica

Sunday, September 20, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room

These workshops introduce families to sensory regulation through gentle, structured movement grounded in rhythm, body awareness, and emotional safety.

Estos talleres introducirán a las familias a la regulación sensorial a través de actividades de movimiento suaves y estructuradas, basadas en el ritmo, la conciencia corporal y la seguridad emocional.

Hispanic Heritage Month Paint Day: Grades 3-5

Sunday, September 20, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Join us to learn and paint. Ven a pintar y aprender. Register online.

Bike Repair/ Reparación de Bicicletas

Friday, September 25, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Outside Parking Lot

Our basic repair ensures that each bike has at least one working brake and gear, and flat tire repair. Space is limited.

Nuestra reparación básica garantiza que cada bicicleta tenga al menos un freno y un cambio funcionando, además de la reparación de pinchazos. El cupo es limitado.

Film Screening & Discussion with Author Francisco Jiménez

Saturday, September 26, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Community Room

Watch *The Unbroken Sky*, a short film based on Dr. Jiménez's childhood growing up in California. Following the film, stay for a bilingual conversation about his life, books, and the journeys that inspired his writing. Asista a una proyección gratuita de **Senderos Fronterizos**, un cortometraje basado en su niñez y sus experiencias al crecer en California. Luego disfrute de una conversación bilingüe sobre su vida, sus libros y los caminos que inspiraron sus obras.

Hispanic Heritage Month Paint Day

Sunday, September 27, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

Join us to learn and paint. Ven a pintar y aprender. Register online.

Bookcaterpillars Book Club (Grades K-1)

Monday, September 28, 3 – 3:30 p.m., 1st Floor Burrow

Stop by the Children's Reference Desk to register and pick up your copy of the book. Pasa por el escritorio de referencia infantil para inscribirte y recoge tu copia del libro.

Bookworms Book Club (Grades 2-3)

Monday, September 28, 4 – 5 p.m., 1st Floor Burrow

Stop by the Children's Reference Desk to register and pick up your copy of the book. Pasa por el escritorio de referencia infantil para inscribirte y recoge tu copia del libro.

Bookcrops Book Club (Grades 4-5)

Tuesday, September 29, 4 – 5 p.m., The Burrow

This month we are reading [*Stuart Little*](#) by E.B. White.

Book Discussion

Tuesday, September 29, 7 – 8 p.m., Quiet Study B

We will be discussing [*Raising Hare: A Memoir*](#) by Chloe Dalton.

LOS ALTOS LIBRARY – 13 S. San Antonio Road**A Journey Across Lines: Studies in Persian Miniature**

September 1 – September 29, Art Wall

This collection represents a deep artistic exploration into the soul of Persian painting through a curated selection of work study paintings by Leila Ghasempour.

Mariela's Music Time

Tuesday, September 1, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room

Come for an educational, energetic, and interactive Spanish-English bilingual performance. Free tickets will be given out at 10 a.m.

Bilingual Mandarin Family Storytime/中英雙語故事時間

Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 1 – 1:30 p.m., Orchard Room

These 30-minute sessions focus on early literacy by sharing stories and songs in both English and Mandarin Chinese.

這是以半小時的雙中英語故事書, 兒歌, 手指謠, 玩遊戲為特色的內容。歡迎兒童們與家長祿母一同前來參加

The Whodunit? Mystery Book Club

Wednesday, September 2, 10:15 – 11:30 a.m., Teen Room

This month's book is [*You Are Fatally Invited*](#) by Ande Pliego.

Toddler Storytime

Wednesdays and Thursdays, September 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, & 30, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room

This interactive storytime is filled with stories, music, and fun activities. Free tickets will be handed out starting at 10 a.m.

Baby Storytime & Stay and Play

Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 1 – 2 p.m., Orchard Room

Babies will enjoy songs, rhymes, gentle movement, baby sign language, and short books.

Opioid Overdose Prevention Training

Wednesday, September 2, 3 – 4 p.m.

Get an introduction to harm reduction and an overview of fentanyl, learn the signs of an overdose and learn to administer Naloxone (Narcan). Participants will receive Naloxone dosages (while supplies last). Please register.

ESL Conversation Club

Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 1:30 – 3 p.m., Orchard Room

Practice speaking English in an informal and supportive group.

Preschool Storytime

Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 3:30 – 4 p.m., Orchard Room

Preschoolers aged 3-5 will enjoy stories, music and movement.

Teen Dungeons and Dragons Social Club

Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Teens are welcome to drop in and watch the game. Currently the game is full, but we will occasionally have openings for new players.

Baby Sign and Stay & Play

Saturday, September 5, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room

This special storytime features American Sign Language, along with songs, stories and fun for babies 0-12 months! Please bring a blanket for your baby.

Sunday Matinee Movies

Sunday, September 6, 2 – 3:15 p.m., Orchard Room

Join us for a screening of **FernGully: The Last Rainforest** (Rated G).

Classical Guitar Open Mic

Tuesday, September 8, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Sign up to perform for up to 10 minutes and watch other performers.

Genealogy Lab

Fridays, September 11 & 25, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room

Work on your family history research with other genealogy hobbyists. While this is not an instructional session, you can get peer support and access to our genealogy collection.

Cajon: Afro-Peruvian Drumming Circle

Saturday, September 12, 3 – 4 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn more about Afro-Peruvian musical traditions in this fun, lively, and inclusive class, where everyone can help make the beat!

Board Game Sunday

Sunday, September 13, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

We have board games for adults, teens, and children.

Monday Morning Meditation and Mindfulness

Mondays, September 14, 21, & 28, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room

We will meditate for 20 minutes, then have 10 minutes to talk with the instructor.

Malinky Music

Monday, September 14, 4 – 4:45 p.m., Orchard Room

Enjoy a concert of bilingual music and movement in English and Spanish for young children. Free tickets will be given out at 3:30 p.m.

Poetry Open Mic

Monday, September 14, 7 – 8 p.m., Conference Room

Come share poetry and come hear poetry. You do not have to be a poet to attend.

Author Visit: Jasmine Fang

Tuesday, September 15, 1 – 1:45 p.m., Orchard Room

Author Jasmine Fang will be reading from her book *Beneath the Same Round Moon* about a family celebrating the mid-Autumn Festival together, even when miles apart. 作家 方怡中將為大家朗讀她的作品《在同一輪圓月之下》，講述家人即便相隔千里，依然共同慶祝中秋佳節的溫馨故事。

Book Bugs Book Club (Grades 2-3)

Tuesday, September 15, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Our September book selection is [*Say What?*](#) by Margaret Peterson Haddix. At our book club meeting we will discuss the book and enjoy a fun craft or activity.

Fabric Miniature Book Craft

Tuesday, September 15, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Create your own unique mini treasure book using fabric scraps.

Page Turners Book Club (Grades 4-5)

Wednesday, September 16, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

This month we are reading [*Dogtown*](#) by Katherine Applegate and Gennifer Choldenko.

UC Master Gardeners: Gardening with Mediterranean Ornamentals

Wednesday, September 16, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn about beautiful, hardy, ornamental plants from Mediterranean climates, as well as some California natives, that would be great additions to your waterwise garden.

Mending and Hemming Workshop

Friday, September 18, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room

We'll go over how to shorten pants, mend holes and replace lost buttons. Practice garments will be provided, but you are also welcome to bring your own clean clothes for advice on how to mend them. Registration is required.

Bay Area Games Day

Saturday, September 19, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

We play mostly more recent hobbyist games, but also classic strategy games such as Catan or Pandemic, and family and party games.

Sunday CrafterNoon

Sunday, September 20, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Adults, teens, and kids -- join us for an afternoon of relaxed crafting. Supplies are provided for you to explore a surprise art activity.

Watercolor Workshop for Adults

Monday, September 21, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Join us for a watercolor workshop. All supplies will be provided. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Little Folkies Music Circle

Tuesday, September 22, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m., Orchard Room

This program features live acoustic folk music, singing, movement, storytelling, rhythm activities, and instrument exploration. Free tickets will be given out at 10 a.m.

To Be Read Book Club (Grades 6-8)

Tuesday, September 22, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

We are reading [*The Lions of Little Rock*](#) by Kristin Levine.

Book Discussion for Adults

Tuesday, September 22, 7 – 8:15 p.m., Orchard Room

Email Laura.Pasternack@lib.sccgov.org to learn the book title and get email reminders.

TK-1st Grade Book Club: Elephant & Piggie Party

Wednesday, September 23, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Enjoy a read-aloud of [*Can I Play Too?*](#) and other favorites by Mo Willems along with Gerald and Piggie-inspired activities celebrating friendship and fun.

Wednesday Travel Nights: Brazil

Wednesday, September 23, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

From the beaches of Rio, to canoeing with the caimans of the Amazon, to ogling the architecture of Brasilia, and camping with the birds and piranhas of the Pantanal, come trek the cities and wild lands of beautiful Brazil.

Fall in Fabric: Wreaths, Ornaments & Bunting

Thursday, September 24, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn how to transform upcycled fabrics and natural materials, such as pinecones, into charming autumn décor.

Mid-Autumn Festival

Friday, September 25, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Enjoy yummy mooncakes, make a lantern, enjoy stories about the origins of the festival.

Furry Friends Reading Buddies

Saturday, September 26, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Children in grades K-8 can practice their reading skills and read aloud to a friendly dog or cat. Please register.

Now Read This Book Club

Monday, September 28, 12 – 1:30 p.m., Orchard Room

This month, we will be discussing [*Abundance*](#) by Ezra Klein.

When Harsh Rocks Shape Life: The Fascinating World of Serpentine Ecology

Wednesday, September 30, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

We will journey through California's serpentine landscapes and beyond to discover how unusual soils shape evolution, biodiversity, and ecological specialization.

MILPITAS LIBRARY – 160 North Main Street**Baby Bouncers Lapsit for Prewalkers**

Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 11:30 – 11:45 a.m., Activity Room

This is a baby and caregivers program with an early literacy focus on traditional nursery rhymes, lap bounces, body rhymes, songs, and very short and simple picture books.

Bilingual Family Storytime/[中英雙語故事時間](#)

Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, & 22, Activity Room

This 30-minute storytime features movement, singing, and action! The early literacy focus is on sharing stories and songs in English and Mandarin Chinese. 歡迎小朋友來到故事時間，這是以半小時的雙中英語故事書，兒歌，手指謠，玩遊戲為特色的內容。歡迎兒童們與家長祿母一同前來參加。

ESL Conversation Club

Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 2:45 – 3:45 p.m., Program Room

Improve your English listening and speaking skills and learn about other cultures in a supportive environment.

Homework Help for Grades K-6

Mondays – Thursdays starting September 2, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Activity Room

Students in grades K-6 can come in for free homework help. No registration is required. Walk-ins welcome as space allows.

Milpitas Children's Chess Club (Grades K-8)

Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Activity Room

Come play chess and make new friends in a fun and relaxed environment! Attendees are expected to know the rules of chess and must be able to play independently.

Toddler Storytime (Ages 1-3 years)

Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Children's Activity Room

This storytime features lots of movement, singing, and action. The early literacy focus is on very short picture books with simple flannel board stories.

Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-5)

Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Children's Activity Room

The early literacy focus is on longer picture books and flannel board stories and other storytelling activities and fingerplays.

Fire Extinguisher Training Workshop

Thursday, September 3, 7 – 8 p.m., Program Room

Learn to operate fire extinguishers safely and practice real suppression techniques in a controlled environment.

Qi Gong Meditation

Fridays, September 4, 11, 18, & 25, 1 – 3 p.m., Auditorium

Relieve stress and anxiety, increase energy and vitality, and improve physical health. Giảm căng thẳng và lo lắng, tăng năng lượng và sức sống, cải thiện sức khỏe thể chất.

緩解壓力和焦慮, 增加能量和活力, 改善身體健康

Knit & Crochet Circle

Fridays, September 4, 11, 18, & 25, 2 – 4 p.m., Conference Room

Meet other yarn lovers while working on your latest project, get help when you're stuck, and share ideas. Please note this is not a class.

Family Storytime

Saturdays, September 5, 12, 19, & 26, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Activity Room

This 30-minute storytime features lots of movement, singing, and action.

Fabric Necklaces for Teens

Saturday, September 5, 2 – 4 p.m., Program Room

Teens 13+ can create layered fabric necklaces with button accents. Materials provided.

Teen Rubik's Cube Club

Saturday, September 5, 4 – 5 p.m., Conference Room

Meet other cubers, learn new techniques, and have fun! Snacks and drinks provided.

Lil Athletes (Ages 18 months to 4 years)

Friday, September 11, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m., Auditorium

Stories, stretches, and sports-themed activities for tots on the move!

Frida Kahlo Inspired Art Session (Grades K-8)

Friday, September 11, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room

In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, join us in creating a masterpiece inspired by Frida Kahlo. Kids will use stencils and vibrant oil pastels to craft a jungle scene with hummingbirds and other animals.

Board Game Day

Saturday, September 12, 10 a.m. – 6:30 p.m., Auditorium

Play favorite board games, learn about different board games, or get out of the house and do something fun. Bring your favorite game or show up to learn some new ones.

Mend with Friends

Saturday, September 12, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Conference Room

Bring your own items to mend, project to work on, or practice basic stitches with our fabric scraps! Limited mending supplies for hand sewing and casual instruction are available.

Dungeons & Dragons: Fall Mini Campaign

Saturdays, September 12 & 26, 2 – 4 p.m., Conference Room

Our DM will guide you through the process of character creation and basic rules. Make your own character and get lost in the world of Dungeons and Dragons.

Matcha Makers Workshop

Sunday, September 13, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Auditorium

Learn about the history and traditions behind matcha, watch a live preparation, then try it yourself using traditional Japanese tea tools.

LEGO Club for Grades K-8

Monday, September 14, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Program Room

Children will use their creativity and engineering skills to free build with LEGOs.

Science Fiction and Fantasy Book Club

Monday, September 14, 7 – 8 p.m., Auditorium

We will discuss [*The Difference Engine*](#) by William Gibson.

Little Learners STEAM (Ages 3-5)

Tuesday, September 15, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m., Auditorium

Each month we will nurture curiosity and discover new things through engaging and fun activities. Registration is required.

Opioid Overdose Prevention Training

Wednesday, September 16, 3 – 4 p.m.

Get an introduction to harm reduction and an overview of fentanyl, learn the signs of an overdose and learn to administer Naloxone (Narcan). Participants will receive Naloxone dosages (while supplies last). Please register.

Gentle Flow Yoga

Thursday, September 17, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Auditorium

This gentle flow practice combines mindful movement, simple breathing techniques, and a calming guided meditation to help reduce stress, improve flexibility, and restore balance.

Music and Movement (Ages 3-8)

Friday, September 18, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m., Activity Room

Children and their caregivers will have fun exploring music and dancing together!

Dreaming with Your Eyes Open: Double Bill

Saturday, September 19, 2 – 6 p.m., Auditorium

Join us for a screening of [*“The Exterminating Angel”*](#) (*“El ángel exterminador”*) and [*“Synecdoche, New York.”*](#)

Adult and Teen Crafternoon (ages 13+)

Saturday, September 19, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Program Room

Transform tissue paper and a cup into a latte look-alike lantern. No registration necessary.

South Bay Needlepointers Stitch-In

Monday, September 21, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Conference Room

These programs encourage and inspire members to explore new techniques in needlepoint, learn about design, color, texture and perspective, and provide an opportunity to network with others who share a passion for needlepoint.

Book Discussion Group

Wednesday, September 23, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. and Thursday, September 24, 7:30 – 8:30 p.m., Program Room

We will be reading [*A Registry of My Passage Upon the Earth*](#) by Daniel Mason.

Mid-Autumn Moon Festival

Wednesday, September 23, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Auditorium

We will make beautiful 3D embellished greeting cards in celebration of the Mid-Autumn Moon Festival. Please register.

The Peaceful Poets

Thursday, September 24, 5:30 – 8 p.m., Conference Room

The Peaceful Poets are a Milpitas-based group of writers and appreciators of poetry.

Stay and Play Café (Ages 0-5)

Friday, September 25, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Activity Room

Enjoy stories, songs, and play! Stay, play and learn with music, toys, and snacks.

Gaming Club (Grades 4-8)

Friday, September 25, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room

We play video games like Super Smash Bros, Mario Kart, and more. We will also have various board games available. Please register.

Reading Buddies for Grades K-5

Saturday, September 26, 2 – 3 p.m., Activity Room

Children can buddy up with a furry friend and read one on one from a favorite book.

Books & Bricks Book Club (Grades 4-6)

Monday, September 28, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Program Room

This month we are reading [*The Homework Machine*](#) by Dan Gutman.

MORGAN HILL LIBRARY – 660 West Main Avenue**Evening Itty Bitty Jamboree (ages 0-12 months)**

Tuesdays, September 1 & 15, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Adults and babies are invited to short, fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and songs.

Kids LEGO Club (ages 2+)

Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 1 – 2:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Children will use their creativity and engineering skills to build anything.

After Dinner Book Club

Wednesday, September 2, 7 – 8 p.m., Community Room

We will be discussing [*Whistler*](#) by Ann Patchett.

Toddler Storytime (ages 2-3)

Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Join us for a fun-filled storytime featuring stories, songs, rhymes, and lots of movement!

Preschool Storytime

Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 11:15 a.m. – 12 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Join us for a fun-filled storytime featuring stories, songs, rhymes, and lots of interactive movement!

Tiny Tot Jamboree (ages 1-2)

Fridays, September 4, 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Children's Activity Room

Parents and toddlers: Join us for short stories, rhymes, fingerplays, activities, and songs.

Itty Bitty Jamboree (ages 0-12 months)

Fridays, September 4, 11, 18, & 25, 12 – 1 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Adults and their babies: Join us for short, fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and songs. Itty-Bitty Jamboree is 30 minutes followed by Stay & Play time.

Kids Keva Club (Ages 5+)

Friday, September 4, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Create structures, sculptures, and ball-runs out of wooden planks.

Bilingual & English Family Storytime

Saturdays, September 5, 12, 19, & 26, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m., Activity Room

Stories, music, movement, and more! ¡Cuentos, música, movimiento y más!

ESL Conversation Club

Saturdays, September 5 & 19, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room

Come to improve your English speaking and listening skills, while learning about other cultures in a safe and supportive environment.

Start Smart: Driving Smart to Stay Safe for Teens

Tuesday, September 8, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Program Room

Start Smart is aimed at helping newly licensed (or soon to be licensed) teenage drivers become more aware of the responsibilities of being a licensed California driver.

Safe Space Meeting for LGBTQ+ Youth (ages 13-25)

Fridays, September 11 & 25, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room

Our staff-led meetings offer a safe space for LGBTQ+ youth and allies to play games, participate in group activities & discussions, and build community.

Repair Cafe

Saturday, September 12, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Repair Cafe will bring tools, materials, and volunteer experts to help you make any repairs you need on clothes, furniture, small appliances, bicycles, electronics, toys, and more.

This free, drop-in event is offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

Adult Craft Night

Monday, September 14, 6:30 – 8 p.m., Community Room

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with creativity inspired by the colorful tradition of Mexican tin art, repujado. Materials available while supplies last.

Celebra el Mes de la Herencia Hispana con creatividad inspirada en la colorida tradición del arte mexicano en hojalata, el repujado. Todos los materiales proporcionados, mientras duren los suministros.

Library Ukulele Society

Tuesday, September 15, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m., Community Room

Bring your uke and music stand or come to listen and sing along. Learn some songs and play together.

Improving Your Garden Soil

Wednesday, September 16, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room

You'll find out about what you can do to improve soil structure, optimize soil fertility, and encourage beneficial microbes.

Zumba Fitness Class

Monday & Tuesday, September 21 & 22, 6 – 7 p.m., Community Room

This Latin-inspired, easy-to-follow dance exhilarates your senses and works all major muscle groups in a cardio blast that leaves you invigorated, refreshed and full of life.

Sensory Playtime (ages 4-10)

Friday, September 25, 4 – 5 p.m., Children's Activity Room

Sensory playtime is a hands-on, interactive experience designed to engage children through a variety of activities. Designed for kids with sensory processing differences, autism, or who have other special needs. Please register.

Paint Party Inspired by Frida Kahlo

Saturday, September 26, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Community Room

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with a self-directed paint party inspired by Frida Kahlo! Create your own colorful painting and enjoy a creative time together. Register online.

ESL Conversation Club: Chat & Craft

Monday, September 28, 6:30 – 8 p.m., Community Room

Improve your English listening and speaking skills while making a craft in a fun, supportive environment. Basic English knowledge recommended.

Piñata Making Workshop

Wednesday, September 30, 5 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room

Join us for a hands-on session where families can create their very own colorful piñata. Registration is required. Acompáñenos a un taller práctico donde las familias podrán crear su propia piñata colorida. Inscripción requerida.

SARATOGA -- 13650 Saratoga Avenue**Dogs, Cats, and Backyard Acrobats: An Art Exhibit**

Through October 30, Group Study Room

Enjoy the delightful paintings of beloved family pets and natural critters by Carrie Skelly.

Band Jam: Guitar and Ukulele

Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, & 22, 10:15 – 11 a.m., Community Room

Meet people who are also working on their music journey, learn new chords/strums, and get encouragement to practice towards mastering your instrument. Bring your own guitar or ukulele, all other materials will be provided.

Sci-Fi & Fantasy Book Club

Tuesday, September 1, 7 – 8 p.m., Maple Room

Please join us to discuss [*Project Hail Mary*](#) by Andy Weir.

Knit & Crochet Circle

Wednesday, September 2, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room

Bring your own projects and yarn, ask questions, receive help, give help, share ideas and meet new people.

Baby Storytime (12 months or younger)

Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 11 – 11:15 a.m., Community Room

Join us for fun, interactive nursery rhymes, fingerplays, action rhymes, and songs.

Drop-in Tech Help

Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Oak Room

Get help using your laptop, tablet or cell phone. Help is first-come, first-served.

Family Storytime

*Thursdays & Saturdays, September 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, & 26, 11 – 11:30 a.m.,
Community Room*

Join us for stories, rhymes, and songs.

Homework Help for Grades K-6

*Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3 – 5 p.m. and Wednesdays, 3 – 4:30 p.m. starting
September 8, Orchard Room*

Students in grades K-6 can come in for free homework help. No registration is required.
Walk-ins welcome as space allows.

Nature Journaling Workshop

Thursday, September 10, 2 – 3:30 p.m.

Using simple playful sketching and writing prompts, you will slow down, notice more, and
strengthen your observation skills as you explore the natural world in your own way.

Music Village Flutes Concert

Saturday, September 12, 3 – 4 p.m., Community Room

Music Village Flutes is a collective of adult flutists who all study the flute with a dedication
for excellence.

Board Game Night for Adults

Mondays, September 14 & 28, 6 – 8 p.m., Community Room

Drop in and play a variety of board games.

Mystery Monday Book Club

Monday, September 14, 7 – 8 p.m., Maple Room

Drop by the Adult Reference Desk at Saratoga Library to sign up for the meeting and pick up
a copy of the book.

Mandarin Storytime

Tuesday, September 15, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Maple Room

Join us for fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs in Mandarin.

STEM: Make Ice Cream

Tuesday, September 15, 4 – 5 p.m., Community Room

With support from Lynbrook High WiSTEM, use simple science to make a sweet treat. All
ages welcome, while supplies last. No registration necessary.

Travel Program: South Pacific Islands Expedition

Tuesday, September 15, 7:15 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room

Meet the welcoming locals and visit the beautiful unspoiled islands of Papua New Guinea, the Solomon Islands and Vanuatu.

LEGO Club

Wednesday, September 16, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Kids ages 5 + can use their building skills and imaginations to have fun with LEGOs! There are also Duplos for younger kids.

Teatime Book Chatter

Thursday, September 17, 1 – 2 p.m., Maple Room

Please visit the Adult Reference Desk to register and pick up a copy of the book.

Indian Carnatic Music Concert

Saturday, September 19, 12:45 – 4:30 p.m., Community Room

You are invited to a concert by Bay Area musicians from the Indian community.

Cajon: Afro-Peruvian Drumming Circle

Sunday, September 20, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room

Learn more about Afro-Peruvian musical traditions in this fun, lively, and inclusive class, where everyone can help make the beat!

Community Seed Swap

Tuesday, September 22, 6 – 8 p.m., Community Room

A Seed Swap is where gardeners come together to trade seeds from their best plants, bringing their own seeds to share and taking home the seeds that others have to offer.

Type In: All About Typewriters

Saturday, September 26, 1 – 5 p.m., Community Room

Meet other typewriter enthusiasts, learn about and try some typewriters, and see some examples of similar models that produced amazing pieces of literature.

Tissue Paper Flower Craft

Sunday, September 27, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., Children's Room

Drop in and make flowers from tissue paper. All materials will be provided.

Mariachi Estelar

Sunday, September 27, 1 – 2 p.m., Community Room

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month as we welcome Mariachi Estelar. All ages are welcome, so bring the whole family to enjoy the show. Space is first come, first served.

Technology Class

Monday, September 28, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Community Room

Our tech help volunteer will do a deep dive on internet cookies, credit freezing, secure passwords, password managers, multi-factor authentication, and cell phone verification.

KidsCRAFT: Paper Spinners

Tuesday, September 29, 4 – 5 p.m., Community Room

A paper spinner is a small, handmade spinning toy created by cutting paper into a shape that rotates when twisted by hand. No registration necessary.

SERVICES AND SUPPORT CENTER – 1370 Dell Avenue, Campbell**Joint Powers Authority Board Meeting**

Thursday, September 3, 12 – 1 p.m., Campbell Room

For accessibility accommodations (ex. ASL), please fill out the online form at sccl.org/accessibility 7+ days prior to the event. If you need assistance with the form, speak with a staff member at your local library, call (408) 540-3945, or email us at ask@sccl.org.

WOODLAND – 1975 Grant Road**Monday Meditation and Mindfulness**

Mondays, September 14, 21, & 28, 7 – 7:30 p.m.

Practice meditation for 20 minutes, then have 10 minutes to talk to the instructor.

ONLINE EVENTS (Please register online)**Virtual Author Talk: David O. Stewart**

Tuesday, September 1, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

David O. Stewart's new book, [*The Democracy We Must Keep*](#), explores the big question at its heart: how the founders understood democracy and what their ideas mean for us today.

Virtual Author Talk: Daniel Kraus

Tuesday, September 8, 4 – 5 p.m.

Join us for a talk with Daniel Kraus about his new novel, [*The Sixth Nik*](#), and celebrate its release with an online event that dives into the dark mysteries of deep space.

Online English Conversation Club

Thursdays, September 10, 17, & 24, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Meet new friends and practice English together.

Virtual Author Talk: Priya Parker

Tuesday, September 15, 1 – 2 p.m.

[*The Art of Fighting: The Transformative Power of Conflict*](#) by Priya Parker explains why conflict is normal and how it helps groups grow. It shows how to face disagreements in healthy ways and teaches skills to handle tough situations wisely.

Virtual Library Talks: Discover HelpNow

Tuesday, September 15, 4:30 – 5:15 p.m.

Discover how the live online tutors and study tools can help you with homework and test prep. See how the Writing Lab, flash cards, and more can boost your learning.

Virtual Author Talk: Yasmine Cheyenne

Thursday, September 17, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Yasmine Cheyenne's new book, [*The Comeback Era: From Limiting Beliefs to Living Without Limits*](#) explores how reconnecting with your true self can open the door to real change.

Asian Art Museum: Worlds of Creativity

Tuesday, September 22, 7 – 8 p.m.

Experience the variety of styles and approaches with which Asian painters envision their surroundings. Join us in sampling the creativity of these painted worlds.

Virtual Library Talks: Universal Class

Wednesday, September 23, 11 – 11:45 a.m.

Universal Class offers more than 500 video courses for continuing education. Class subjects include business, history, mathematics, office skills and training, science, health, and hobbies.

Virtual Author Talk: Lucky Diaz

Thursday, September 24, 4 – 5 p.m. (English) and 5 – 6 p.m. (Spanish)

Join us as we talk with Lucky Diaz about his bilingual picture book, [*Paletero Man*](#), and celebrate a joyful story of community, music, and summer fun.

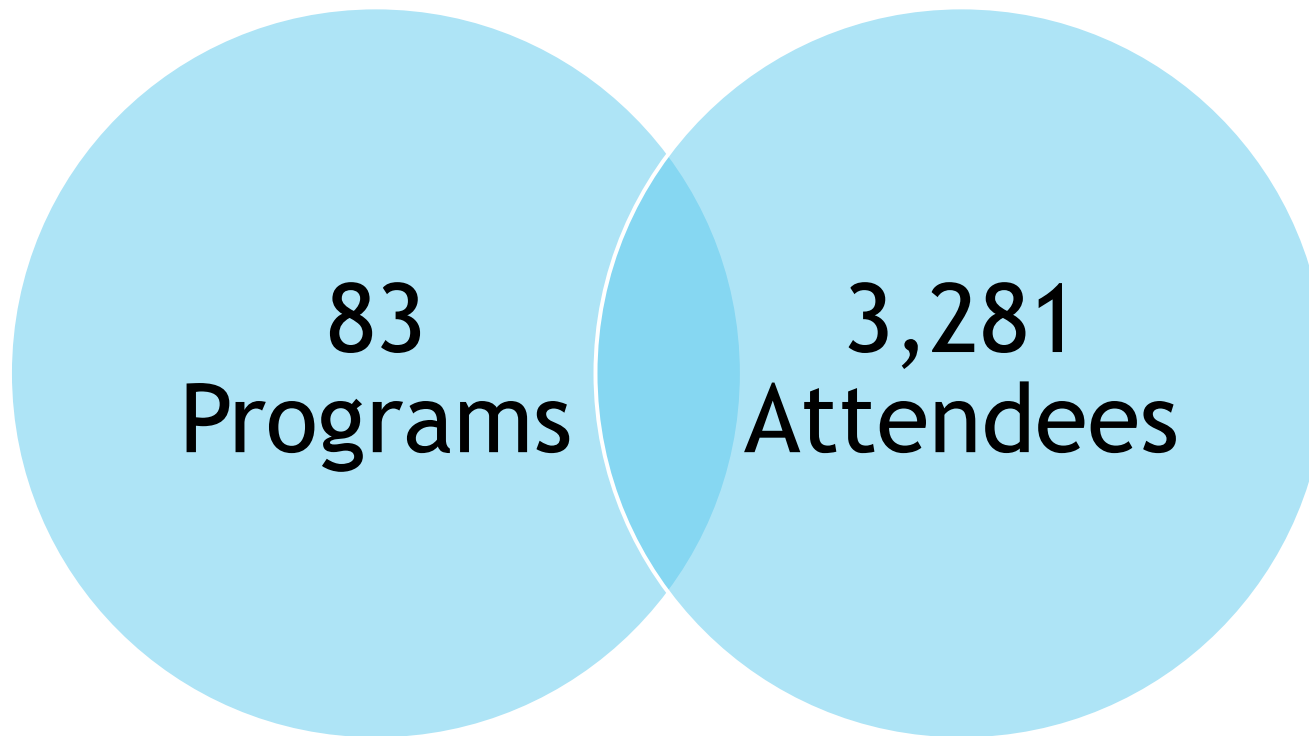
Acompáñenos a conversar con Lucky Diaz sobre su libro ilustrado bilingüe, [*Paletero Man*](#), y a celebrar una historia alegre sobre la comunidad, la música y la diversión del verano.

Los Altos and Woodland Libraries



September 2026

July 2026



+16% increase from June 2026

July 2026

202
passports

146
photos
issued

July 2026

**29,642
Visitors
at LA**

**5,616
Visitors
at WO**

Summer Reading Outreach

LASD Elementary
1402 Students

Almond

Covington

Gardner-Bullis

Loyola

Santa Rita

LACS - 19

Los Altos and
Mountain View
High School - 107

Egan and Blach-
124

Woodland Report - Traffic Compare Two Periods

2 Locations Grouped

Period 1: 8/16/2025 to 8/27/2025

Period 2: 8/16/2026 to 8/27/2026

Location	Period 1	Period 2	Gain/Loss
Main entrance	2,067	2,479	20%
Back entrance	198	400	102%
Total	2,265	2,879	27%





“GENEALOGY LAB”

Work on your current family history project in
the company of other genealogy hobbyists
with peer support.

Bring whatever you need for your project e.g.
computer, reference notes, etc.
Wifi provided.

2ND & 4TH FRIDAYS OF MOST MONTHS
SEPTEMBER - JUNE
10:00 AM- 12:00 PM
SEE [BIT.LY/2-3CAL](https://bit.ly/2-3CAL) FOR SCHEDULE

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Los Altos Library Orchard Room
13 S. San Antonio Road, Los Altos
Hosted by Los Altos Chapter, DAR - a
nonpolitical women's service organization
promoting historic preservation, patriotism,
and education.

POETRY OPEN mic

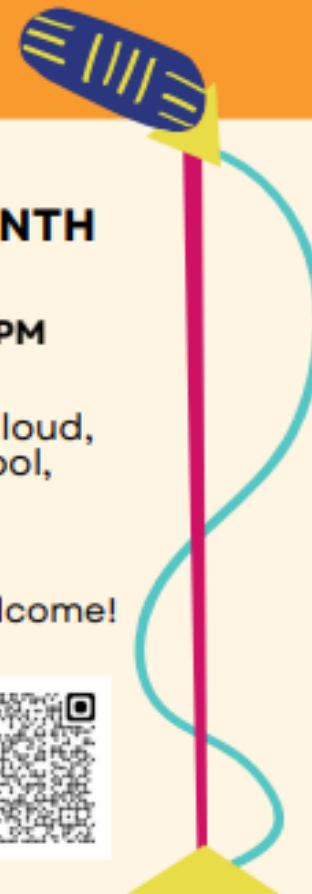
FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH

LOS ALTOS LIBRARY
STAFF CONFERENCE ROOM 7-8 PM

How it works:
We take turns reading poems out loud,
poems we remember from school,
heard out in the world,
or maybe one we wrote.

Just want to listen? Listeners are welcome!
No judgement, only sharing.

For accessibility accommodations (ex.
ASL), please fill out the online form at
sccld.org/accessibility 7+days prior to the
event. If you need assistance with the form,
speak with a staff member at your local
library, call (408) 540-3945, or email us at
ask@lib.sccgov.org



MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL

September 25th, 2026

4-5 pm

Join our glowing afternoon cultural adventure!

Where: Los Altos Library (Orchard Room)

Who: kids aged 5-12 years old

- Yum: Eat traditional sweet mooncakes.
- Create: Craft a glowing festive lantern.
- Discover: Hear cool Mid-Autumn folklore.

Bring your family to share the joy and celebrate togetherness!

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ESL

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CLASS SESSIONS

9/1-11/5
11AM-1PM

TUESDAYS &
THURSDAYS.
PLAN TO
ATTEND THE
ENTIRE CLASS
SESSION.

Santa Clara County Library District residents 18 years and older are eligible to register for this ESL class led by a professional ESL instructor. This class session is for beginner and intermediate ESL students (must have basic conversational skills). Join us to learn and improve your English listening and speaking skills. Space is limited. Please register.



REGISTRATION

Practice ENGLISH

English
Conversation Club



Thursdays

1:30 - 3:00pm

No Registration
Required (drop in)



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BEGINNER-FRIENDLY



Beginner-Friendly Salsa Class

Thursday, October 1, 2026 Add to Calendar

7:00PM – 8:00PM

Los Altos Library

Description

Come as you are for this beginner-friendly salsa class, taught by a competitive dancer and instructor from Studio M Ballroom Club! This is a dance event for all who enjoy salsa music and movement. The class is open to all skill levels and partners are not required. Learn how to feel good and look good on the dance floor!

This program is part of Santa Clara County Library District's celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month!

For accessibility accommodations (ex. ASL), please fill out the online form at sccld.org/accessibility 7+ days prior to the event. If you need assistance with the form, speak with a staff member at your local library, call (408) 540-3945, or email us at ask@lib.sccgov.org.

Suitable for: Adults

Type: Entertainment & Recreation
Health & Fitness

Language: English

Additional Details:

Orchard Room

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Hispanic Heritage Month

September 15 to October 15

Cunamacue



Join us for an engaging interactive performance that invites audiences of all ages to immerse themselves in the vibrant world of Afro-Peruvian culture, where they can experience unique rhythms, instruments, and dances.

Sat, Sept 12 at 3:00PM
Los Altos Library
Orchard Room

Tickets will be handed out starting at 2:30PM on a first-come first-served basis.



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13 south san antonio road
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SPECIAL PERFORMANCE
BY EMILIA LOPEZ-YAÑEZ



MALINKY MUSIC

Celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month with an
English-Spanish bilingual concert for children.

Tickets will be available starting at 3:30 PM

Los Altos Library
Orchard Room

4:00 PM | September 14th



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Mariela's Music Time

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1
10:30 - 11:00AM*

Los Altos Library, Orchard Room



Come for an educational, energetic, and interactive Spanish-English bilingual performance for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers and their families. Enjoy the rhythms and multicultural sounds, along with the rich traditions of the Bay Area.

*Tickets available starting at 10AM on a first come-first served basis.



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JOIN OUR SEPTEMBER BOOK CLUBS



TK-1ST GRADE
STORY EXPLORERS

**Wednesday,
September 23,
4pm - 5pm**

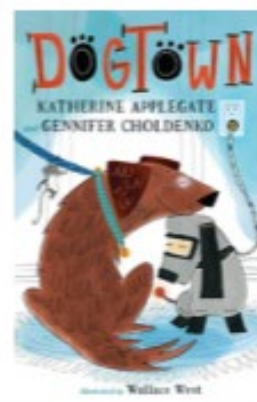
**Can I Play Too?
by Mo Willems**



2ND-3RD GRADE
BOOK BUGS

**Tuesday,
September 15,
4pm - 5pm**

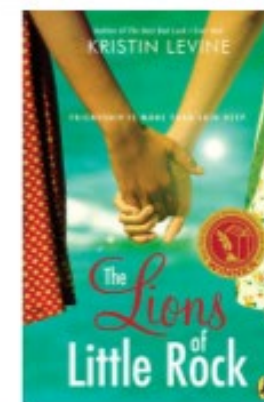
**Say What?
by Margaret Peterson Haddix**



4TH-5TH GRADE
PAGE TURNERS

**Wednesday,
September 16,
4pm - 5pm**

**Dogtown
by Katherine Applegate**



6TH-8TH GRADE
TO BE READ

**Tuesday,
September 22,
4pm - 5pm**
**The Lions of Little Rock
by Kristin Levine**



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Creative Maker Studio

Friday, August 14
3-5pm (drop-in)
Los Altos Library, Orchard Room

Ready to create? Just bring your imagination – we'll provide a treasure trove of materials to spark your creativity! For ages 3+

This is a self-directed activity. Young children must be accompanied by an adult crafting buddy.

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