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PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET

ATHMAR PARK BRANCH LIBRARY RENOVATION

PROJECT BACKGROUND

The Athmar Park Branch Library was built as a church in 1971 and remodeled in 1993. Critical building components and architectural features have exceeded life expectancy. There are significant flooding issues due to poor windows, inadequate roof drainage and landscaping and grade issues. The building is too small for the population and has inadequate community spaces and staff work areas. Key metrics that drive the need for an improved library facility include poor kindergarten readiness for reading, low third grade reading scores and low high school graduation rates. The diverse population includes those without internet access and a large number of immigrants and refugees.

This project includes increasing square footage with an addition to the building; addressing landscaping, sidewalk and exterior lighting; exploring redesign of entrances; improving heating, ventilation and air conditioning; repairing and restoring existing facade; redesigning and/or relocating existing exterior book drop; adding staff restroom and updating existing restrooms; updating fire alarms to meet current fire-safety codes; installing surveillance and access control; updating electrical; improving data, power and communication systems; updating community room; exploring new arrangements for flexible learning spaces and computer/mobile device access; redesigning the children’s area; exploring existing material shelving arrangement; redesigning staff rooms; providing new interior finishes, furniture and fixtures; providing new wayfinding signs; complying with ADA requirements; and updating IT, data and telecommunications capabilities.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Location: 1055 S. Tejon St.
 District: 7
 Neighborhood: Athmar Park
 Elevate Denver Funded Amount: \$2.4 million
 Designers: To be determined
 Contractors: To be determined

PROJECT BENEFITS

Increased square footage with an addition
 Refurbished architecture and improved drainage
 Renovated space and updated equipment
 Increased safety to the public through improved lighting

KEY MILESTONES	BEGIN DESIGN Q2 2021	BEGIN CONSTRUCTION Q4 2022	PROJECT COMPLETION Q1 2024

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