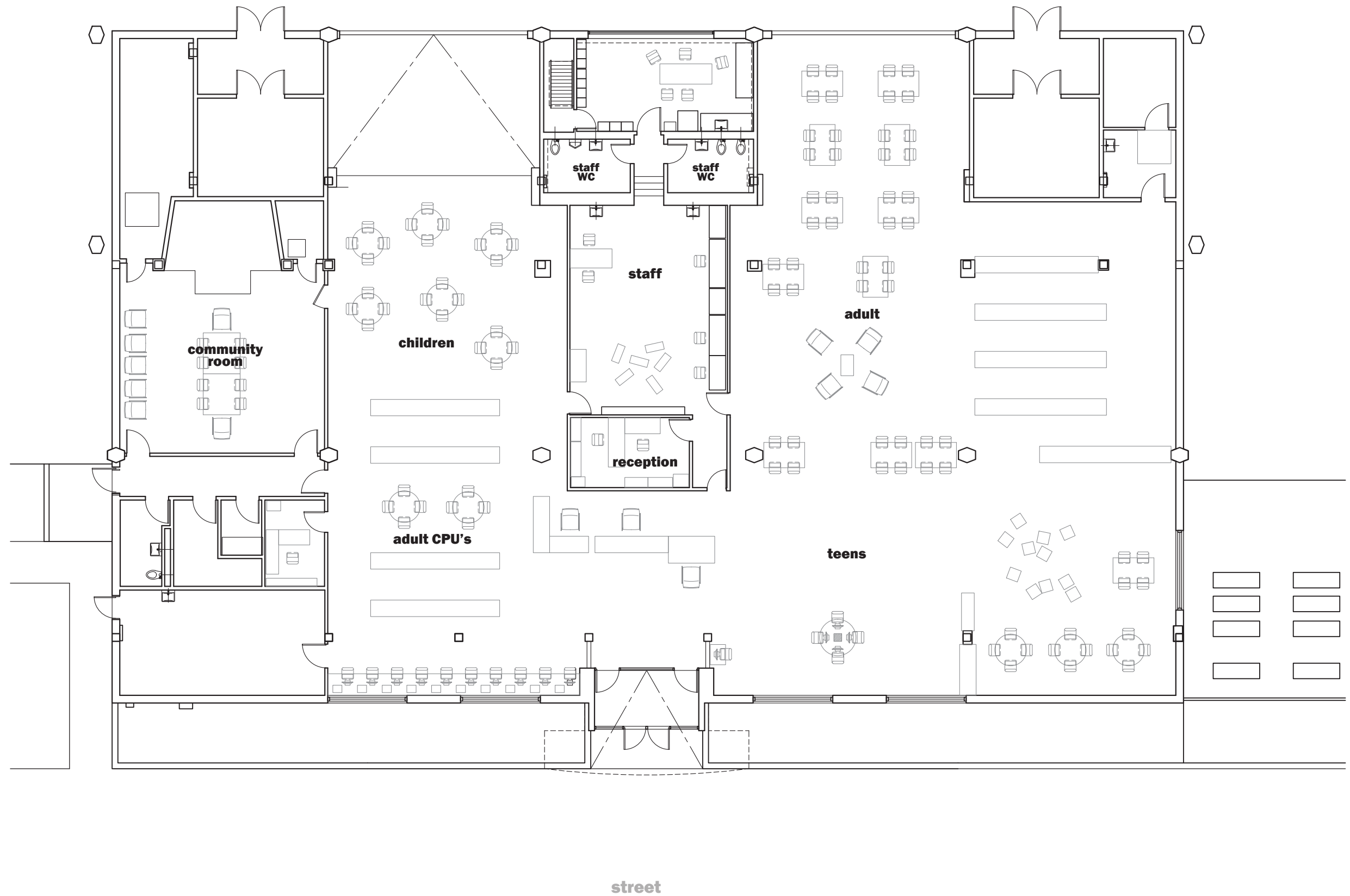
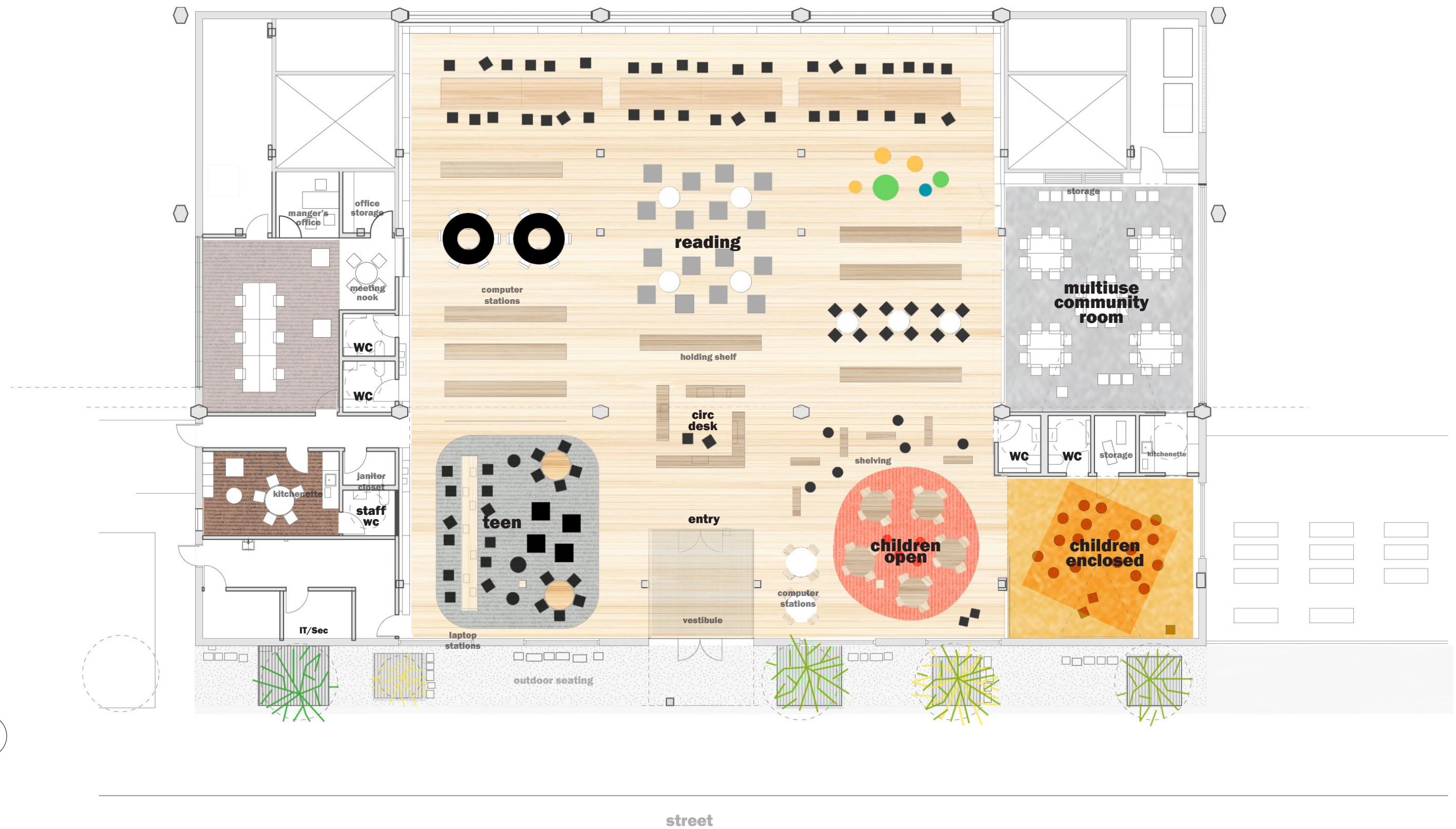


Hamilton Fish Park Branch Library Renovation

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The Hamilton Fish Park Branch Library, located on 415 East Houston Street in Manhattan's Lower East Side, is a one-story brick masonry building which is part of a larger multi-facility complex shared by Public School – New Explorations into Science Technology and Math High School. The project objective for this branch library upgrade provides for a selective renovation of the interior and exterior of the building and seeks to enhance the Library's street presence and visibility to the community, while providing more natural light for the library.

This goal will be accomplished by replacing existing translucent glass brick masonry units with new fully transparent windows on the Houston Street façade. This strengthened visual connection between the library exterior and interior improves the quality of the space and serves to draw in more visitors. The surrounding community will benefit from a revitalized and modernized public space, which accommodates the needs of the library patrons and improves its overall functionality.

Design consultant Rice + Lipka Architects are currently in the Design Development phase. Their design scope includes a new, ADA accessible main entrance and restrooms, a renovation to the facade and interior, as well as replacing HVAC system.

Design completion is anticipated in Spring 2018 and start of construction in Spring 2019.