



# ADAMS STREET BRANCH LIBRARY

## DESIGN PHASE

### CITY OF BOSTON



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PUBLIC PRESENTATION - MAY 1, 2018

# AGENDA

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- 3.0 PROJECT GOALS AND PROCESS**
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# PROJECT TEAM

## **MAYOR'S OFFICE:**

*PATRICK BROPHY, CHIEF OF OPERATIONS  
NORA DOHERTY, SPECIAL ASSISTANT*

## **CITY OF BOSTON PUBLIC FACILITIES DEPARTMENT:**

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TOM LEAHY, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR  
JAMES MCGAFFIGAN, PROJECT MANAGER  
ALISTAIR LUCKS, STAFF ARCHITECT*

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*DAVID LEONARD, PRESIDENT  
EAMON SHELTON, DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS  
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LAURA IRMSCHER, CHIEF OF COLLECTIONS  
ALISON FORD, MAJOR PROJECTS PROGRAM MANAGER  
MICHAEL COLFORD, DIRECTOR OF LIBRARY SERVICES  
LISSA SCHWAB, MAJOR PROJECTS COORDINATOR*

## **MAYOR'S OFFICE OF NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES:**

*PATRICK FANDEL, DORCHESTER LIAISON*

## **OFFICE OF BUDGET MANAGEMENT:**

*ERA KAPLAN, MANAGEMENT ANALYST*

## **PROJECT CONSULTANTS:**

### **ARCHITECT:**

*NADAAA INC.*

### **STRUCTURE:**

*SOUZA, TRUE & PARTNERS, INC.*

### **MEP:**

*GARCIA, GALUSKA & DESOUSA, INC.*

### **CIVIL ENGINEER:**

*BSC GROUP*

### **LANDSCAPE:**

*GROUND*

### **CODE:**

*KEVIN S. HASTINGS, P.E., LEED AP*

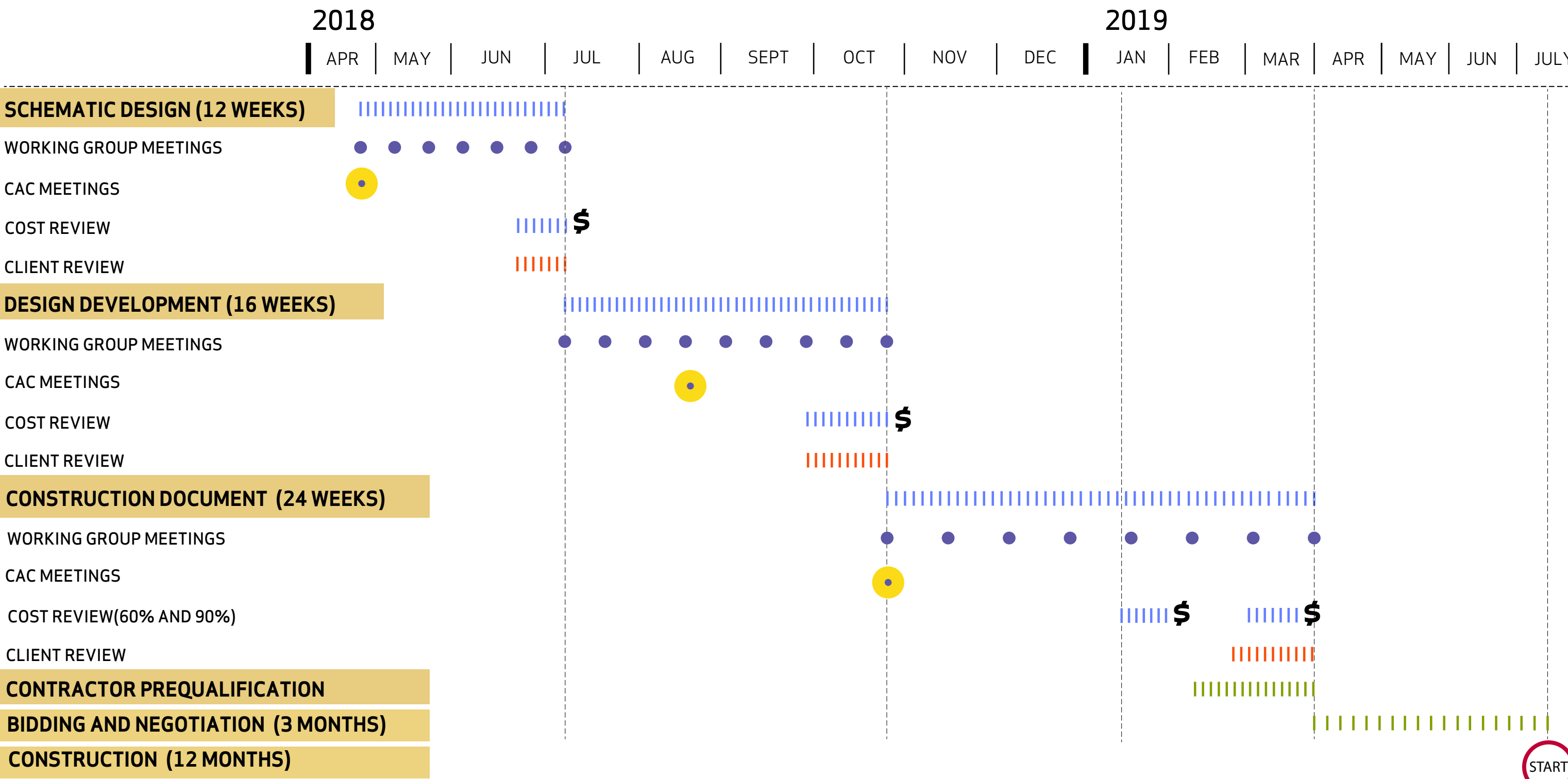
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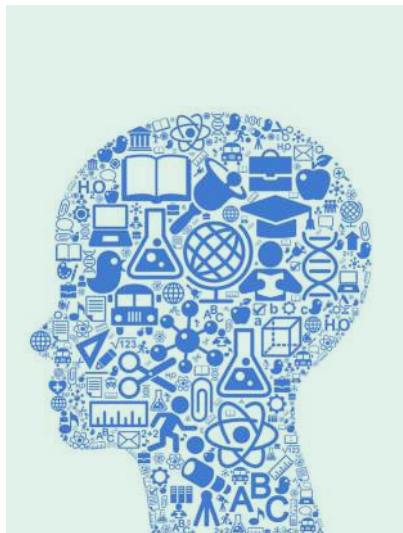
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# SCHEDULE

# ADAMS BRANCH LIBRARY: DESIGN SCHEDULE

- Process
- Working Meeting
- Presentation
- Cost-Check





# BPL COMPASS: STRATEGIC PLAN

- User centered institution
- Community gathering
- Special collections
- Center of knowledge
- Children & teens
- Access & innovation
- Sustainable organization
- Fun

## ADAMS STREET: SELECT PROJECT GOALS\*

1. **IMPROVED SERVICE** VIA A SINGLE FLOOR BUILDING
2. **SENSITIVITY** TO BUDGET, SCHEDULE & COMMUNITY LOGISTICS
3. **VISIBILITY**/ SECURE SIGHT LINES WITHIN LIBRARY
4. CAPTURING **OUTDOOR SPACE** / OUTDOOR PROGRAM
5. **TRANSPARENCY** AND INCLUSIVITY (ABILITY TO SEE ACTIVITIES OF THE LIBRARY FROM THE EXTERIOR)
6. **ADJACENCIES** THAT SUPPORT BPL PROGRAMS AND GOALS
7. APPROPRIATE **ACOUSTICS**
8. **AMENITY SPACES**: COMMUNITY HALL, FAMILY SPACE
9. COMPATIBILITY WITH **URBAN CONTEXT**
10. ACCOMMODATE NEW **PROGRAM** ELEMENTS
11. **SUSTAINABILITY** THROUGH DAYLIGHTING
12. UPGRADE **TECHNOLOGY** AND ADAPTABILITY OF SYSTEMS FOR FUTURE TECHNOLOGY

\* OUTCOMES OF SURVEY , WORKING GROUP MEETINGS AND CAC MEETINGS



# PROGRAM SUMMARY

ADAMS STREET BRANCH LIBRARY

PROGRAM  
SUMMARY

TOTAL NET:       **12,251 SF**  
TOTAL GROSS:   **14,701 SF**  
TOTAL EXISTING:   7,200 SF

ENTRANCE ZONE

VESTIBULE  
LOBBY  
BORROWER SERVICE DESK  
SELF PICK-UP HOLDS  
SELF CHECKOUT KIOSK  
FRIENDS BOOK SALE SHELF  
BOOK DROP OFF  
STROLLER PARKING

**1,016 SF**

ADULT SECTION

ADULT COLLECTION  
ADULT SEATING AREA  
ADULT COMPUTER  
ADULT LIBRARIAN DESK  
IMMIGRATION INFORMATION  
PRINT STATION  
COMPUTER CATALOG STATION

**2,984 SF**

CHILDREN'S SECTION

CHILDREN'S COLLECTION  
CHILDREN'S AREA  
CHILDREN'S COMPUTER  
CHILDREN'S LIBRARIAN DESK  
CHILDREN'S BATHROOM  
CHILDREN'S STORAGE

**2,262 SF**

TEEN SECTION

TEEN COLLECTION  
TEEN SEATING AREA  
TEEN COMPUTERS  
STAFF ACCESS POINT  
COMPUTER CATALOG STATION

**827 SF**

SHARED SERVICE

COMMUNITY HALL  
MEETING ROOMS  
LAPTOP AREA  
COPY/PRINT SERVICE  
CASUAL SEATING  
PUBLIC RESTROOMS  
KITCHENETTE  
FURNITURE STORAGE

**2,984 SF**

ADMINISTRATION

BRANCH LIBRARIAN'S OFFICE  
STAFF BREAK ROOM  
STAFF RESTROOM  
STAFF WORKROOM

**693 SF**

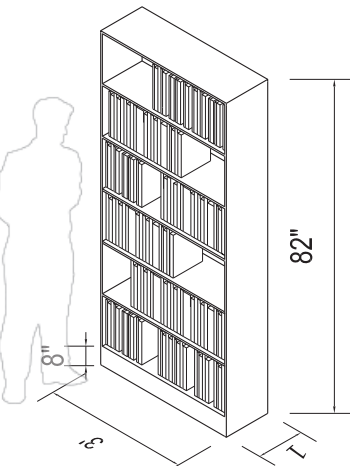
BUILDING SERVICES

MECHANICAL ROOM  
ELECTRICAL ROOMS  
IT/AV ROOM  
GENERAL STORAGE  
FACILITIES STORAGE  
CUSTODIAL OFFICE  
CUSTODIAL CLOSET

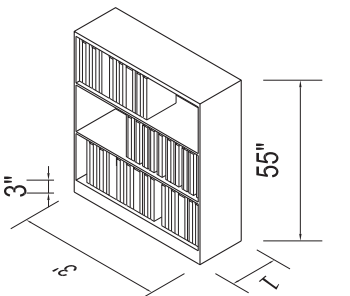
**1,820 SF**

# ADULT COLLECTION

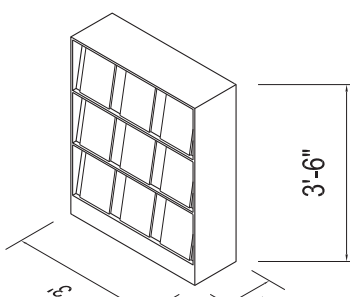
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SHELVING UNITS 64



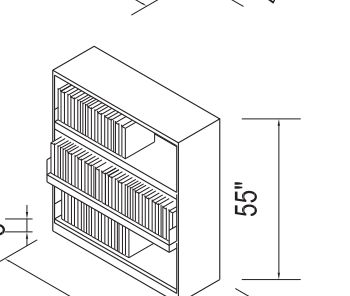
TALL SHELVES JUST FOR PERIMETER USE



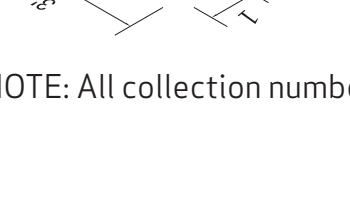
NON-FICTIONS / BIOGRAPHY  
180 vol/unit (10 vol/linear ft)



BOOK ON CD/ REFERENCE  
144 vol/unit (8 vol/linear ft)



FICTION/ LARGE PRINTS/...  
216 vol/unit (12 vol/linear ft)



PERIODICAL  
9 vol/unit (1 vol/linear ft)

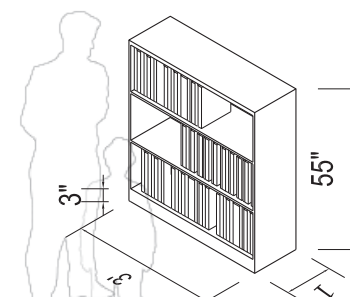


DVD 324 vol/unit (18 vol/linear ft)  
MUSIC CD 450 vol/unit (25 vol/linear ft)


# TEEN COLLECTION

TOTAL COLLECTION 2,680  
SHELVING UNITS 15

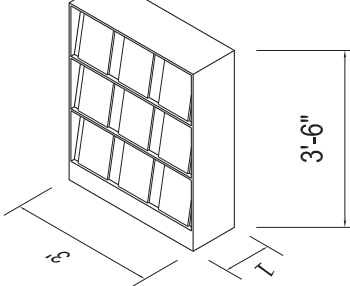
SHELVING UNITS




BOOKS ON CD  
96 vol/unit(8 vol/linear ft)



FICTION  
144 vol/unit(12 vol/linear ft)



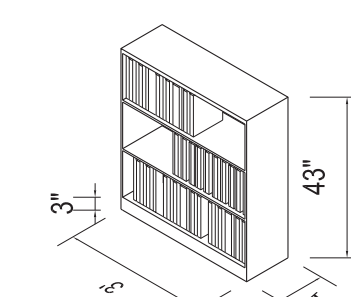
GRAPHIC NOVEL  
180 vol/unit(15 vol/linear ft)



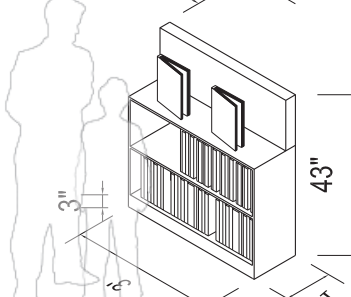
PERIODICAL  
9 vol/unit (1 vol/linear ft)

# CHILDREN'S COLLECTION

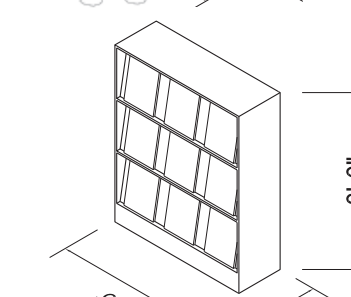
TOTAL COLLECTION 11,790  
SHELVING UNITS 66




BOOK ON CD  
81vol/unit (9 vol/linear ft)



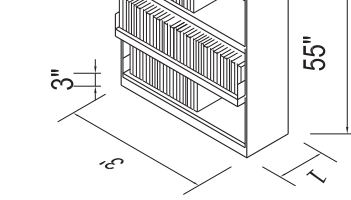
BIOGRAPHY/FICTION/GRAPHIC NOVEL/SPANISH  
135 vol/unit (15 vol/linear ft)




BOARD BOOK/CONCEPT/ NON-FICTION/HOLIDAY  
180 vol/unit (20 vol/linear ft)



FOLK AND FAIRY/PICTURE  
225 vol/unit (25 vol/linear ft)



EARLY READER  
270 vol/unit (30 vol/linear ft)



PERIODICAL  
9 vol/unit (1 vol/linear ft)



SHELVES W/ROD TO HANG BAGS



CD/BOOK SET  
162 vol/unit (18 vol/linear ft)



DVD  
387 vol/unit (18 vol/linear ft)

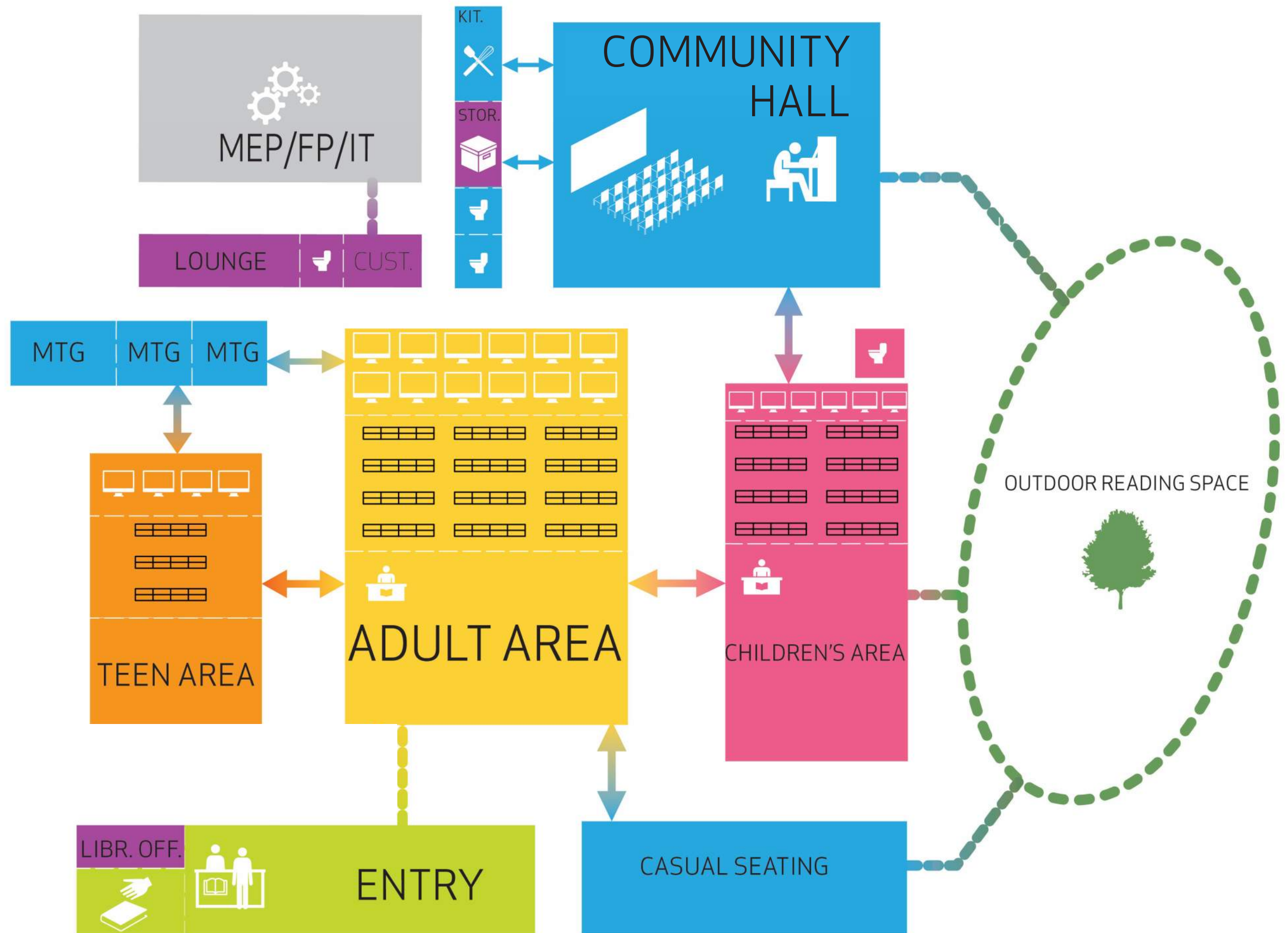


MUSIC CD  
387 vol/unit (25 vol/linear ft)

NOTE: All collection numbers are an estimate



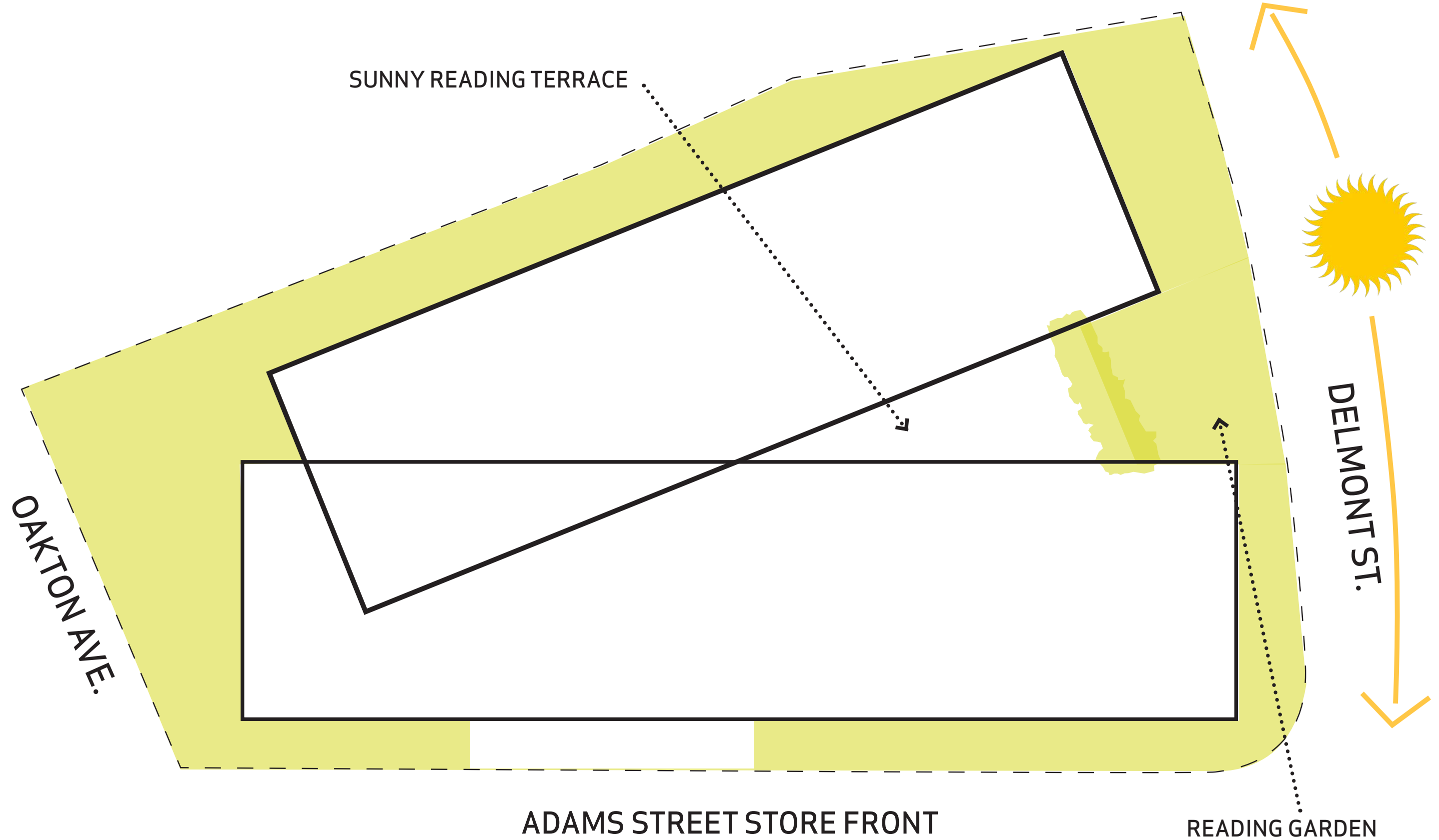
# ADJACENCY DIAGRAM

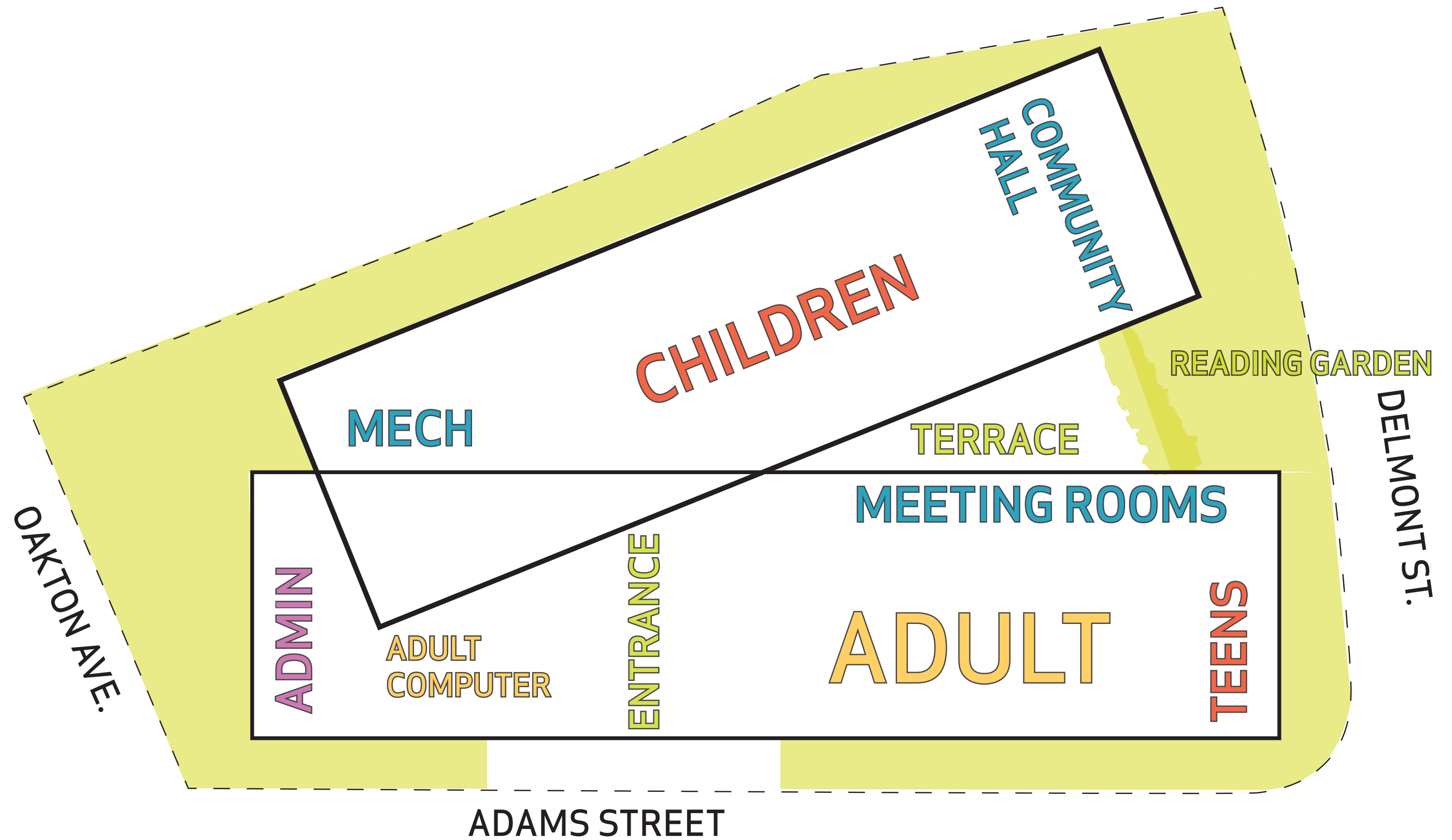


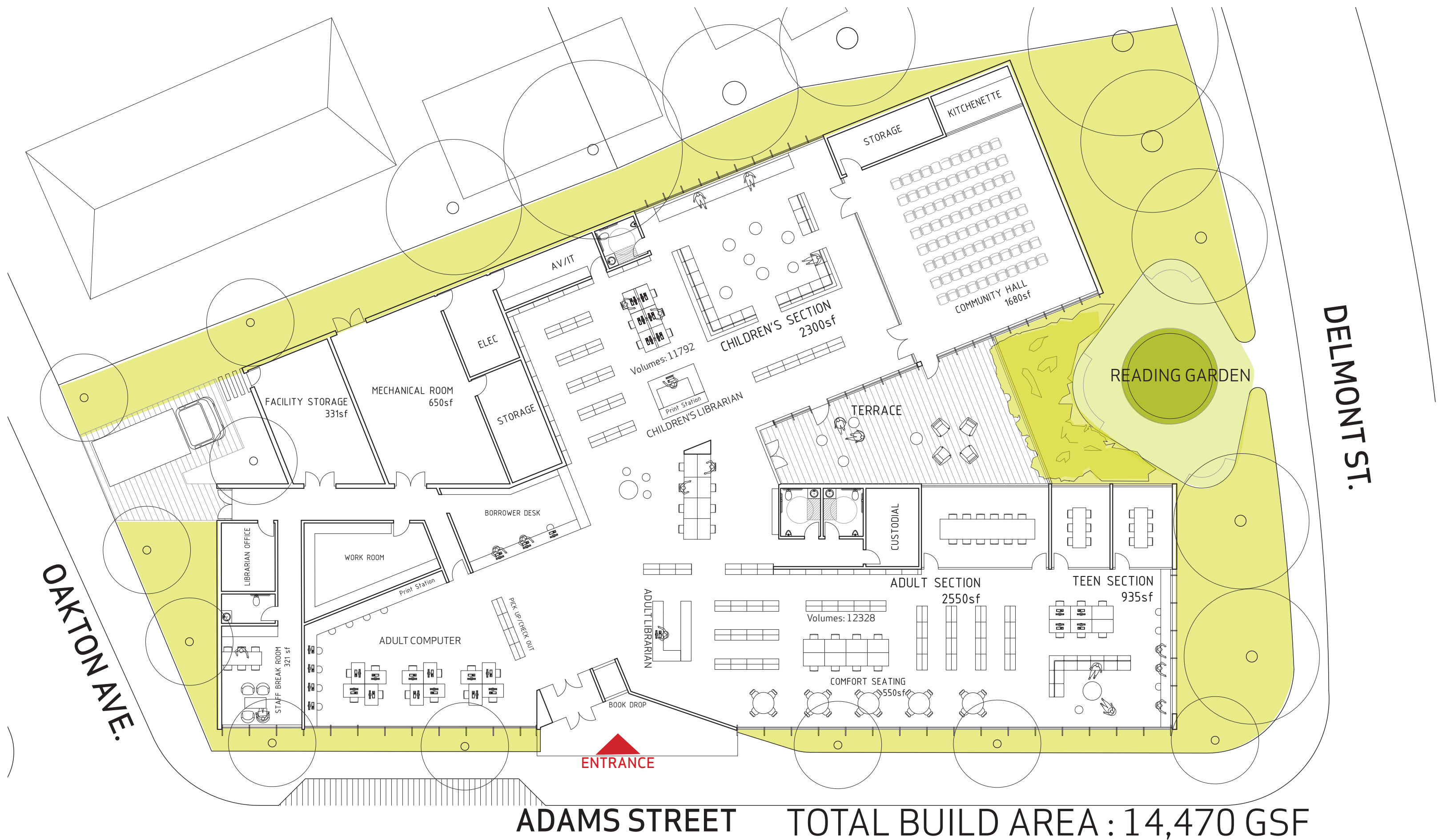
# RECOMMENDED APPROACH



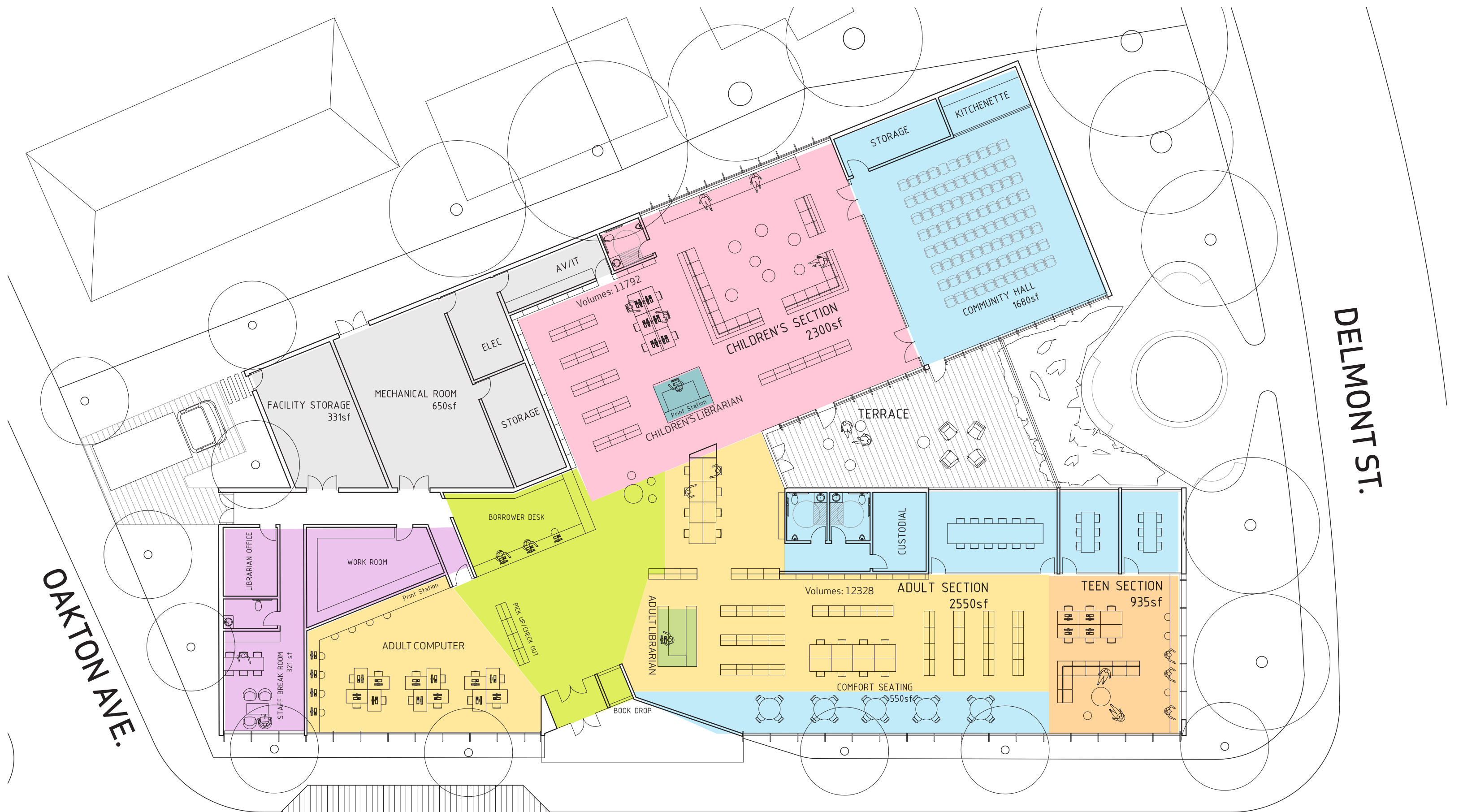
# NEW BUILDING WITH SOUTH COURT











ENTRANCE ZONE 1,016 SF 1,100 SF	ADULT SECTION 2,521 SF 2,550 SF	TEEN SECTION 782 SF 935 SF	CHILDREN'S SECTION 2,262 SF 2,300 SF	SHARED SERVICE 2,984 SF 3,118 SF	ADMINISTRATION 693 SF 957 SF	BUILDING SERVICES 1,820 SF 1,640 SF
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***Recommended scheme*** is taking advantage of the wide footprint and sun exposure in the south by proposing a secure outdoor terrace.

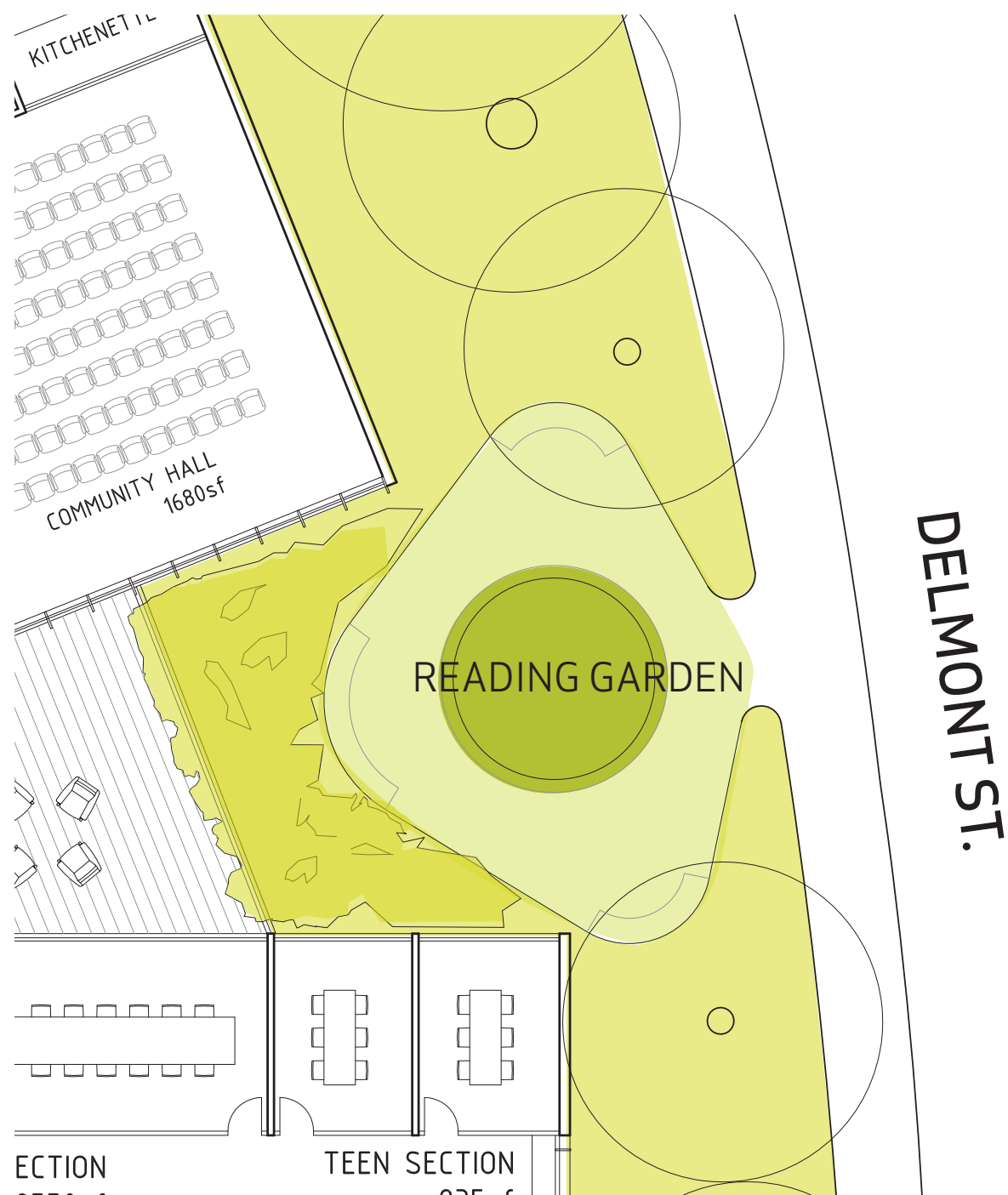
Total building area: 14,470 sf

Outdoor terrace: 930 sf

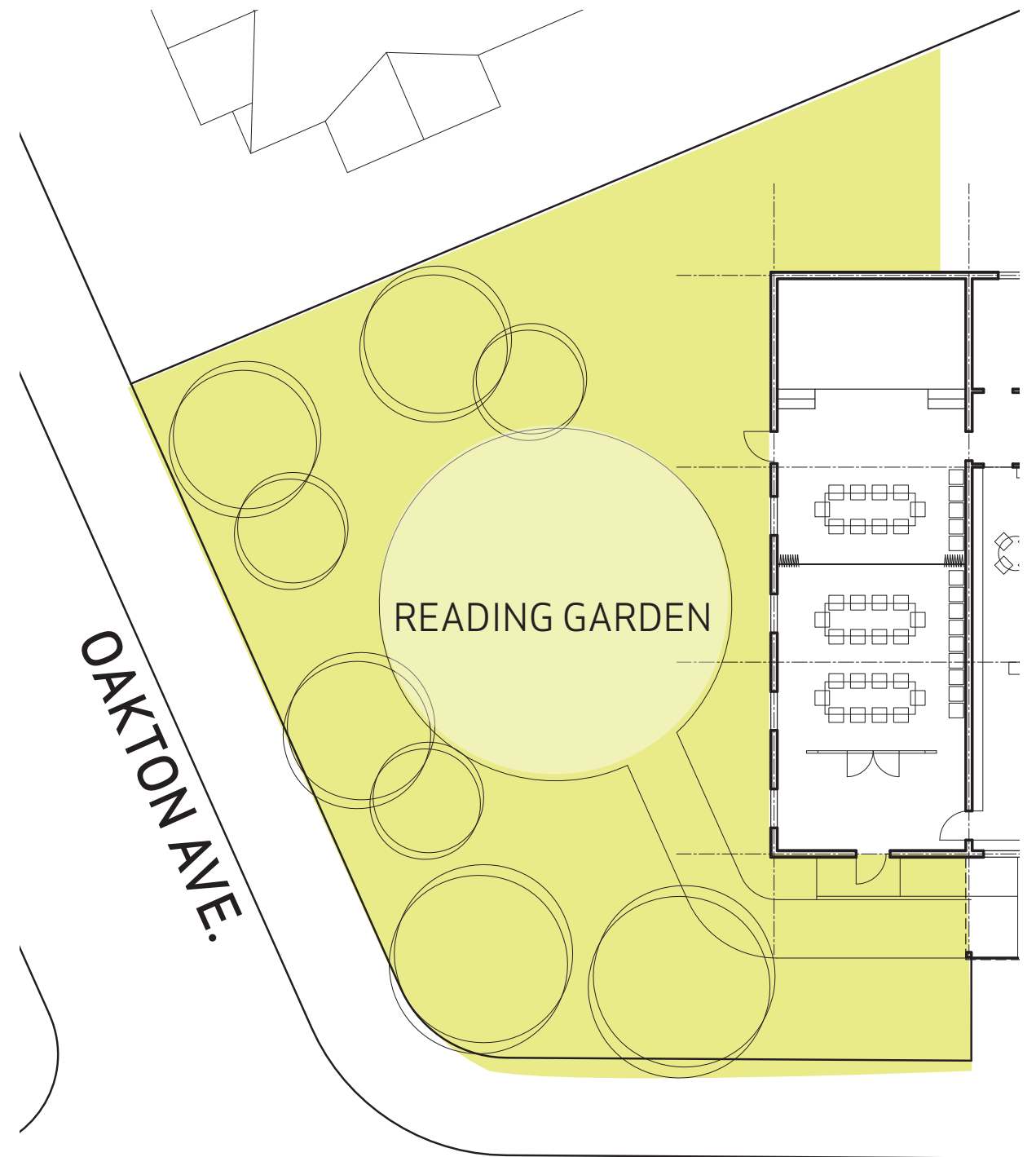
Total greenspace: 8,100 sf

This option was ***preferred*** option because:

- Provides all necessary program adjacencies
- Clear sightlines
- Secure access to the outdoor terrace
- Relocated reading garden



**PROPOSED READING GARDEN**  
**HARDSCAPE: 1,200SF**  
**SOFTSCAPE: 1,800 SF**



**EXISTING READING GARDEN:**  
**HARDSCAPE: 1,050SF**  
**SOFTSCAPE: 1,100 SF**



OAKTON AVE.

MECH

CHILDREN

COMMUNITY  
HALL

COMPUTER

ENTRANCE

ADULT

TEENS

ADAMS STREET

DELMONT ST.



OAKTON AVE.

ADAMS STREET

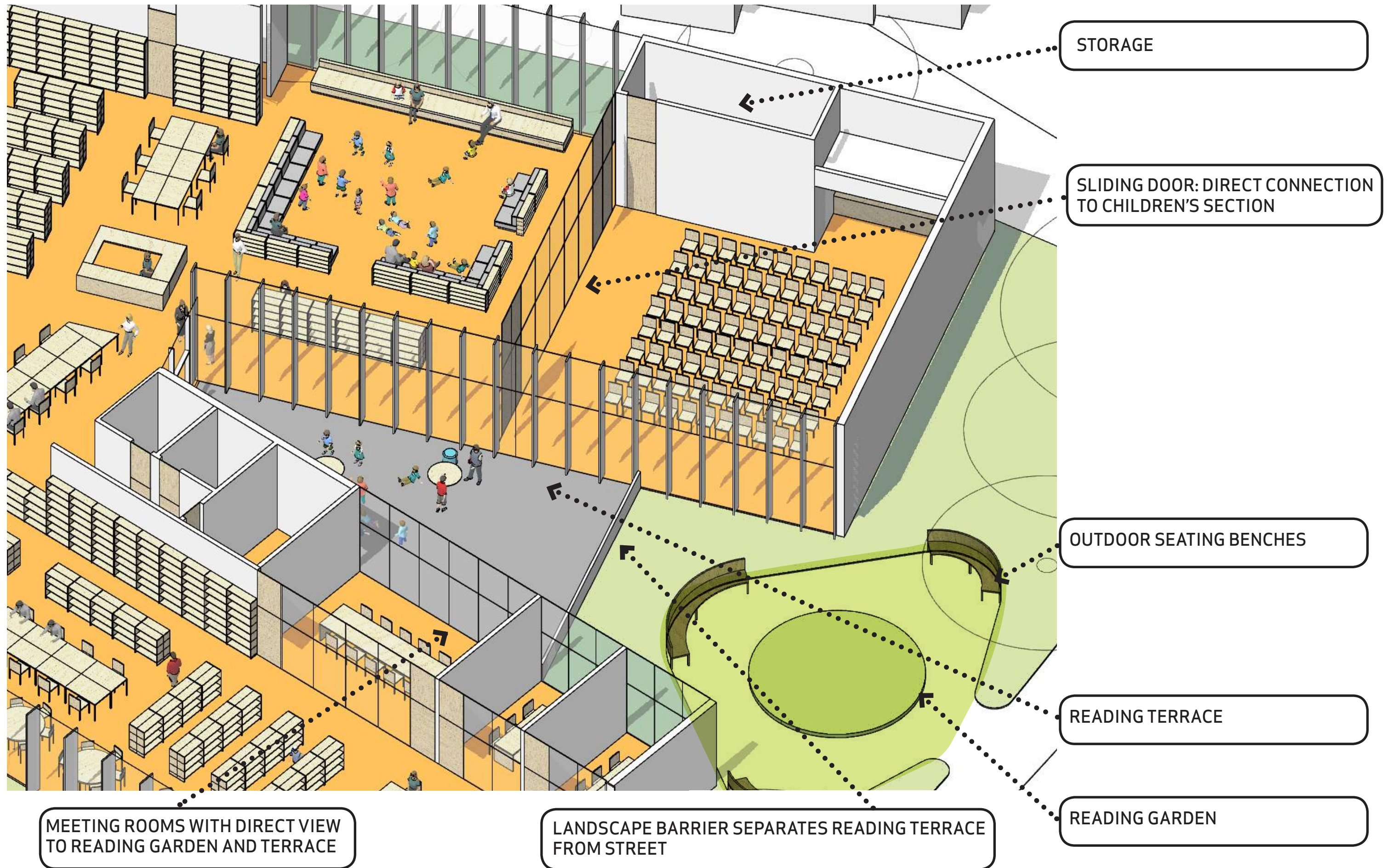
DELMONT ST.

BR DESK

LIBRARIAN DESK

LIBRARIAN DESK









CHILDREN'S SECTION



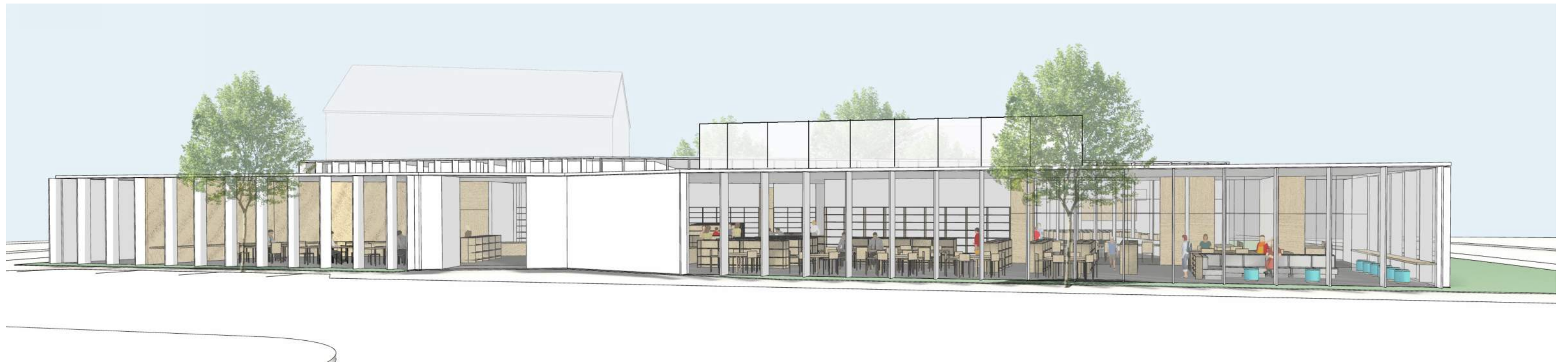


TERRACE





VIEW FROM ADAMS ST. /DELMONT CORNER - STUDY CONCEPT



VIEW FROM ADAMS STREET- STUDY CONCEPT

# IMPROVEMENTS OVER EXISTING BUILDING:

7,270 additional sf of building area

- Accessible front door on Adams Street
- Dedicated drop-off
- Easier access to collections
- High-performance sustainable systems
- Expanded capacity in Community Hall
- Two study rooms (4-6 people)
- One conference room (8-12 people)
- Additional computer work stations
- Outdoor terrace

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5. COMPATIBILITY WITH ADAMS STREET ***NEIGHBORHOOD***
6. ***SUSTAINABILITY*** TARGET LEED SILVER



# NEXT STEPS:

- CONFIRM FLOOR PLANS MATCH PROGRAM GOALS
- TEST MASSING FOR SCALE, SHADE, AND CONTEXT
- SUBMIT SCHEMATIC DESIGN FOR PRICING
- PRESENT PROGRESS UPDATE AT SUMMER CAC MEETING

# QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

THANK YOU