

Agreement: Denver Public Library & RiNo Art District

Safety, Housing, Education & Homelessness Committee

1.27.21

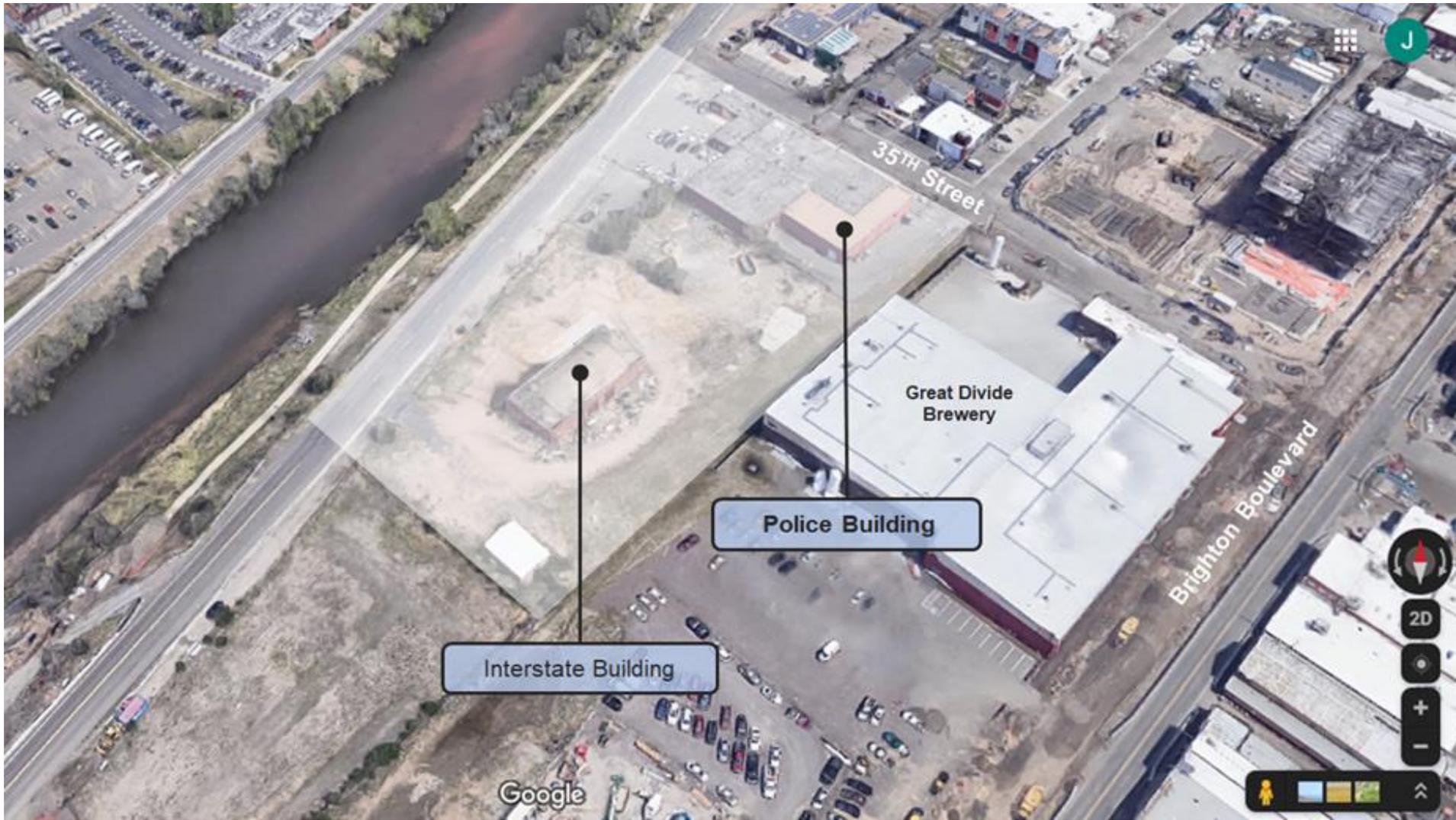
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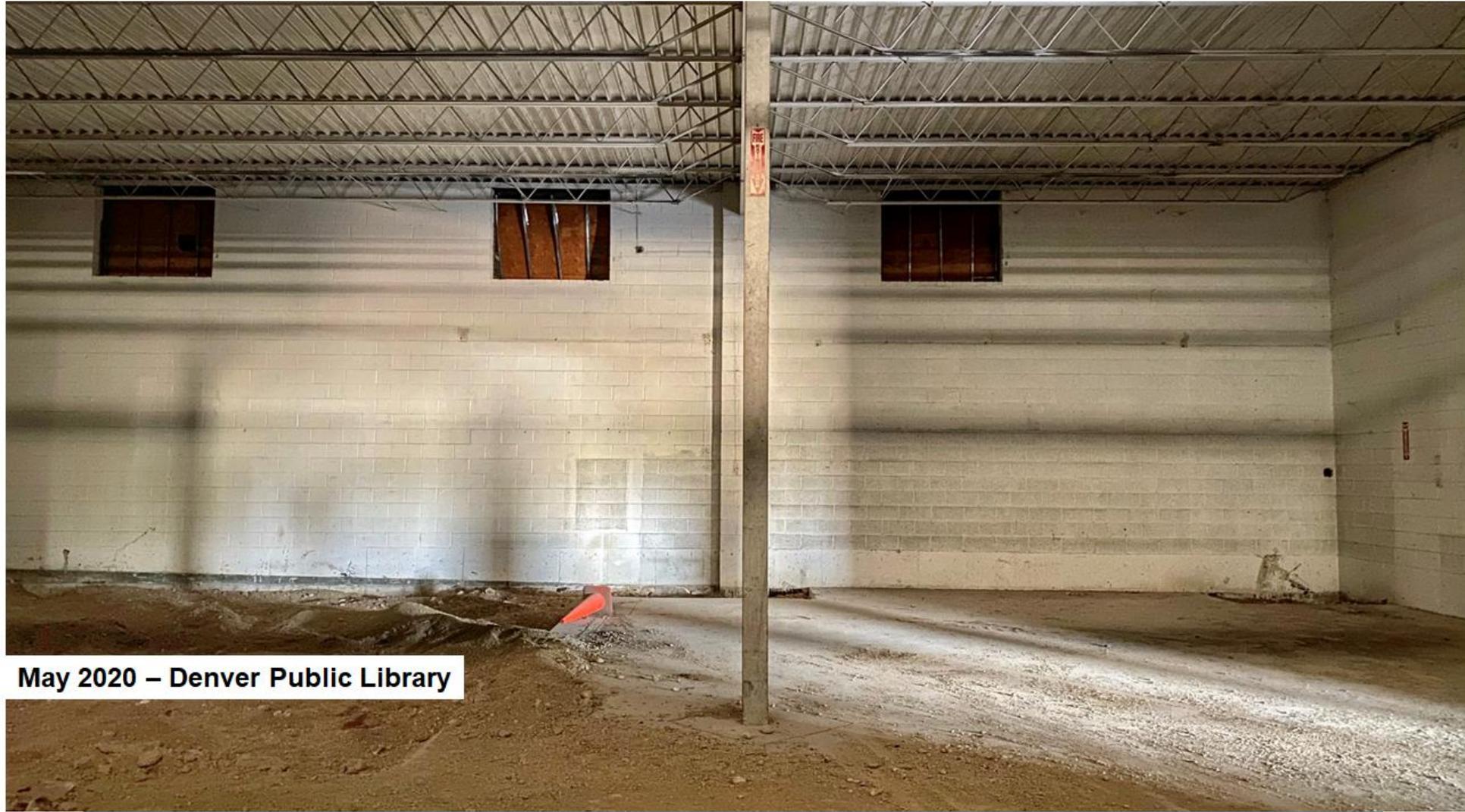
About the Agreement

- RiNo Art District will provide:
 - Rehabilitation and development of existing building
 - Former EEB building “Police Building”
 - 1930 35th St.
 - Library specific:
 - Development of 7,000 square feet of space for library use
 - Operations
 - Building Management
 - Financing
 - Joint Marketing
- 10 year agreement
 - \$1.8M
 - Annual payment plus operating expenses
 - Savings: Approx. \$12 per square foot





Progress



May 2020 – Denver Public Library





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Our Vision for this Branch

Rooted in our values:

- Welcoming Everyone
- Fostering Curiosity
- Strengthening Connection
- Challenging Inequity
- Honoring Public Trust

Community Engagement

- Heard loud and clear from surrounding communities about lack of accessible services (Globeville neighborhood)
- Lack of services for youth

Focused on serving surrounding neighborhoods

- Globeville, Elyria, Swansea, Cole and Five Points

No other library in the country has this concept!

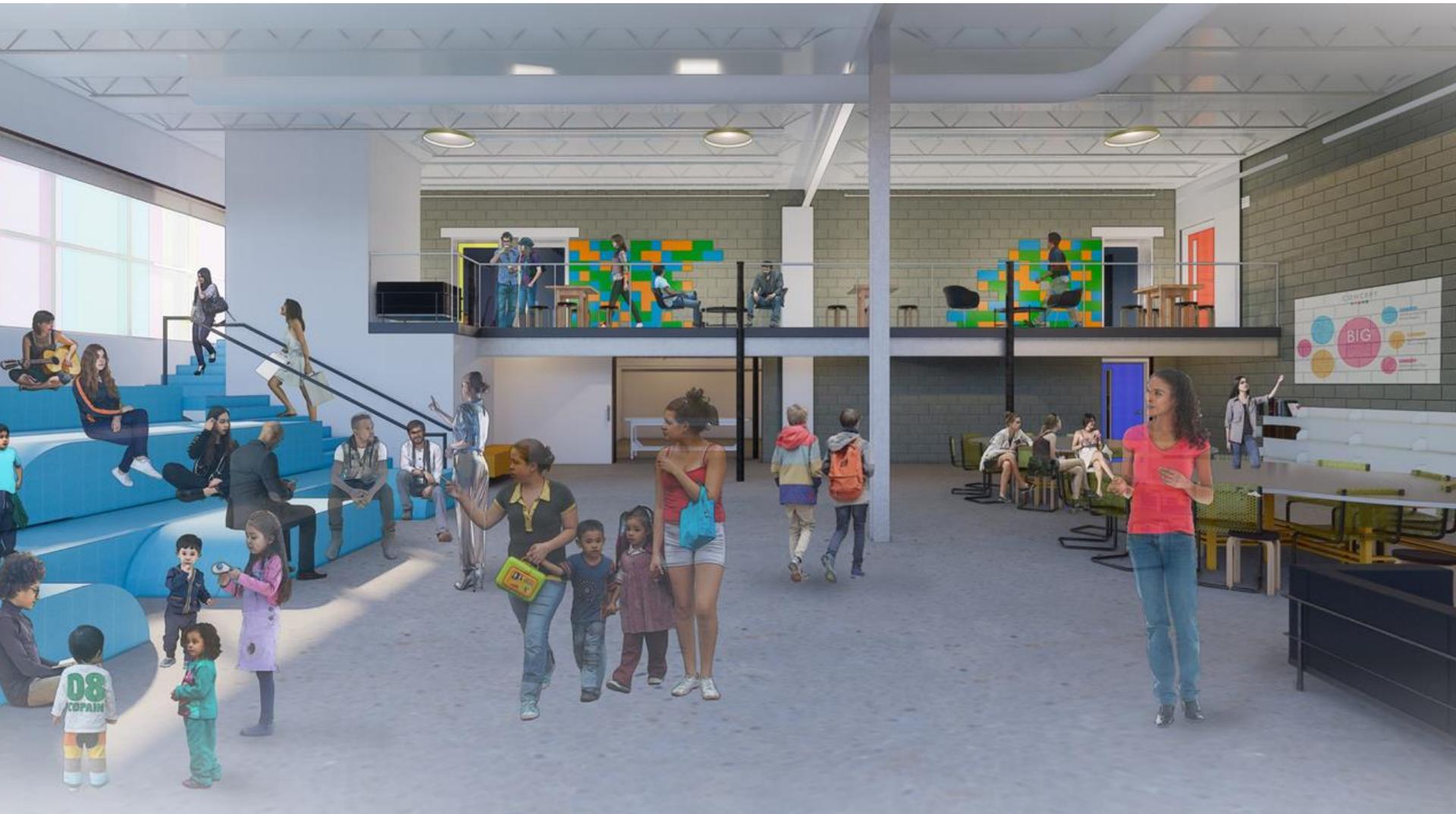
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Services

- Collection access
- Technology and Wifi access
- Public space
- Outreach - Opportunities outside of the branch and in the community
- Programming
 - Educational
 - Arts & Culture
 - Youth focused
 - Small Business Trainings

Partnerships

- Comal
 - Business support to participants
- Redline
 - Serve as a display location for artists
 - Makerspace
- Denver Zine Library





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