

A modern office interior with a high ceiling, exposed ductwork, and a blue-tinted upper section. In the foreground, there are four bright yellow armchairs arranged around a small, round, geometric coffee table. To the right, a person is walking up a staircase with a white railing. The floor is made of light-colored wood. In the background, there are large glass windows and a glass-walled meeting room with chairs inside. A reception desk with a white and grey marble top is visible on the right side of the image.

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Project X: A Chicago Story

COMPARISON OF COST: NOW AND 10 YEARS AGO

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**How we work has
changed. How we design
office space has changed.**

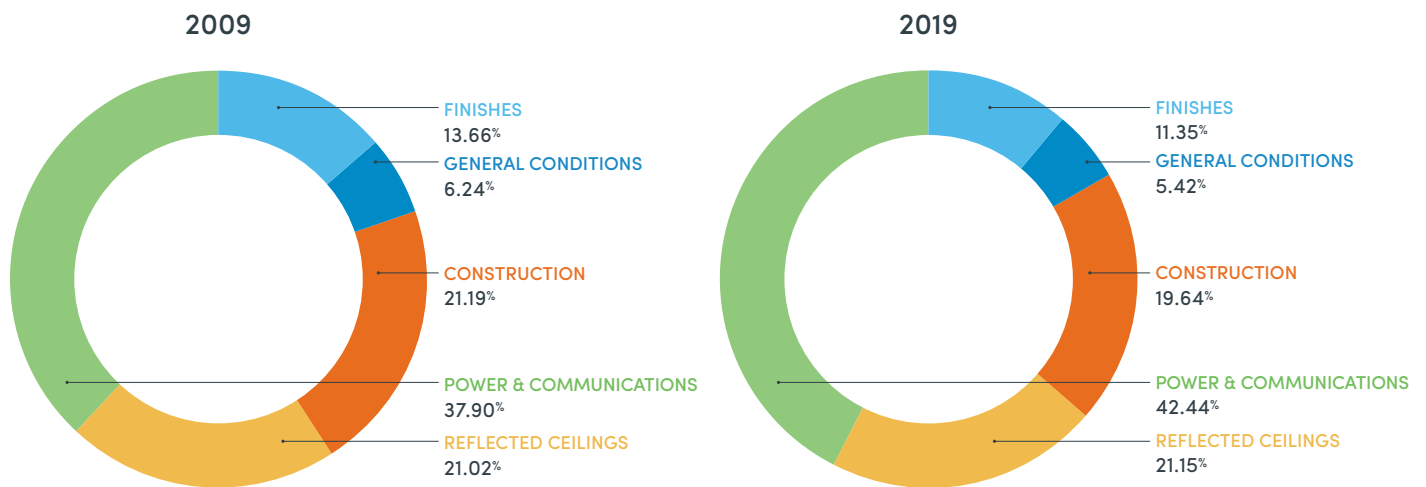
**How we understand
pricing needs to change.**

The tenants that last built out their space in 2009 are currently in renewals. The way we work is different; building a space for \$100/SF is no longer an appropriate expectation.

What Led Us to Think About This?

What's Changed from 2009 to 2019?

We have recently gone through a series of projects that had to be value-engineered starting in the programming phase. Before we started the design and construction process, the client was unable to afford to build their space. Why was that? Were our expectations wrong? What needs had changed?



The distribution of how we spend money has remained relatively similar. For the high level, what has changed is the volume of scope and units of infrastructure required to support the increased headcount on the floor. These increases change the displacement of money within each high level category. The following pages will dissect each of the four primary categories, along with furniture, to illustrate the distribution of dollars.



- * Pricing is based upon work being completed in 2019 within the Central Business District of Chicago. General conditions are an average blend of recently completed projects of similar scope.

How We Used to Think

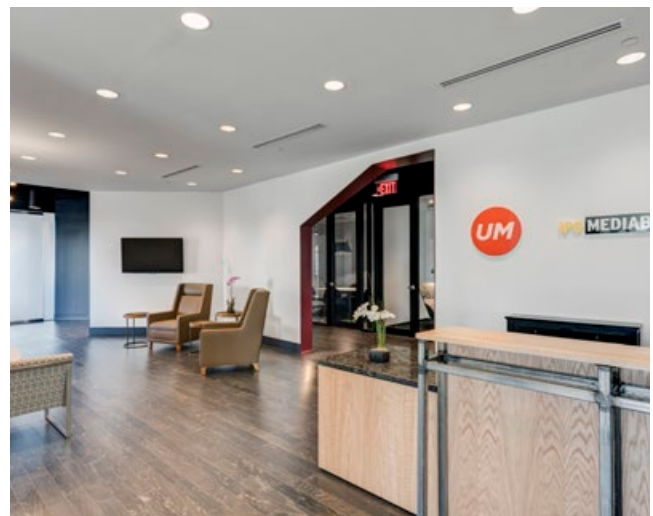
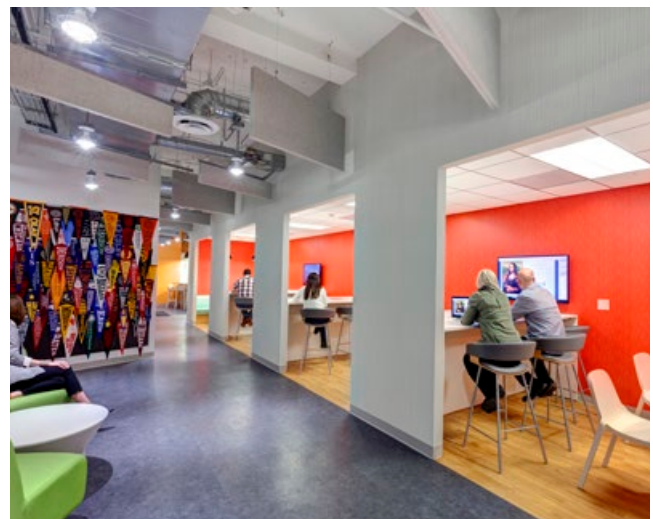
Cost per Square Foot was king: If we assume 175 square feet per person on a floor plate, the 2009 standard build-out would yield 145 people on the floor. This includes private offices and workstations with an average ratio of 20% private offices to 80% workstations. Today, not only is the workstation size physically reduced (netting a higher quantity of workstations), the requirement for private offices is reducing. Today's build-out also assumes that some staff may either share desks or utilize free-addressing strategies for space utilization which would then increase other support needs.

A New Way of Thinking

Work styles have changed. Work spaces have changed. Work needs have changed. There are more staff that fit onto a floor plate (the same floor plate now yields a seat capacity of 200), therefore there are inherently more units of electrical, data, and HVAC required on the floor than previously needed. Also, with this newer way of working, A/V requirements have increased exponentially. The expectation to build-out a modest office space (carpet, paint, luxury vinyl tile in the café, some exposed ceilings in the open office area) for \$100/SF is no longer a realistic prospect. The target cost for construction should be \$130/SF (using the same modest materials) due to the increase in head count capacity, AV, code required energy controls, among other items.

However...

If we think in terms of cost per head count, the cost actually decreases. In the 2009 pricing model (where the cost/SF is \$100/SF for construction), the cost per head count is \$17,250. In the 2019 pricing model (where the cost/SF is \$130/SF for construction), the cost per head count is \$16,250. However, in 2009, in order to fit 200 people on the floor, additional square footage would have to be leased, thus increasing the amount of money directed towards rent.





2009 vs. 2019

Construction Compared

2019 still requires private rooms, but the usage has changed.

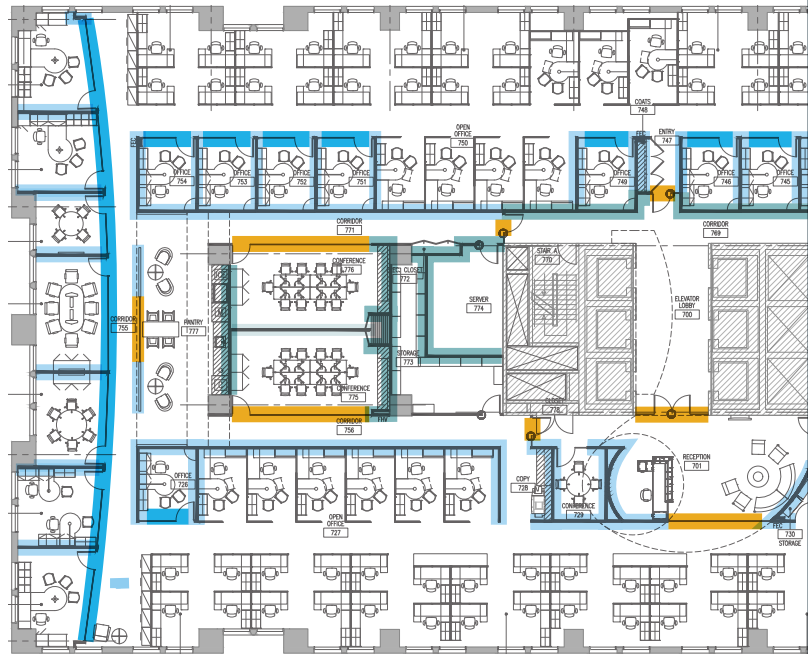
KEY FINDINGS:

- Reduction in private offices, doors, frames, and hardware.
- Increased emphasis on acoustics equals increased drywall numbers for conference rooms.
- Increased versatility produces the need for movable partitions.
- Additional plumbing requirements for support spaces and wellness areas.

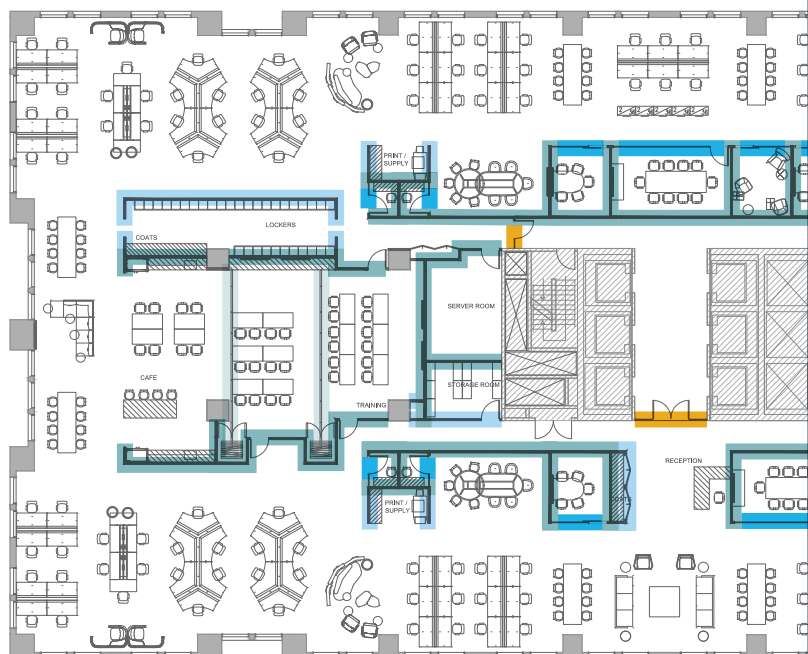
KEY

- Pre-Manufacture Wall Fronts, Clear Anodized Aluminum Frame with $\frac{3}{8}$ " Glass
- Gypsum Board to 6" Above Finished Ceiling, $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Stud, (1) Layer $\frac{5}{8}$ " Gypsum Board Each Side with Full Sound Batt Insulation
- Gypsum Board Deck-Deck, $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Stud, (1) Layer $\frac{5}{8}$ " Gypsum Board Each Side, Full Sound Batt Insulation
- $\frac{1}{2}$ " Glass to Finished Ceilings with Typical Gypsum Wall to Deck Above Finished Ceiling
- Modern Fold, Manual Wall

2009



2019



Reflected Ceiling Compared

Lighting has become more energy efficient, however energy code requirements have increased.

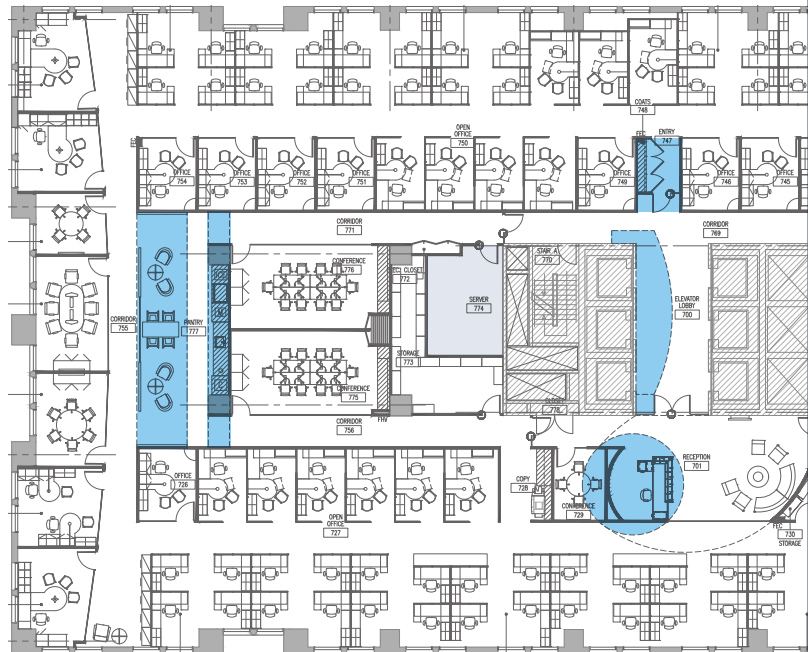
KEY FINDINGS:

- 2009 utilized fluorescent lighting and acoustical ceiling tiles; lighting controls were an upgrade.
- 2019 celebrates exposed ceilings.
- More recent energy codes require more sophisticated lighting controls.
- Higher volume of occupants leads to increased HVAC requirements.

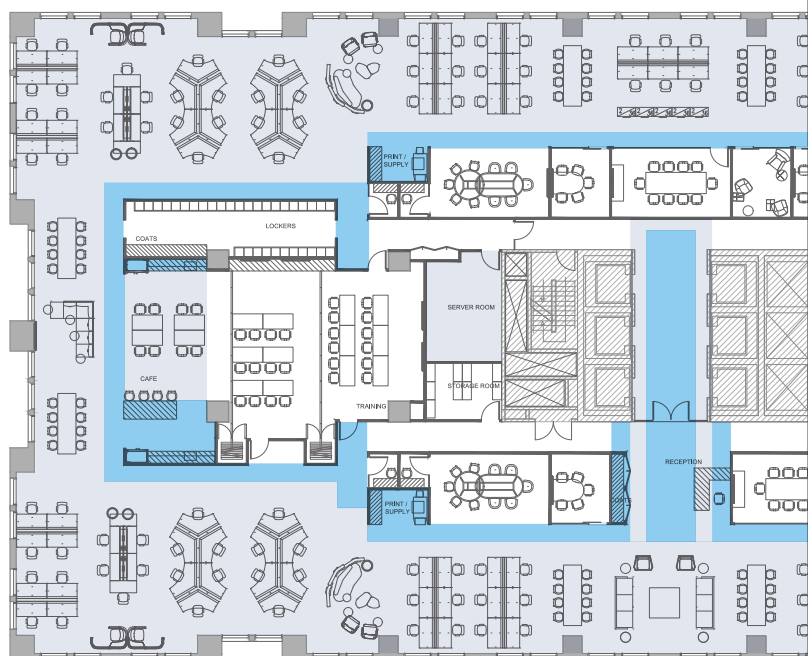
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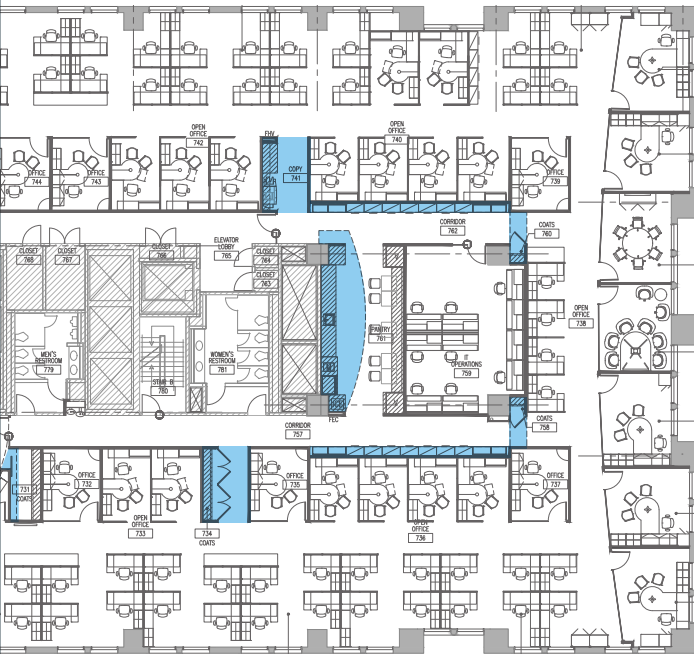
- Acoustical Ceiling Tile / Grid
- Dry Wall Ceiling
- Exposed Ceiling with 1" Sonaspray

2009



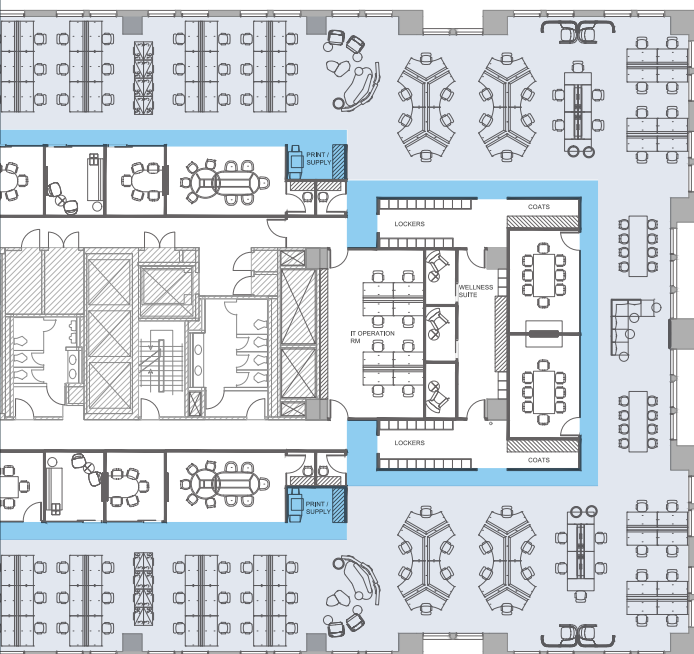
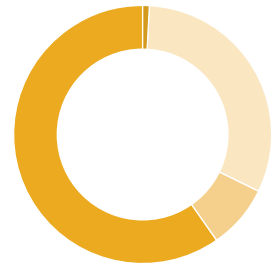
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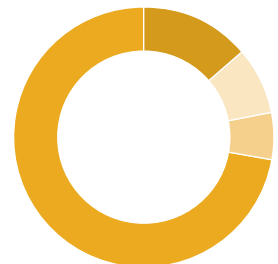
2009 COST:
\$508,900

Fireproofing	0.98%
HVAC	59.70%
Fire Protection	8.04%
Acoustical Ceilings	31.28%



2019 COST:
\$681,300

Fireproofing	13.87%
HVAC	72.04%
Fire Protection	6.00%
Acoustical Ceilings	8.09%



Power & Communications Compared

While individual power requirements at the desk may have decreased, individual desking locations increased.

KEY FINDINGS:

- Electrical and low voltage requirements increased.
- Audio-visual costs increased exponentially.
- Increased mobility leads to increased organization (i.e., room schedulers).

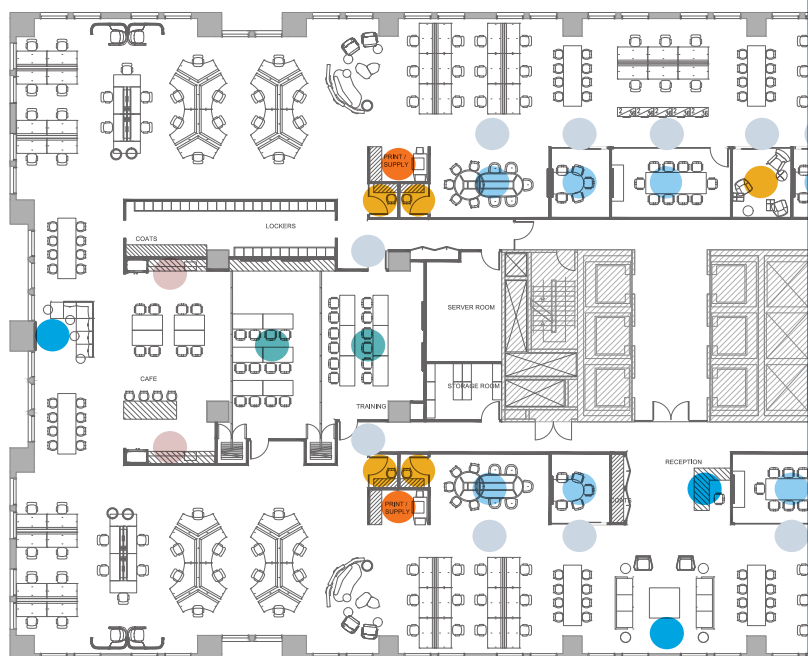
KEY

- Typical Workstation / Private Office Power + Data
- Wall Mounted TV with Table Top Connectivity (2019 has increased power requirements)
- Wall Mounted TV with Connectivity
- Enhanced Presentation Capabilities
- Room Scheduler
- Pantry Equipment
- Copier / Printer Equipment
- Additional Voice / Data

2009



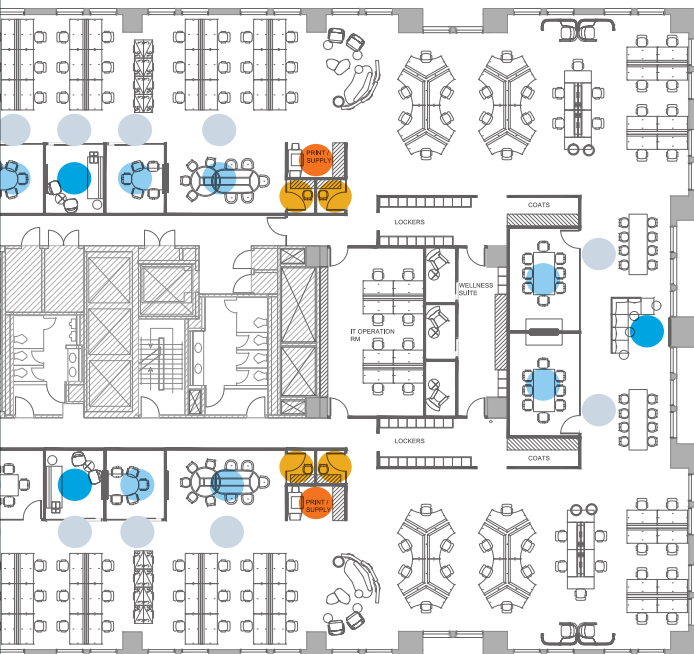
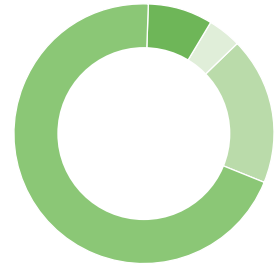
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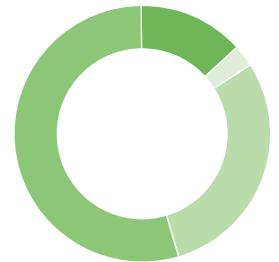
2009 COST:
\$917,500

Communications	8.20%
Electrical	69.50%
AV Systems	18.29%
Security	4.01%



2019 COST:
\$1,367,100

Communications	13.28%
Electrical	54.66%
AV Systems	29.19%
Security	2.87%



Finishes Compared

In comparing 2009 to 2019, the design and usage of materials remains relatively similar with the following exceptions.

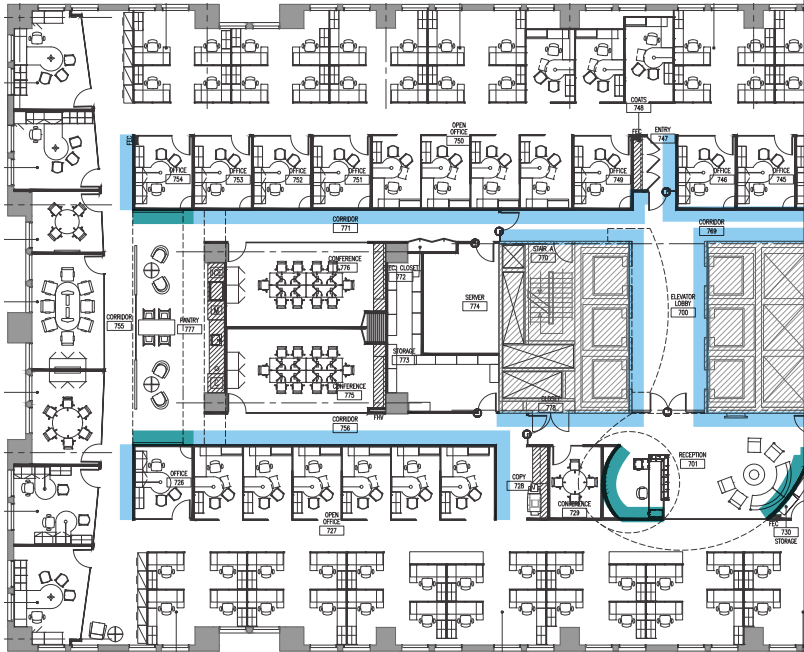
KEY EXCEPTIONS:

- More acoustical treatments are implemented.
- More communication-based treatments (whiteboards) are used.
- Millwork has increased, but is proportionate to staff increase.

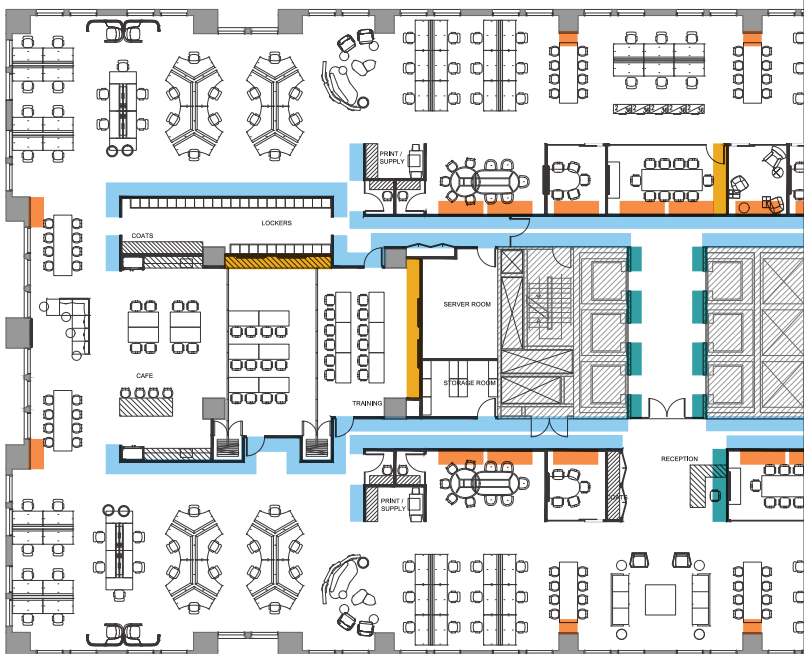
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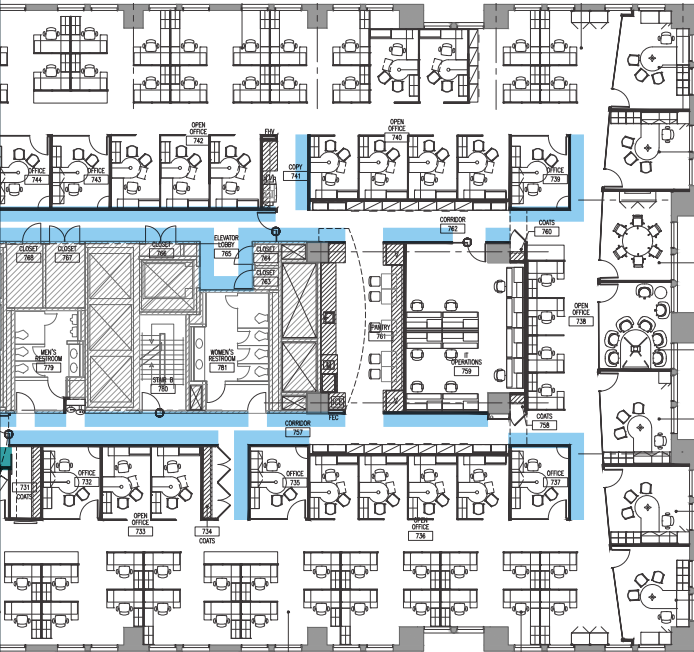
- Paint
- Vinyl Wall Covering (\$20/yd)
- Wood Veneer Wall Covering
- 4' X 8' Back Painted Glass (magnetic)
- Fabric Wrapped Panels (Nova Wall \$40/yd)

2009



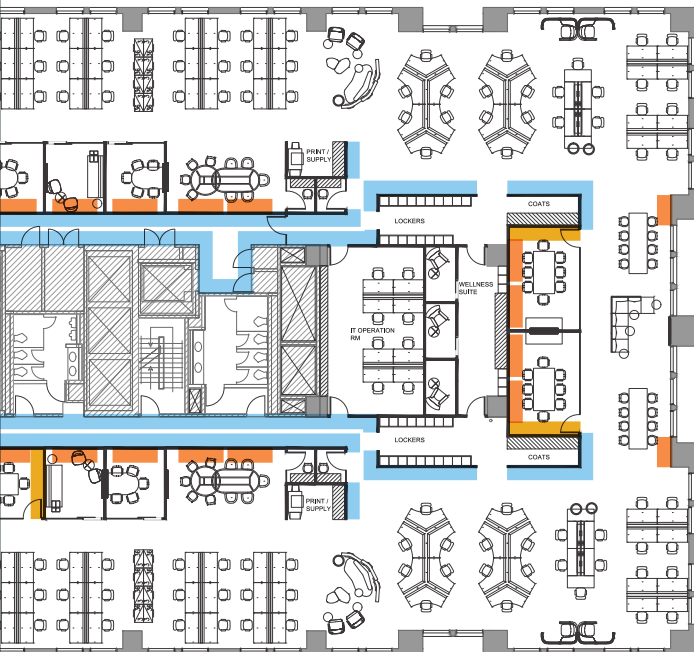
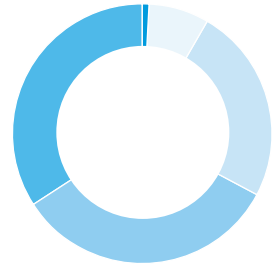
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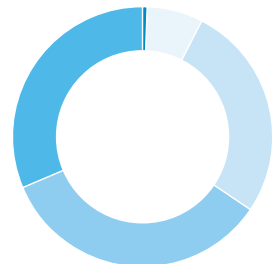
2009 COST:
\$330,600

Ceramic Tile	0.97%
Carpet + Resilient	33.94%
Millwork	33.27%
Painting + Wallcovering	24.26%
Floor Prep Allowance	7.56%



2019 COST:
\$365,700

Ceramic Tile	0.79%
Carpet + Resilient	31.34%
Millwork	34.18%
Painting + Wallcovering	26.85%
Floor Prep Allowance	6.84%



Furniture Compared

There is a large shift from private use furniture to shared furniture as the fences around each individual work space have been blurred.

KEY FINDINGS:

- 2019 significantly reduces the private office wood furniture, guest seating and executive task chair.
- Paper storage diminishes, but personal lockers increase.
- A variety of workstation styles and adjustability is provided.
- Ancillary seating and tables increase.
- With more ancillary comes longer lead times.

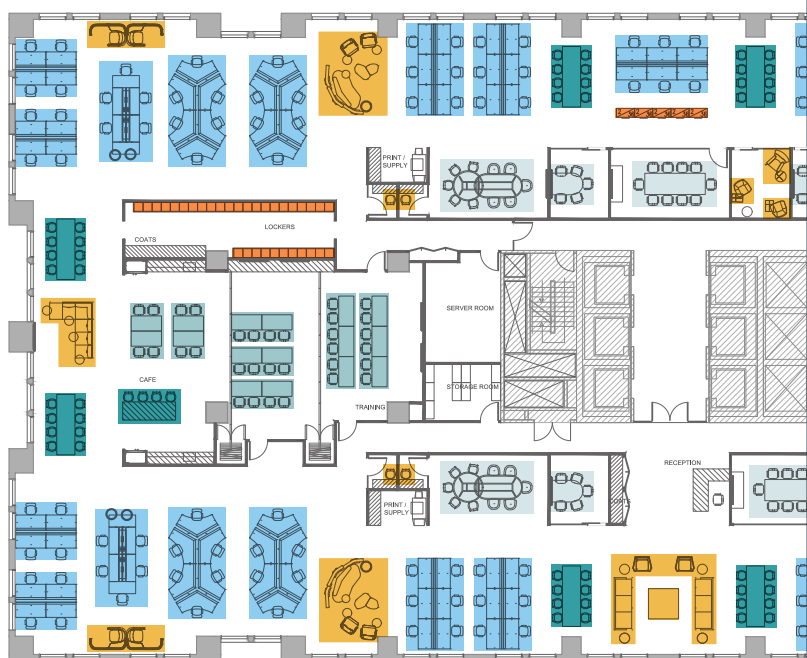
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-  Workstation with 50" - 70" High Panels
-  Workstation with Sit / Stand: Benching / 120° / Community Table
-  Private Office with Wood Materials
-  Standing Height Table & Stools
-  Training Tables & Chairs
-  Fixed Table & Chairs
-  Lounge / Powered Pods / Individual Work Areas
-  Wellness Suite Furniture
-  Files / Lockers

2009



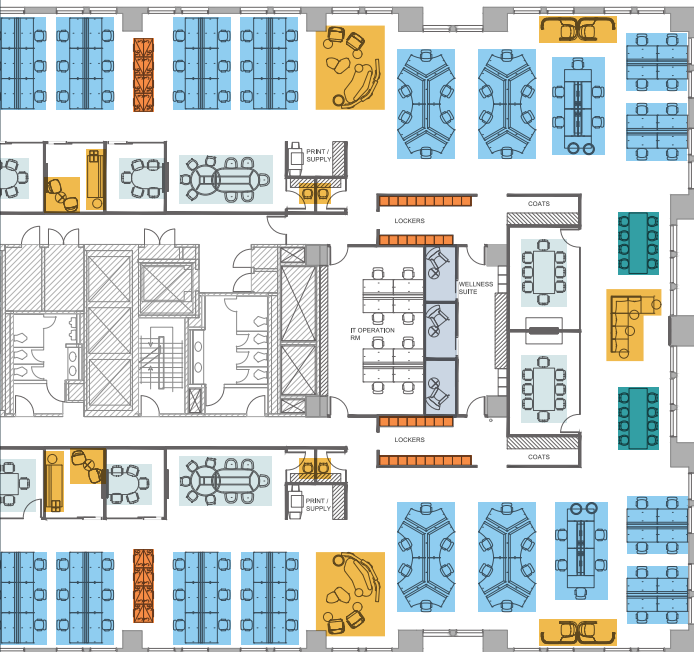
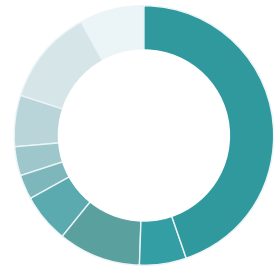
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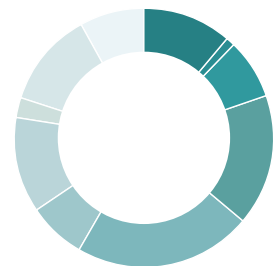
2009 COST:
\$807,298

Adjustable Height Bench	0.00%
Benching	0.00%
Workstations	44.83%
Private Offices	5.84%
Task Chairs	10.22%
Guest Chairs	6.14%
Ancillary	3.18%
Files	3.65%
Conference Rooms	6.14%
Training Rooms	0.00%
Freight / Installation	12.00%
Tax	8.00%



2019 COST:
\$656,373

Adjustable Height Bench	11.16%
Benching	1.25%
Workstations	7.39%
Private Offices	0.00%
Task Chairs	16.41%
Guest Chairs	0.00%
Ancillary	22.24%
Files	7.22%
Conference Rooms	12.03%
Training Rooms	2.30%
Freight / Installation	12.00%
Tax	8.00%





In Conclusion

The Long-Term Savings Plan

In 2009 an additional 10,000-12,000 square feet of space would be required to support the additional 55 people (to reach a headcount of 200 staff). Depending on rent rates the lease savings range from \$2,000,000 to over \$3,000,000.

- Year 1 capital investment is increased.
- Cost per person is decreased.
- Larger savings are seen over the life of the lease.
- Continue to look at long term investment in staff and space.

2009 PROGRAM

Staff			
P.O. Lg	9	200	1,800
P.O. Sm	14	120	1,680
W.S. Lg	28	88	2,464
W.S. Sm	94	36	3,384
	145		14,365

Conference Space			
4 Person Conference	2	120	240
6 Person Conference	3	200	600
8 Person Conference	1	225	225
Phone Rooms	0	48	0
Training	2	375	750
Reception	1	400	400
			3,411

Other Support			
Cafe	2	400	800
IT Operations Room	1	500	500
File Room	1	275	275
Storage Room	1	30	30
Server Room	1	225	225
Copy Room	2	100	200
Open Area Files	21	9	189
Lockers	0	.5	0
Coats	4	40	160
Wellness Room	1	100	100
Toilets	2	200	400
Elevator Lobby	1	1,000	1,000
			5,974

23,750

Floor USF 25,000
USF / Person 172

2019 PROGRAM

Staff			
P.O. Lg	0	200	0
P.O. Sm	0	120	0
W.S. Lg	0	88	0
W.S. Sm	200	36	7,200
	200		11,088

Conference Space			
4 Person Conference	4	120	480
6 Person Conference	6	200	1,200
8 Person Conference	4	225	900
Phone Rooms	8	48	384
Training	2	375	750
Reception	1	400	400
			6,336

Other Support			
Cafe	1	600	600
IT Operations Room	1	500	500
File Room	1	275	275
Storage Room	1	30	30
Server Room	1	225	225
Copy Room	2	100	200
Open Area Files	21	9	189
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Toilets	2	200	400
Elevator Lobby	1	1,000	1,000
			5,974

23,397

Floor USF 25,000
USF / Person 125

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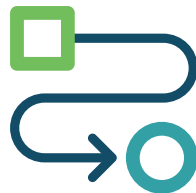
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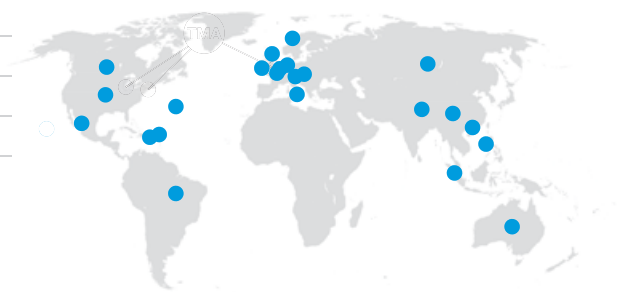
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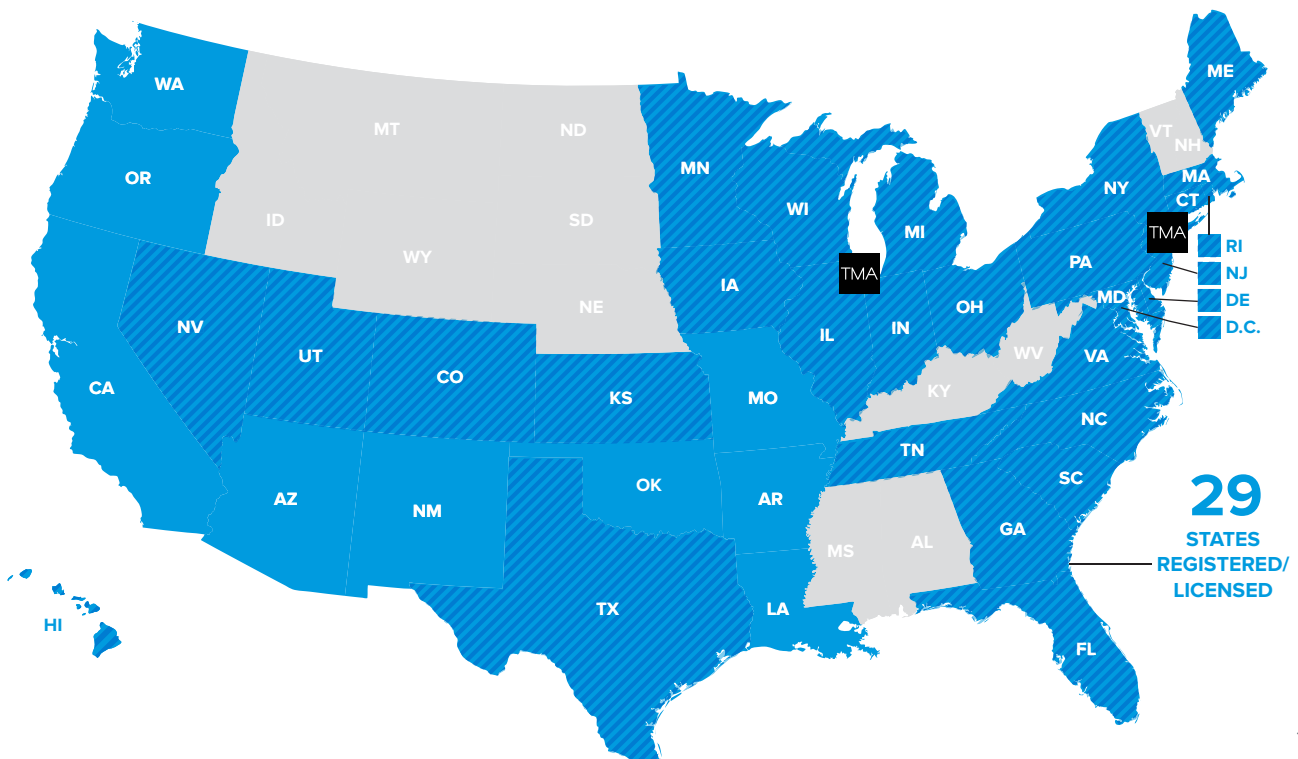


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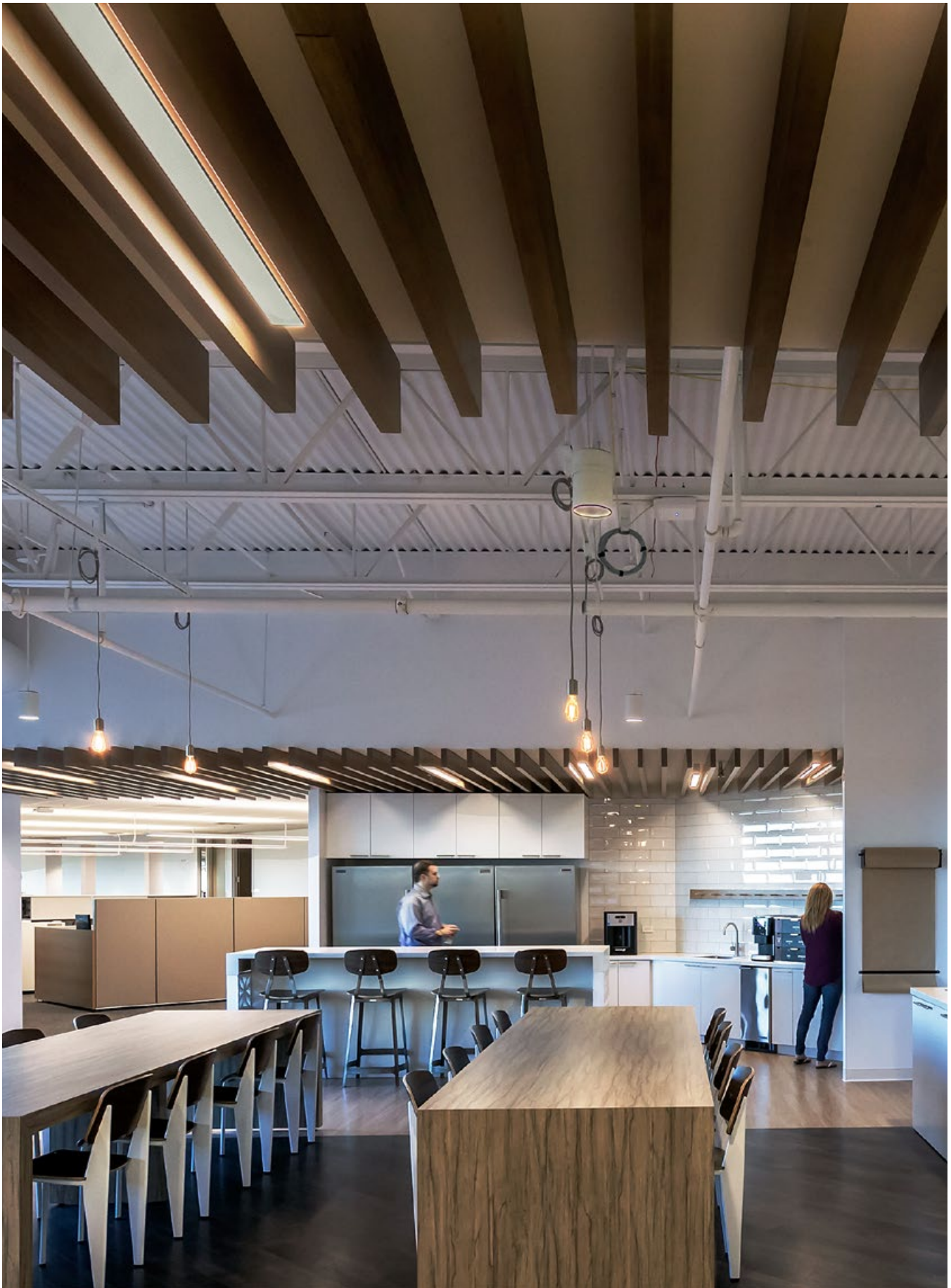
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