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MRB Group was initially retained by the City of Geneva to prepare a master plan study for general improvements for City Hall. Located within the Downtown's Historic District, the existing City Hall, originally constructed in 1913, required a comprehensive review of the existing site, structure (walls and foundation), the layout of three-floor levels, building egress, utilities, and building systems.

Upon completion of the initial studies, MRB Group was awarded the Architectural and Engineering services related to the planning and design for a new elevator and stairwell addition and various interior renovations including the City Council Meeting Room, ADA compliant restrooms, and City Department Offices and Meeting Rooms.

MRB Group provided masterplan, concept studies, design development, construction documentation, project bidding, and construction administration phase services on this challenging project.

Many site improvements were also afforded, including new parking areas, walks, charging stations, and green space.

PROJECT DETAILS

Contact: Maggie Nearing, A.I.A.

Completion Date: Completed in 2020

Project Role: Architecture/Engineering



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Due to the space constraints and the decision not to modify the existing building structure, it proved most feasible to provide a new three-stop elevator and exterior stairwell at the building rear. A structurally independent addition for the new elevator and stair would also permit the building to continue to generally operate during construction. The decision to locate the building as a rear addition also afforded safe and convenient access to onsite parking and an adjacent green space for staff.

The approved design utilized an insulated metal panel rain screen system over a load-bearing masonry and steel structure. The windows are low-e (tinted) to allow for natural light. The cast stone base solidly grounds the addition as the original building's stone base has more than 100 years.

About MRB Group

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