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JSA Inc. moves to new 8,000 s/f Portsmouth office for firm expansion

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Portsmouth, NH JSA Inc., an architecture, planning and interior design firm, has recently upgraded their new 8,000 s/f office space. Located in the same building at 273 Corporate Dr., the new enlarged space allows for firm expansion and more efficient collaboration spaces.

The new office has an open ceiling and low panel systems. Motorized adjustable height workstations offer the option to sit or stand throughout the day. The office furniture was procured and installed by Strategic Spaces out of Boston using ESI adjustable height desk bases, Kimball tables, desk tops, file cabinets, task chairs and panels.

Daylight pours through wide windows offering views of the wetlands and forest beyond. The interior lighting was selected using energy-efficient fixtures and controls from Visible Light Inc. and the

center core collaborative gathering space features a curved, perforated metal pin-up wall adjacent to soft seating and a multi-height, accessible community table. This area provides staff with an open area for design collaboration, quick informal meetings, and a space to take a break.

With this larger open office, acoustics were a key concern, addressed with Shaw carpet tile planks, Kimball fabric covered panels, Armstrong acoustic ceiling tile and floating acoustic clouds.

WELL and sustainability standards were a requirement for interior finish materials. Carpet and hard surfaces have high recycled content and low VOC (Volatile Organic Compound) adhesives. Paint on the walls and hard ceilings contain no VOC, and the space is completed with air-filtering indoor plants.

“Our ultimate goal is to have an office that positively impacts and inspires us in our daily work,” said Sandra Hodge, the interior design principal at JSA.

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