



# MAIN MUSEUM STATUS

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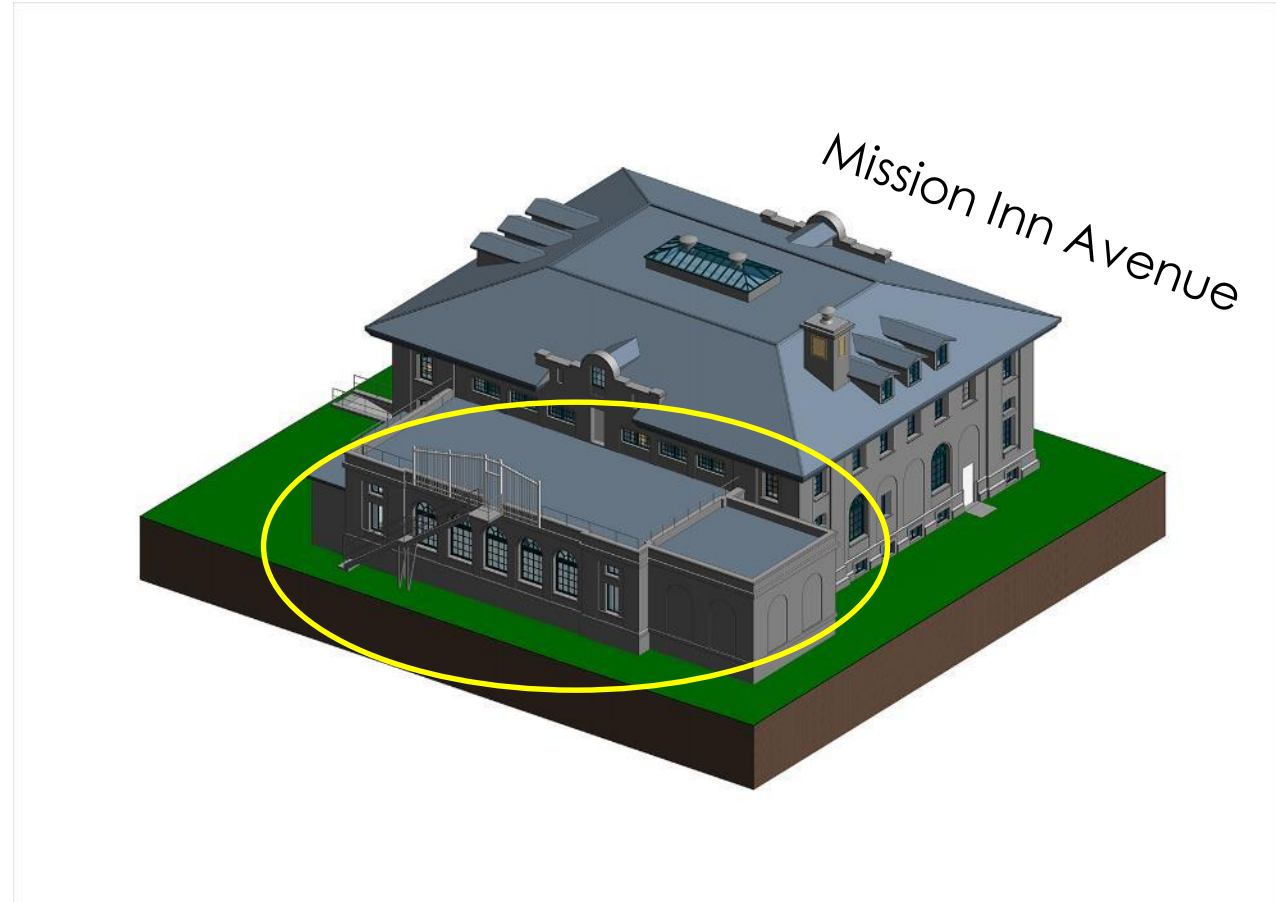
## Museum of Riverside

Museum of Riverside Board  
April 26, 2023

# HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Old additions at  
back of 1912  
structure to be  
removed (yellow oval).

Obscured historic  
features to be  
revealed.



# HISTORIC PRESERVATION

- Built in 1912.
- Addition at rear in 1928 destroyed most of original rear elevation.



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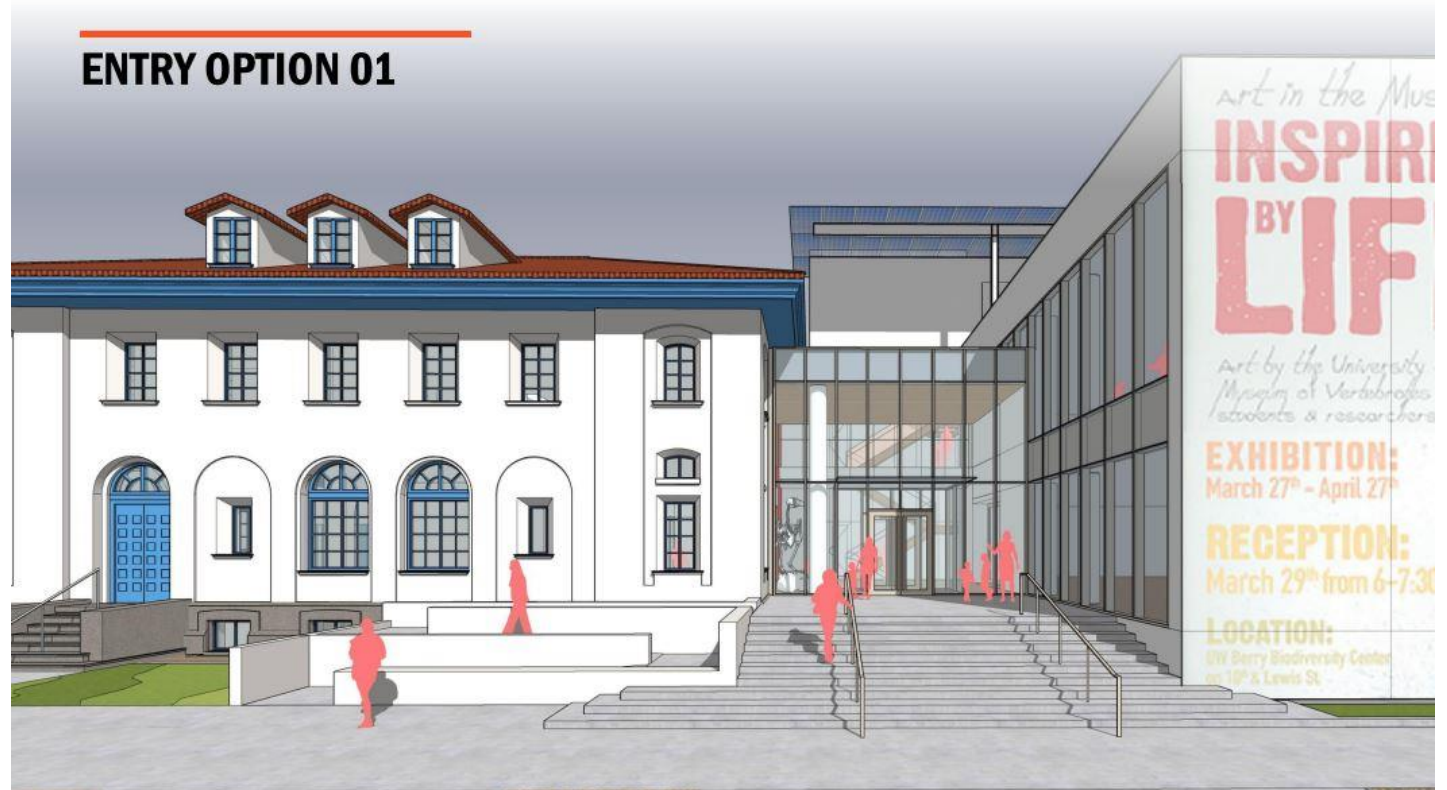
- Second floor in-fill in 1954
- Small gallery added in 1967
- Lobby is least altered since 1912; features of significance will remain



*Post Office 7th and Orange Riverside Cal. 1912 80*

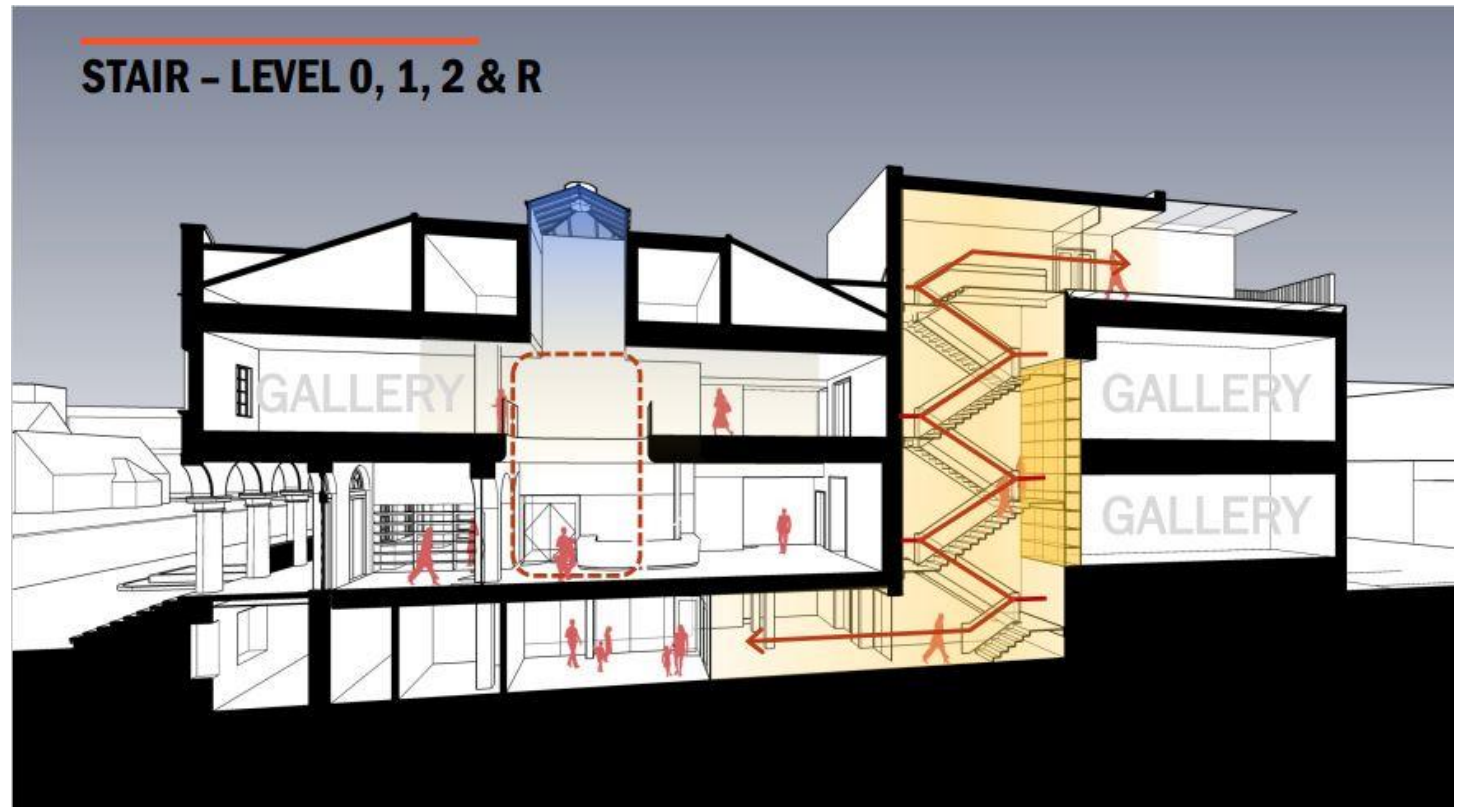
# CURRENT PLANNING

- New approach on Orange Street
- Opportunities for bold communication



# CURRENT PLANNING

- Grand staircase joining old and new structures
- Largest galleries to be in new building



# CURRENT PLANNING

- Two entries to one admissions desk
- Sense of arrival

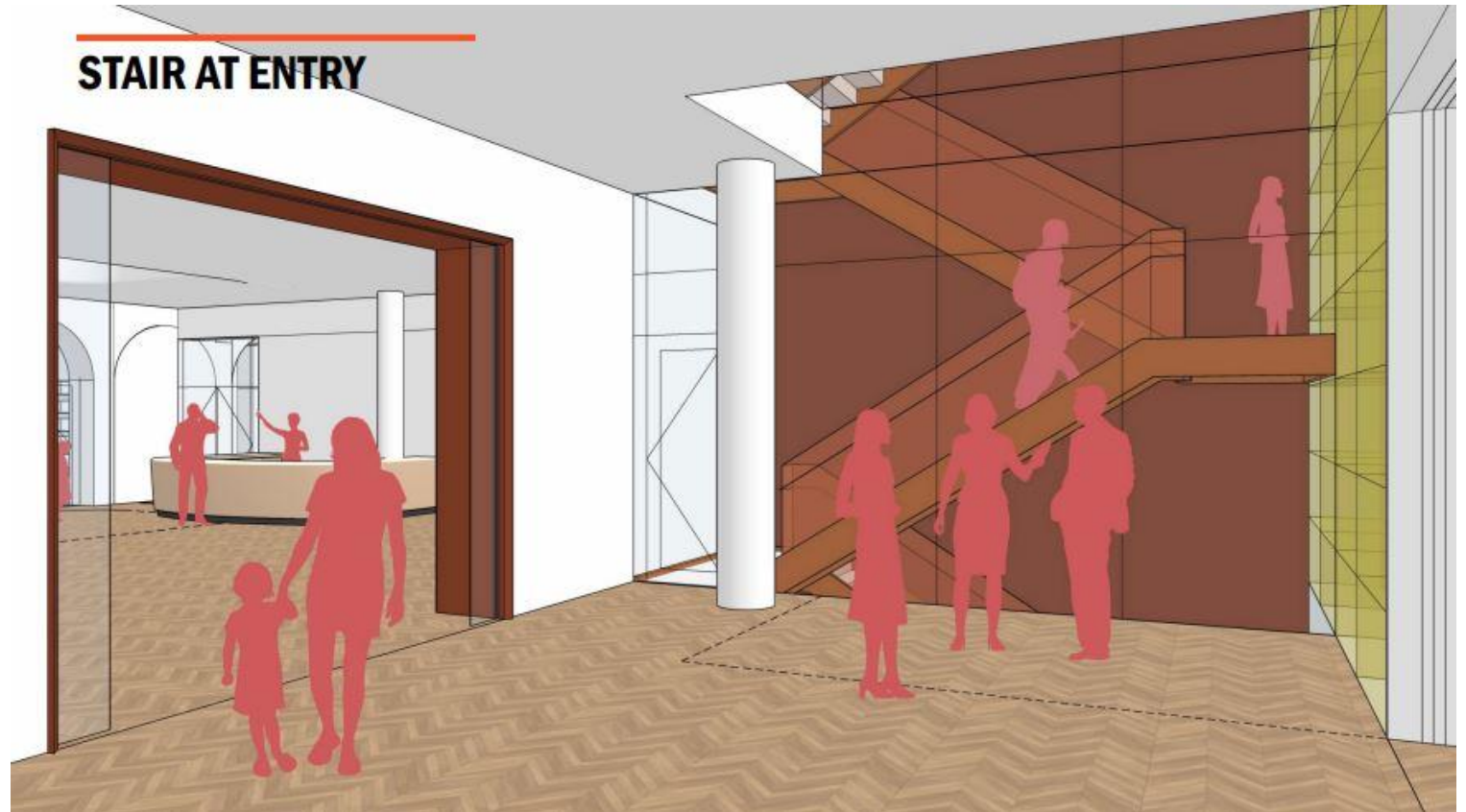
## ENTRY VESTIBULE



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# CURRENT PLANNING

- Staircase alongside ascending exhibit wall
- Clear and appealing signage



# CURRENT PLANNING

- Lobby for orientation, gathering, events and programs
- Everything else radiates out from lobby



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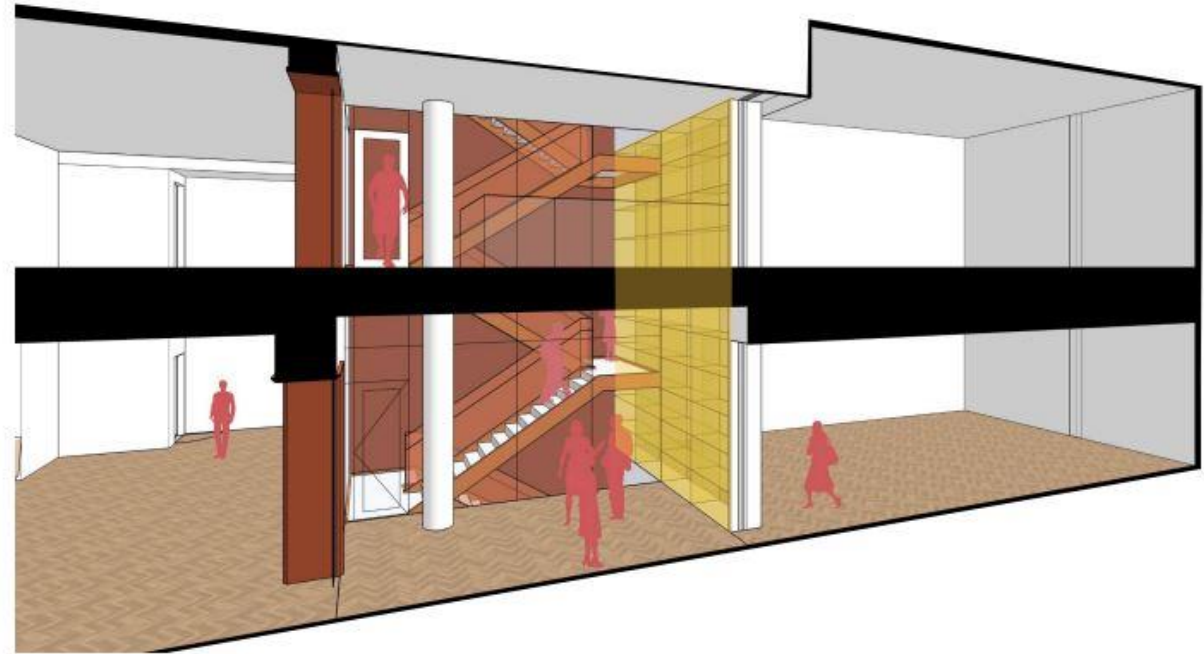
- Admissions to be located between entrances
- Skylight to be opened up again



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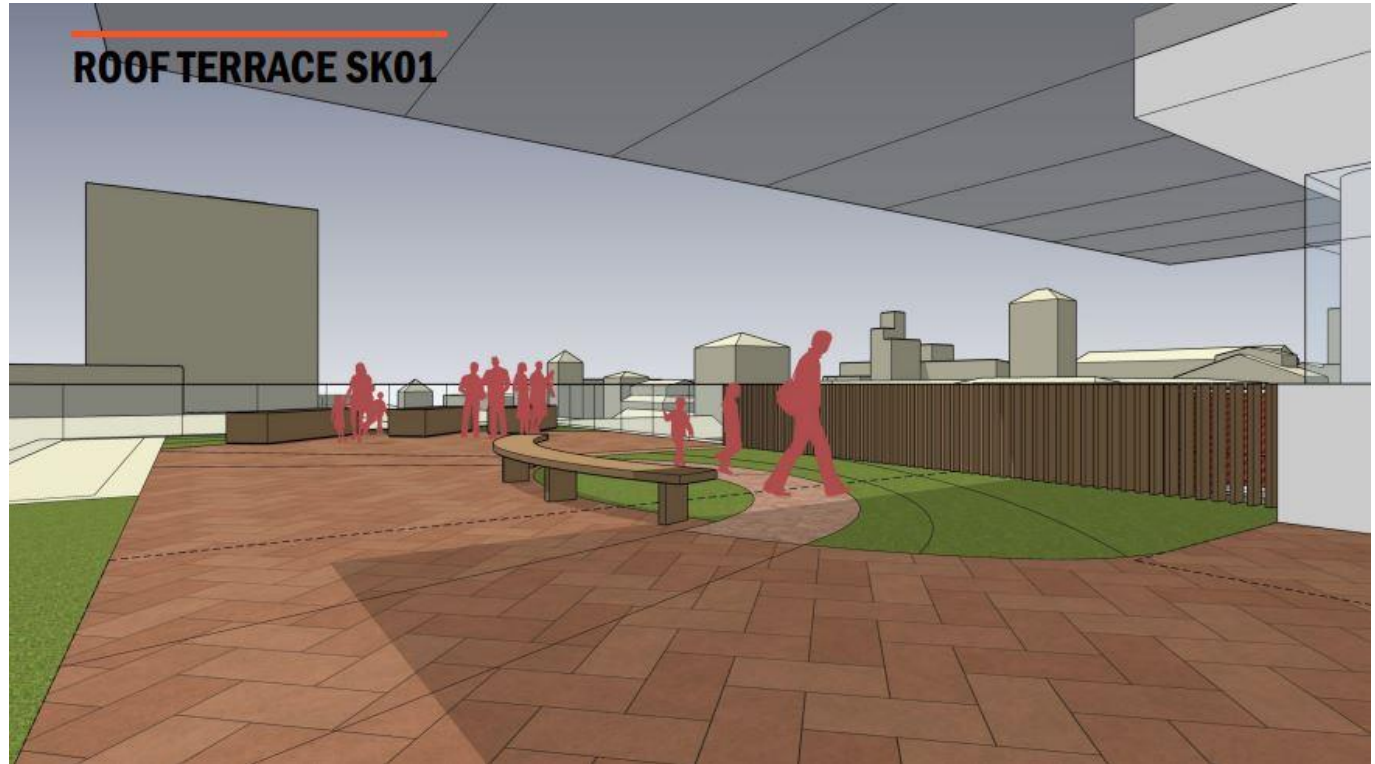
## MULTI LEVEL DISPLAY @ STAIR

- Double-height exhibit wall
- A place to touch on many local stories



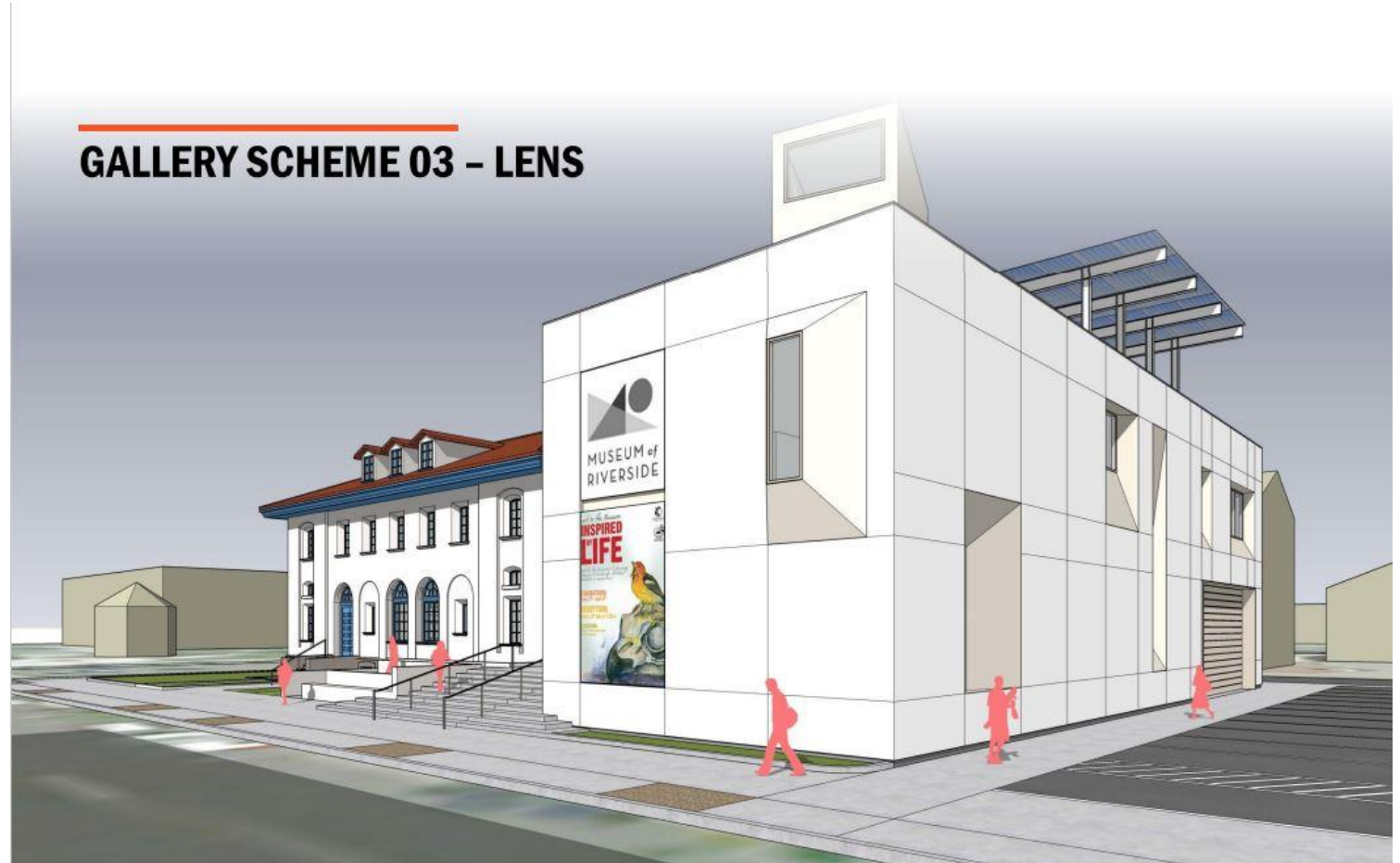
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- Roof terrace for programs and events
- Prioritizing natural history programming



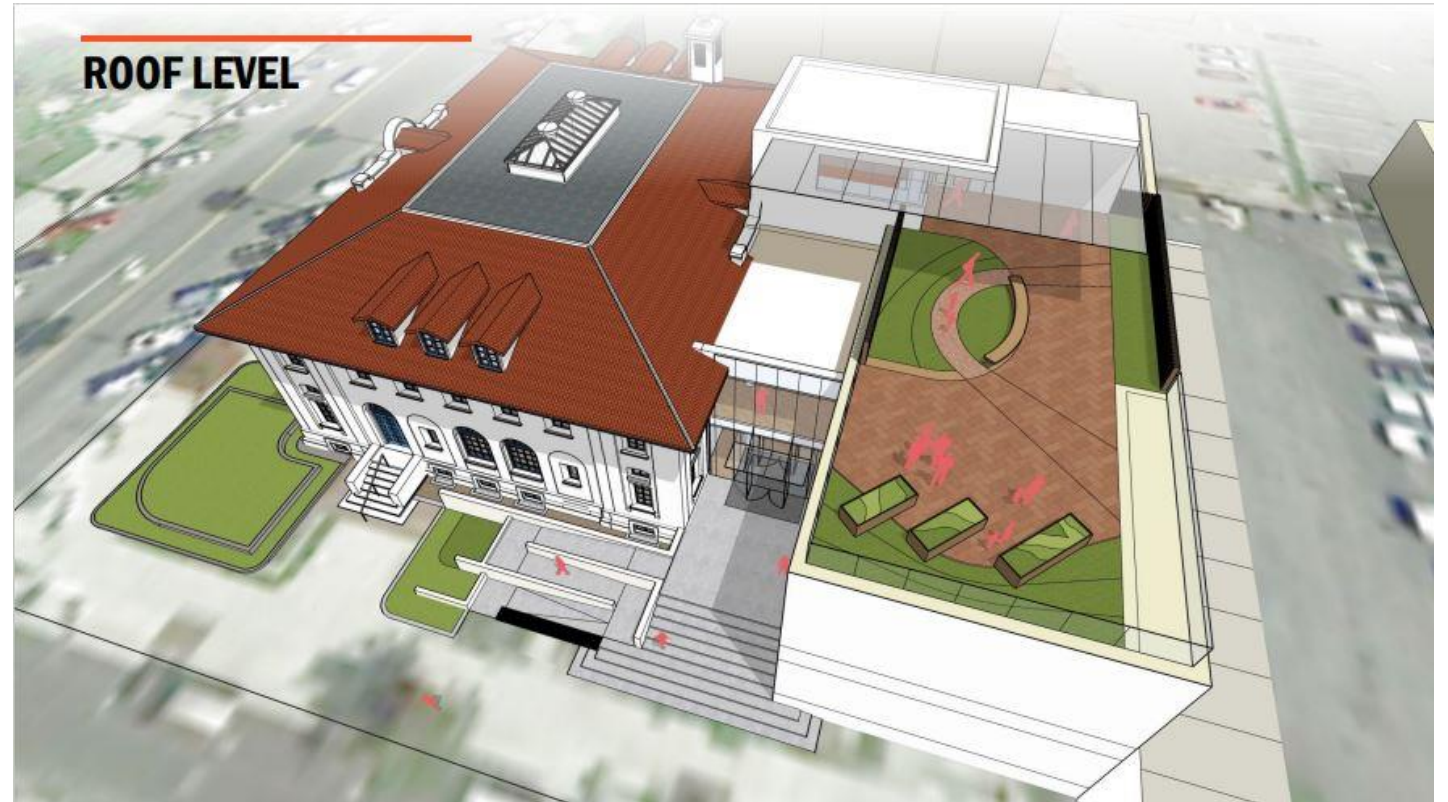
# CURRENT PLANNING

- One option for exterior of addition
- One challenge is limiting natural light in galleries



# CURRENT PLANNING

- Roof terrace presents unique challenges
- Its appeal is immediate



# CURRENT PLANNING

- Choosing best location for education space
- Museum did not previously have classroom

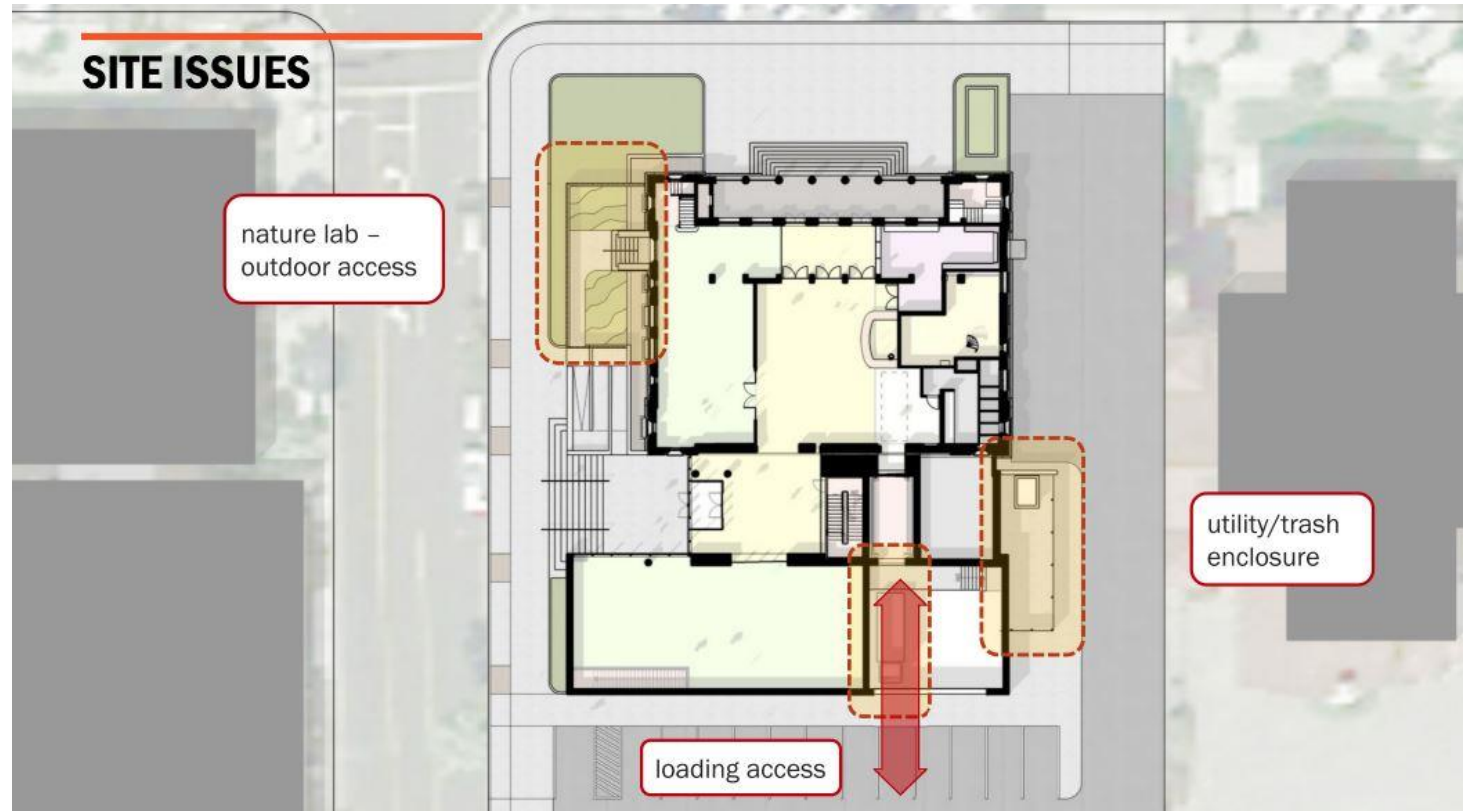
## EDUCATION- 01

- classroom separated → more privacy/flexibility
- access: through the lobbies
- program: 1,000 SF nature lab, 450 SF classroom



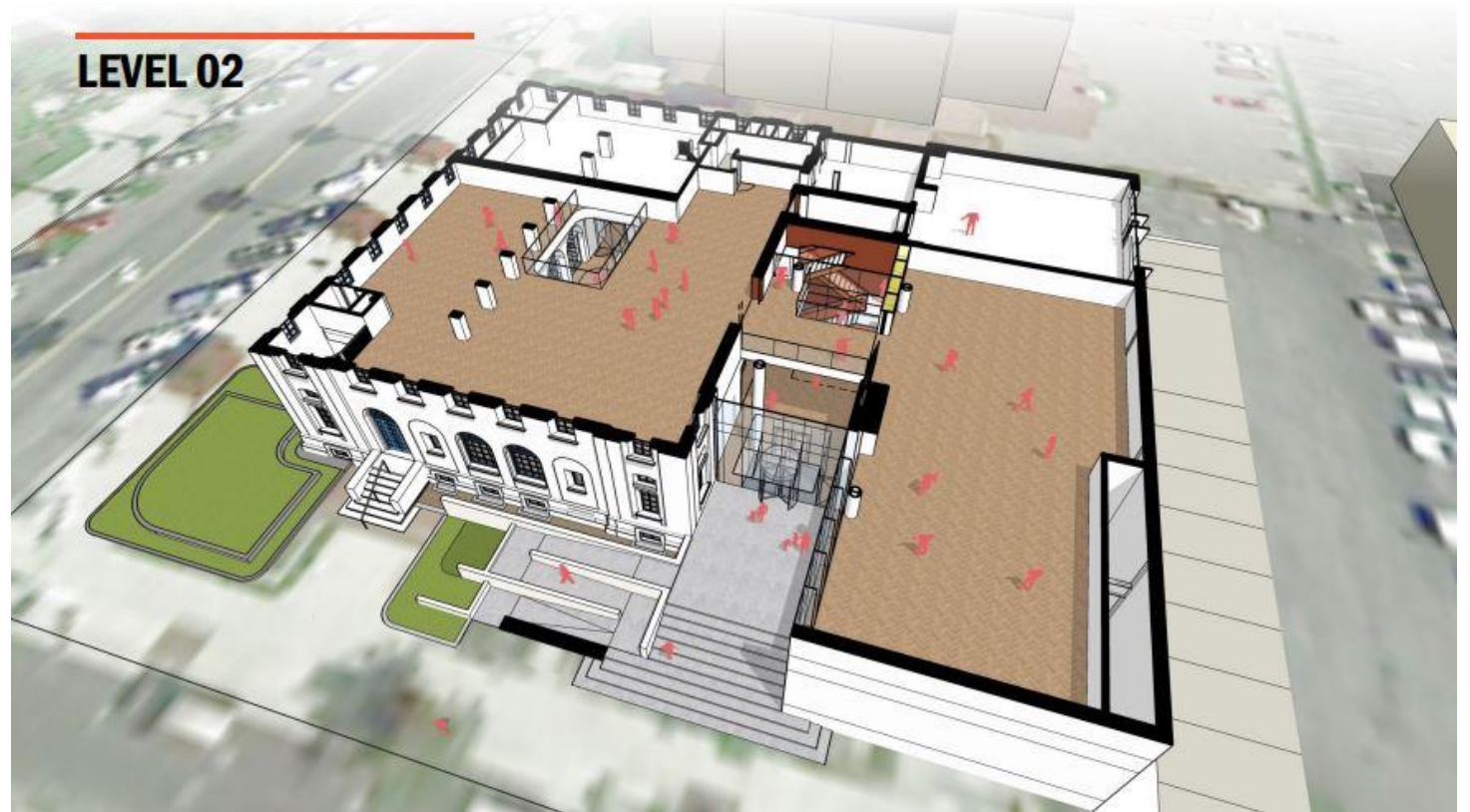
# CURRENT PLANNING

- To resolve:  
exterior  
programming  
space
- Site support  
functions



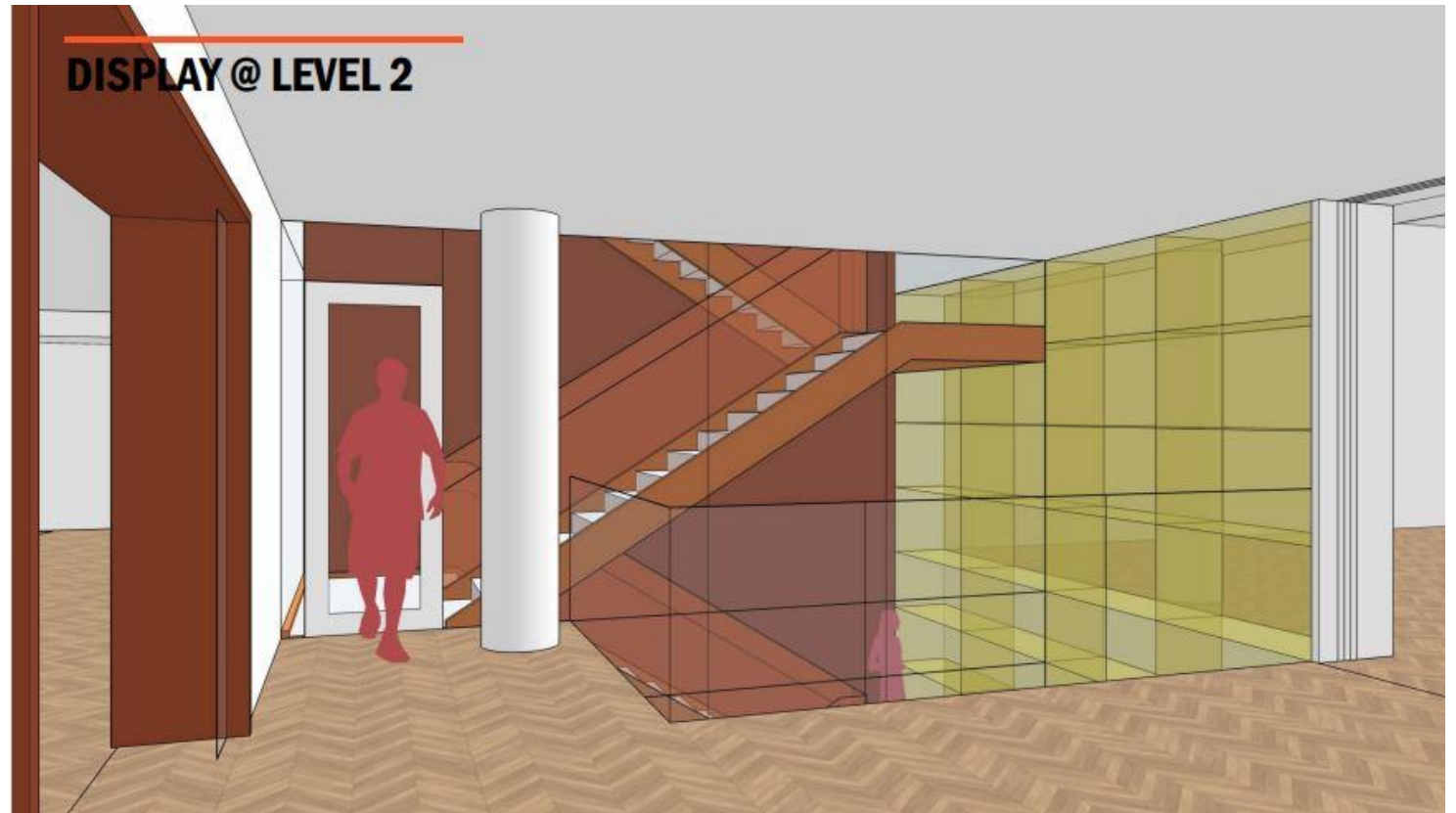
# SUMMARY OF GOALS

- “Visitors first” ethic leads choices
- Inclusive
- Engaging and interactive
- Interdisciplinary
- Constantly refreshed



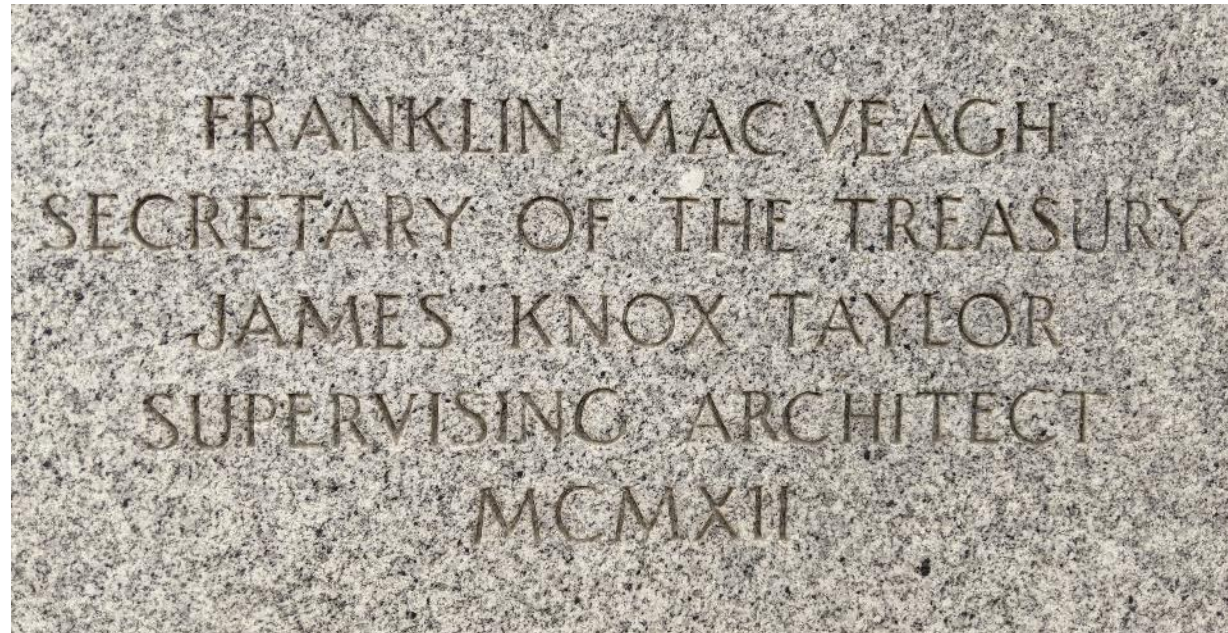
# YOUR INPUT

- What matters most?
- What seems right?
- What needs works?



# THANK YOU

- Share ideas
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# STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

## Strategic Priority No. 1 – *Arts, Culture and Recreation*

Goal 1.1 – Strengthen Riverside’s portfolio of arts, culture, recreation, senior and lifelong learning programs and amenities through expended community partnerships, shared use opportunities and fund development.

### Cross-Cutting Threads



Community Trust



Fiscal Responsibility



Sustainability &  
Resiliency



Equity



Innovation

# RECOMMENDATION

That the Museum of Riverside Board receive, discuss, and file a presentation on the current status of the planning for the main museum renovation and expansion.