



# THE HILTON COLUMBUS AT EASTON - FIRST FLOOR RENOVATIONS

## CHALLENGE

A HIGH-OCCUPANCY HOTEL WANTED TO KEEP CUSTOMERS HAPPY AND CONTINUE TO PROVIDE FULL GUEST SERVICES WHILE UNDERGOING A MAJOR RENOVATION.

## SERVICES

- 3D Scanning
- Architectural Services
- Construction Administration
- M/E/P Engineering
- Permitting
- Project Management
- Structural Engineering

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The Hilton Columbus at Easton renovated the entire 71.760 square-foot first floor during 2016 and 2017. This renovation included their banquet facilities,

restaurant, sports bar, pool, lobby, boardrooms, and reception areas

## CONTEMPORARY TRANSFORMATION

Once a very traditionally designed facility, the Hilton at Easton received a full, contemporary facelift. In line with Hilton Brand standards, the facility was designed to include more convenient 24-hour food options via the Herb 'N Kitchen, Hilton's gourmet marketplace and urban kitchen concept.

The renovation also featured an amped-up bar and lounge, providing guests a lively and vibrant social scene within the main lobby. To further enhance guest experience, full-service food options were elevated, including a new, wood-fired pizza oven.

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## AN OCCUPIED RENOVATION

ms consultants met the challenge of keeping the existing facility open and operational throughout design and construction.

Special care was essential to maintain a safe, clean, quiet, and functional environment for the ongoing activities and sleeping guests within the hotel. Careful communication with hotel operations, guests, and

construction partners was paramount to the ongoing success of the project.

The Hilton at East first floor renovation project was an extremely schedule-driven renovation to ensure the facility could honor existing reservations for its boardrooms and banquet facilities.

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## ENERGY UPGRADES

In addition to the guest experience and aesthetic enhancements, the Hilton at Easton's entire first floor also received a full lighting system upgrade.

Beyond being energy-hogs, the banquet facility's previously existing halogen downlights burned-out regularly and caused maintenance headaches weekly.

The lighting upgrades reduced the lighting load by 219,000 watts, projected to save the facility \$80,000 in electrical utility costs annually! Additionally, the project was awarded cash utility incentives above and beyond savings on monthly utility bills.