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#### TRENDS IN COMMERCIAL PROJECTS FROM AROUND THE GLOBE

### Interior design for pets is a thing—just ask this Brooklyn vet



Going to the vet is stressful. We know it, and our pets know it, but we've all come to accept the fact that the stress is just part of the process. Except, what if it's not?

Bond Vet is a new clinic that focuses on delivering better care by strengthening the humananimal bond (hence the name). The startup was founded in 2019 and builds on years of research into animal psychology and our pets' tenuous relationship with the built environment. Designed by Brooklyn design firm Islyn

Studio, the aesthetics of Bond Vet's clinics weigh pets' experiences as much as ours, using elements like soft flooring for dogs and elevated benches for cats.

The startup launched with one location in Cobble Hill, Brooklyn. Since then, seven more clinics have sprung up around Manhattan. With cofounder and chief veterinary officer Dr. Zay Satchu at its helm, it's betting that a design-forward clinic can deliver a more comfortable experience for animals, which in turn means more compliant pets that are easier to treat.

### NELSON Worldwide Gives Corix A Colorful Chicago Headquarters



Corix tasked NELSON Worldwide with renovating their new corporate headquarters in downtown Chicago, Illinois. The company, dedicated to the implementation of sustainable water, wastewater, and energy utility infrastructure solutions, was relocating from their suburban headquarters to the new downtown Chicago location to improve the recruitment and retention of employees.

NELSON transformed their new offices to create an entirely different atmosphere

from their previous space. Corix's original offices were compartmentalized with minimal opportunities for collaboration. In contrast, the new space utilizes fewer private offices creating a more transparent environment, while functional furniture and moveable walls create natural partitions while still offering opportunities for collaboration.

Pops of color allude to the brand palette, while the overall personality of the space represents key characteristics of the company including pride, community, and collaboration. The design team also created a café for employee engagement during traditional work hours as well after-hours socializing and flexible event space, extending the utilization beyond the traditional nine to five.