

CASE STUDY

Silicon Valley Bank





Modernfold Folding Sliding Glass Wall FSW-C

When Silicon Valley Bank (SVB), the bank of the world's most innovative companies and their investors, sought to double their office footprint for their growing New York team, they chose a 13,000 sq. ft. office space just north of Madison Square Park (known as the NoMad District) at TF Cornerstone's newly renovated 387 Park Avenue South.

In recent years, the area around Madison Square Park has become a hotbed for startups and technology companies. "Many of our clients are clustered in the Flatiron, Madison Square Park area," said Melissa Stepanis, Market Manager of SVB, "so we wanted to closely position ourselves to better serve our growing client base."

Aiming to accentuate SVB's corporate culture, a fast pulse of high-tech innovation and investment, the architectural firm Environetics' design vision was glass everywhere; one hundred and thirty-eight linear feet of glass office fronts including eleven single and double glass swing doors with sidelights, and two Modernfold Folding Sliding Glass Walls (FSW-C).

ARCHITECT: Environetics

GENERAL CONTRACTOR: Structure Tone, Inc.

PRODUCT / COMPONENTS: Approximately 138 linear feet of office front in total (including doors).

- Two (2) Modernfold Glass Wall Model FSW-C Operable Partition
- Seven (7) moodwall REJO 18" Ladder Style Pull Handles
- Nine (9) single glass swing doors with sidelights in ½" tempered glass
- Two (2) pairs of glass swing doors with sidelights in ½" tempered glass

SPECS:

- Doors to have full top and bottom rails, 6 ft non-locking ladder pulls and Dorma RTS-88 C.O.C.'s
- Fixed glazing to be set in aluminum top and bottom channels
- Finish on headers and channels to be Dorma #113
- Typical opening height to be 8'-0"

THE CHALLENGE

The challenge was to complete the office quickly so that 'next' could happen 'now'. Construction management contractor Structure Tone Inc. brought the project to the ModernfoldStyles' design team with the task of customizing a layout and implementing an efficient installation strategy that would remain true to the architect's aesthetic of minimal glass framework.

THE DESIGN

Two Modernfold continuously-hinged Folding Sliding Wall (FSW-C) systems were specified for an effortless dividing of a large conference room from an open communal area. The center stack FSW-C is ideal for a straight-line system configuration and requires no floor tracks.







DORMA Rails and Header Systems

Dorma Rails and Header Systems were chosen for their innovative design and ability to meet the demanding criteria of minimal framework. Glass office fronts were designed with ½" tempered glass set in Dorma aluminum top and bottom concealed U-channels in black anodized finish. Swing doors were fitted with Dorma 3 5/8" top and bottom door rails in tapered black anodized finish and Dorma RTS88 Series concealed door closers with concealed flush mounted magnetic locks. For elegant door operation Environetics selected Dorma's striking 72" black anodized non-locking ladder pulls.

The finishing touch is a series of eye-catching photographic images on the office front privacy-glass-film depicting kinetic cityscapes and technology-themed office environments.

Dedicated to helping innovative companies and their investors move bold ideas forward, fast, SVB is primed to make the 'next happen now' with its new offices at the epicenter of New York City's innovation and investment hub.