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Subject: FW: Staff report for Monday's Historic Preservation Commission meeting attached
Attachments: Staff Report.pdf; COA Charles Allis Roofing - Masonry.pdf

Importance: High

Carlen,
Tim,

I received the Staff Report for the CAAM Submittal and have a few comments / thoughts:

1 – Regarding Staff Comments #1, and Conditions #1; We will review the potential for obtaining replacement stone from a United States or Canada source. Hopefully we can have a response by the HPC Meeting.

2 – Regarding Staff Comments #6, and Conditions #3; The South Balcony Repairs were previously reviewed and approved and a COA was issued on February 29, 2016 (copy attached).

3 – Regarding Staff Conditions #4; We are not permitting inappropriate destructive mortar removal techniques. An excerpt from the project technical specifications follows:

Remove existing mortar by cutting down the center of the joint with power tools and then removing remaining mortar with hand tools. To prevent joint enlargement, do not chip or cut into adjacent masonry. Do not overcut into masonry. Use special care at head joints. Strictly adhere to written quality-control program to eliminate the possibility of damaging masonry units.

Remove mortar from joints scheduled for pointing to depths equal to 2-1/2 times their widths or to the depth of sound mortar whichever is greater, but not less than 5/8 inch. Leave no cavities in the existing mortar and remove all unsound and deteriorated mortar. Prepared joint shall have a square uniform back face. Feather edging will not be permitted.

Remove mortar from masonry surfaces within raked-out joints to provide reveals with square backs and exposed masonry sides for contact with pointing mortar.

Remove mortar smears from faces of masonry from previous pointing work using chisel dancing technique.

Previously Over-Cut Pointed Joints: Previous pointing work has produced over-cut (wider) joints at certain areas were face brick units where cut with a wide grinder blade. At these areas of irreversible damage, prepare joint as described above without removing additional face brick material. Intent is to prepare joint for finished appearance as described below except with a wider appearance. Use special care at head joints.

Vacuum and rinse joint surfaces with water to remove dust and mortar particles. Time application of rinsing so that, at time of pointing, excess water has evaporated or run off, and joint surfaces are damp but free of standing water.

Thank you, Jim

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