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I would recommend no to filling in windows/openings.

They could possibly hang or tape a banner or paper inside behind the windows that would be temporary, but filling in the areas with basically permanent signage would alter the appearance of the structure. Plus, without a timeframe for how long the “temporary” tiles would be there and no plans/specs for what those openings would be replaced with in the future, that also makes it difficult to approve. It’s hard to predict what further damage could be created with removing what is there now.

If you provide a sketch or rendering of what the owners propose I can pass it along to our other reviewers to get their opinion.

Thank you,

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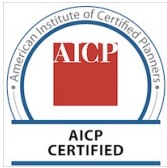
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Gwen,

I have a business at 412 S Summit St that is listed. It used to be a auto repair garage and it is unclear if the windows were overhead doors. One may have been, one likely not. Anyway, the business is using the building as a support warehouse and is considering closing in the windows with memorial tiles used as a fundraiser for further work on the building. I suggested that any work would have to be reversible and could not alter the rest of the structure. Windows would have to be able to be put back in so the frames in the masonry would have to remain. Would it be reasonable to allow this as long as the work remains reversible? I couldn’t find a guideline that specifically addressed this. The guidelines do suggest retaining the storefront and their features but not with this proposed alternative. Thoughts?

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