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City of Oelwein  
Attn: Dylan Mulfinger, City Administrator  
20 2nd Avenue SW  
Oelwein, IA 50660

Re: 33 S. Frederick Oelwein, Ia.

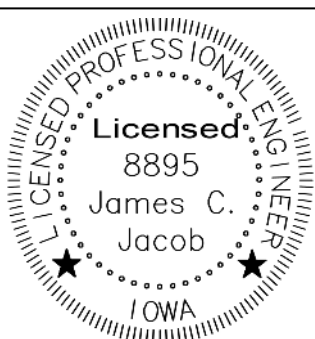
Dear Mr. Mulfinger:

At your request, we have examined the exterior façade of the referenced building from the sidewalk that abuts it on the west and south sides. The exterior consists of brick masonry above a wood storefront on the west side and brick masonry on the south side. On the west side, there are numerous bricks that have had their entire surface spalled. The wood storefront on the west side is also heavily decayed and has holes that are allowing moisture behind it. On the south side near the east end, there is a severely tipped parapet and the wall below this tipped parapet is itself tipped outward. There is a section of brick masonry at the east end of the south wall that is dislodged and in danger of collapsing onto the city sidewalk. The brick on the east end of the south wall is also in extremely poor condition with spalled brick and mortar. I would recommend that barricades be erected along the sidewalk to prevent pedestrians from being in the fall zone of the west and south walls of this building. The building owner should be notified to immediately take steps to repair all failing brick masonry that is endangering the public right-of-way.

If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Sincerely,

James C. Jacob, P.E.



I hereby certify that this engineering document was prepared and the related engineering work was performed by me or under my direct personal supervision and that I am a duly Licensed Professional Engineer under the laws of the State of Iowa.

7/7/2022

**James C. Jacob, P.E.**

**License #08895**

**Date**

My license renewal date is December 31, 2023

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