

CITY OF SHEBOYGAN

REQUEST FOR ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD CONSIDERATION

ITEM DESCRIPTION: Exterior remodel of the west façade at Mojo Bar located at 1235 Pennsylvania Avenue.

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REPORT DATE: October 21, 2022

MEETING DATE: October 24, 2022

FISCAL SUMMARY:

Budget Line Item:	N/A
Budget Summary:	N/A
Budgeted Expenditure:	N/A
Budgeted Revenue:	N/A

STATUTORY REFERENCE:

Wisconsin	N/A
Statutes:	
Municipal Code:	N/A

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

Joe Bonelli is proposing exterior renovations to the west/13th Street side of the Mojo Bar located at 1235 Pennsylvania Avenue. The applicant states the following:

- I am seeking to refresh and make west elevation of my building historically intact. When I bought the building in 2004, it had gaping holes, mis-matched and broken windows, and peeling paint. I immediately addressed each item and applied a color matched siding to improve the aesthetic. I am now looking to restore that classic storefront look that the building had in the 1860s.
- Currently, there is vinyl siding that blends with the facade of the building. It looks 'nice,' but is not period correct.
- We will be using two styles of wood composite smart board siding. The two styles of smart board will be color matched (Dune and Midnight Sky) to the rest of the building and add depth and texture and reestablish that 'store-front' look the building had in the past.
- We will also be adding two (2) large windows and a door to complete the theme and will allow for much more natural light and add a great deal of character to the building.
- The two double-clad fiberglass (25in x 57in) will be color matched to the rest of the existing windows in the building and allow for continuity of design to the west elevation of the building.
- The door is a double hung (72in x 127in) and is hand crafted that is architecturally designed to blend with the building's historical architecture.

STAFF COMMENTS:

The Board may want to have the applicant address the following concerning the proposed improvements of the main building (north side of west elevation):

- The renderings show that the existing windows trim will now be a dark brown to blend in with the rest of the improvements. The photos presently show the window trim as white which does not appear to blend in well with the proposed improvements. Are these windows being replaced or is the trim being replaced or painted to match?
- Presently, there is an old sign cabinet above the windows. It is hard to determine what exactly is being done in this location. Does the drawing show this as a sign or is this something else? If something else, what exactly is it – design, materials, colors, etc.
- Do these materials run right to the ground or is there a base?

The Board may want to have the applicant address the following concerning the proposed improvements to the addition (south side of west elevation):

- It appears that there is Cedar Shake siding on top of the door and horizontal below the windows, is that correct?
- What are the trim materials, colors, dimensions, etc. that box in this addition area, doors and windows.
- Do these materials run right to the ground or is there a base?

Does the board believe they have enough information to act on this request?

ACTION REQUESTED:

Motion to approve with possible amendments as determined by the Board.

ATTACHMENTS:

Architectural Review Board Application and required attachments.