# WORK SAMPLES



### Waterloo, NY - Downtown Revitalization Consulting

# Municipal Design Services and Community Organizing

Waterloo, NY

In.site:architecture has worked with the Village of Waterloo to provide design and planning services that help position Waterloo for sustainable, feasible development benefiting the present and future population. Through the use of community survey, design charettes, and advocacy - we've developed a business district, created a master plan for streetscape enhancements over the next 15 years, and produced renderings and feasibility studies to help market the area to potential investors.

As advocates of walkable, multi-modal downtowns, our expertise helped set the groundwork for attaining a \$60k grant from the Genesee Transportation Council to study linkage and accessibility within the Village for all users. The Village also successfully passed a complete streets ordinance, an incredibly progressive comp plan, and is actively pursuing investment for underutilized buildings. Using numerous small grant funding, we've been able to provide bicycle racks, wayfinding signage, and other pedestrian amenities for the village without spending a dollar of the municipal budget.

Waterloo is a case study for how a small community in the Finger Lakes region can make decisions that prime the area for investment and opportunity as the region continues to grow.





#### Technical Assistance & Building Reuse Analysis Le Roy, NY

2019

Working with the Village of Le Roy, we were able to develop feasibility studies and facade recommendations to several key properties within the downtown. To bolster these recommendations, we also provided a customized downtown design guideline that outlines the best practices for building renovations and uses.

With these deliverables completed, the municipality is now equipped with materials to ensure a competitive New York Main Street application - with special care to ensure the historic integeity of the downtown is maintained for years to come.



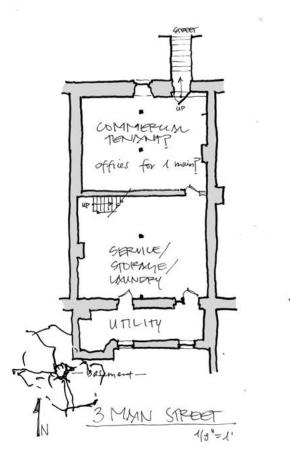
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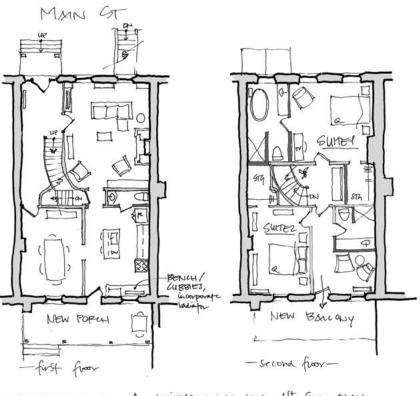






Feasibility Study





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### **Lyndonville, NY - NYMS Technical Assistance**



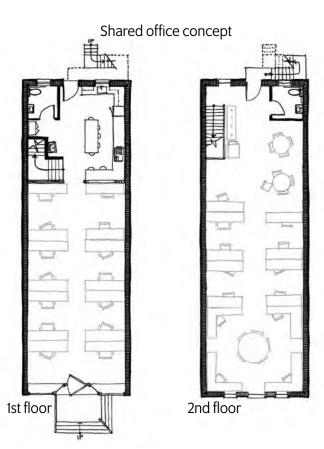


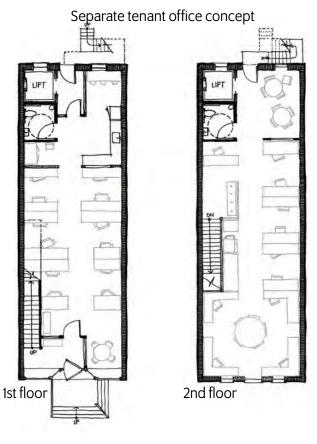
#### Lyndonville, NY Technical assistance 2019

We worked directly with the Village and key stakeholders in downtown to develop facade recommendations and building reuse analysis for several underutilized or vacant properties.

We followed the secretary for interior standards to provide historically sensetive recommendations when appropriate, while exploring contemporary design approaches on non-historic properties such as a gas station overlooking Johnson creek. We also looked for clever ways to provide accessible office space in the downtown without including expensive lifts for upper floor tenants via developing shared office and coworking spaces.

We provided order of magnitude cost estimation for the proposed interior and exterior renovations, as well as pro-forma to help guide decisions and business plans for development moving forward.









### **Livingston County, NY - NYMS Technical Assistance**

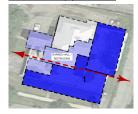
# Technical Assistance & Building Reuse Analysis Livingston County, NY

2019

The most recent chapter in our continued relationship with Livingston County Development allowed for a one-of-a-kind opportunity to help would-be-developers all across the county with design proposals. As experts in State Historic Tax Credits and downtown revitalization, we helped building owners develop proposals that would meet the needs of the state funding requirements as well as their need to cashflow and have a viable business model.

We looked at a litany of properties, in various states of disrepair and utilization to ultimately develop code review, plans, cost estimations, and facade recommendations to help them attain funding from the state to subsidize the cost of their highly impactful projects.

#### **OPTION A: (1) TENANT**



1. BREWERY / RESTAURANT, 3,910 sf; assume sprinklers
mounted

LEVEL OF ALT. = LEVEL 3

SHARED RESTROOM W.C. FIXTURE COUNT: (4) PER GENDEI SHARED RESTROOM LAV. FIXTURE COUNT: (2) PER GENDER

TOWN OF AVON - 1 PARKING SPACE PER 200 SF OF BUSINESS / RESTAURANT = 20 SPACES

#### OPTION B: (4) TENANTS



COMMERCIAL TENANT, 460 sf; no sprinklers required

2. COMMERCIAL TENANT, 860 sf; no sprinklers require

RESTAURANT, 2,835 sf; assume sprinklers require
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BREWERY, 2,443 sf; assume sprinkl

LEVEL OF ALT. = LEVEL 3

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# Downtown Revitalization Inititaive consultant & Building improvement fund administration BATAVIA, NY

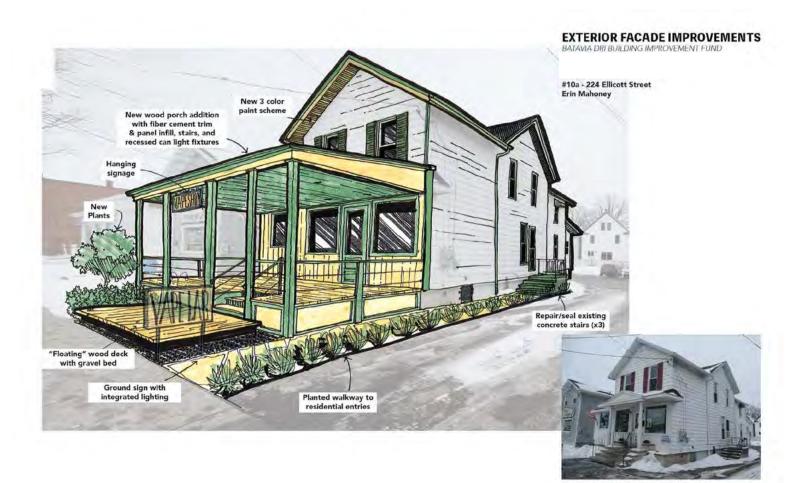
2018 - Present

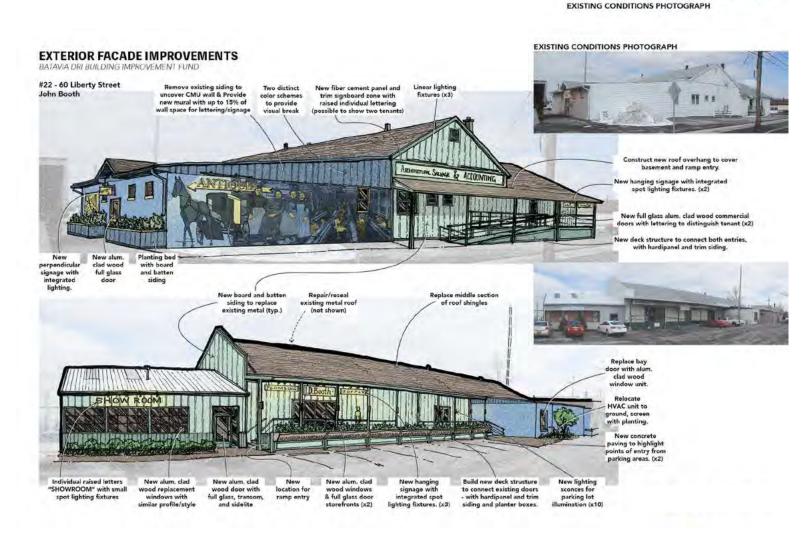
As a consultant for New York State, we worked directly with multiple building owners in Downtown Batavia to develop scopes of work, feasibility study, cost estimate, and facade recommendations. These were then submitted to the City, where an LPC committee reviewed

and scored the projects based on the viability, impact, and other factors that would be catalytic for enhancing Batavia's downtown core.

Later, funds from the DRI process were set aside to develop a building improvement fund, which we were hired to help administrate, resulting in the recommendation of several facades - as well as helping with scoring and selection criteria for the program.









### **Gloversville, NY - Downtown Revitalization**

# Technical Assistance & Building Reuse Analysis Gloversville, NY

2017

We worked closely with the City of Gloversville, business owners, and other planning consultants to develop a comprehensive strategy for redevelopment. Our scope of work included; Identifying priority projects, documenting the existing conditions of each one, reviewing market analysis to ensure feasibility, and

vetting these all against community input and buy-in. We delivered a packet of design proposals including illustrations of the proposed improvements, existing and proposed floor plans, estimated construction and operational expenditures, and where opportunities existed to utilize grant money. The final packet will be invaluable in courting would-be developers to the area by showcasing the value their investment would mean to the surrounding community, and providing ready-to-use data to support their decision.









THIRD FLOOR
Scale: 1/16" = 1'-0"

PROPOSED
OCCUPANCY:
First Floor
Commercial (Mixed use)
Second Floor
Residential (R-2 Occupancy)
Third Floor
Residential (R-2 Occupancy)

### IMPROVEMENTS:

- New storefront framing to match existing.
- 2. New basement stair.
- 3. New shared toilet & Kitchenette for units C & D

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UNITS

### UNITS:

COMM A-1bd,1bath 720sf
COMM B-1bd,1bath 720sf
COMM C-1bd,1bath 560sf
COMM D-1bd,1bath 560sf

UNIT 1-1bd,1bath 1280sf UNIT 2-1bd,1bath 850sf UNIT 3-2bd,1bath 960sf

UNIT 6- 2 bd, 1 bath 960sf





### **Andes, NY - NYMS Technical Assistance**



### NYMS Technical Assistance Andes, NY

2018

A local development company hired in.site:architecture to prepare a series of facade recommendations, building reuse analyses, and facade guidelines for their small but growing mountain community.

We used this unique opportunity to develop and expand our capabilities, such as developing animations of the buildings for use in community engagement showing before, after, and how the buildings will be lit up at night. We also developed unique facade renovation guidelines and streetscape recommendations specific to their context.







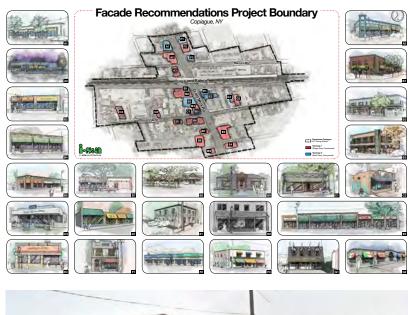
# **Babylon, NY - NYMS Technical Assistance**

#### NYMS Technical Assistance Copiague, NY

2018

After completing an in-depth and highly customized facade guidelines for the Town of Babalon, we were hired again to develop facade renderings for a large commercial target area that would showcase the concepts and approaches from the guide.

The urban form of Long Island differs significantly from Rural New York State, and our approach to creating vibrant and walkable streetscapes befitting a non-historic context was a great opportunity to flex our design muscles without the constraints of historic preservation. More importantly, it gives the Town of Babylon a chance to impact future development by having examples of the type of pedestrian environment they want to catalyze.





Existing photograph







Existing photograph



Existing photograph





# **Groton, NY - NYMS Technical Assistance**



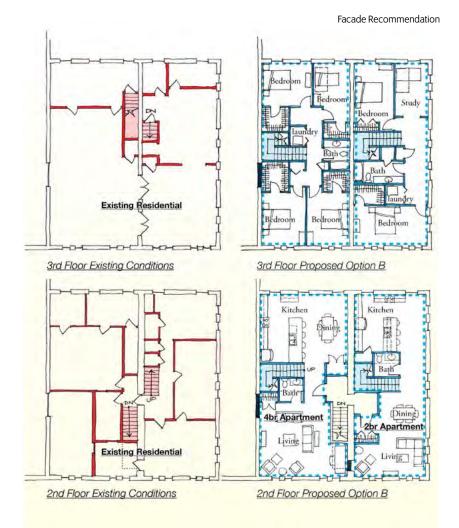


### NYMS Technical Assistance Bergen, NY

2017

Groton's downtown commercial district has a remarkable number of well preserved historic building facades that bolster their walkable streetscape. In other cases however, years of demolition, insensetive storefront renovations, and vacancy has left a few "missing teeth" in the district.

Utilizing the NYMS Technical Assitance grant, we developed a series of facade recommendations with itemized scopes and cost estimates, as well as reuse analysis and a set of facade guidelines. These deliverables were then used to apply for the NYMS target area grant to attain partial funding for these highly impactful projects - filling in some of the gaps and contributing to a unqiue sense of place for downtown Bergen.











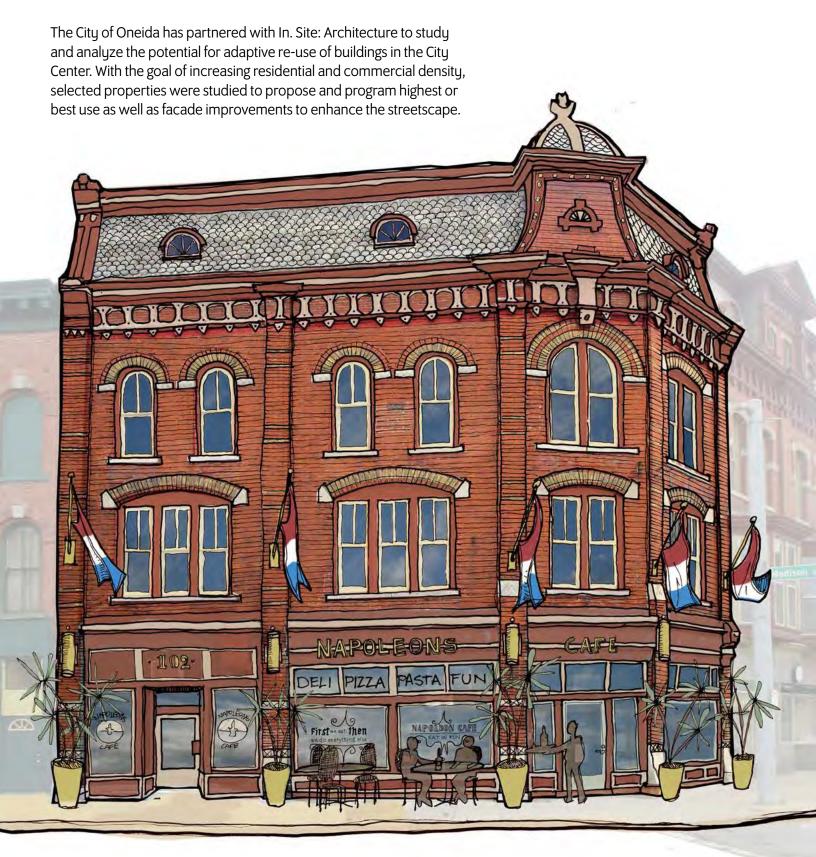
Facade Recommendation



# **Oneida, NY - Downtown Revitalization Consulting**

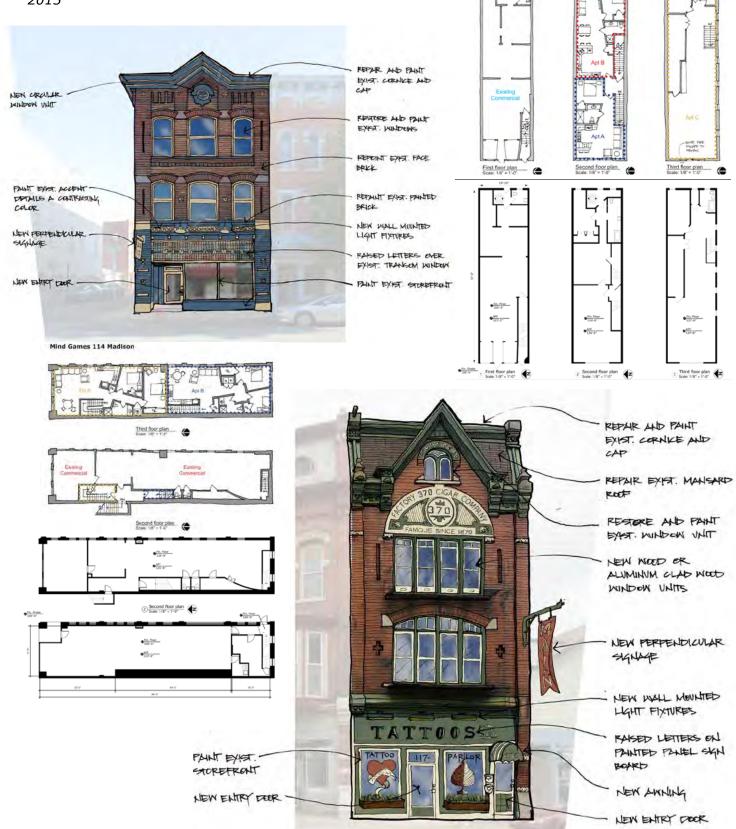
### City Center Revitalization Oneida, NY

2016



#### Downtown Oneida Feasibility Study City Center Revitalization

Oneida, NY 2015



370 Cigar Factory 117 Main - Option 1



### Ticonderoga, NY - Building Re-use Analysis

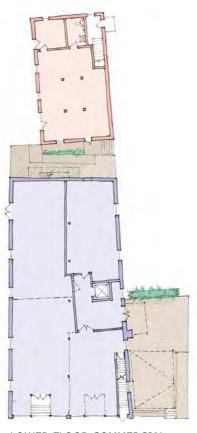


### 116 Montcalm St Ticonderoga, NY

2019

We worked directly with a local development company, as well as a savvy building owner that had secured rights to the "Star Trek" license - to develop a feasibility study for the adaptive reuse of a historic building at the heart of downtown. Adjacent to the museum containing the original set of Star Trek, the proposed use would be a series of unique hotel rooms, as well as offering a one-of-a-kind new apartment and renovated commercial spaces.

Our scope provided a financial analysis of several design options to show a feasible path forward - while also providing them with marketing materials to continue fundraising for the project.





LOWER FLOOR COMMERCIAL

**UPPER FLOOR HOTEL** 

### Elmira, NY - Facade Recommendation









### Lib's Supper Club Elmira, NY

2018

After the century old building was awarded 100k in New York Main Street funds, we worked directly with the building owner and the city to make a design that would accomodate the goals of the NYMS program as well as the budget of the owner.

We provided several design alternatives, coordinating directly with local contractors to secure accurate bids, assess feasibility, and develop a final proposal.





### **Batavia, NY - Facade Recommendations**



# Facade Recommendations Batavia, NY

2017

We worked directly with a local building owner to develop a facade design for both 214 and 216 Main, with the main goal of having a competitive application for a building improvement grant. Working directly with the client, we came up with three different approaches, evaluated the associated costs, and ended at a design that both remains cost effective for the client while meeting the city's progressive design standards.

We provided the client with a full size board/poster, cost estimates for the final design, narrative explaining how the concept fits with the overall themes of revitalization, and historic images to compare the composition of old and new.

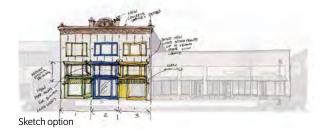




Existing condition

Historic facade





### Penn Yan, NY - Building Re-use Analysis







### Building Re-use Analysis Penn Yan, NY

2018

In preparation for the upcoming Downtown Revitalization Initiative funding available to the community, we worked directly with the owner of the Knapp Hotel to work through the code and cost implications for various upper and lower floor configurations.

We also provided assistance developing a business plan, developed a facade recommendation for the historic exterior, and order-of-magnitude cost estimation - all of which helped in their application to be part of the DRI projects list for future funding opportunities.





### Penn Yan, NY - Downtown Revitalization Initiative

#### **DRI Consultant** Penn Yan, NY

2019

For the 2019 DRI, we worked directly with four building owners to develop highly competitive applications for the \$10 million DRI funds available. In the brief course of 6 weeks, we developed full interior reuse plans and preliminary code review to assess the cost and feasibility of each high-profile project.

Through this multi-faceted process we were able to ensure that individual project goals were congruent with local and regional revitalization strategies, giving the applicants the best chance possible for being awarded tax credits.

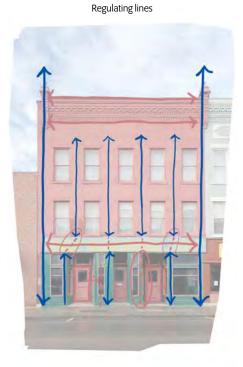


**Existing Conditions** 













### Fair Haven, NY - NYMS Technical Assistance

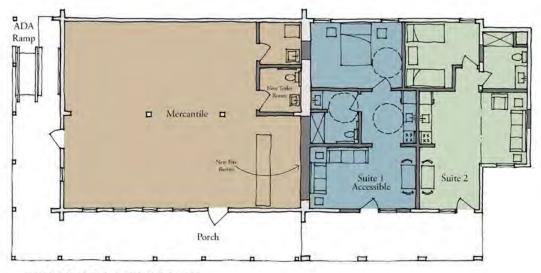
### Technical Assistance & Building Reuse Analysis Fair Haven, NY

2016

Working closely with Thoma development consultants to perform the technical assistance piece of the New York Main Street grant, we executed the typical scope of documenting existing conditions, developing plans and illustrations of proposed ideas, and assessing the feasibility from a business perspective. Our final package helped position the individual business owners to apply for and utilize grant funding.

Fairhaven, NY is a lakeside community primarily active around the warmer seasons. This is evident by the types of businesses positioning themselves to thrive in the area: bed and breakfasts, Inns, fishing bait and tackle, souvenir shops, a local gas station and bar/restaurant. Many of these smaller two-story wood framed structures are classic examples of pre-war mixed use buildings in the area.





#### **EXISTING:**

First Floor

Mercantile (M Occupancy)

#### PROPOSED:

First Floor

Mercantile (M Occupancy) Residential (R-1 Occupancy)



PROPOSED 1st FLOOR PLAN

SCALE: 3/32" =1'-0"











### Batavia, NY - Building Re-use Analysis



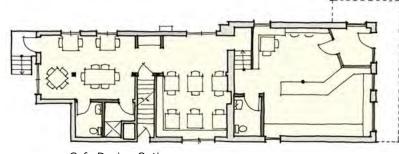
Proposed Facade

#### 214 Ellicott St Batavia, NY

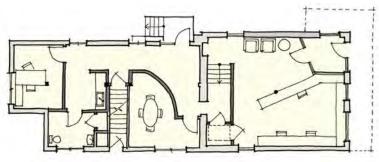
2016

We measured and drew existing conditions, and developed several design concepts for the first floor reuse and a new facade for a small but visible commercial property on Ellicott St. Each option was weighed from a business standpoint, where the return on investment was weighed against renovation and maintenence costs over the life of the project.

After an initial design concept was done, full code review and a permit set of construction documents was produced to move the project forward.



Cafe Design Option



Office Design Option

# Caledonia, NY - Facade Recommendation





#### The Woolery Facade Caledonia, NY

2018

Through an exploration of historic photos and documents, we developed a facade design that would both respect the historic turn-of-the-century character of Livonia while also coming to terms with the outdated 1950s storefront renovation we had as a constraint.

After some investigative demolition, we were able to work directly with Livingston County Development to create a design that would be of high visual impact without requiring a huge cost, allowing both the business and downtown to grow symbiotically.



Existing Facade



### Oriskany Falls, NY - Building Re-use Analysis





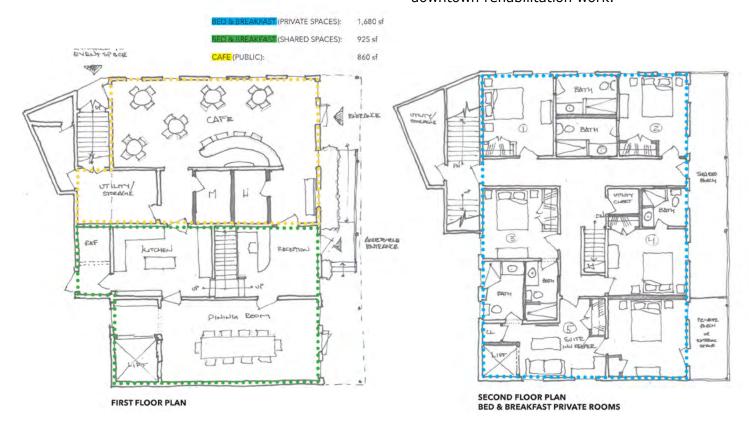
**Existing Facade** 

### Madison Hotel Oriskany Falls, NY

2014

As part of an overall study in Oriskany Falls, the Madison Hotel was selected for a feasibility study to comply with State Historic Preservation Office standards, and to be used in a village application for New York Main Street grant funding(since awarded.) We performed a noninvasive visual evaluation via a walk-through of the structure, and an inspection of the roof. This included preliminary measurements sufficient to develop floor plans and study potential reconfigurations, and highest uses for rental income and downtown revitalization.

After developing hypothetical uses and assessing condition, we assigned estimated construction costs to the undertaking for each portion of the project. These estimates were based on extensive data our firm has gathered not only as architects for client projects, but as owners and construction managers for similar, current, local downtown rehabilitation work.







Existing Facade

### Alberding Building Oriskany Falls, NY

2014

As part of an overall study in Oriskany Falls, the Alberding Building was selected for a feasibility study to comply with State Historic Preservation Office standards, and to be used in a village application for New York Main Street grant funding(since awarded.) We performed a noninvasive visual evaluation via a walk-through of the structure, and an inspection of the roof. This included preliminary measurements sufficient to develop floor plans and study potential reconfigurations, and highest uses for rental income and downtown revitalization.

Additionally, facade recommendations were developed based on the Oriskany Falls facade guidelines we prepared, and the building's future contributing use. These studies recapture what made this building a prominent, essential, historically relevant & beautiful building in downtown Oriskany Falls.

#### **SECOND FLOOR - OPTION 1**

Unit 'A': 1 bedroom, 1 bath 760 sf

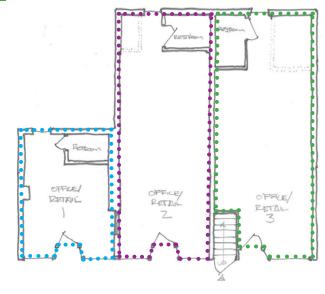
Unit 'B': 2 bedroom, 1 bath 420 sf



#### FIRST FLOOR PLAN

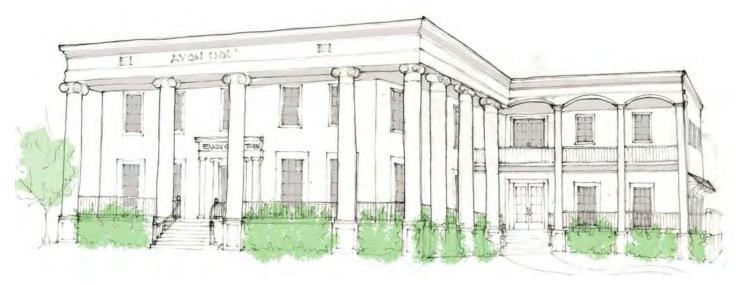
Unit 1: Office 210 sf
Unit 2: Office/Retail 430 sf

Unit 3: Office/Retail 440 sf



Proposed Facade





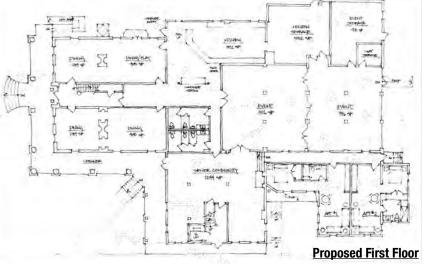
#### Feasibility Study Avon, NY

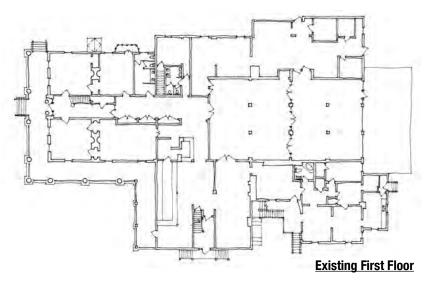
2015

The Avon Inn was historically a three story hotel located on Main Street in the Village of Avon. The structure underwent serious damange during a fire, which destroyed the entire third floor - later leading to its complete removal. Later, a small addition was made to the building along Temple street, provoding several apartments to residents. The first floor of the Inn has a commercial kitchen, a bar and lounge, and a large event and dining space with ample light and space.

The feasibility study looked into the possibility of modernizing the ground floor commercial operations into that of a restaurant, providing "aging in place" units upstairs to seniors, and updating the apartments in the adjacent addition. We incorporated cost analysis, site planning, exterior upgrades, and space planning for the interior occupants to have privacy when needed.









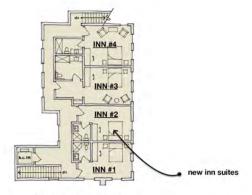
### Feasibility Study Leicester, NY

2015

The "casino" building is a historic building with multiple additions from different eras sited on a prominent intersection in downtown Liecester. The vacant property is comprised of a two story historic structure, and a low single story bunkhouse. Prior to it's vacancy, the building served as a residence for veterans.

Our feasibility study was for the adaptive reuse of the building into commercial space on Main street, with an upper floor Inn serving short term visitors and several first floor apartments in the former bunkhouse. Our study included preliminary cost estimates, parking and site use studies, adaptive reuse complying with current accessibility requirements, and facade recommendations to emphasize the characteristics of the building.

#### PROPOSED SECOND FLOOR



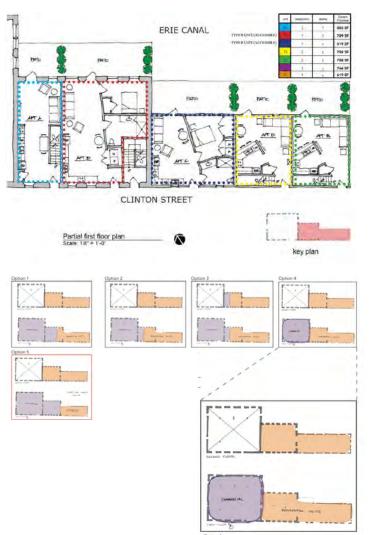
**Second Floor Plan** 

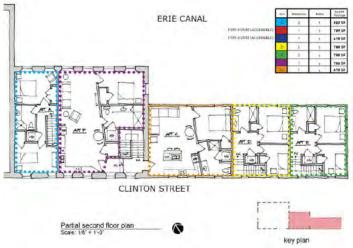


PROPOSED FIRST FLOOR



### **60 Clinton Feasibility Study**





### 60 Clinton Feasibility Study Brockport, NY 2015

60 Clinton is a vacant warehouse adjacent the historic Erie canal, with opportunities to impact the neighboring area via adaptive reuse of the existing structure. A feasibility study was undertaken to provide preliminary code review, condition report, financial analysis, and optional floor plan configurations to accommodate a mix of commercial and residential occupancies.



# The Grange Feasibility study





**Existing Interior Theater Space** 

#### The Grange Building Re-use Analysis Waterloo, NY 2014

The Grange Building's rehabilitation was identified as an essential component in Waterloo's downtown revitalization. Our building re-use analysis studies potential future uses. After performing a non-invasive visual evaluation, we reinvented the first floor as a multi-purpose community space, coupled with the restoration of the existing second floor theater. We also performed building re-use studies on the adjacent buildings.

Breathing life back into the building starts with its exterior appearance. We developed a façade proposal, which included new signage, lighting, and a color scheme reminiscent of the building's original era.

This study was leveraged by the village to successfully secure almost \$500,000 in funding to assist the developer in seeing this through.



FLACCO

Proposed Facade



## Livingston County, NY - Downtown Design Guide 2.0

# Downtown design guidelines & Facade Recommendations

2020

Livingston County, NY

After doing our first design guideline for Livingston County over 10 years ago, we initially developed individual packages for each of the 9 Villages within the county. In the latest update to the facade guidelines, we reinvented the process and deliverables to give them another decade of life!

Beginning with an exhaustive review of each village's unique zoning codes, we created a master list for use within the county to streamline the process for both permit applicants and the zoning officials that must navigate the code on a daily basis. From there, we photographed the very best examples of commercial storefronts and adaptive reuse projects from across the county to be included in the guidelines.

The new design guide expands upon numerous topics such as signage, lighting, historic materials, color, and best practices for storefront display. We also included a facade recommendation for an underutilized building in each of the 9 villages, to showcase concepts from the guidelines. We're proud of our ongoing relationship with Livingston County, and we're excited to see how the guideline will provide utility for years to come.



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FREESTANDING SIGNAGE									
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Maximum number permitted	1 per use?*	1 per use?*	1 per use?*	1 per property	1 per lot	1 per lot	1 per lot	1 per lot	N/A
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Setback	N/A	8 feet MIN	N/A	10 feet	10 feet MAX	10ft max	15 feet	10 feet	N/A
Humination	N/A	N/A	Only if 50' setback	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	Permitted	Permitted
Landscaping required	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
TENANT WALL SIGNS									
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Maximum height Max mounting height (top of sign)	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	3 feet Ground floor OR 12 feet	N/A Ground floor OR 12 feet	N/A N/A	N/A 20 feet
Max mounting height (top of sign)	N/A			N/A				N/A	
Vertical clearance	N/A	N/A	Hanging = 7 ft Projecting = 10ft	8 feet	9 feet	10 feet	7'-6"	8 feet	12 feet
Internal Illumination	N/A	Permitted	Permitted	N/A	Not permitted	N/A	N/A	N/A	Permitted
Maximum Projection	4 feet	18 inches	4 feet	4 feet	4 feet	5 feet	5 feet or 1/3 sidewalk	2 feet	N/A
AWNING AND CANOPY SIGNAGE									
Permitted downtown	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Maximum number permitted	2 per use?*	2 per use?*	2 per use?*	N/A	1 per use	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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Vertical Cleanance	N/A	N/A	N/A	8 feet	N/A	N/A	N/A	8 feet	N/A
Maximum projection	N/A	N/A	N/A	8 feet OR 2/3 sidewalk width	N/A	N/A	N/A	3 feet max	N/A
Additional provision	N/A	N/A	N/A	No higher than 2nd floor window sill	N/A	6" max letter size in single line	6" max letters	No extension into setbacks	Signage/lettering/logos subtracted from total sign area
WINDOW AND DOOR SIGNAGE									
Permitted downtown	Yes	N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes
Maximum number permitted	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1 per use	N/A	2 (1 per window)	N/A	Subtracted from total sign area
Maximum size in window area	N/A	N/A	50%, or 18 sf max	80% transparent 20% opaque	25%	N/A	25% or 4sf max	80% transparent 20% opaque	Offset 4" from top, 6" from sides, 12" from bottom
Maximum size in door area	N/A	N/A	10%	20% opaque 10%	10%	N/A	N/A	20% opaque 10%	N/A
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Blinking lights/litumination	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not Permitted	Not Permitted	Not permitted
Signage must reflect character/building materials	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Permitted over a ROW	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Roof signs permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	Permitted, 18sf max	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	Yes	Not permitted

"BEST PRACTICE"	
	Number of signs permitted
	Maximum total area permitted
	FREESTANDING SIGNAGE
YES	Permitted in downtown
1 per lot (only allowed if parking lot in front of storefront)	Maximum number permitted
20 square feet per side	Maximum Area
20 foot height limit	Maximum Height
Minimum 10' clearance if mounted	Vertical Clearance
	Setback
No internal illumination	Illumination
	Landscaping required
	TENANT WALL SIGNS
YES	Permitted downtown
1 wall sign per tenant frontage (maximum 2)	Maximum number permitted
1 sf per linear foot of frontage	
100sf maximum area	Maximum Area
First and Second floors only, no covering windows	Meximum Height
8'-0" clearance on all projecting elements	Minimum Clearance
Permitted and encouraged	Burnination
	PROJECTING SIGNS
YES	Permitted downtown
1 per tenent frontage (movirnum 2)	Maximum number permitted
Maximum 12 of per side	Maximum Area
5' maximum height	Maximum height
First and Second floors only, not closer than 20' to other perp. Signs	Max mounting height (top of sign)
8' minimum cleanance	Vertical clearance
Only external illumination, no internal permitted	Internal Illumination
5' maximum projection	Maximum Projection
	AWNING AND CANOPY SIGNAGE
YES	Permitted downtown
One per window opening/storefront	Maximum number permitted
Only external illumination, no internal permitted	Illumination
8' Minimum clearance	Vertical Clearance
5' Maximum Projection (not over auto ROW)	Maximum projection
6" Maximum letter size, single line on valence.	Additional provision
	WINDOW AND DOOR SIGNAGE
YES	Permitted downtown
One per window	Maximum number permitted
80% transparent 20% opaque	Maximum size in window area
10% total glass area	Maximum size in door area
	OTHER PROVISIONS
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No language in zoning -OR- language deviates significantly from "best practice"

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no changes suggested







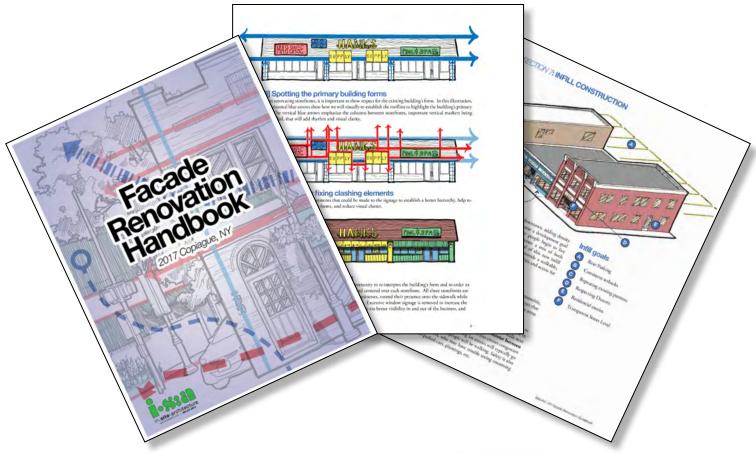








## Copiague, NY - Facade Renovation Handbook



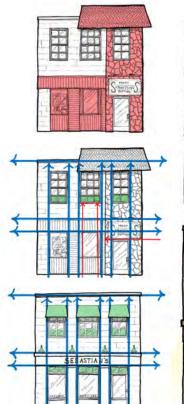
#### **Facade Renovation Handbook**

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Copiague, NY

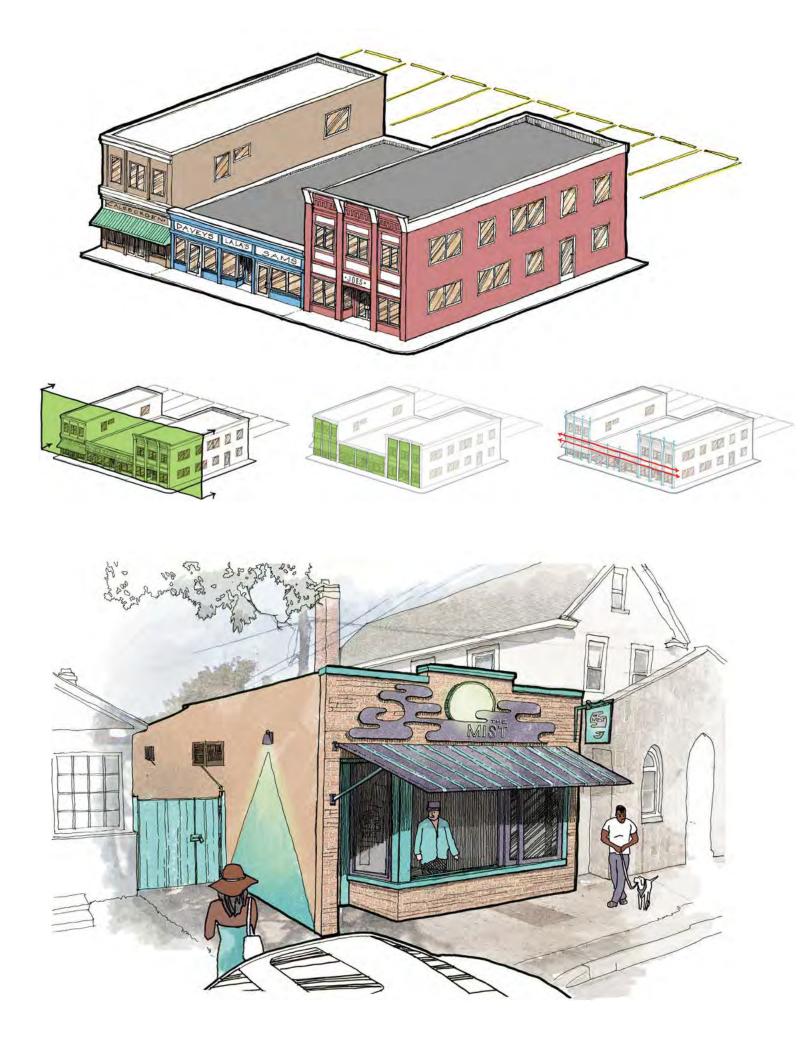
We were tasked with producing facade improvement guidelines to help Copiague, NY encourage walkable, pedestrian friendly development along their main street. We created a custom tailored handbook that was sensitive to the unique, non-historic commercial buildings - teaching prospective renovators how to emphasize the existing conditions of their building to create a sense of place.

To provide further inspiration, we also developed facade recommendation renderings for over 25 different commercial properties to better illustrate the effect the handbook could have on the experience of the streetscape, laying the groundwork for a facade matching program.











## **Buffalo, NY - East Side Main Street Initiative**

# Design Guidelines & Revitalization consulting

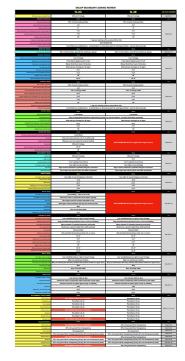
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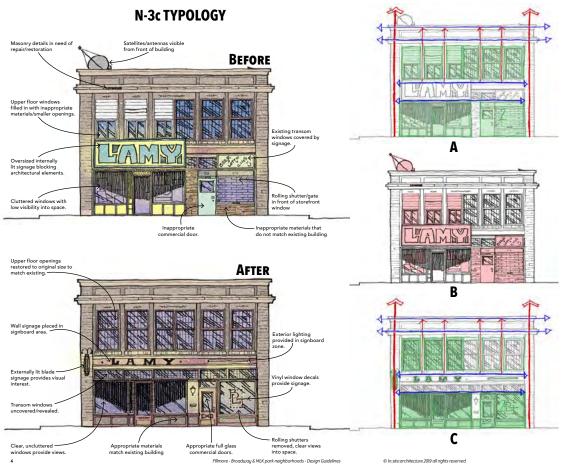
As part of the Buffalo Billion re-investment campaign, we acted as a design consultant to building owners in the Fillmore x Broadway district, as well as the MLK neighbourhood. Beginning with a comprehensive zoning and code review for the city, we provided detailed design guidelines to help owners with best practices on storefront design and how to respect the historic character of many of the buildings in the area.

Using the guideline as a starting point, we met with over a dozen building owners to assist them in developing competitive applications for the program, which included an illustration of the work, an itemized scope-of-work, and cost estimates for the projects. These applications were then scored based on overall impact, and grants for the work awarded to the best projects.









The N-3c storefront typology presents an exaggerated storefront showcasing many of the characteristics and problems common to the target areas. The following steps illustrate what to look for on existing facades, and what can be renovated to both restore historic integrity and enhance commercial appeal.

### A: EVALUATE THE BUILDING'S FORM AND COMPOSITION

The best starting point for facade recommendations is to begin with what is already there - finding the organizing principles and guidelines that inform the composition of the design. In most cases, this is a simple grid of vertical lines that run like columns between openings, and horizontal lines above storefronts and rooflines. These organizing lines should be respected, and things such as door and window height, awnings, and signage aligned to them across the facade. When available, it helps to look at historic images to understand what has been changed and altered.

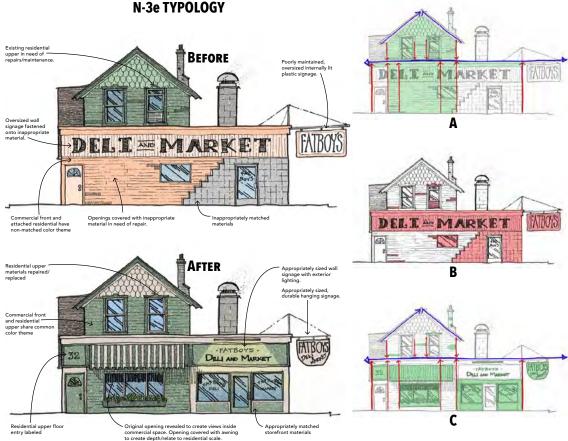
### B: FIND OPPORTUNITIES FOR REPAIR, RESTORATION, AND IMPROVEMENT

Once you've evaluated the building for its original form and composition, you will clearly see how past renovations have covered up or altered the original idea: to provide transparent commercial storefronts with visual access inside and out, and clear tenant signage and entry sequences. The elements that dilute these concepts can be removed or altered to better serve the current and future occupants of the building.

#### C: REPAIR AND RESTORE ORIGINAL FACADE

Highly impactful renovations don't have to utilize flashy new materials or try to recreate historic detailing - especially when budget is concerned. A successful project is one where the original building forms and details are respected, and the functions of the building are optimized for customers, owners, and the general public.

In this example, cluttered storefronts, mismatched materials, and oversized signage detract from the original features of the building which can be easily restored to dramatic effect.



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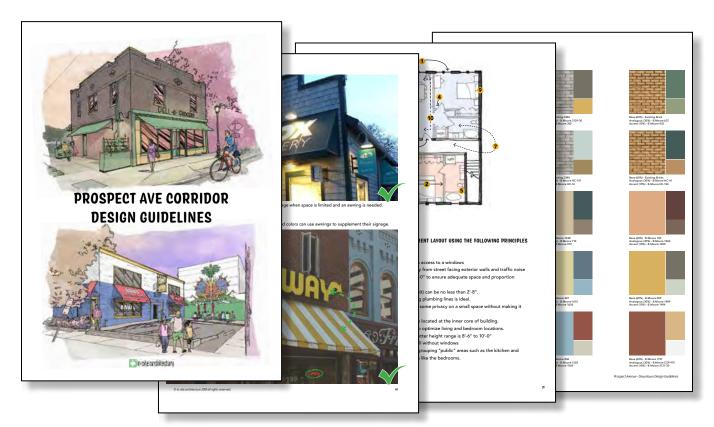
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In this example, the original detailing and scale of the residential structure is respected, with the commercial addition highlighted and made more transparent with large windows for customers.



# New Cassel, NY - Prospect Ave design guidelines







	Prospect Ave regulations	
	North Hempstead Zoning 70-198	SECTION NUMBER
Number of signs permitted	t of each	
DETACHED GROUND SIGN		
Permitte in disentation	Yes	
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Marromea	24 s.f.	70-195 AZIO
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Vertical Company	3 11	70-196 J(2)d
Settles	Not less than 10' from property line	70-196 A2)c
Between	N/A	
Landsoning Spirit	"free of weeds and debris"	70-195 J(2)a
WALL SIGNS		
Familia (disentan)	Yes	
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# Downtown Design Guidelines and facade recommendations

New Cassel, NY

Using our breadth of experience in downtown revitalization from across the state, we worked directly with municipal officials to create facade guidelines unique to the character and challenges of this diverse commercial corridor. Starting with the existing zoning and building code requirements, we illustrated best practices and existing law to better communicate to building owners what they can legally do to simplify the permitting process that has acted as a hurdle to investment in the past.

To better communicate the intention of the guidelines, we also developed a series of renderings that show concepts such as storefront transparency, color selection, material usage, and respecting existing forms and architecture to develop a unique sense of place. Our final deliverable offers a comprehensive review of existing challenges and offers a vision for future development that respects the current residents.



## City of Batavia - Downtown Design Guidelines

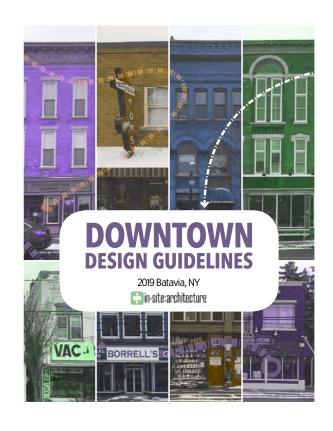


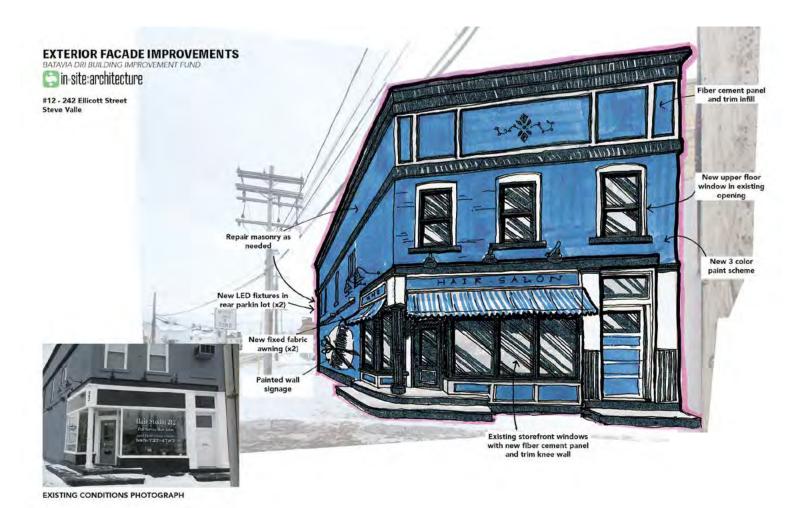
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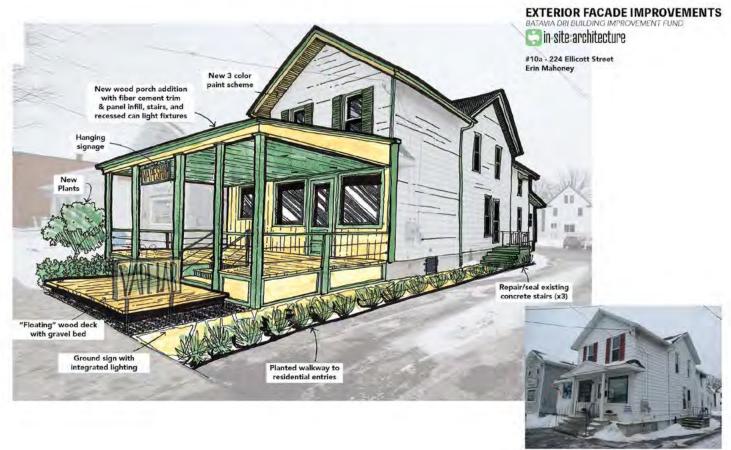
City of Batavia, NY

After the Downtown Revitalization Initiative brought 10 million dollars of funding to aid in redevelopment efforts, the forward thinking municipality made it a priority to develop a quality standard for the new construction projects. These guidelines do more than just outline the do's and dont's of preserving historic elements and choosing siding materials - they explain why engaging pedestrians and tidying up their storefronts will benefit the community as a whole.

These guidelines were developed explicitly for use as a tool by many applicants to the Building Improvement Fund, helping them to produce higher scoring designs that would meet the goals of broader revitalization and preserve the character of the downtown.

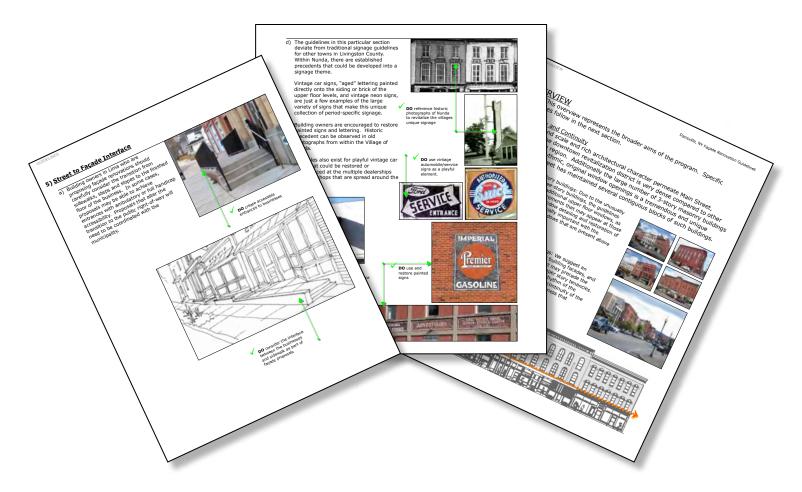








## **Livingston County - Facade Guidelines**



### Facade Renovation Handbooks, Building Re-use Analysis & Facade recommendations package

Bergen, Avon & Leicester, NY

Our expertise in downtown revitalization was put to good use when we worked directly with the Downtown Coordinator of the Livingston County Development Corporation & Bergen's Village Administrator to develop facade guidelines and recommendations for three nearby communities.

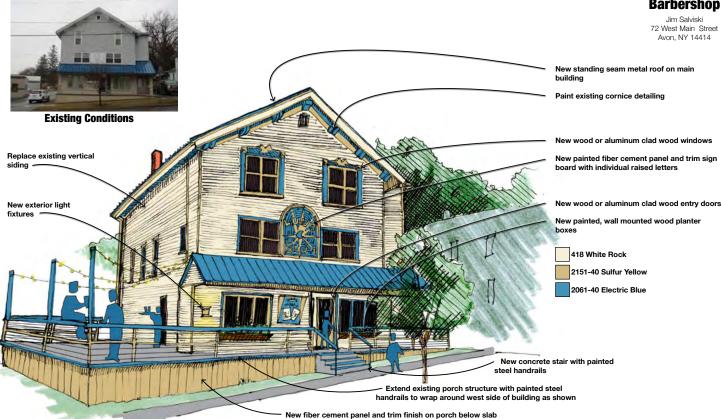
We researched each community to look for opportunities for enhanced public space

engagement, architectural details specific to each region, and community goals for their downtowns. Afterwards, guidelines were developed to encourage future renovations to work towards a common, vetted vision.

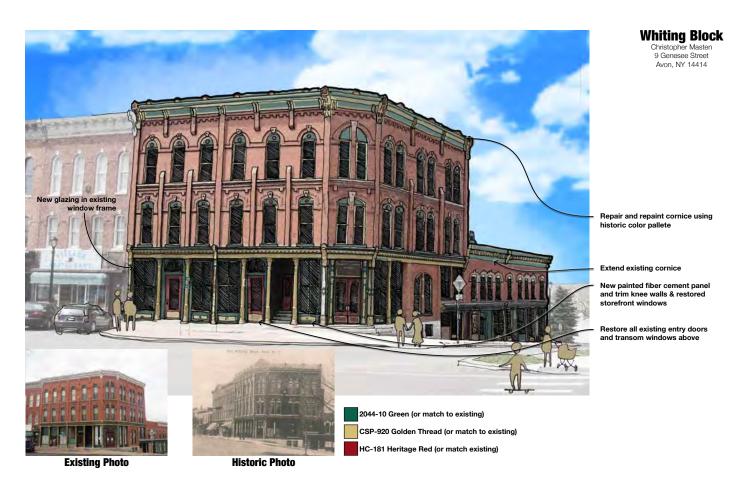
From there, we met with numerous business owners who were interested in doing building renovations, and provided facade recommendations and building re-use plans to each. This upfront design work assisted the owners in scoping & visualizing their projects to help them successfully make their cases for NYMS matching funds.



#### Frankie's Barbershop



Facade Recommendations in Avon, NY





#### **Interior Renovations**

Geneva, NY

This corner building had great anchor tenants on the first story, but upper floors that were a rabbit den of claustrophobic spaces, made all the more odd by the building's unique trapezoid footprint.

We opened the ceilings to reveal original wood structural members, so large that they showed evidence of surviving a fire. We opened the walls to reveal more structure, creating open floor plans supplemented by alcoves and nooks in each of the formerly "left over" spaces. The new units offer one of a kind layouts, lake views and quality materials.

From 3 "barely legal" units, we carved 2 spacious units that the owner was able to fill immediately with tenants excited about the ongoing revitalization of this downtown commercial district, just a stone's throw from Seneca Lake's shores.











# Howell Building Re-use

#### Building Rehab Perry, NY

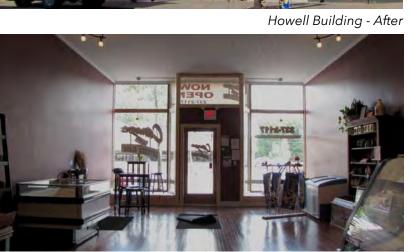
As part of ongoing downtown revitalization efforts, this is the second project for Perry New York LLC - a local Community Development Corporation we helped found - second project. 35 members of the community have invested \$395,000 in this anchor building, resulting in two new storefronts and the complete transformation of two apartments.

In. Site: Architecture worked with the Village of Perry in the months leading up to this project - and others throughout downtown - to put together a New York Main

Street Grant application, as well as a National Register Historic District Application. These applications were successful, and they have helped "change the equation," making comprehensive renovations like this project more affordable.

Part of a broader approach to small town revitalization, this property continues the ripple-effect of prior investments and helps to return our Main street to a vibrant mixed-use, live-work community. Apartment details consist of playful yet elegant juxtaposition of old and new, and the project as a whole meets Secretary for the Interiors Standards for Historic Preservation projects.





Commercial Interior - After renovation



Howell Building - Before



Upper floor apartment before



New upper floor apartment

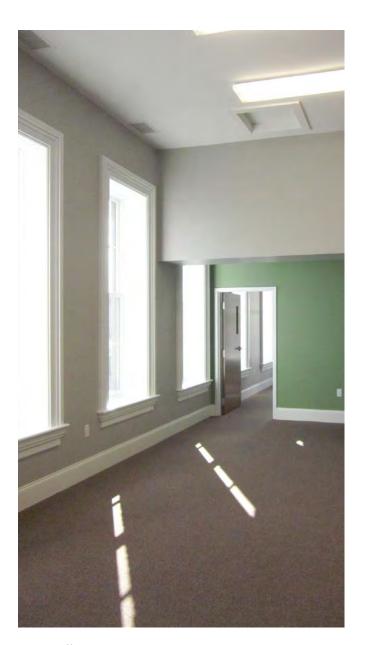






Before





# Attica, NY - American Hall



#### **Facade & Interior Renovations**

Attica, NY

In. Site: Architecture developed a rehabilitation proposal for this anchor building on Market Street. The first floor storefront had been entirely enclosed, and upper windows had been boarded up or reduced in size, leaving this prominent facade blank and unwelcoming.

Through our revitalization services to the Village of Attica since 2008, we have been able to secure New York Main Street Grant funding, as well as (2) National Register Historic District Listings for the downtown. Between the Historic Preservation Tax Credits, grant funds and our detailed project construction cost estimates, the investors were able to understand the order of magnitude for this transformative project, as well as how to "make the numbers work," for the community and for their bottom line.

Interior Office space





# Geneva, NY - City Spa & Hotel Exchange



Before

#### **Facade Renovations**

Geneva, NY

As part of an ongoing revitalization project in downtown Geneva, we worked with the City to provide design guidelines for facade renovations for their matching grants program.

The historic City Spa building had deteriorating brick and was in need of a face-lift. In this rehabilitation, the

brick has been restored and the inviting storefront entry is more energy efficient. The sign-board is improved and details are sympathetic with the original building. The adjacent building gets a similar treatment - new siding at the second level and improved entry lighting help draw in clientele. The two buildings read as a block, yet color palettes and other subtle touches differentiate the businesses.

After



## Geneva, NY - Trombley's Tire Service & Advantage Auto



#### **Facade Renovations**

Geneva, NY

How do you "brand" a tire and auto store occupying a 1920's commercial building that's covered in two stories of unbroken, faded "Goodyear Blue" siding? Or a spiritless warehouse housing an auto parts store?

We embraced the spirit of automotive innovation and metal fabrication and re-conceived the facade – which lie along Geneva's primary street leading to the city center.

For Trombley's Tire Service, the facade suffered from unmitigated flatness. A razor thin suspended steel canopy signals entry, supports signage and protects from the elements.

For Advantage Auto, we introduced a new commercial window wall that angles in towards the entry doors. This solves three problems — entry protection from the weather, room to ramp up to floor level and eliminate a step, and enhanced façade depth and interest. Meanwhile, three signature aluminum "shadow rails," provide the most overt reference to an automotive pedigree.

Through working with the City of Geneva, IS:A provided complete design and construction administration services; including cost estimating and bidding.





