HISTORIC AND DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION

May 05, 2021

HDRC CASE NO: 2021-195

ADDRESS: 1901 N NEW BRAUNFELS AVE

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: NCB 1258 BLK LOT E 57.7 FT OF 17-18-19-20 & 21

ZONING: C-2 IDZ, H

CITY COUNCIL DIST.: 2

DISTRICT: Government Hill Historic District

APPLICANT: Kent Niemann/GOVERNMENT HILL SQUARE PROPERTIES LP **OWNER:** Kent Niemann/GOVERNMENT HILL SQUARE PROPERTIES LP

TYPE OF WORK: Replacement of building tile

APPLICATION RECEIVED: April 16, 2021

60-DAY REVIEW: Not applicable due to City Council Emergency Orders

CASE MANAGER: Edward Hall

REQUEST:

The applicant is requesting a Certificate of Appropriateness for approval to install new, wainscot tile at 1901 N New Braunfels. In locations where the historic tile still exists, the applicant has proposed to install the new tile on top of the existing, to preserve the existing in place.

APPLICABLE CITATIONS:

10. Commercial Facades

A. MAINTENANCE (PRESERVATION)

- *i. Character-defining features*—Preserve character defining features such as cornice molding, upper-story windows, transoms, display windows, kickplates, entryways, tiled paving at entryways, parapet walls, bulkheads, and other features that contribute to the character of the building.
- *ii. Windows and doors*—Use clear glass in display windows. See Guidelines for Architectural Features: Doors, Windows, and Screens for additional guidance.
- *iii. Missing features*—Replace missing features in-kind based on evidence such as photographs, or match the style of the building and the period in which it was designed.
- *iv. Materials*—Use in-kind materials or materials appropriate to the time period of the original commercial facade when making repairs.

B. ALTERATIONS (REHABILITATION, RESTORATION, AND RECONSTRUCTION)

i. New features—Do not introduce new facade elements that alter or destroy the historic building character, such as adding inappropriate materials; altering the size or shape of windows, doors, bulkheads, and transom openings; or altering the façade from commercial to residential. Alterations should not disrupt the rhythm of the commercial block. ii. Historical commercial facades—Return non-historic facades to the original design based on photographic evidence. Keep in mind that some non-original facades may have gained historic importance and should be retained. When evidence is not available, ensure the scale, design, materials, color, and texture is compatible with the historic building. Consider the features of the design holistically so as to not include elements from multiple buildings and styles.

FINDINGS:

- a. The historic structure at 1901 N New Braunfels was constructed circa 1910 and is first found on the 1912 Sanborn Map. The historic structure features one story in height, a storefront system and sidewalk canopy. The historic structure features historic tile at some locations, which other locations feature replacement tile or no tile.
- b. TILE REPLACEMENT/INSTALLATION The applicant is requesting a Certificate of Appropriateness for approval to install new, wainscot tile at 1901 N New Braunfels. In locations where the historic tile still exists, the applicant has proposed to install the new tile on top of the existing, to preserve the existing in place. Per the Guidelines for Exterior Maintenance and Alterations 10.A.i., applicants are to preserve character defining

features such as cornice molding, upper-story windows, transoms, display windows, kickplates, entryways, tiled paving at entryways, parapet walls, bulkheads, and other features that contribute to the character of the building. Additionally, per the Guidelines for Exterior Maintenance and Alterations 10.B.i. applicant should not introduce new facade elements that alter or destroy the historic building character. Staff finds the installation of matching tile where tile does not exist or where tile is non-original to be appropriate and consistent with the Guidelines; however, staff finds the installation of new tile on top of existing, original tile to be inconsistent with the Guidelines. Staff finds that original tile should be repaired.

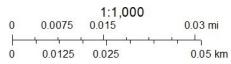
RECOMMENDATION:

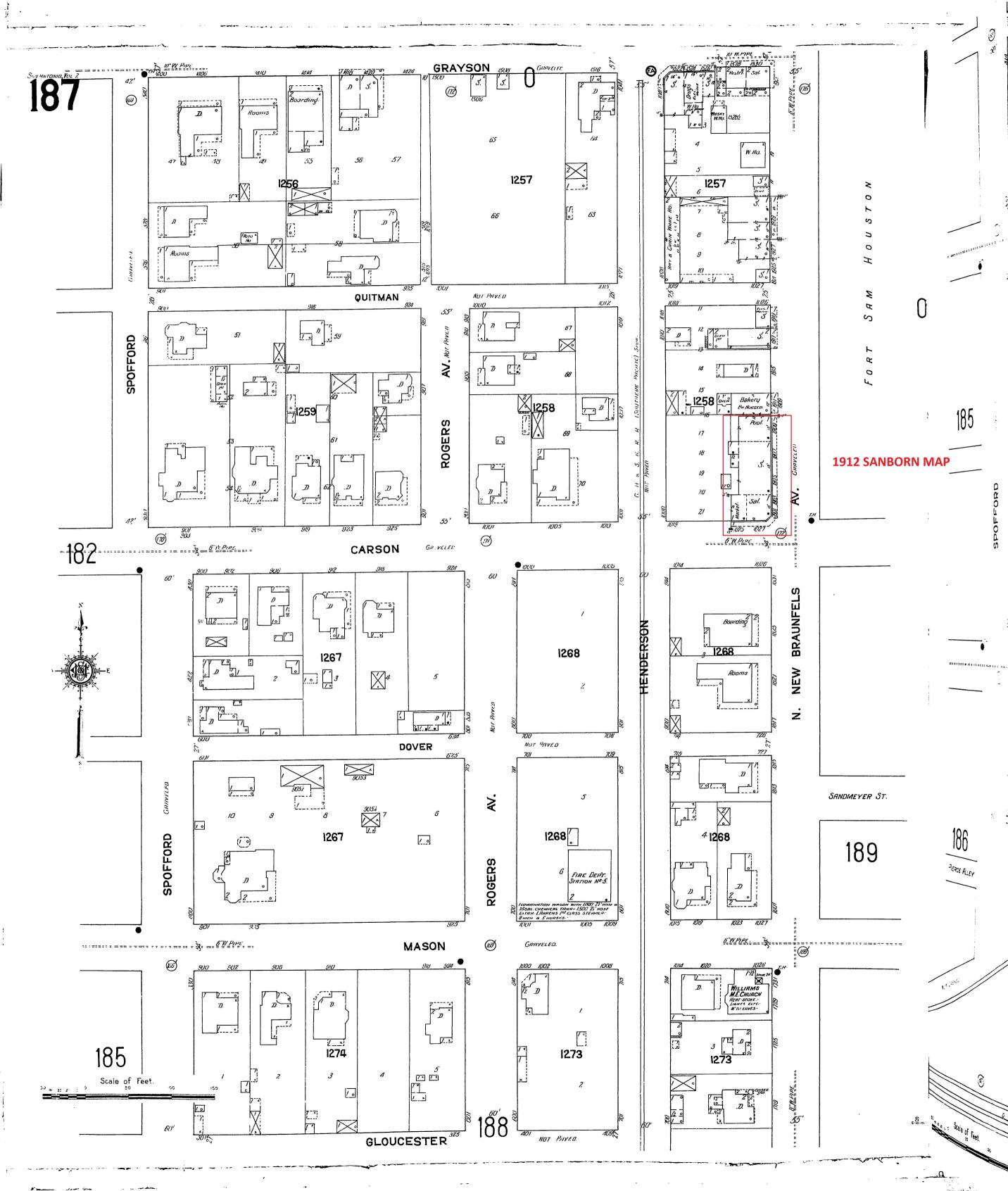
Staff recommends approval of the installation of new tile where tile currently does not exist, or where non-original tile is located; however, staff does not recommend approval of the installation of new tile on top of existing, original tile.

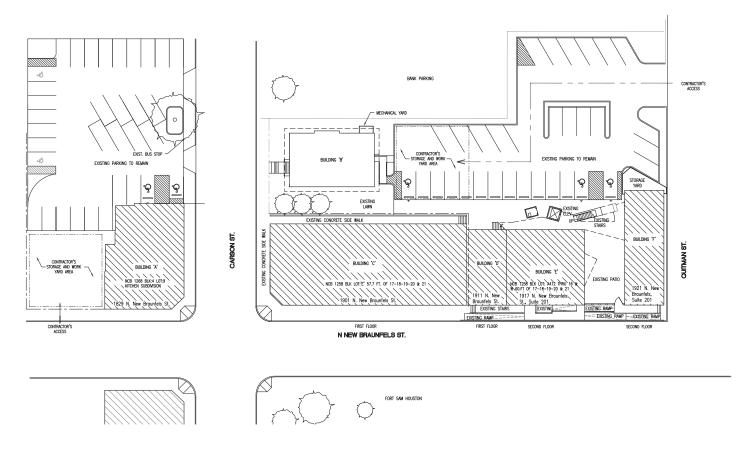
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April 29, 2021







Pfluger Associates
Architects



GOVERMENT HILL STORM DAMAGE REPAIRS 1917 N. NEW PFLUGER A

FOR PRICING CHLY

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16-035 SITE PLAN

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GENERAL NOTES:

BIDDING CONTRACTORS MAY HAVE
WORK TO COMPLETE ON THE EXTERIOR
OF BUILDINGS A-H AS WELL AS
RELATED EXTERIOR SITE WORK AT
BUILDINGS C,D,E & F.

BIDDERS ARE TO SEPERATE THEIR PRICING ON A BUILDING BY BUIDING BASIS.



OVERALL SITE PLAN
Sodie: 1/16"=1"-0"



KEY PLAN





















