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Application for Façade Building Material in the Downtown Commercial District

Purpose: When an individual or real property owner seeking new construction or needs to make modifications or improvements to any façade located in the Downtown Commercial district, application shall be made to the City Administrator or designee per Section 4.12048.B. These design standards serve as a preservation and redevelopment tool to help retain the historic character of the Downtown Commercial District. This permit shall cost zero dollars but shall be used to determine if the modifications or improvements requested to be made are in compliance with Section 4.12048.C.

4.12048.C: MATERIALS. Approved materials shall be used for the exposed building material on exterior building surfaces visible to the public from the right-of-way for all principal buildings and accessory buildings. In the Downtown Commercial District, to the extent possible, original materials shall be retained in existing building facades. Such original material should be removed only when it is structurally unsound and is beyond restoration. In the event that such materials cannot be reproduced, then alternative products must be submitted for approval with the intent to match as closely as possible per section 4.12048.E.1.

1. PRIMARY. Primary materials shall cover at a minimum 60 % of the façade of a building (excluding windows and doors):
 - a. Stone, consistent with limestone or other light colored natural stone;
 - b. Brick; or,
 - c. Horizontal wood lap siding, ¼ inch thick, 4-inch maximum exposure painted in accordance with 4.12048.D.6.
2. ACCENT. Accent materials may cover 10% of the façade:
 - a. Architectural Metals;
 - b. Window Trim; or
 - c. Corbels.
3. PERCENTAGE OF FAÇADES: Facades must conform to the following material requirements:
 - a. Front Façade:
 - Primary Materials minimum of 80%
 - Accent Materials maximum of 20%
 - d. Side Façade:
 - Primary Materials minimum of 40%
 - Accent Materials maximum of 10%
 - e. Rear Façade:
 - Must comply with the current city building code
4. WINDOWS AND DOORS Windows and doors are not used in the calculation of the percentage of façade materials. They have the following requirements:
 - a. Glass should be clear without tint and non-reflective
5. COLOR PALETTE: Colors from the Sherwin Williams Historic Exterior Collection shall be used. As necessary to sufficiently highlight the façade details, a maximum of 3 colors, in addition to the base brick color, may be used.
6. MURALS AND PANELS: Murals and panels in the Downtown Commercial District have the following regulations:
 - a. Murals and panels shall be placed on non-primary facade of buildings.
 - b. Placement is to be 10 feet away from the corner of a historic façade or beyond a side window, even if an alley, as it detracts from artistic features of the historic façade.
 - c. The theme and colors of a mural shall complement the historic district.
 - d. Murals shall have a protective coating to inhibit UV, graffiti, accidental removal and minimize water contact.
 - e. Artwork can be placed on panels that are then attached to the building by fasteners through the mortar joints, rather than through the masonry.
 - f. As an alternative, murals can be placed directly on masonry that has previously been painted.
7. SIGNS: See code section 4.12080. Color palette must comply with section 4.12048.D.5. above.
8. AWNINGS: Awnings shall not exceed six (6) feet in depth. Awnings must provide a minimum of eight (8) feet vertical clearance from the sidewalk to the bottom of the awning. Awnings must be constructed of fire-resistant materials. Vertical awning supports in the surface paving are prohibited. Fixed metal awnings are prohibited.



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Property Owner:	
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Applicant:	
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Building materials for the Downtown Commercial District shall comply with Section 4.12048.D of the Winterset Municipal Code.

	Front Façade	Side Façade(s)	Rear Façade	Total %
Façade Dimensions	Width: Height:	Width: Height:	Width: Height:	
Windows & Doors	Sq. Ft:	Sq. Ft:	Sq. Ft:	
Façade Total SF				
Primary Materials	(80% min.)	(40% min.)	(0% min.)	
Accent Materials	(20% max.)	(10% max.)	(0% min.)	
Color(s)				

Elevation renderings may be required. The entire code for Building Materials and Design Standards can be found under Municipal Code Section 4.12048 located at winterset.gov.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____