

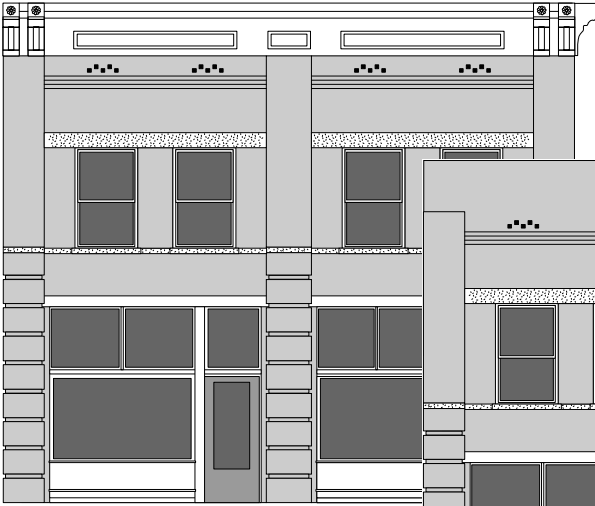
Cedartown Guidelines

COMMERCIAL BLDGS. MATERIALS & DETAILS



Exterior surfaces, whether applied or structural, contribute to building design in terms of type, pattern, texture, and color. Brick and stucco are the primary finish materials found on the historic commercial buildings of Cedartown. Additionally, secondary materials such as wood, cast-iron, stone, etc. contribute to visual character. Many of these secondary materials are applied ornament adding stylistic elements to the buildings. They are often the most easily lost elements and are particularly susceptible to damage, removal, and being covered over or obscured by new exterior treatments. Historic details should receive careful attention during repair and rehabilitation.

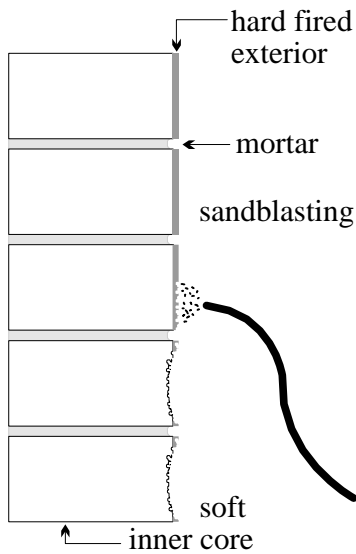
- Maintain and preserve historic materials and details.
- Leave unpainted historic masonry unpainted and uncoated.
- Repair damaged exterior materials in-kind and only in the area of damage, rather than total replacement.
- Replace damaged details with details of matching material and matching design.
- Restore missing details to historic buildings when documentation of those elements are available. Do not add details to historic buildings which were not known to have existed.
- Use the same mortar mix, tooling, and mortar color as the historic masonry pointing when repointing brick on historic buildings. Use a qualified, professional mason.
- Use the gentlest means possible to clean exterior materials. Do not sandblast or use a wash with a pressure greater than 100 psi.



Decorative elements such as roofline cornices should **not** be removed.



Covering historic brick with stucco or E.I.F.S. also negatively impacts a building.



Sandblasting brick destroys the protective exterior of historic bricks leading to the eventual complete deterioration of the material. Pressure washing can be detrimental as well damaging mortar and forcing moisture into the interior of the walls.

Some materials added later, such as Carrera glass, ceramic tile, terrazzo flooring, have gained historic significance. They should be appreciated and preserved.

