

# STUDIO BUILDING

### LU 16-265061 DZM Type III Design Review Appeal

# **Project Overview**

- Replacement of 192 existing steel windows, above the first-floor, with new aluminum windows.
- Purpose of window replacement:
  - > Windows are currently corroding
  - > Improve Tenant comfort
  - > Prolong the life of the building
  - > Improve energy efficiency
- The proposed new window (Winco series 3250) will convey the building's original craftsmanship and material quality by matching the original windows':
  - > Style
  - > Color
  - > Operability and form

# **Existing Window Condition**

- Corrosion is evident on about 80% of the windows resulting in:
  - > Inoperable casements
  - Concern over attachment integrity
  - Lead dust exposure from peeling and delaminated paint
- Significant leaking on the 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> floors of the building.
- Single pane not energy efficient.



## Window Elevations – Existing and Proposed



## Window Comparison



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# Source of the Appeal

#### **Central City Design Guideline - C3: Respect Architectural Integrity**

"respect the original character of an existing building when modifying its exterior."

It is our position that the proposed window (Winco 3250) meets the C3 Guideline and the conditions of approval go beyond a reasonable interpretation of the intent of the code. The two conditions of approval for the Winco Window Series 3250 resulting from the March 2<sup>nd</sup> Design Commission Hearing:

- First condition the glazing for all new windows shall have a greater clarity than the sample presented at the March 2, 2017 hearing, with a clarity comparable to- or greater than- the Solarban 60 Starphire glass product.
- Second condition All new windows shall feature simulated divided lights with both spacer bars and interior muntins in addition to the exterior muntins.

# First Condition - Glass Clarity

- Glass clarity is based off of Visible Light Transmittance (VLT); the Solarban 60 starphire glass has a VLT that is only 4% greater than the Solarban 60 clear + clear that was proposed to the Design Commission on January 19<sup>th</sup> and March 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Replacement windows start on the second floor (16 feet above ground level) and continue to the 9<sup>th</sup> level of the building (87.5 feet above ground level).

# Second Condition – Interior Muntins

- Per zoning code 33.825.035 the Design Review Commission is entitled to review exterior alterations of a project; the interior muntins being required as a conditional approval will not be visible from the street.
- Our proposed window **is respecting the original character** of the Studio Building by replicating the exterior muntins of the current window.
- Again, replacement windows start on the second floor (16 feet above ground level) and continue to the 9<sup>th</sup> level of the building (87.5 feet above ground level).



