



**Parks, Recreation,
and Historic Preservation**

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Yvonne Zhao
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910 South Decatur Street
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Re: NYSHCR
307 N Franklin St; Renovations
307 N Franklin St, Watkins Glen
21PR07458

Dear Yvonne Zhao:

Thank you for requesting the comments of the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). We have reviewed the provided documentation in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. These comments are those of the SHPO and relate only to Historic/Cultural resources. They do not include other environmental impacts to New York State Parkland that may be involved in or near your project. Such impacts must be considered as part of the environmental review of the project pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act and/or the State Environmental Quality Review Act (New York Environmental Conservation Law Article 8).

We note that 307 North Franklin Street is a contributing resource in the Watkins Glen Commercial Historic District listed on both the State and National Registers of Historic Places. We have reviewed the existing condition photographs received January 19, 2022 and design drawings dated January 11, 2022. Based upon that review, it is the SHPO's opinion that the proposed window replacements, proposed storefront renovations, and interior retail space rehabilitation, as described, will have No Adverse Effect on historic and archaeological resources, provided the following condition is met:

1. Do not remove or cover the existing copper-capped decorative wood brackets and wood storefront cornice/sign band currently located above the green awning.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out via email.

Sincerely,

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