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# **1722 PINE STREET: FROM MAZE TO MATRIX**

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## **PROJECT TEAM**

**BluPath** GreenSteps Kent Lessly Zero Energy Design Jean Gajary **Buckminster Green** FutureFit / Epiphyte Bill Henkel **Best Choice Dave Simpson** 

**Architect and PH Consultant General Contractor** WUFI, THERM Modeling **HVAC** Design **Structural Design** Demolition Air Seal / Insul / ERV Roofing HVAC / Plumbing Electrician

## PRODUCTS

World Class Supply **Building Products** 475 Building Supply **Building Products** Front windows and doors **KlearWall Rear windows** Intus Zehnder ERV Mitsubishi + Daikon Mini-split GE GeoSpring Heat pump HWH **Stiebel Eltron On-demand HWH** 

## **LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Learn how science-based, conservation-first strategies and the 'whole-building' approach can be implemented to achieve energy efficiency, durability and health benefits in historic buildings.
- 2. Apply passive conservation phasing strategies for building envelope and mechanical systems design for historic buildings.
- 3. Apply case study examples of best practices and lessons learned, including hygrothermal issues particular to masonry walls in historic residences.
- 4. Understand potential municipal approval, design and construction challenges when renovating historic properties.

## 1722 PINE STREET PHILADELPHIA PA 4 story, 4 unit rowhouse, built 1845 Brick front and rear



Rittenhouse – Fitler Historic District

## Pine Street

# 1722 Pine Street

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+ 124



## 1722 PINE STREET RENOVATION PROJECT GOALS

- 1. Change building from mixed use to all residential
- 2. Modernize the property
- 3. Improve the property value and increase rents
- 4. Renovate with tenants in place
- 5. Create a new home for our family

## 1722 PINE STREET RENOVATION PROJECT GOALS

- 6. Renovate to near zero-energy
  - Eliminate natural gas
  - Include on-site renewable energy
  - Monitor real time energy use
  - EnerPHit certification at Unit 1
  - Step-By-Step EnerPHit at Units 2, 3 and 4
  - Use building science analysis and solutions
- 7. Raise expectations and establish a precedent for historic renovations in Philadelphia
- 8. Contribute to Architecture 2030, Achieving 80x50 and Philadelphia Greenworks goals

#### Lower Level







**3rd Floor** 



2<sup>nd</sup> Floor



Roof



4<sup>th</sup> Floor





West



## 1722 PINE STREET RENOVATION HISTORICAL COMMISSION APPROVAL

- 1. Submit proposed work to Historical Commission
- 2. HC Architectural Committee Presentation Rear Insulation, PH Windows NOT APPROVED
- Historical Commission Hearing May 13, 2016 Rear Insulation DENIED (but allowed to represent with more science-based information)
   PH windows and rear bay APPROVED with Staff Review
- 4. Resubmit proposed work
- 5. Historical Commission Hearing July 8, 2016 Rear Insulation DENIED

#### THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR'S STANDARDS FOR REHABILITATION (1976)

The Standards (Department of Interior regulations, 36 CFR 67), written in 1976, pertain to historic buildings of all materials, construction types, sizes, and occupancy and encompass the exterior and the interior ... The Standards are to be applied to specific rehabilitation projects in a reasonable manner, taking into consideration economic and technical feasibility.

**2. The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved**. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.

**6. Deteriorated historic features shall be repaired rather than replaced.** Where the severity of deterioration requires replacement of a distinctive feature, the new feature shall match the old in design, color, texture, and other visual qualities and, where possible, materials. Replacement of missing features shall be substantiated by documentary, physical, or pictorial evidence.

**9. New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction shall not destroy historic materials that characterize the property.** The new work shall be differentiated from the old and shall be compatible with the massing, size, scale, and architectural features to protect the historic integrity of the property and its environment.



#### THE ENVIRONMENT RIGHTS AMENDMENT TO THE PENNSYLVANIA CONSTITUTION (1971)

Article 1, Section 27 of the Pennsylvania Constitution reads:

"The people have a right to clean air, pure water, and to the preservation of the natural, scenic, historic, and esthetic values of the environment. Pennsylvania's public natural resources are the common property of all of the people, including generations yet to come. As trustee of these resources, the Commonwealth shall conserve and maintain them for the benefit of all the people."



**Historical Commission Window Submission** 

## 1722 PINE STREET RENOVATION PROJECTS

- 1. Interior Demolition Unit 1
- Window and Bay Replacement front and rear (HC received)
- 3. HVAC Improvements Unit 2, 3, 4
- 4. Roof Replacement, including PH skylight (HC pending)
- 5. Interior Renovations Unit 2, 4
- 6. Interior Renovations Unit 1
- 7. Insulate Exterior, New Fire Escape rear (HC ???)
- 8. Addition and Solar Panels Unit 4 (In Design) (HC)
  HC = Requires Historical Commission approval

## Get Rid of the Gas!!

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## **Basement Demolition**

## 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Demolition





## **Deteriorating Stone Walls**



**Deteriorating Brick Walls** 



## **Deteriorating Brick Walls**







#### Wall Types

Air/Vapor Barrier



Wall Types



Rainscreen (Drained) Insulated Synthetic Stucco system (EIFS)





#### **Basement Party Wall**

#### Basement Exterior Wall



#### Unit 1 Ceiling

#### Rear Wall – No Ext. Insul.



#### North Wall – Interior Insulation



**Underpinned Party Wall** 



Rear Windows Details: Triple Pane, Casement / Hopper Windows with Insulated Frames and Triple Gaskets



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#### **DesignPH Results**

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Home owner / Client:	Laura Blau & Paul Thompson									
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City, State, Zip:	Boston, MA 02109								
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## **RILEM** moisture absorption test





Rilem Tube Moisture Absorption Test – Pine Street Result - Low Absorption Rate







Add 5.5" Cellulose with Smart Vapor Control (R19) Acceptable Mold Risk





Rilem Tube Moisture Absorption Test – Waverly Street Result - High Absorption Rate







#### Existing Conditions Unacceptable Mold Risk







1.5" Cellulose in Existing Wall Cavity Unacceptable Mold Risk





4" Cellulose
 Intello
 Gypsum
 Wall
 Board

New 4" cellulose, smart air vapor barrier Unacceptable Mold Risk

Brick







EIFS with Drainage Plane, 4" EPS Acceptable Mold Risk







EIFS with 4" EPS + 4" Cellulose Acceptable Mold Risk



#### **Preservation**

### Global Climate Mitigation



The new reality requires accommodation, adaption, compromise, and a serious re-evaluation of basic canons.



OR adjust the fulcrum and accept thoughtful exceptions to meet the fundamentals of both missions.

## CONCLUSIONS

Criteria for historic renovations should consider:

- Ranking the value of historic facades as "significant" or "non-contributing". All bricks are not historic, and all "historic" bricks are not equal.
- 2. Covering or altering the façade must result in a significant improvement in energy efficiency and health outcomes.
- 3. The proposal must be backed by proven building science based analysis.

The results will be efficient, durable, healthy buildings that maintain the historic fabric as well as support well-being on a healthy planet.

## A skyline of work. One at a time.



## ANOTHER PERSPECTIVE ON ENERGY USE







#### 62Msf or 65,000 NYC apts. renovated to PASSIVE HOUSE = A single 1.2MW Coal power plant

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#### 62Msf or 65,000 NYC apts. renovated to PASSIVE HOUSE = A single 1.2MW \$2B Coal power plant

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## 60 % OF THE WORLD'S BUILDINGS WILL BE REBUILT IN THE NEXT TWO DECADES. "That is a huge opportunity if we do it right." – Ed Mazria, Architecture 2030

# 25-75 years between renovations

# WASTED \$\$ MISSED opportunities



## RESOURCES

PHIUS Passive House Institute US passivehouse.us

PHAUS Passive House Alliance US phaus.org

PHI Passive House Institute (Germany) passiv.de/en/

**iPHA** International Passive House Association passivehouse-international.org

**NAPHN** North American Passive House Network northamericanpassivehousenetwork.com

## RESOURCES

**ZERO ENERGY READY HOMES** energy.gov/ eere/buildings/zero-energy- ready-home

LEED Building rating system new.usgbc.org/leed

2000 WATT SOCIETY Global energy effects novatlantis.ch/en/2000-watt-society

THE CLIMATE TRUST Climate solutions for government, utilities and large businesses climatetrust.org

## RESOURCES

WORLD CLASS SUPPLY High performance building supply, worldclasssupply.com

FOURSEVENFIVE High performance building supply, foursevenfive.com

