22-24 Prescott Street, Harvard Real Estate Services





Twenty years ago, stucco was applied poorly to the side and rear elevations of this 40-unit apartment building near Harvard Square. The stucco eventually delaminated and began to fall off the building, after it had trapped moisture and had caused significant damage to the masonry bearing walls.

Our project involved the complete removal of the stucco, followed by extensive structural repairs to and seismic reinforcement of the masonry that remained. After the masonry repairs were completed, we installed a coated copper cladding system (on the side and rear elevations) to conceal the seismic anchors and to act as a rain screen.

The cost of these renovations also triggered numerous code upgrades, including the creation of a wheelchair-accessible entrance, the insertion of a new elevator, and the renovation of several apartments for persons with disabilities. The project added a second means of egress serving 12 of the apartments and a new fire sprinkler system throughout the building.

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