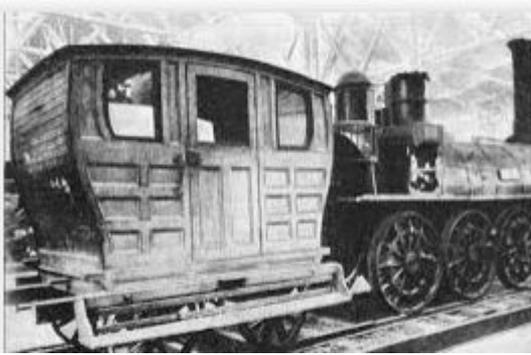


Dear Chairperson Wycoff and Members of the Historic District Commission,

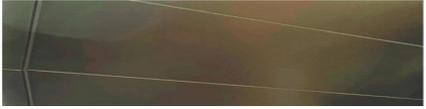
This development team has made some great changes already: banding, bridge style arches, the penthouse, entrance covers. Please find some pictures to think about regarding the proposed building at 161 Deer St. **This letter is mostly pictures so it will be quick!** The first are pictures of the original Portsmouth Train Station taken from old postcards.



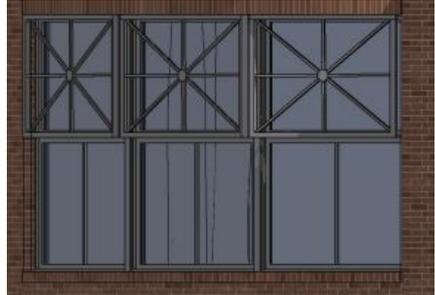
The entrance doors presented could use a little pizzazz by possibly elaborating to include more traditional entrance doors to trains or train stations in the front and along the sides of the building. Some look like doors available today which could be painted to give the train or station look.



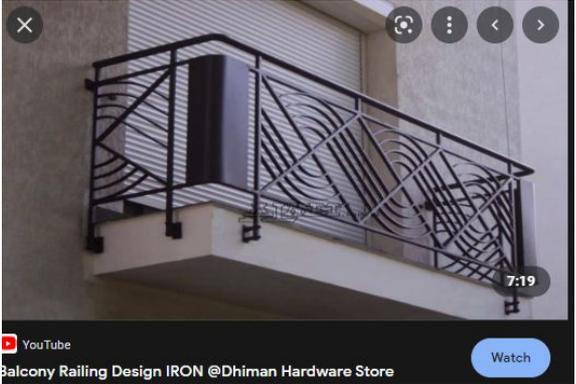
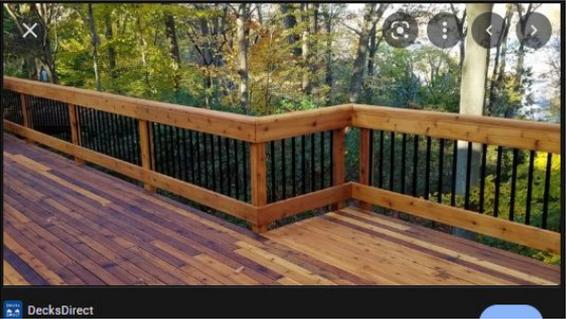
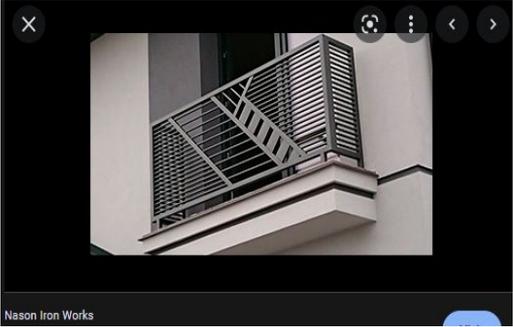
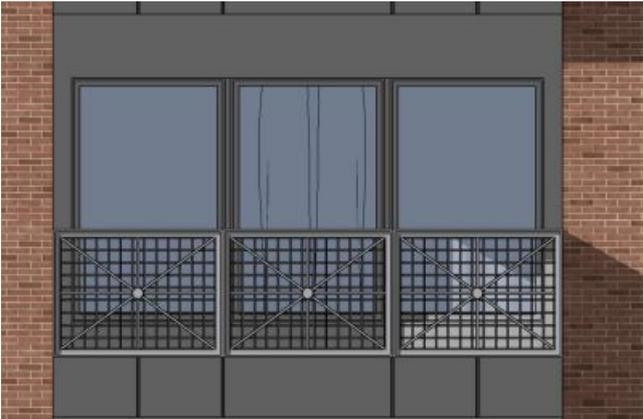
The front entrance is shown in the plans one way but in the samples at the end another. The sample seems to project more strength and could look like a train rail if it were the proposed color of the siding.



The window decorations are interesting but could something round be more appealing? Simple changes such as door handles could connect the building to the trains.



The railings for the balconies seem very busy, almost confining. Wooden railing with metal similar to the proposed fencing in the back or steel railing could provide a simple yet more flowing look.



Thank you for considering these ideas. The project seems to be moving forward with positive plans and many of the presented changes are really great.

Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Bratter, 159 McDonough, Property Owner