

Clay Hotel

ADA Waiver Application

Project and Facility Type:

The Clay Hotel is an existing historic hotel that is comprised of individual structures that are 3 and 2-stories with approximately 117 guest rooms. There are four (4) distinct courtyard buildings on the southern portion of the property, and one main structure that fronts Espanola Way on the north, Drexel Avenue on the west, and Washington Avenue on the east, in an extended U-shape. The buildings were constructed in 1925 to resemble a Spanish village. Access to the main entrance and lobby area is from Washington Avenue on the east. Guest rooms are accessed from the lobby and then through the connecting, open alleyways, which creates the signature design of the buildings. The thresholds to the courtyard buildings are raised approximately 4 inches.

The Owner is in the process renovating the buildings to include an elevator, update guestrooms, introduce a new living room/lounge area on the first floor of the first courtyard building and construct a rooftop pool deck area connecting above the courtyard buildings. The Owner previously obtained approvals from the City's Historic Preservation Board (HPB) and the Planning Board (PB) to restore the buildings and incorporate the additional amenities.

To note, all of the new amenities (elevator, living room/lounge area, and roof top pool) will be ADA accessible from the lobby. Of the 117 rooms, 89 of the guest rooms are located in the main building and 28 are located in the courtyard buildings. All of the rooms will be of the same quality and size. There will be 5 designated ADA mobility accessible rooms located in the main building.

See attached Historic Resources Report, which includes photographs of the Clay Hotel and plans associated with the project.