

## Adams' Mausert Block Reveals Facade Work

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ADAMS, Mass. — Developers of the Mausert Block unveiled the renovated facade, which was made possible with federal funding through Community Development Block Grants.

According to Holly Stenson, of the developers RedPM, the facade work is mostly complete with only some minor repairs left — such as the fascia that held former Woolworth sign on the south side.

The work closed out the block grant funding and the developers are now waiting for building permits to finish the south side.

"We really took that money seriously," Stenson said of the new facade. "We didn't just put back what was there. We put a lot of thought into it."

The work was on 23 Park St., which is the only storefront in the historic building that does not yet have a prospective tenant. Stenson said a restaurant and a retail business have agreed to rent 19 and 21 Park streets but she did not want to elaborate without the businesses' consent.

The new facade is white oak and features four large windows that open. That storefront is eyed for a restaurant with outdoor seating in the rear facing the Ashuwillticook Rail Trail.

Construction work that has been going on since last year will be halted until the next building permits are in place. The renovation of the building includes residential units on the upper floors. The \$1 million project is one of many the town's Community Development office hopes will revitalize its downtown.



**Workers pulled off the protective covering Wednesday afternoon revealing the facade work on the historic building.**