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The Commons in Northbrook Condominium Association is a 79 unit development in Northbrook that was having a hard time addressing deteriorating masonry throughout the complex. We had been addressing it piecemeal for many years, throwing good money into a never ending issue. Management reached out to a number of architects to seek bids for a property wide project. This was a difficult situation as not all of the masonry needed to be replaced. J. Hershey were the only bidder willing to work with such a difficult project. The Board of Directors were made up of two architects and an engineer when we originally hired Hershey Architecture on as our consultant. They provided thoughtful analysis, personal meetings with the Board members, and a place to get their questions answered about everything from lintels to caulking. When we decided to go forward with the full project, Hershey was there every step of the way handling bidding, contractor recommendations, etc. for a Board that had never accomplished a project of this scale and scope. It was a learning experience for the Board and they were grateful for the expertise Hershey provided us.

By the time the project had come close to completion, new Board members had come on and been trained by the current Board and Hershey so that the program could progress with little loss in momentum. Even when there were questions that seemed repetitive, Hershey Architecture always returned with detailed information, a willingness to meet with the Board, and a thorough understanding of where the project was heading.

On a project with so many variables like material quantities, which lintels needed to be replaced, and areas where the Association could save money without significant changes to the life expectancy of the masonry, Hershey provided the Board clear instructions on how to achieve their goals in a ration and clear cut manner.

From a Management perspective, Hershey Architecture was easy to work with, quick to respond to emails, quick with their invoicing process, and helpful in acting as the go between for the contractor and Management. This meant the whole process went by very smoothly and without problems.

The Commons in Northbrook and Foster Premier could not recommend J. Hershey Architecture enough for someone looking for quality, affordability, and a personalized touch that made interactions friendly and simple.

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