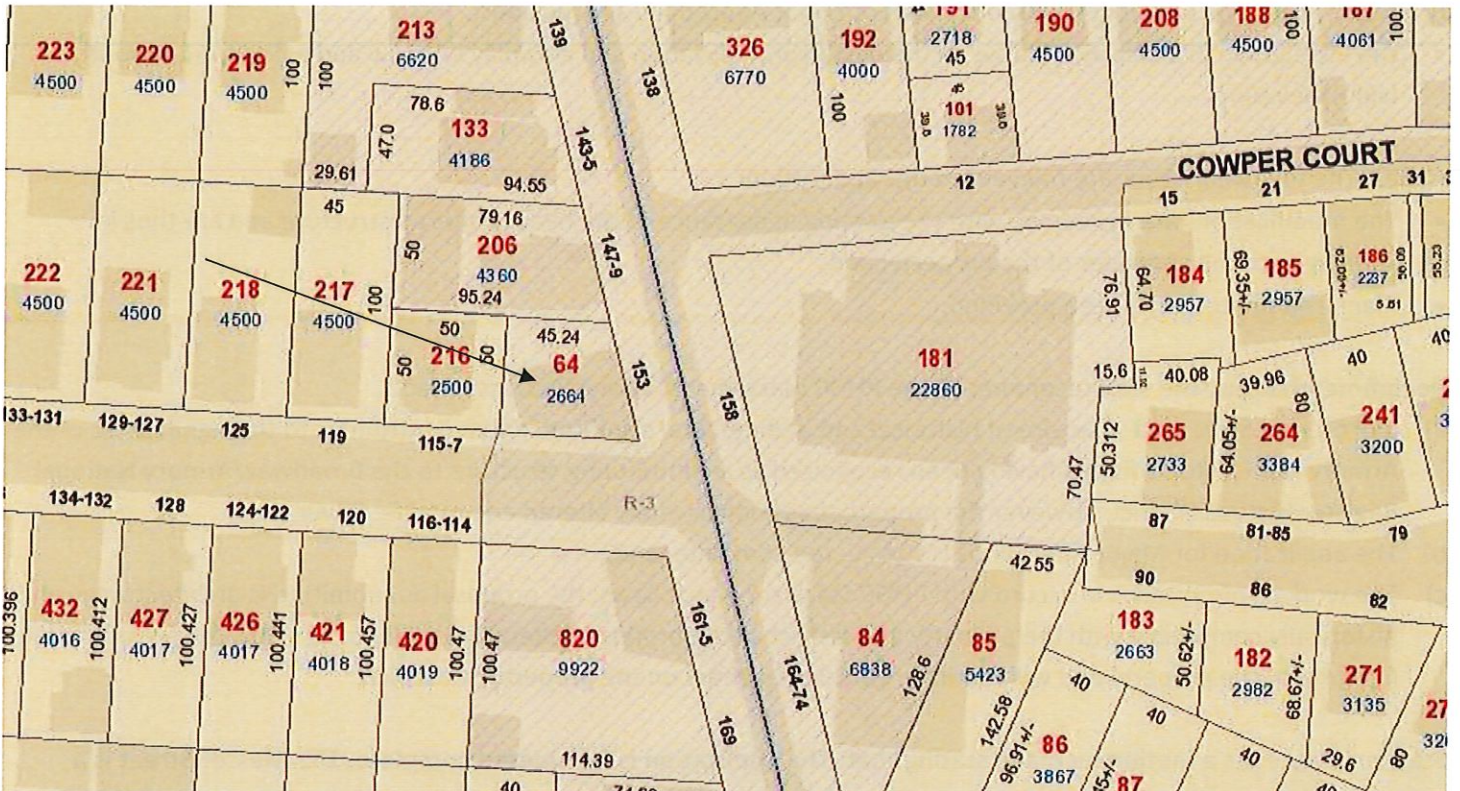
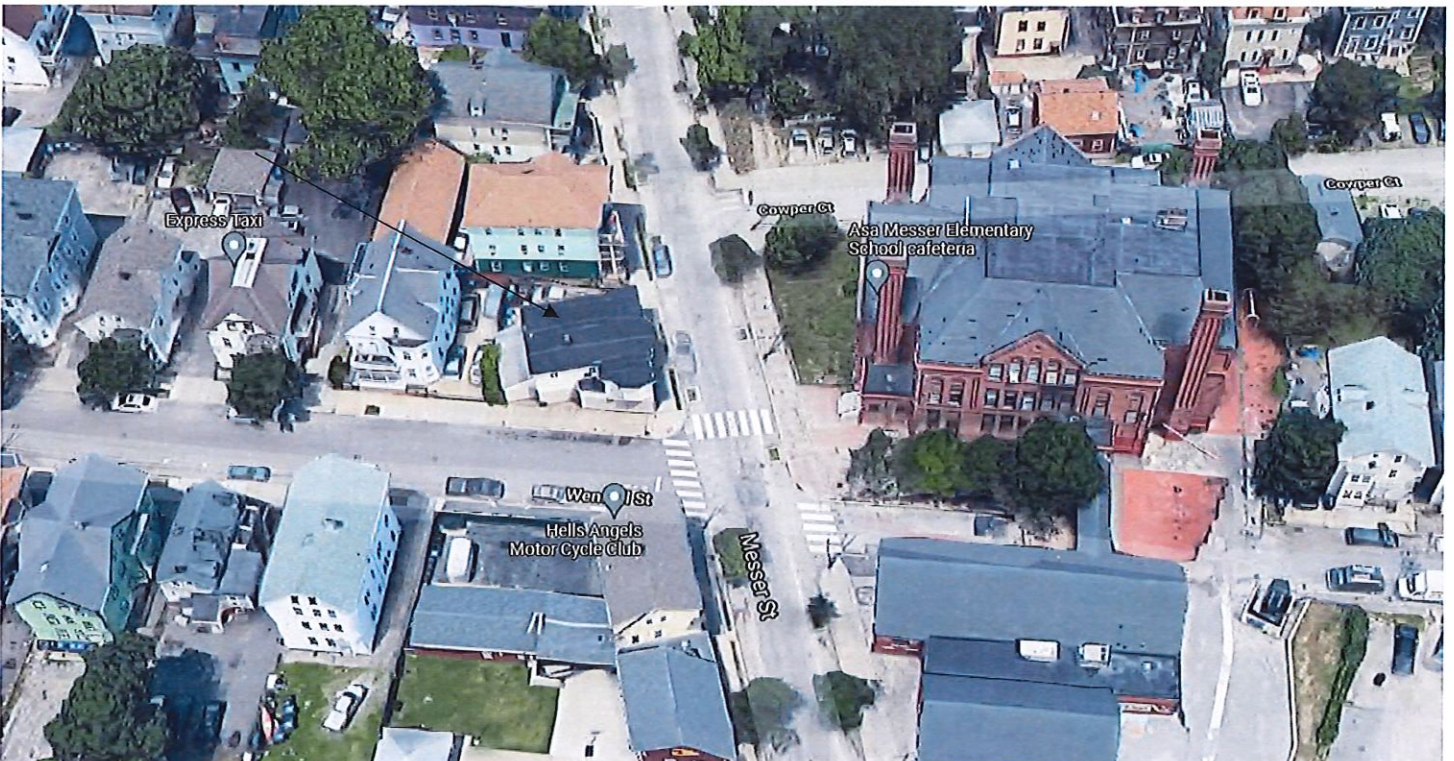


**8. CASE 21.128, 153 MESSER STREET, House, c1890 (ARMORY).**

2-story; flat roof; house; with oriel on front and side. Now covered with vinyl/aluminum siding and heavily altered.  
CONTRIBUTING



Arrow indicates 153 Messer Street.



Arrow indicates project location, looking north.

**Applicant/Owner:** Candido Rodriguez, Messer Street, Providence, RI 02909

**Designer/Engineer:** Mohamed H. Hussein, PE, 110 Barrett Ave, North Providence, RI 02904

**Proposal:** The scope of work proposed consists of Major Alterations and includes:

- the installation of a display window on the east (front) elevation and a display window and a door on the south (side) elevation.

**Issues:** The following issues are relevant to this application:

- The modifications are in keeping with the existing appearance of the heavily altered structure and are thus in keeping with the character of the property; and,
- Plans and photos have been provided.

**Recommendations:** The staff recommends the PHDC make the following findings of fact:

- a) 153 Messer Street is a structure of historical and architectural significance that contributes to the significance of the Armory local historic district having been recognized as a contributing structure to the Broadway/Armory National Register Historic District, however the property has been severely altered and modified over time;
- b) The application for Major Alterations is considered complete; and,
- c) The work as proposed is in accord with PHDC Standard 8 as follows: the proposal as submitted is architecturally and historically compatible with the property and district as the proposed alterations will not diminish the architectural integrity of the property and will not have an adverse effect on the property or district.

**Staff recommends a motion be made stating that: The application is considered complete. 153 Messer Street is a structure of historical and architectural significance that contributes to the significance of the Armory local historic district, having been recognized as a contributing structure to the Broadway/Armory National Historic Register District, however the property has been severely altered and modified over time. The Commission grants Final Approval of the proposal as submitted, as the proposed alterations are architecturally and historically compatible with the property and district and will not have an adverse effect on the property or district (Standard 8), citing and agreeing to the recommendations in the staff report, with staff to review any additional details.**