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- Operable awnings are encouraged on historic buildings.
- Use colors that are compatible with the overall color scheme of the facade. Solid colors or simple, muted-stripe patterns are appropriate.
- The awning should fit the opening of the building.
- Simple shed shapes are appropriate for rectangular openings.
- Odd shapes, bullnose awnings and bubble awnings are inappropriate on most historic structures.
- A rigid awning or canopy that is permanently attached to the building front and out of character of the building style is inappropriate.
- Internal illumination of an awning is inappropriate.

### A.3 A fixed metal canopy may be considered where evidence demonstrates that one existed historically.

- Appropriate supporting mechanisms are wall-mounted brackets, chains and posts.

### A.4 Internal illumination in an awning is inappropriate.

### A.5 Mount an awning or canopy to accentuate character-defining features.

- It should be mounted to highlight moldings that may be found above the storefront and should not hide character-defining features.
- Its mounting should not damage significant features and historic details.