Can building be restored?

Architects tour Franklin St. School to gauge feasibility

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Two architects inspect the interior of the Franklin Street School to gauge the worth of work needed and possibly bid on the project to restore the building, which was built in 1927 as a racially segregated instructional facility. The city hopes to turn it into a library branch and community center in conjunction with the Center for Community Arts and Cape May County.

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The view of the Allen AME Church across the street from the Franklin Street School has not changed in 90 years. The city is hoping to restore the school for use as a branch of the Cape May County Library System with help from the county.