

Historic Property Union Pacific Depot
Inventory Report for 407 East 4th Avenue Olympia, Thurston, 98501

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: Union Pacific Depot Field Site No.: 719
Common Name: Olympic Outfitters (#34-692) OAHP No.:
Property Address: 407 East 4th Avenue Olympia, Thurston, 98501
Comments: OLYMPIA

County Township/Range/EW Section 1/4 Sec 1/4 1/4 Sec Quadrangle
TUMWATER T18R02W 14 SW TUMWATER

UTM Reference
Zone: 10 Spatial Type: Point Acquisition Code: TopoZone.com
Sequence: 0 Easting: 507910 Northing: 5209940

Tax No./Parcel No. Plat/Block/Lot
33104400100 Barnes Subdivision/Block 44/Lots 1,2,7,8

Supplemental Map(s) Acreage
City of Olympia Planning Department 72

IDENTIFICATION SECTION

Field Recorder: Shanna Stevenson Date Recorded: 7/1/1989 Survey Name: OLYMPIA

Owner's Name: LaForge/Lyons Real Estate Owner Address: 407 East 4th Avenue City/State/Zip: Olympia, WA 98501

Classification: Building Resource Status Survey/Inventory Comments
Within a District? Yes

Contributing? No

National Register Nomination: 0

Local District:

National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name: SOUTH CAPITOL NEIGHBORHOOD HISTORIC DISTRICT

DESCRIPTION SECTION

Historic Use: Transportation - Rail-Related
Current Use: Commerce/Trade - Business

Plan: Rectangle No. of Stories: One

Structural System: Brick

Changes to plan: Extensive Changes to interior: Extensive
Changes to original cladding: Moderate Changes to other:
Changes to windows: Extensive Other (specify):

Cladding Brick Foundation Brick
Style Commercial Form/Type
Roof Material Asphalt / Composition - Rolled Roof Type Unknown

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit	Other	Date Of Construction: <u>1916</u>
<u>Transportation</u>		Architect: <u>Unknown</u>
		Builder:
		Engineer:

Property appears to meet criteria for the National Register of Historic Places: No
Property is located in a historic district (National and/or local): No
Property potentially contributes to a historic district (National and/or local):

Statement of Significance The Union Pacific Depot was originally built in 1916 but the north part was replaced in 1959 after a train crash in March, 1959 which demolished that portion of the station, killing one employee. The building has recently undergone a substantial renovation in which the 1959 section was razed and a new section added while altering the historic brick section. The building is now in commercial use. The Depot was the terminus of the Olympia Branch of the Union Pacific which came from East Olympia, (originally Chambers Prairie Station) across a 7.4 mile spur to Olympia. The line was completed in 1915 by the Olympia Terminal Railway and deeded to the Oregon-Washington Railway and Navigation Company the same year and later deeded to the Union Pacific system. According to a Union Pacific history, "The principal commodities hauled over the line included beer, plywood and other lumber and timber products. Steam power formerly assigned to this branch was housed in a one-stall engine house at Olympia. "

Description of Physical Appearance The building currently has a new stucco faced section with a parapet roofline and newer metal-framed display windows on the north and west sides of the original depot warehouse. The west side of the warehouse has a shed-roofed porch section with new display windows with metal frames cut in the sides of the brick section. A replacement metal window following the original window opening is in the south end of the building. The building was originally a rectangular, two-story warehouse of brick masonry construction on a poured concrete foundation. The flat roof still has wide bracketed overhangs on the east and west walls and a flat parapet on the north and south walls. Tripartite windows are just below the bracketed overhangs on the east and west walls.

Major Bibliographic References E Kernberg and Gschwind, Smoke Along the Columbia: Oregon Division, Pioneer Printing, Cheyenne Wyoming, 1968.
Cheever, Bruce Bissel, Part II Appendices, "The Development of Railroads in the State of Washington, 1860 to 1948," doctoral dissertation.

PHOTOS



View of SW end
taken 7/6/1989
Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):
31-46
Comments: