

Historic Property Wright Building
Inventory Report for 218 West 4th Olympia, Thurston, 98501

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: Wright Building Field Site No.: 850
Common Name: (#34-669) OAHP No.:
Property Address: 218 West 4th 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: 507420 Northing: 5209940

Tax No./Parcel No. Plat/Block/Lot
78507300801 Sylvester L8 Blk 73

Supplemental Map(s) Acreage
City of Olympia Planning Department .11

IDENTIFICATION SECTION

Field Recorder: Shanna Stevenson/Tom C Date Recorded: 10/16/1985 Survey Name: OLYMPIA

Owner's Name: Tom Anderson et al Owner Address: 2181/2 West 4th City/State/Zip: Olympia, WA 98501

Classification: Building Resource Status: Survey/Inventory Comments:

Within a District? Yes

Contributing?

National Register Nomination: 0

Local District:

National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name: OLYMPIA DOWNTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT

DESCRIPTION SECTION

Historic Use: Commerce/Trade - Business

Current Use: Commerce/Trade - Business

Plan: Rectangle No. of Stories: 2

Structural System: Concrete - Block

Changes to plan: Slight

Changes to interior: Moderate

Changes to original cladding: Intact

Changes to other:

Changes to windows: Moderate

Other (specify):

Cladding Stucco

Foundation Concrete - Poured

Style Commercial

Form/Type

Roof Material Asphalt / Composition - Rolled

Roof Type Unknown

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit

Other

Date Of Construction: 1908

Architecture/Landscape Architecture

Architect:

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 early twentieth century commercial style building was erected in 1908 by the Wright family as a hotel and rooming house for the rooming house for the waterfront trade.

Description of Physical Appearance

This is a rectangular, two-story concrete structure of painted concrete. Its flat roof is surrounded by a flat parapet with raised corner piers. The parapet and the walls below are ornamented with raised horizontal banding and vertical pilasters between the bays, painted a contrasting color. The front (south) wall has four bays. The ground floor storefronts have plate glass windows and glass entry doors of later vintage; the transoms have been plastered over and paneled with vertical boards. New fabric awnings project above the sidewalk. The second story has tall metal sash with central awning sections which appear to be later replacements. The west side has a large mural of a wave on the ground floor, with a garage door to the left of the facade, while the second story retains the original tall double-hung sash. The rear has a stairway leading to second floor entry door.

Major Bibliographic References

Stevenson, Shanna, "Olympia Downtown Walking Tour," 1980.

PHOTOS



View of SW Corner

taken 10/16/1985

Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):

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Comments: