

Historic Property Ellsworth House
Inventory Report for 203 19th Ave SW, Olympia, WA

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: Ellsworth House **Field Site No.:** 3478
Common Name: **OAHP No.:**
Property Address: 203 19th Ave SW, Olympia, WA
Comments: OLYMPIA

County **Township/Range/EW** **Section** **1/4 Sec** **1/4 1/4 Sec** **Quadrangle**
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UTM Reference
Zone: 10 **Spatial Type:** Point **Acquisition Code:** TopoZone.com
Sequence: 10 **Easting:** 507532 **Northing:** 5208483

Tax No./Parcel No. **Plat/Block/Lot**
339600200101 Portion of Chambers L1 & 2 Block 2

Supplemental Map(s) **Acreage**
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IDENTIFICATION SECTION

Field Recorder: ss **Date Recorded:** 6/25/2003 **Survey Name:** Olympia

Owner's Name: Keith & Marissa Stevens **Owner Address:** 203 19th Avenue SW **City/State/Zip:** Olympia, WA 98501

Classification: Building **Resource Status** **Comments**

Within a District? Yes Local Register

Contributing? Survey/Inventory

National Register Nomination:

Local District:

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

DESCRIPTION SECTION

Historic Use: Domestic - Single Family House

Current Use: Domestic - Single Family House

Plan: Rectangle **No. of Stories:** 1 1/2

Structural System: Balloon Frame

Changes to plan: Intact

Changes to interior: Unknown

Changes to original cladding: Intact

Changes to other:

Changes to windows: Intact

Other (specify):

Cladding Wood - Clapboard

Foundation Concrete - Poured

Style Arts & Crafts - Craftsman

Form/Type Single Family

Roof Material Asphalt / Composition

Roof Type Gable

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit

Other

Date Of Construction: ca. 1921

Architecture/Landscape Architecture

Architect:

Builder: Harley Ellsworth

Engineer:

Property appears to meet criteria for the National Register of Historic Places:

Property is located in a historic district (National and/or local):

Yes - National

Property potentially contributes to a historic district (National and/or local):

Statement of Significance

Located in the South Capitol Neighborhood, the house is typical of the 1920s development in the area. According to available information, it appears that both this house and the register property to the west known as the "Ellsworth Duplex" were built by local contractor Harley Ellsworth and his wife Florence. She continued to own both properties until her death in the 1950s. According to City Directories, they lived elsewhere. The properties were then divided this property subsequently had a series of owners.

The house is an excellent example of the Craftsman style.

Description of Physical Appearance

Set on a corner lot, the house is a one and one-half story cross-gable house set on a poured concrete foundation. The roofline has wide, bracketed eaves with a decorative fascia board. The house has wide clapboard cladding with shingling in the gable ends. The front porch projects from the east side of the house with a large gable with similar roofline detailing to the main house. The lower part of the front gable has a decorative bracket band motif across the front of the porch gable. The porch is supported by squat brick pillars. The tops of the pillars are tapered wooden elements. There is a low brick foundation around the base of the porch. Stairs lead from the ground level on the east side of the porch. There are squat brick posts on either side of the stairs. There is a low, wood railing with arched elements on the front and sides of the porch. There is a squat, rectangular window with rectangular muntins and a tapered wide, wood surround in the gable end of the porch. The center front entry has a multi-pane door and is flanked by multi-pane sidelights. The front façade has paired eight-over one windows flanking the main entry. Other windows are paired six-over-one, eight-over-one, or multi-pane or multi-pane casement. There is a one story projecting section on the east side which extends from the rear of the house. It has similar roofline detailing to the main house and a gable window similar to the front porch. There are two doors on this façade, one to an upper area and one to a lower area. A long window with three panes flanks the rear entry door. A large, tapered, brick chimney arises on the east side of the main house.

Major Bibliographic References

Source: Information from Thurston County Assessor's Records and Tax Rolls. Pioneer Title Company Records.

PHOTOS



View of Front Façade

taken 10/6/2003

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

Comments: