

Historic Property Report

Resource Name: Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

Property ID: 102772

Location



Address: 1006 4th Ave NE, Olympia, WA

Geographic Areas: Thurston County, Olympia Certified Local Government, Thurston Certified Local Government, Thurston County, T18R02W41, OLYMPIA Quadrangle

Information

Number of stories: 1

Construction Dates:

Construction Type	Year	Circa
Built Date	1958	<input type="checkbox"/>

Historic Use:

Category	Subcategory
Commerce/Trade	Commerce/Trade - Financial Institution
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Historic Context:

Category

Architecture

Commerce

Architect/Engineer:

Category	Name or Company
Builder	John C. Woodard
Architect	Ripley, Kenneth S.



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Local Registers and Districts

Name	Date Listed	Notes
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Project History

Project Number, Organization, Project Name	Resource Inventory	SHPO Determination	SHPO Determined By, Determined Date
2011-03-00043, , Nifty From the Last 50	3/4/2010	Not Determined	

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Inventory Details - 3/4/2010

Common name: Crain's Office Supply

Date recorded: 3/4/2010

Field Recorder: M. Houser

Field Site number:

SHPO Determination

Detail Information

Characteristics:

Category	Item
Foundation	Concrete - Poured
Form Type	Commercial - One-Part Block
Plan	Rectangle
Cladding	Brick - Common Bond
Roof Type	Flat with Eaves
Roof Material	Asphalt/Composition - Built Up

Styles:

Period	Style Details
Modern Movement	Miesian

Surveyor Opinion

Significance narrative: Obscured today by a metal parapet wall, the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company building originally had a distinct low profile design which highlighted large full-width beams holding up the flat roof. Ample windows at the eaves, which nearly surround all four sides of the building, allowed natural light to flood into the work area. The building served as home to Metropolitan Life Insurance Company until the late 1970s and was designed by Seattle architect Kenneth Ripley.

Bibliography: The Daily Olympian: January 2, 1958. pg 10.