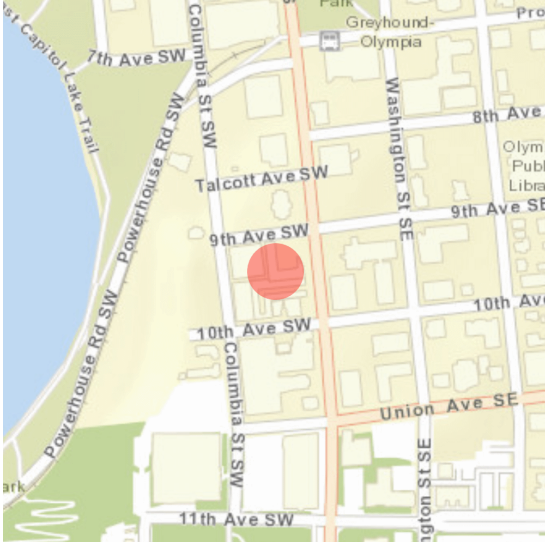


Location



Address: 909 Capitol Way S, Olympia, WA 98501

Geographic Areas: Thurston County, OLYMPIA Quadrangle, Olympia Certified Local Government, Thurston Certified Local Government, T18R02W47

Information

Number of stories: 2

Construction Dates:

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

Historic Use:

Category	Subcategory
Domestic	Domestic - Hotel
Domestic	Domestic - Hotel

Historic Context:

Category
Architecture

Architect/Engineer:

Category	Name or Company
Builder	Dawley Construction



Historic Property Report

Resource Name: Golden Gavel Motel

Property ID: 1321

Thematics:

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
030907-17-HUD, HUD, Golden Gavel Motel	6/20/2002	Determined Eligible	, 3/9/2007
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Photos



office area



room wing



Original HPI form(s)



Historic Property Report

Resource Name: Golden Gavel Motel

Property ID: 1321

Inventory Details - 1/1/1900

Common name:

Date recorded: 1/1/1900

Field Recorder:

Field Site number:

SHPO Determination



Historic Property Report

Resource Name: Golden Gavel Motel

Property ID: 1321

Inventory Details - 6/20/2002

Common name:

Date recorded: 6/20/2002

Field Recorder: M. Houser

Field Site number:

SHPO Determination 030907-17-HUD - RH

Detail Information

Characteristics:

Category	Item
Foundation	Concrete - Poured
Cladding	Wood - Vertical Boards
Structural System	Masonry - Concrete Block
Roof Type	Flat with Eaves
Form Type	Hotel/Motel - Motel
Roof Material	Asphalt/Composition - Built Up
Cladding	Stone - Ashlar/Cut
Plan	L-Shape

Styles:

Period	Style Details
Modern Movement	Solid End Wall

Surveyor Opinion

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

Property is located in a potential historic district (National and/or local): No

Significance narrative: The Golden Gavel Motel is one of the few intact motels from the 1950s remaining in Olympia. The building is an excellent example of its type and style. Mr. Roma Groulik was the first manager of the motel.

Physical description: The Golden Gavel Motel is a 2 story, solid end wall, L-shaped structure. The first floor is clad with an ashlar cut stone veneer, the second floor is covered with vertical laid T&G boards. The motel has fixed pane windows, solid motel doors and a flat built up roof. Perpendicular to Capitol Way is the original period sign which is a combination of backlite plastic and neon. Just outside the office door is an over-sized gold gavel, welcoming vistors to the motel. A flat roof, parabolic shape port cohere extends from the motel office over the main entrance driveway.