



Olympia Heritage Register Application

Property Identification and Legal Description:

Historical Property Name (if determined): Historical Downtown Square LLC

Street Address: 222 Capitol Way North

City / State / Zip Code: Olympia, WA 98501

Tax Number / Parcel Number: 7850 1200 100

Property Owner(s) (attach additional details as required):

Name: Gray + Joy Graham

Street Address: 871 Pear Ct NE, Olympia, WA 98506

City / State / Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: 360-951-5000 Email Address: graylee.graham@gmail.com

Applicant(s) (if different from property owner):

Name: N.A.

Street Address: _____

City / State / Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

NOTE: The property owner must sign the attached Certification statement to indicate their agreement to place their property on the Olympia Heritage Register should the application be approved.

Updated: July 16, 2015

Type of Property (choose one):

☒ Individual Historic Building or Cluster of Buildings at the Same Address

☐ Historic District*

☐ Historic Cemetery / Burial Site*

☐ Historic Site* (location of an important event)

☐ Historic Structure (e.g., irrigation system, bridge, or other "uninhabitable" functioning built element)

☐ Historic Object (e.g., statue, grave marker, or other non-functioning built element, or vessel)

☐ Archaeological Site*

☐ Traditional Cultural Landscape* (e.g., agricultural, horticultural, industrial, recreational, maritime, or other built landscape)

***Boundary Justification** (for a proposed historic district, historic cemetery/burial site, historic site, archaeological site, or traditional cultural landscape):

For a proposed historic district, describe the proposed boundaries of the district (such as street names and/or topographical features) and provide reasoning for the boundaries proposed:

Significance of Property (check all that apply):

The Olympia Heritage Register recognizes significant properties which are at least 50 years old, or of lesser age if of exceptional importance. This property is important for one or more of the following reasons:

☒ **Historical Importance** – A property which falls under this category is the site of a historic event which has had an effect upon society, is identified with a person or group who had an influence on society, or exemplifies the cultural, social, religious, economic, political, aesthetic, or engineering history of Olympia.

☒ **Architectural Importance** – This property is either an **individual** building that embodies the distinguishing characteristics of an architectural type, person, style or method of design or construction, or is the work of an architect or master builder whose individual work has influenced the development of Olympia, or a **group** of buildings that may lack distinction individually but together are easily distinguished as a unit and characterize an earlier era, way of living, or construction method.

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- ☐ **Archaeological Importance** – A property of archaeological importance has yielded or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.
- ☐ **Birthplace, Grave or Cemetery** – The birthplace or grave of a person of outstanding historical importance or a cemetery significant for its age, distinctive design features, or association with historic events or cultural patterns.

NOTE: Register properties must have material and design “integrity”, which means that they have not undergone changes which substantially affect their historical character. The level of integrity required is determined by the type of significance, e.g., those of architectural importance require higher integrity than archaeological sites.

Statement of Significance:

Please **attach** a brief description of why this property is important to the history and/or prehistory of Olympia. Describe:

1. **Significant historical information** related to the property, such as people and/or events which have had an impact on society.
2. **The property itself**, such as the style(s) of architecture, original features and material, later additions and restoration work, and any other information relevant to the physical appearance of the building(s), structure, object, or space.

Documentation:

1. **Photographs and Maps:** Attach current photographs of the property, showing all elevations (sides) and details that you consider to be important illustrations of the building’s special historical character. If available, include copies of historical maps and photographs.
2. **Historical Information:** Include a bibliography or photocopies of evidence that supports the property’s historical or prehistoric significance. Sources include but are not limited to books, newspaper articles, birth and death records, deeds, census documents, and oral histories.

Submission:

Send all materials to:

Michelle Sadlier, Historic Preservation Officer
Community Planning and Development, City of Olympia, Box 1967, Olympia, WA 98507
msadlier@ci.olympia.wa.us | 360-753-8031

PROPERTY OWNER CERTIFICATION

I/We, as the undersigned owner(s) of the below-named property, do agree to place the property on the Olympia Heritage Register.

I/We understand that the property will be subject to an advisory review process by the City of Olympia's Heritage Commission, the Historic Preservation Officer, or the Joint Design Review Board on any proposed changes to exterior architectural features that require a building permit, new construction on the property, or demolition.

I/We further understand that the result of this advisory review process will result in a recommendation to the City of Olympia Building Official, Site Plan Review Committee, or Hearing Examiner.

I/We also understand that the property will be publicized by the City with its location shown on maps of historic properties and background information published on its historical significance.

I/We understand that the listing on the Olympia Heritage Register will be recorded with the Thurston County Auditor's Office.

I/We further understand that the Olympia Heritage Register listing will be recorded in the chain of title for the property.

Property Address:

222 Capitol Way North, Oly, WA 98501

Owner(s) (all owners must sign):

Printed Name: Gray L. Graham

Signature:

Printed Name: Joy L. Graham

Signature:

Printed Name:

Signature:

Date:

November 1, 2016

Statement of Historical Significance for 222 Capitol Way North "Historical Downtown Square"

The site on which Historical Downtown Square was built was the site where Governor Isaac I. Stevens convened the first Territorial Legislature of Washington on February 28th, 1854.

On December 11, 1852, this site was also the original meeting place of Olympia Lodge No. 1 F.&A.M.

As well, the Pacific House, which was directly to the south of the site, was established by Rebecca Howard, the first African American to open a business in Washington. Currently, a mural to memorialize Ms. Howard and the Pacific House, as it might have appeared in 1874, is painted on the south wall of our building.

Immediately after World War 2, the current building was constructed as the Packard Automobile Dealership. In the early sixties it became a Volkswagen Dealership and then in the late Sixties it became a Dodge Dealership. In the 1980s the car dealerships moved out of downtown to the Auto Mall.

The building was remodeled into offices, and was the offices of a number of financial enterprises until 2015, when the last financial company left.

In 2005, Andre LeRest started a French Bakery and Cafe, the Bread Peddler, which gradually expanded to include the south one-third of the building.

Starting in 2015, and completed in November of 2016, the interior of the building was converted into 222 Market, an Artisan Food Hall.

Although the interior of the building has been repurposed on several occasions, the original exterior has remained largely intact.

Historical Downtown Square (222 Capitol Way N)
Register Application Photos

Olympia Avenue (North) Elevation:



Capitol Way (West) Elevation:



Alley (South) Elevation):



Pavement Plaques:



Historical Photo:

