



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.

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.

Continued...

- ☐ **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:



Additional Research on Historical Downtown Square 222 Capitol Way N

- This building is currently not listed on a heritage register.
- The site has two historical markers for being the location of first Masonic meeting place of Olympia Lodge No. 1 (1852), and the first Washington Territorial meeting (1854).
- Sanborn Fire Insurance Company maps show the property's use as follows:
 - 1884 – Young House (boarding house) & grocery store
 - 1908 – Lodgings & restaurant
 - 1924 – Vacant
 - 1951 – Auto sales & liquor store
- The Thurston County Assessor lists the construction date for the property as 1947.
- *Polk's City Directories* indicate that the current building served as a car showroom from 1946 to 1988. After a brief period of vacancy, it was converted for mixed retail use.

Current Aerial Image of Area



Figure 1: Aerial Imagery Courtesy of City of Olympia Online Mapping

Polk's Directories on Southeast Corner of Capitol Way (Main St) & Olympia Avenue (2nd Ave)

- 1890 = Advertisement for **Young's Hotel** (does not contain an address)
- 1906 = New England Hotel @ 202 Main St
- 1915-16 = New England Hotel @ Main, corner of 2nd
= Allen Weir (fire insurance) @ Main SE corner 2nd
- 1919 to 1939 = *No mention of address*
- 1941 = Wolf Pontiac Co @ 218 Capitol Way
- 1943 = *218 Capitol Way listed as vacant*
- 1946** = **Frank K Thorp Motors** @ 222 Capitol Way
= *218 Capitol Way listed as vacant*
- 1947 to 1949 = Frank K Thorp Motors @ 222 Capitol Way
= State Liquor Control Board @ 214 Capitol Way
= F. A. Holmes Auto Financing @ 218 Capitol Way
- 1951 to 1953** = **Derringer Motors (auto dlrs)** @ 222 Capitol Way
= Liquor Store @ 214 Capitol Way
= Pacific Finance Loans @ 218 Capitol Way
- 1954 to 1958** = **F & G Lincoln Mercury** @ 222 Capitol Way
- 1960 to 1963** = **Brewington Motors Volkswagen** @ 222 Capitol Way
- 1965** = **Evergreen Dodge** @ 222 Capitol Way
= *Brewington Motors @ 3000 Pacific Ave*
- 1967 to 1968** = **Whitney Dodge** @ 222 Capitol Way
- 1969** = **Hoover Dodge** @ 222 Capitol Way
- 1970 to 1975** = **Fred Bippert Dodge Inc** @ 222 Capitol Way
- 1976 to 1977** = **Olympia Auto Center** @ 222 Capitol Way
= *214 Capitol Way listed as vacant*
- 1978 to 1980** = **Olympia Auto Center** @ 222 Capitol Way
= Olympia Auto Center, additional space @ 214 Capitol Way
- 1981 to 1985** = **Olympia Dodge Co** @ 222 Capitol Way
= Olympia Auto Center, additional space @ 214 Capitol Way
- 1986** = **Rainier Dodge** @ 222 Capitol Way
= Olympia Auto Center, additional space @ 214 Capitol Way

- 1987-88 = Rainier Dodge @ 222 Capitol Way
 = Rainier Dodge (used car lot) @ 214 Capitol Way
- 1989 = 222 Capitol Way listed as ***vacant***
 = Diamond Park @ 214 Capitol Way
- 1990 = 222 Capitol Way listed as ***mixed retail*** (Looks Beauty Shop, Jay Bloom Floors, Bon Ton Fashion, Accents [gift shop], Cool Rain Kites, Heath's Flowerland, Contempo Portrait World)

1855 U.S. Coast Survey Map



Figure 2: Map Image Courtesy of Washington State Archives

1884 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map

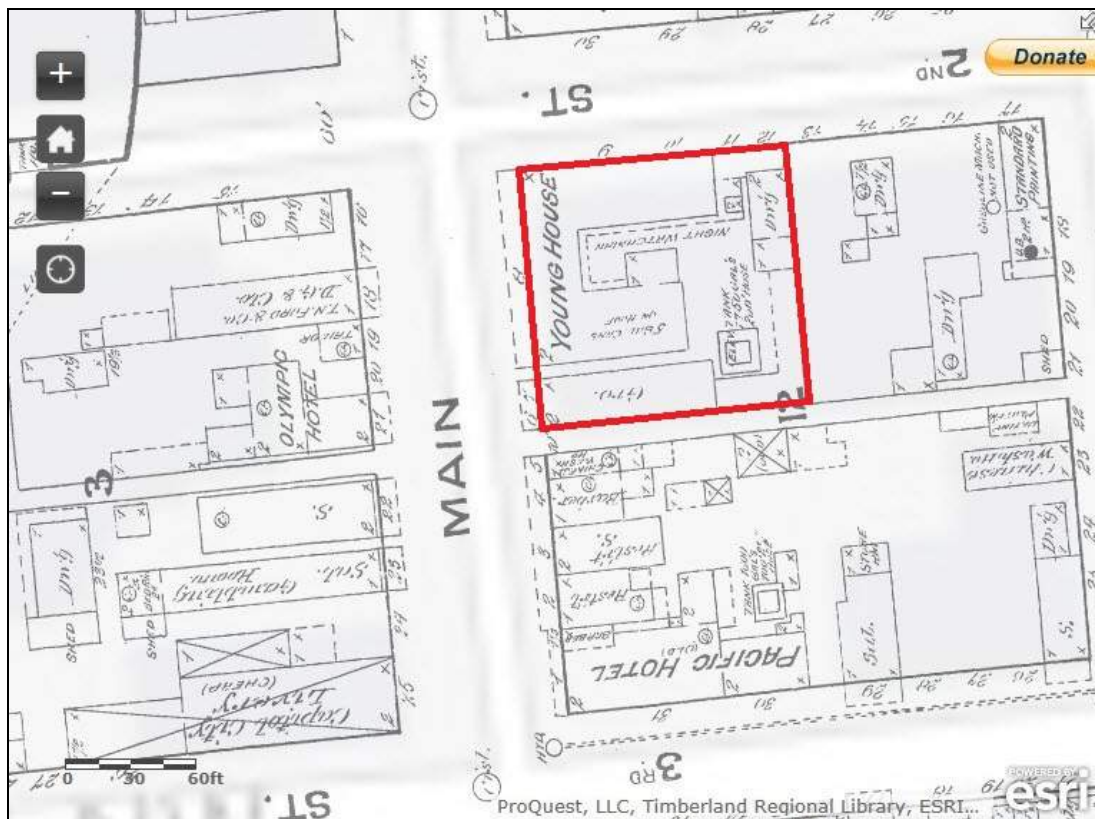


Figure 3: Digital Map Courtesy of Olympia Historical Society & Bigelow House Museum

1908 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map

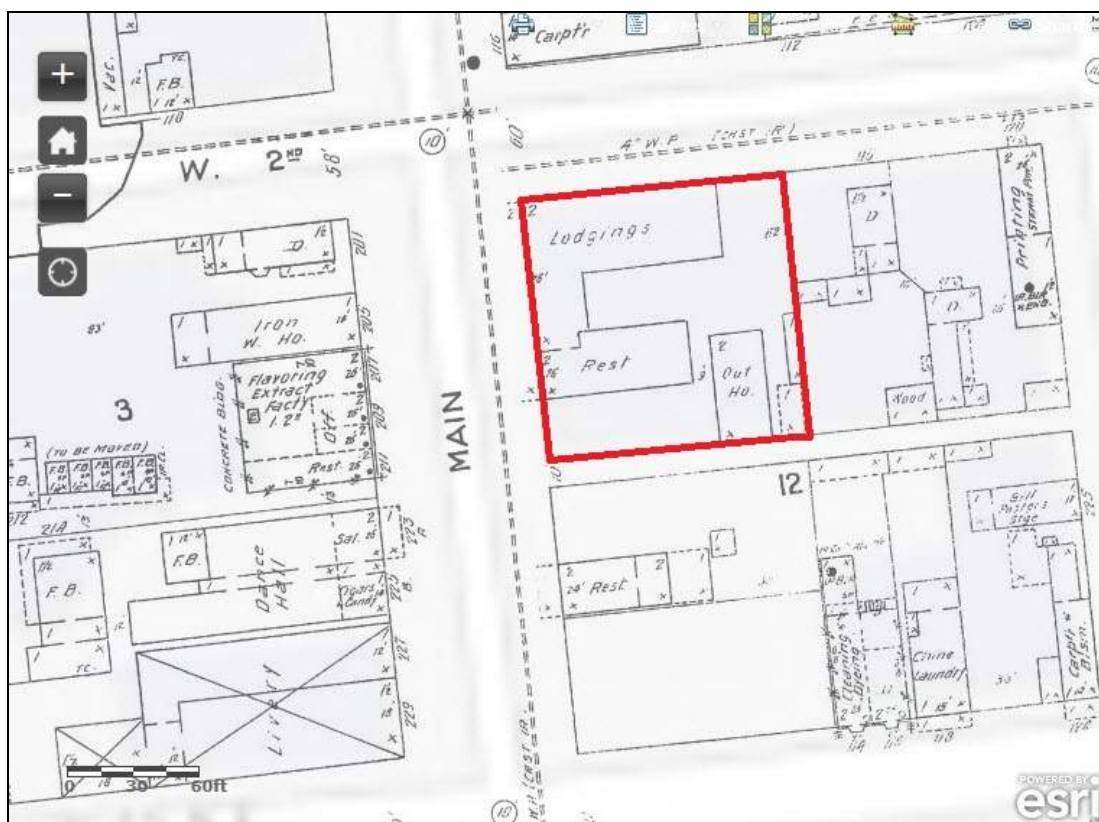


Figure 4: Digital Map Courtesy of Olympia Historical Society & Bigelow House Museum

1924 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map

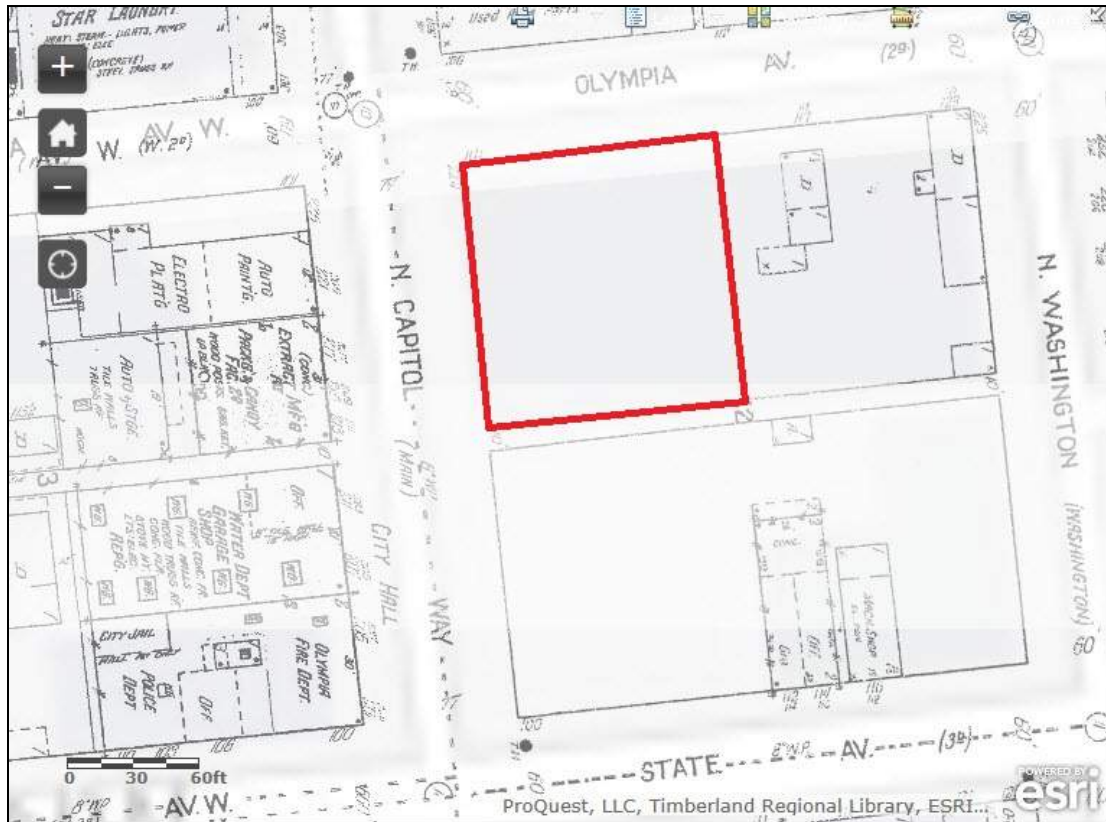


Figure 5: Figure 2: Digital Map Courtesy of Olympia Historical Society & Bigelow House Museum

1951 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map Update

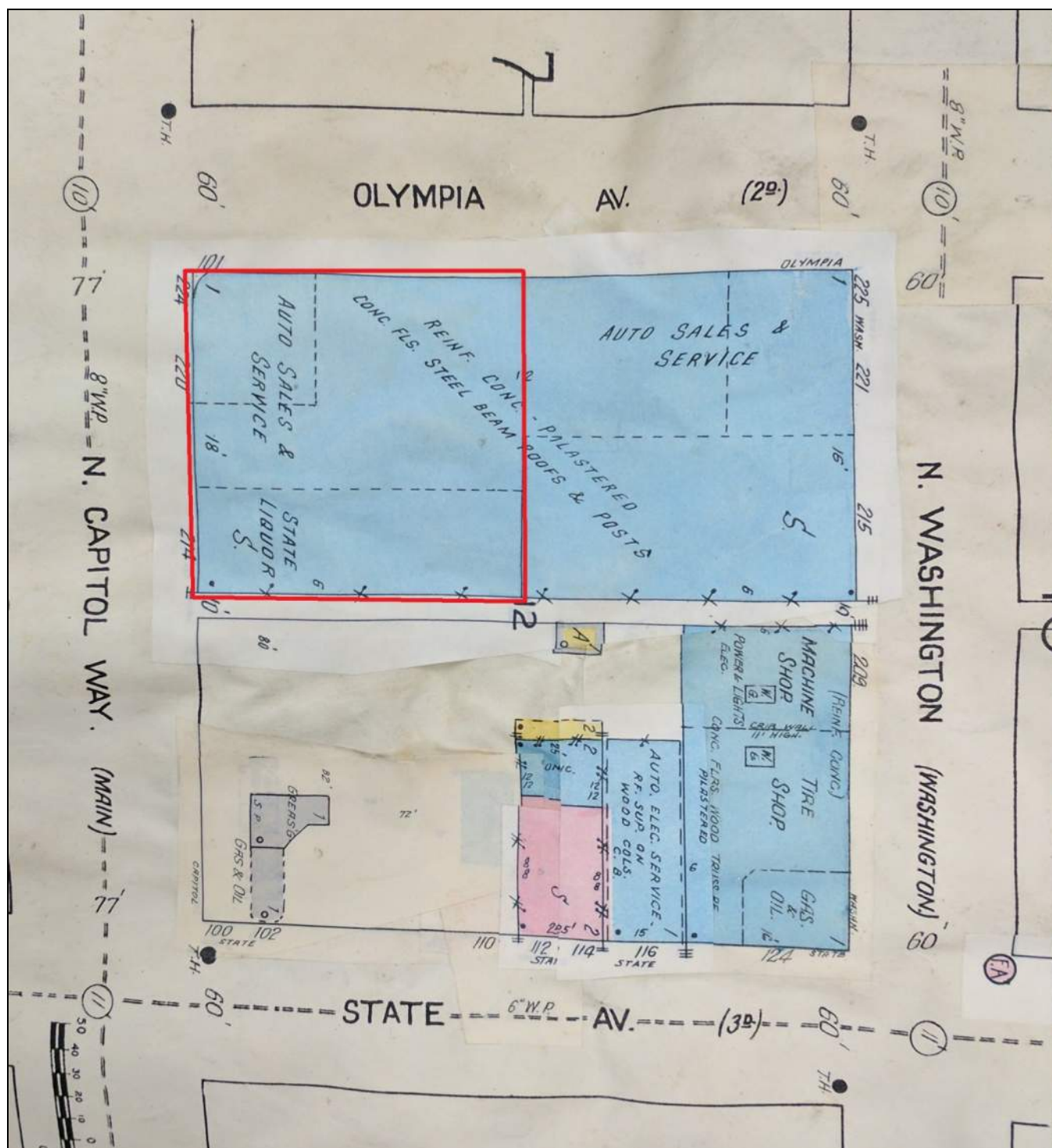


Figure 6: Atlas Image Courtesy of City of Olympia

Other Historical Images



Figure 7: Looking South on Lower Main Street, Olympia, 1902. Photo courtesy of the Washington State Historical Society (Asahel Curtis Collection)



Figure 8: Gold Bar Restaurant about 1900, photograph by W.A. Van Epps, courtesy of Washington State Historical Society. Note features of lodging house on left as seen on Figure 7.



Figure 9: ca. 1955 Photograph, Courtesy of the Washington State Archive (Parish Collection)



Figure 10: ca. 1955 Photograph, Courtesy of the Washington State Archive (Parish Collection)

YOUNG'S+HOTEL,

OLYMPIA, - - - WASH.

POPULAR in every sense of the word.

YOUNG'S HOTEL

Is known as a home from home for guests.

YOUNG'S HOTEL

Is patronized by all visitors to Olympia who study comfort.

YOUNG'S HOTEL

Is where every one will tell you to go, who wishes you to enjoy your visit.

Conducted on the European Plan.

CHARGES VERY MODERATE.

FREE COACH

From All Boats and Trains on arrival

E. T. YOUNG, Proprietor.

Figure 11: Ad from 1890 Polk Directory



Brewington

Motors

Volkswagen

*Sales
and
Service*

PHONES:

Fleetwood

7-3976

and

Fleetwood

7-7201

222 N.
Capitol Way

Figure 12: Ad from 1961 Polk Directory

Historic Property Thorp Motors
Inventory Report for 222 North Capitol Way Olympia, Thurston, 98501

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: Thorp Motors
Common Name: (#34-761)
Property Address: 222 North Capitol Way Olympia, Thurston, 98501
Comments: OLYMPIA

Field Site No.: 745
OAHP No.:

County	Township/Range/EW	Section	1/4 Sec	1/4 1/4 Sec	Quadrangle
Thurston	<u>T18R02W</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>SW</u>		<u>TUMWATER</u>

UTM Reference

Zone: 10 **Spatial Type:** Point **Acquisition Code:** TopoZone.com
Sequence: 0 **Easting:** 507600 **Northing:** 5210110

Tax No./Parcel No.	Plat/Block/Lot
<u>78501200100</u>	<u>Sylvester L1 & L2 Blk 12</u>

Supplemental Map(s)	Acreage
<u>City of Olympia Planning Department</u>	<u>.33</u>

IDENTIFICATION SECTION

Field Recorder: Shanna Stevenson **Date Recorded:** 10/23/1985 **Survey Name:** OLYMPIA

Owner's Name:	Owner Address:	City/State/Zip:
<u>Charles A McSwain c/o</u>	<u>c/o 2101 4th Avenue E #102</u>	<u>Olympia, WA 98506</u>
<u>Cycle Real Estate</u>		

Classification: <u>Building</u>	Resource Status	Comments
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Within a District? <u>No</u>	<u>Survey/Inventory</u>
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Contributing?

National Register Nomination: 0

Local District:

National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name:

DESCRIPTION SECTION

Historic Use: Commerce/Trade - Business
Current Use: Commerce/Trade - Business

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

Structural System: Concrete - Poured

Changes to plan: <u>Intact</u>	Changes to interior: <u>Slight</u>
Changes to original cladding: <u>Intact</u>	Changes to other:
Changes to windows: <u>Slight</u>	Other (specify):

Cladding	<u>Concrete</u>	Foundation	<u>Concrete - Poured</u>
	<u>Stucco</u>		

Style Art Deco - Streamlined Moderne

Form/Type

Roof Material Asphalt / Composition - Rolled

Roof Type Unknown

Historic Property Thorp Motors
Inventory Report for 222 North Capitol Way Olympia, Thurston, 98501

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit

Other

Date Of Construction: 1945

Architect:

Builder:

Engineer:

Commerce

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 building was built in 1945 by Fred Holmes as an auto dealership for lease to Frank K. Thorp Motors, a Packard Agency.

**Description of
Physical
Appearance**

This is a square, one-story, flat-roofed structure of concrete clad with stucco, built in simplified Art Moderne style. It is square in plan, while the northwest front corner is rounded. The front (west) facade has a row of large plate glass windows which light the showroom, and two glass entry doors. The north facade has similar large plate glass windows and entry doors, and a tall garage door at the center of the facade leads to the service garage. The walls are ornamented with a narrow recessed band just above the windows, and two similar bands just below the roof. The building has been extensively renovated as a "mini-mall" complex.

**Major
Bibliographic
References**

Interview with Mrs. Frank K. Thorp.

PHOTOS



View of NW corner

taken 10/23/1985

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

28-15

Comments:

Historic Name:	<u>First Legislative Meeting</u>
Common Name:	<u>Site Marker (#34-680)</u>
Property Address:	<u>214 North Capitol Way Olympia, Thurston, 98501</u>
Comments:	OLYMPIA

Field Site No.: 711
OAHF No.:

County	Township/Range/EW	Section	1/4 Sec	1/4 1/4 Sec	Quadrangle
Thurston	T18R02W	14	SW		TUMWATER

Zone: 10 **Spatial Type:** Point **Acquisition Code:** TopoZone.com
Sequence: 0 **Easting:** 507580 **Northing:** 52101100

Tax No./Parcel No.	Plat/Block/Lot
City of Right of Way	adjacent to Lot 1 & 2 Blk 2 Sylvester

Supplemental Map(s)	Acreage
City of Olympia Planning Department	

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

Owner's Name:	Owner Address:	City/State/Zip:
City of Olympia	8th & Plum	Olympia, WA 98501

Classification:	Site	Resource Status	Comments
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Within a District? No Survey/Inventory

Contributing?

National Register Nomination: 0

Local District:

National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name:

Historic Use: Recreation and Culture - Monument/Marker
Current Use: Recreation and Culture - Monument/Marker

Plan: Unknown **No. of Stories:**

Structural System: Unknown

Changes to plan: Unknown

Changes to interior: Unknown

Changes to original cladding: Unknown

Changes to other:

Changes to windows: Unknown

Other (specify):

Cladding

Foundation

Style

Form/Type

Roof Material

Roof Type

Historic Property *First Legislative Meeting*
Inventory Report for *214 North Capitol Way Olympia, Thurston, 98501*

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit

Other

Date Of Construction: 1912

Architect:

Builder:

Engineer:

Politics/Government/Law

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**

This bronze plaque marks the site of the first legislative meeting site in Washington, later known as the Gold Bar Restaurant. Originally a part of Oregon Territory, the Washington Territory was created March 2, 1853 by President Millard Fillmore, just as he was leaving office. His successor President Franklin Pierce appointed Isaac Stevens to be the first Territorial Governor or Washington who arrived in Olympia in November, 1853. Stevens first set about setting up a territorial government and called an election of a legislative assembly. The day after his arrival Stevens announced that the first legislature was to meet in February, 1854. Stevens selected Olympia as the legislative meeting site because the impetus for a separate territory had come from the area. Olympia was also the largest settlement on Puget Sound, boasted the only newspaper in the Territory and the Puget Sound customs house. Upon hearing of the call for the legislature, thus making Olympia the temporary capital, Edmund Sylvester, who had founded and platted the town, added a second story to his building at the site. The building was the location of John Goldsbury Parker Jr. and Henry V. Colter express office and general store, originally only one story. Sylvester added a second story to the 28' x 64' structure and added an outside stairway to the upper floor. Here the 27 members of the first legislative body of Washington met to formulate the initial government of the Territory. The legislature moved to the Masonic Temple for the following session in 1855 when Olympia was named the permanent Territorial Capital. The building was later known as the Gold Bar Restaurant and fell into disrepair. Razed in 1911, the site was marked in 1912 by the Washington State Historical Society. Wood from the building was used to build two models of the structure which served as the first Capitol Building. One is on display at the State Capitol Museum and the other at the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

**Description of
Physical
Appearance**

The inscription reads. "On this lot stood the building where Gov. Isaac I. Stevens, the first Territorial Governor convened the first Territorial Legislature of Washington February 28th 1854. Marked by the Washington State Historical Society and Friends on the 59th anniversary of Governor Stevens Arrival in Olympia. November 25th 1912.

**Major
Bibliographic
References**

Nicandri, David and Valley, Derek, Olympia Wins: Washington's Capital Controversies, State Capitol Museum, 1980.
 Stevenson, Shanna, Lacey, Olympia and Tumwater: A Pictorial History. Donning 1985.

PHOTOS



View of general

taken 10/16/1985

Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):
 25-25A

Comments:

Historic Property *First Masonic Meeting*
Inventory Report for *100 Block East Olympia Street Olympia, Thurston, 98501*

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: First Masonic Meeting
Common Name: Site Marker (#34-681)
Property Address: 100 Block East Olympia Street Olympia, Thurston, 98501
Comments: OLYMPIA

Field Site No.: 819
OAHP No.:

County	Township/Range/EW	Section	1/4 Sec	1/4 1/4 Sec	Quadrangle
Thurston	<u>T18R02W</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>SW</u>		<u>TUMWATER</u>

UTM Reference

Zone: 10 **Spatial Type:** Point **Acquisition Code:** TopoZone.com
Sequence: 0 **Easting:** 507600 **Northing:** 5210130

Tax No./Parcel No.	Plat/Block/Lot
<u>City Right of Way</u>	<u>Adjacent to Blk 2 Sylvester</u>

Supplemental Map(s) **Acreage**
City of Olympia Planning Department

IDENTIFICATION SECTION

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

Owner's Name:	Owner Address:	City/State/Zip:
<u>City of Olympia</u>	<u>8th & Plum</u>	<u>Olympia, WA 98501</u>

Classification: <u>Object</u>	Resource Status	Comments
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Within a District? <u>No</u>	<u>Survey/Inventory</u>
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Contributing?

National Register Nomination: 0

Local District:

National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name:

DESCRIPTION SECTION

Historic Use: Recreation and Culture - Museum
Current Use: Recreation and Culture - Monument/Marker

Plan: Unknown **No. of Stories:**

Structural System: Unknown

Changes to plan: Unknown

Changes to original cladding: Unknown

Changes to windows: Unknown

Changes to interior: Unknown

Changes to other:

Other (specify):

Cladding

Style

Roof Material

Foundation

Form/Type

Roof Type

Historic Property *First Masonic Meeting*Inventory Report for *100 Block East Olympia Street Olympia, Thurston, 98501***NARRATIVE SECTION**

Study Unit

Other

Date Of Construction: 1852

Architect:

Builder:

Engineer:

Social Movements/Organizations

Property appears to meet criteria for the National Register of Historic Places: NoProperty 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 Masons were an influential group in early Olympia and Washington life. this marker is at the site of the first meeting place of that group in Olympia. the Olympia Lodge No 1., F. & A.M. is the oldest organization in Washington having the distinction of being formed in 1852 and was the first assemblage of Masons north of the Columbia River and west of the Rocky Mountains. An Oregon Territorial group had formed in 1848. A group of Olympia and petitioned the Grand Lodge of Oregon for a dispensation for Olympia Lodge. The seven men are among the most prominent in early Olympia area history--Thornton F. McElroy; M. T. Simmons, leader of the first party to permanently settle on Puget Sound at Tumwater; N. Delin, Smith Hays, and Ira Ward, all early day lumber mill operators; and A. K. Skidmore. Other first members were F. A. Clark and C. H. Hale. The dispensation for their charter was given on November 25, 1852--at this time Olympia was still a part of Oregon Territory. The charter was granted on June 13, 1853 to Olympia Lodge No. 5. (Later changed to Lodge No. 1 when Washington became a Territory.) The first meetings were held in a two-story building on Second Street on the south side, the same block where the first legislature met. This was a temporary site and plans were immediately made to build a permanent hall. This building was financed by T. F. McElroy, M. T. Simmons, Edmund Sylvester (who donated lots from his plat of Olympia for the structure) and C. Etheridge who built the hall. Built in 1853, the Hall was used for many uses including a Legislative Meeting Site and school and was located at the southeast corner of Capitol Way and 8th. This original structure was razed in 1911 and a new one built which was also torn down in the 1960s. The marker reads, "Original meeting place, Olympia Lodge No. 1 F. & A. M. Dec. 11, 1852. Laid by the M. W. Grand Lodge of Washington Dec. 10, A. L. 5927, Robert A Wilson, Grand Master. "

Description of Physical Appearance**Major Bibliographic References**

Blankenship, George E., comp. History of Olympia Lodge No. 1, F. & A.M., Olympia, Washington, 1852-1935. n.p., n.d.

"A Brief History of Olympia Lodge No. 1 F. & A.M., Olympia, Washington, 1852-1952." n.d., n.p.

PHOTOSView of generaltaken 10/16/1985Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):
25-26A

Comments:



Meeting Minutes

Heritage Commission

City Hall
601 4th Avenue E
Olympia, WA 98501

Contact: Michelle Sadlier
360.753.8031

Wednesday, May 31, 2017

6:30 PM

City Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kelly called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1.A ROLL CALL

Commissioner Newmann arrived after the roll call was taken.

Present: 9 - Chair Kat Kelly, Commissioner Holly Davies, Commissioner Dwayne Harkness, Commissioner Tamara Hayes, Commissioner Benjamin Helle, Commissioner Rachel Newmann, Commissioner Suzanna Pratt, Commissioner Sheila Swalling and Commissioner Nicholas Vann

Excused: 2 - Vice Chair Stephen Austin and Commissioner Garner Miller

OTHERS PRESENT

Mayor Cheryl Selby
City of Olympia Historic Preservation Officer Michelle Sadlier
Office Specialists/Minutes Recorder Stacey Rodell

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.A [17-0595](#) Approval of April 26, 2017 Olympia Heritage Commission Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Selby announced the City has opened a Request for Proposals (RFP) from firms to provide research, options and recommendations to enhance Olympia's programs, activities and events in arts, cultures and heritage (ARCH). Ms. Sadlier handed out a hard copy of the RFP to the Commission.

Ms. Sadlier handed out a current Heritage Commission roster.

Ms. Sadlier handed out the Thurston County Historical Journal's most recent publication. The City Council granted some funds towards this publication, which entitles each Commissioner to a copy when published.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

- 6.A [17-0591](#) PUBLIC HEARING & DETERMINATION: Nomination of Historical Downtown Square/Thorp Motors (222 Capitol Way N) for Listing on the Olympia Heritage Register (#17-0319)

Chair Kelly opened the public hearing.

Ms. Sadlier presented an overview of the nomination to place the Historical Downtown Square/Thorpe Motors, located at 222 Capitol Way North, on the Olympia Heritage Register. Ms. Sadlier recommended approval of the property.

The hearing was opened up to public comment. Mr. Graham, applicant and owner of the property, spoke on behalf of his proposal. There being no additional oral public comment, Chair Kelly closed the public hearing and deliberation of the Commission was opened.

Commissioner Davies moved, seconded by Commissioner Vann, to recommend that Thorpe Motors, located at 222 Capitol Way North, be added to the Olympia Heritage Register under the designation Criterion A, for being part of the auto service industry that developed Highway 99 in Downtown Olympia and Criterion B, for embodying the distinctive architectural characteristics of the Art Moderne style (OMC 18.12.080). The motion passed unanimously.

- 6.B [17-0594](#) Draft Plaque Text: Avalon Store Building & Christensen Radio Repair Shop

Ms. Sadlier reviewed two different versions of draft plaque text for the Avalon Store Building and Christensen Radio Repair for the Commission to discuss. After some edits the Commission agreed on the final draft text for each plaque.

The discussion was completed.

7. REPORTS

7.A Downtown Committee

Commissioner Newmann reported City Council approved the Downtown Strategy.

Commissioner Vann reported on the Downtown Strategy Design Guideline Technical Work Group meeting he attended in April. Ms. Sadlier noted that she and Commissioner

Miller are also on the work group.

7.B Heritage Review Committee

Commissioner Davies reported on the past two meetings of the Heritage Review Committee. Both meetings were about a proposed Comprehensive Plan amendment for Maple Park Avenue to change the street classification. The Committee drafted a letter to Council indicating the proposal neither conforms nor conflicts with the U.S. Secretary of the Interior's Standards.

7.C Outreach Committee

Commissioner Helle reported on the events of Historic Preservation Month. Ms. Sadlier showed some photos of the events and reminded the Commission of the scavenger hunt event on June 1, 2017 that starts out in City Hall.

7.D Policy & Ordinance Committee - None

7.E Preservation Award Committee

2017 Preservation Awards will be discussed at the June Olympia Heritage Commission meeting.

7.F Survey & Inventory Committee - None

7.G Staff

Ms. Sadlier announced:

- She submitted a grant application to the Department of Archeology and Historic Preservation for an archeological survey of Priest Point Park. The grant amount applied for is \$20,000. She will also be applying for a Thurston County grant. Both grants would be used to hire a qualified consultant. She attended a conference last week at the Suquamish Reservation regarding cultural resource management protection. This survey would result in a cultural resource management plan for the park.
- She also attended the Revitalize Washington conference. Commission Vann took the attendees on an upstairs/downstairs downtown tour in Ellensburg. Commission Vann provided details of the tour and Ms. Sadlier shared photos.

8. OTHER TOPICS - None

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.