

OREGON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM

Street Address: 409 3RD ST				City: OREGON CITY	
USGS Quad Name: Oregon City		GPS Latitude: 45 21 15 N		Longitude: 122 36 34 W	
Township: 02S	Range: 02E	Section: 31	Block: 36	Lot: 5x	Map #: 22E31AC Tax Lot #: 10800
Date of Construction: c. 1894		Historic Name: Lawler, J.F., House		Historic Use or Function: Domestic - single dwelling	
Grouping or Cluster Name: NA		*Current Name or Use: Domestic - single dwelling		Associated Archaeological Site: Unknown	
Architectural Classification(s): Queen Anne Cottage / Vernacular			Plan Type/Shape: Complex		Number of Stories: 1.0
Foundation Material: Concrete			Structural Framing: Unknown		Moved? No
Roof Type/Material: Jerkinhead / Composition shingle			Window Type/Material: 1/1 wood double-hung		
Exterior Surface Materials Primary: Drop			Secondary: Wood shingle		Decorative:
Exterior Alterations or Additions/Approximate Date: Enclosed rear porch					
Number and Type of Associated Resources: None					
Integrity: Good		Condition: Good		Local Ranking: Designated Historic Site	
				National Register Listed? No	
Potentially Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Individually or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> As a contributing resource in a district					
Not Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Intact but lacks distinction					
<input type="checkbox"/> Altered (choose one): <input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/Potentially eligible individually or in district <input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/Ineligible as it lacks distinction <input type="checkbox"/> Irretrievable loss of integrity					
<input type="checkbox"/> Not 50 years old					
Description of Physical and Landscape Features:					
<p>This house is a modest interpretation of the Queen Anne style, sitting under a front gable roof with a second gable projecting out from the south side. This side of the house features a recessed porch under a low hip roof that also covers a rectangular bay just east of the porch. The hip corner is supported by a turned column at the corner, and a decorative scroll cut balustrade encircles the porch. Other ornamentation includes stickwork and scroll cut woodwork in the gable ends. The gables feature shallow enclosed eaves and wide rake and frieze boards. The house is primarily clad with horizontal drop siding, finished with cornerboards, but the upper portions of the gable ends are clad with hexagonal imbrication above a string course. A second string course exists above the heads of the first floor windows, which are 1/1 double-hung wood sash. A full water table with cap makes the transition from the drop siding to the concrete foundation.</p>					
Statement of Significance:					
<p>In 1904, J.F. Lawler, a farmer, purchased this property and proceeded to construct his residence. Following his death a short time later, Robert E. Lawler, a construction superintendent, and his wife Nellie occupied the house. In 1922, the property was sold to two couples: C.A. and Grace Baxter and Ervin E. and Elda Riley. Although they retained ownership for over 20 years, neither couple appears to have lived on site. In 1943, Lena A. Charman purchased the house and also used it as a rental through the 1960s. Tenants during her tenure include W.M. Speck, a pastor at the Church of Christ, and his wife Rosalee; Harold E. King, a machine operator at Crown Zellerbach, and his wife Dorothy M., and Opal Hartke, a presser at the Oregon City Laundry.</p>					

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