

OREGON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM

Street Address: 609 4TH ST				City: OREGON CITY			
USGS Quad Name: Oregon City			GPS Latitude: 45 21 15 N		Longitude: 122 36 24 W		
Township: 02S	Range: 02E	Section: 31	Block: 61	Lot: 5x, 6x	Map #: 22E31AC	Tax Lot #: 6400	
Date of Construction: c. 1912		Historic Name: Templeton, Henry J., Rental			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): Craftsman		Plan Type/Shape: Rectangle	Number of Stories: 1.5
Foundation Material: Concrete		Structural Framing: Unknown	Moved? No
Roof Type/Material: Gable / Composition shingle		Window Type/Material: 1/1 wood double-hung; aluminum sliders	
Exterior Surface Materials Primary: Asbestos shingle Secondary: Decorative:			
Exterior Alterations or Additions/Approximate Date: Storm windows; metal awning over front gable windows; asbestos siding; aluminum sliders; picture window, c.1920			
Number and Type of Associated Resources: None			

Integrity: Fair	Condition: Fair	Local Ranking: Designated Historic Site	National Register Listed? No
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Potentially Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Individually or <input type="checkbox"/> As a contributing resource in a district Not Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Intact but lacks distinction <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered (choose one): <input checked="" 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	
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Description of Physical and Landscape Features:

This large house sits under a front gable roof, with a full width hip roofed porch on the south façade. The porch hip is supported by a series of large square columns set on a solid balustrade. The main gable features open eaves and knee brackets that penetrate the wide barge boards. The knee brackets appear to have been moved, as there are notches in the barge boards near where the brackets are currently located. The house is clad with asbestos ceramic shingles, with the exception of the inside of the porch balustrade, which is clad with wood shingles. The windows are primarily 1/1 double-hung wood sash with vinyl storm windows attached. The rear porch has been infilled by the addition of aluminum sliding sashes. The windows typically feature plain board trim and slightly projecting sills. A shallow octagonal bay is present under the front porch hip. The house has two chimneys, one centrally located in the north end of the house and one on the east wall near the south end of the house. The concrete foundation for this house has been parged.

Statement of Significance:

By 1912, Henry M. Templeton had already built three rental houses in this block. That same year, he and his wife Charlotte, who lived at 619 - 5th, also purchased Lots 5 and 6. The couple was born in Wales - he in 1857 - as were the eldest of their six children. Mr. Templeton, a finisher in the Oregon City Woolen Mills, is credited with the construction of this residence. The first tenants of the house were Fred and Gertrude Humphreys. Mr. Humphreys, who was born in Oregon in 1878, worked as a bookstore salesman. In 1947, Mrs. Templeton, a widow, deeded the property to Joseph G. and Elsie M. Jenkins. Mr. Jenkins was an engineer at the HP&P Company before becoming a supervisor at the Pub Paper Company. The couple continued to own and occupy this residence until 1975.

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