

OREGON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM

Street Address: 606 JOHN ADAMS ST				City: OREGON CITY	
USGS Quad Name: Oregon City		GPS Latitude: 45 21 20 N		Longitude: 122 36 16 W	
Township: 02S	Range: 02E	Section: 31	Block: 102	Lot: All	Map #: 22E31AD Tax Lot #: 10900
Date of Construction: 1911		Historic Name: Oregon City Public Library		Historic Use or Function: Education - library	
Grouping or Cluster Name: NA		*Current Name or Use: Carnegie Center		Associated Archaeological Site: Unknown	
Architectural Classification(s): Georgian Revival			Plan Type/Shape: Square		Number of Stories: 1.0
Foundation Material: Concrete			Structural Framing: Unknown		Moved? No
Roof Type/Material: Flat / Built-up			Window Type/Material: Wood multi-pane with transoms		
Exterior Surface Materials Primary: Brick			Secondary:		Decorative:
Exterior Alterations or Additions/Approximate Date: Entrance altered, c.1963, restored in 2001					
Number and Type of Associated Resources: Wading pool, c.1929 (1)					
Integrity: Good		Condition: Excellent		Local Ranking: Designated Historic Site	
National Register Listed? No					
Potentially Eligible: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individually or <input 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:					
Once a Carnegie library, this handsome red brick building was restored to its former condition but not its former use. It is now an art gallery and coffee shop with a day care in the basement. The building is basically a one-story Georgian box. Pairs of yellow brick pillars flank the front entrance which is reached by splayed concrete steps. Over the door is a pediment with dentils, a cornice with dentils and a string course of two yellow bricks above the window. There is a belt course of three yellow bricks. The front doors have side lights and a decorative transom with diagonal muntins. A pair of yellow brick pilasters anchors each corner from the belt course to the string course under the cornice. The cornice consists of a two brick corbel, again in yellow. The southside has a ramp for the disabled recess in the concrete.					
Statement of Significance:					
In 1903, the Library Association was located in the Masonic Temple. Together the Library Association and the Oregon City Commercial Club secured a donation from Andrew Carnegie for the construction of the present library building. Members of the Library Committee include J.E. Hedges, E.G. Caufield, Charles Caufield, John W. Loder, William S. U'Ren, Mrs. Mary U'Ren, Mrs. E. Carter and Miss Myrtle Buchanon. Miss Buchanon became the first librarian in 1911. She was succeeded by Miss Steinbaugh and Miss Louisa Holmes. Following construction of the new library, Linn E. Jones was president of the Library Association. The restoration cost \$1.6 million and the building was reopened in November 2001.					

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