

OREGON INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM

County **CLACKAMAS**

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*Street Address: 718-720 MAIN STREET			*City: Oregon City		
USGS Quad Name: Oregon City		UTM or GPS Latitude:		Longitude:	
Township: 2S	Range: 2E	Section: 31	Block/Lot: 24/7	Tax Lot #: 22E31AB05900	
*Date of Construction: c.1912	Historic Name: Star Theater		Historic Use or Function: Movie theater		
Group or Ensemble Name: N/A	*Current Name or Use: Headless Horseman Bar/Barber shop		Associated Archaeological Site: Unknown		

Style(s): Modern commercial (altered)		Plan Type/Shape: Rectangular			
Foundation Material: Concrete		Structural Framing: Brick		Number of Stories: 1	
Roof Type/Material: Flat/rolled		Window Type/Material: Fixed metal display			
Exterior Surface Materials - Primary Stucco		Secondary: Ceramic tile		Decorative:	
Exterior Alterations or Additions/ Approximate Date(s):		Substantially altered both interior and exterior; original recessed entrance with arched opening remodeled, doors altered; windows added; pilasters covered; brick stuccoed			

Integrity: Poor	Preliminary National Register Findings		<input type="checkbox"/> National Register Listed	
Condition: Good	Potentially Eligible:	<input type="checkbox"/> Individually (and/or)	<input type="checkbox"/> As a contributing resource in a district	
Local Ranking:	Not Eligible:	<input type="checkbox"/> In current state	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Irretrievable loss of integrity	<input type="checkbox"/> Not historic

Description of Physical and/or Landscape Features:

This one-story, brick building has been substantially altered. Its recessed entrance, completely remodeled, now has two modern metal and glass doors and fixed metal display windows. The arched entry has been removed and the top of the recess lowered. The parapet wall, with its stepped central section, has been stuccoed and painted with signage for the current business. The corner pilasters have been covered with ceramic tile on the lower portion and stucco (painted) on the upper portions. A small rigid project canopy extended above the storefronts.

Statement of Significance: (use additional sheets if necessary)

The Star Theater building was constructed in c.1912 and opened as a movie theater in 1913. The building was owned by the Phillip Roos family, but the theater, which seated 300, was operated by William A. Long. During its heyday, the theater ran two shows each night with musical accompaniment provided by pianist, and sometimes a drummer, for the silent pictures. Terry Miller, the pianist hired by Long, eventually married one of Long's daughters. Long, who worked at the mills after arriving in Oregon City, got involved in the movie business after hurting his back. In 1920, he built a second theater, the Liberty Theatre, also on Main Street. Due to irretrievable loss of historic integrity, this building is not eligible as a contributing resource in the historic downtown.

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Architect and/or Builder: Unknown		Owner Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed	
Addition or Subdivision Name: Oregon City Original Plat		Owner Name: Tim Steinkamp	
Area(s) of Significance: Commerce; Recreation & Culture		Address: 22150 Willamette Dr.	
Property Category: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/> District		City, State, Zip: West Linn, OR 97068	
		Phone:	

Documentation		
Research Sources: <input type="checkbox"/> Abstract of Title <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sanborn Maps <input type="checkbox"/> Obituary Index <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Directories <input type="checkbox"/> Census Records <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Biographical Encyclopedias <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Newspapers	<input type="checkbox"/> Building Permits <input type="checkbox"/> Tax Records <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SHPO Files <input type="checkbox"/> State Archives <input type="checkbox"/> State Library <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Histories <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Interviews <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historic Photographs	Local Library (specify Oregon City Public Library University Library (specif UO/OSU Historical Society (specify Clackamas Co. Historical Society Other (specify):

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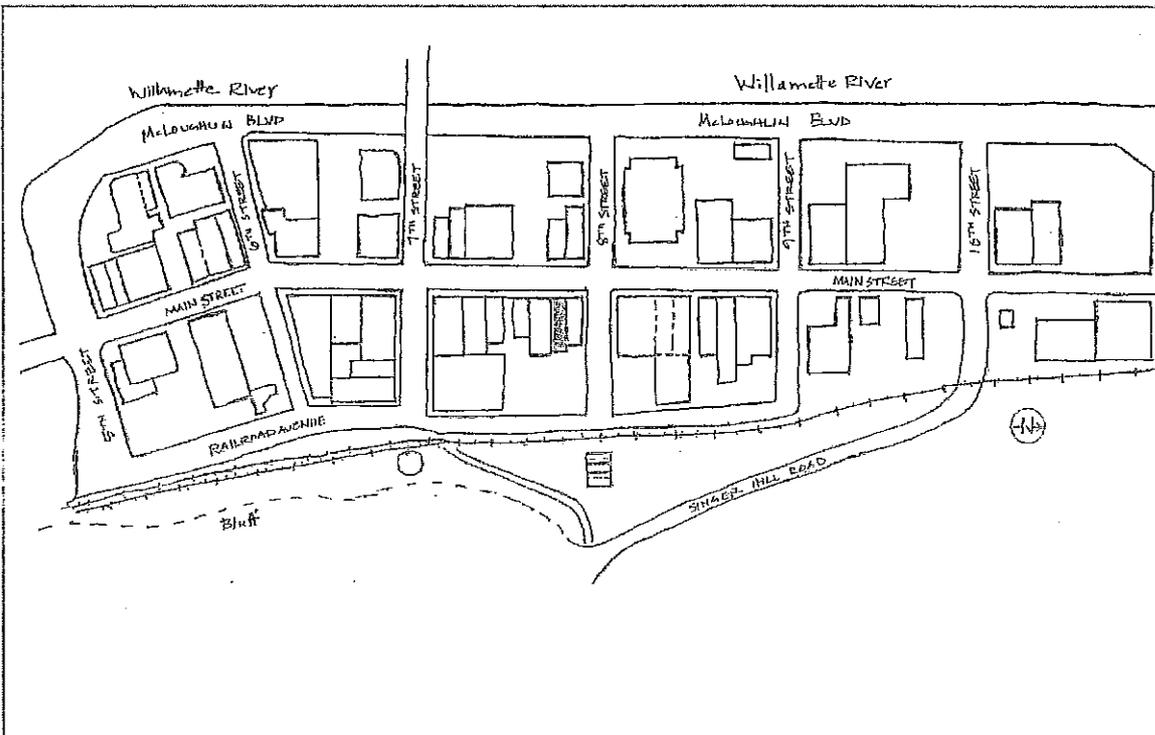
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