

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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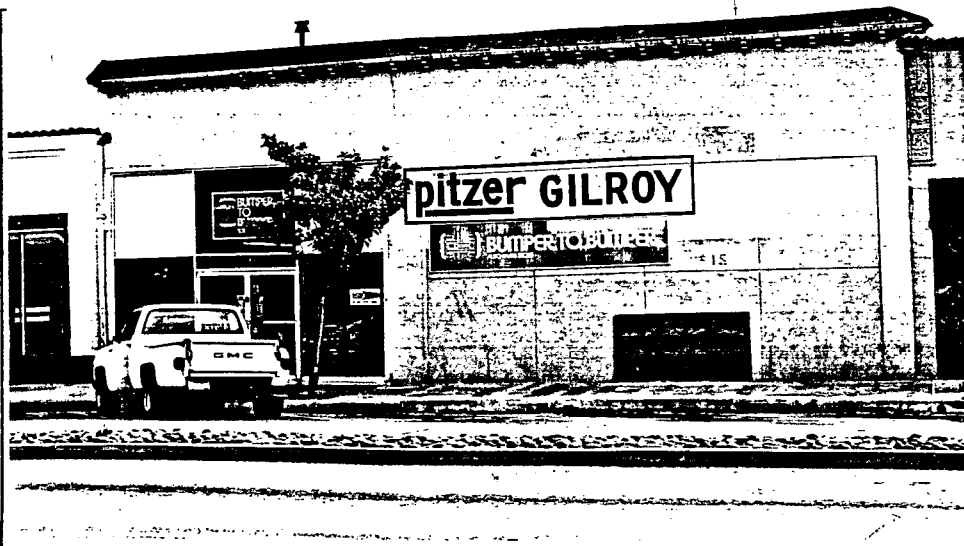
IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: Pitzer Auto Parts
2. Historic name: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Street or rural address: 7380 Monterey Street  
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 84100806
5. Present Owner: George Kishimura Address: 8910 Murray Avenue  
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 Ownership is: Public \_\_\_\_\_ Private X
6. Present Use: Auto Parts Store Original use: Cabinet Shop and Hardware

DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: Stripped
- 7b. Briefly describe the present *physical appearance* of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

The site is a one and a half story concrete commercial building constructed on a rectangular plan and designed in a very stripped commercial architectural style with just the slightest touch of neoclassical revival in the exaggerated eave and row of brackets. The street facade is sheathed in plaster with a large rectangular plate glass and aluminum framed entry. A second area, equally devoid of ornament has been boarded over adjacent to the entry door on the street facade. The roof consists of a very narrow shed form which is characterized by a molded cornice and distinctive carved brackets. A metal pipe chimney punctuates the flat roof. A metal drain is located next to the large plate glass of the entrance.



8. Construction date: Estimated 1925 Factual \_\_\_\_\_
9. Architect Unknown
10. Builder Radtko
11. Approx. property size (in feet)  
 Frontage 50 Depth 193  
 or approx. acreage \_\_\_\_\_
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)  
Mar. 1986

13. Condition: Excellent \_\_\_ Good X Fair \_\_\_ Deteriorated \_\_\_ No longer in existence \_\_\_
14. Alterations: Large Commercial Door
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land \_\_\_ Scattered buildings \_\_\_ Densely built-up X  
Residential \_\_\_ Industrial \_\_\_ Commercial X Other: \_\_\_
16. Threats to site: None known X Private development \_\_\_ Zoning \_\_\_ Vandalism \_\_\_  
Public Works project \_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_
17. Is the structure: On its original site? X Moved? \_\_\_ Unknown? \_\_\_
18. Related features: \_\_\_

**SIGNIFICANCE**

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)

The significance of the building architecturally has been compromised by the insensitive remodeling of the street facade. However, the size, scale and massing do support the general characteristics of the old downtown blocks of Gilroy.

In 1925, this was the Gilroy Hardware Company. By 1931, the facade had been altered to include a large commercial door for it was then the Cruse and Brodersens Buick Garage.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)  
Architecture 1 Arts & Leisure \_\_\_  
Economic/Industrial 2 Exploration/Settlement \_\_\_  
Government \_\_\_ Military \_\_\_  
Religion \_\_\_ Social/Education \_\_\_
21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).  
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