

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Historic name: Charles W. Pedlar House
3. Street or rural address: 7417 Church Street  
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 79900708
5. Present Owner: John Holson Address: 7401 Miller Avenue  
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 Ownership is: Public \_\_\_\_\_ Private X
6. Present Use: Residence Original use: Residence

DESCRIPTION

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

This text book perfect version of the neoclassical style is a one story structure with a hipped roof and a projecting front gable. The front facade is divided between a recessed porch and a projecting three part slant bay window. The porch has a low wall with narrow clapboard sheathing that extends to the ground. Three round columns with low relief corinthian capitals support the gable. The entry door, in the center of the structure, is wood with glass panels. The windows, small square pair on porch in the bay and on the sides have decorative crowns. A wide plane frieze band runs under the broad boxed eaves. The gable end has boxed eaves and a paladian window in the center trimmed to resemble columns with decorative lyre.



8. Construction date: Estimated \_\_\_\_\_ Factual 1893
9. Architect \_\_\_\_\_
10. Builder \_\_\_\_\_
11. Approx. property size (in feet)  
 Frontage 45 Depth 140  
 or approx. acreage \_\_\_\_\_
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)  
Mar. 1986

13. Condition: Excellent \_\_\_\_\_ Good \_\_\_\_\_ Fair \_\_\_\_\_ Deteriorated \_\_\_\_\_ No longer in existence \_\_\_\_\_

14. Alterations: \_\_\_\_\_

15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land \_\_\_\_\_ Scattered buildings \_\_\_\_\_ Densely built-up   
Residential  Industrial \_\_\_\_\_ Commercial \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

16. Threats to site: None known  Private development \_\_\_\_\_ Zoning \_\_\_\_\_ Vandalism \_\_\_\_\_  
Public Works project \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

17. Is the structure: On its original site?  Moved? \_\_\_\_\_ Unknown? \_\_\_\_\_

18. Related features: \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNIFICANCE**

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

The 7400 block of Church contains a number of very interesting architectural styles that portray the growth of Gilroy from 1860 to 1910. During this time, the pattern of settlement was expanding north and west. The 7400 block appears to be where the pre-1900 development pattern ends as the 7500 block incorporates late neoclassical styles after 1910, with some of the 1920's bungalows. The 7300 block is primarily pre-1890 residences. The people who lived in this block represented a cross section of occupations and heritage.

This residence was constructed by Charles W. Pedler in 1893. Mr. Pedler was a carpenter as was his son Willard. The Pedlers lived on this block before 1880 in the house on the southwest corner of Fifth Street.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)  
Architecture 1 Arts & Leisure \_\_\_\_\_  
Economic/Industrial \_\_\_\_\_ Exploration/Settlement \_\_\_\_\_  
Government \_\_\_\_\_ Military \_\_\_\_\_  
Religion \_\_\_\_\_ Social/Education \_\_\_\_\_

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).

A Field Guide to American Houses  
McAlister  
Sanborn Map 1888,1908

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