

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

HABS _____ HAER _____ Loc _____ SHL No. _____ NR Status: 4D
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IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: Lawton's Jewelry
2. Historic name: _____
3. Street or rural address: 7436 Monterey Street
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 84100608
5. Present Owner: George Lawton Address: P.O. Box 726
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 Ownership is: Public _____ Private X
6. Present Use: Jewelry Store Original use: _____

DESCRIPTION

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

The site consists of a narrow, single story, commercial building which is constructed on a rectangular plan, and designed in a stripped commercial style which has been greatly altered by adding pseudo-Spanish detailing from the 1960-70's. The most intriguing feature of the building is the round projecting clock above the red tile entry roof.



8. Construction date:
 Estimated 1912 Factual _____
9. Architect Unknown
10. Builder Unknown
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
 Frontage 20 Depth 193
 or approx. acreage _____
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
Mar. 1986

13. Condition: Excellent ___ Good ^ Fair ___ Deteriorated ___ No longer in existence ___
14. Alterations: extensive facade remodeling
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) X 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.)

Although an insensitive remodeling has transformed the concrete facade and storefront by adding an awning outered in tile and other psuedo Spanish elements, the structure retains a form compatable with the structures in the Gilroy downtown.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)
Architecture 2 Arts & Leisure ___
Economic/Industrial 1 Exploration/Settlement ___
Government ___ Military ___
Religion ___ Social/Education ___

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).
American Architecture Since 1780
Whiffen
Sandorn Map 1888, 1908, 1926

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