

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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

1. Common name: Gilroy Stationers
2. Historic name: _____
3. Street or rural address: 7483 Monterey Street
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 79900749
5. Present Owner: Jack Thomas Address: 7483 Monterey
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 Ownership is: Public _____ Private X
6. Present Use: Stationary Store Original use: commercial

DESCRIPTION

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

This single story reinforced concrete structure is stripped of all character defining elements. A two part facade it is almost evenly divided between a flat stucco mass and a simple storefront of glass raised above a brick vaneer base.



8. Construction date:
 Estimated 1880 Factual _____
9. Architect Unknown
10. Builder Radtke
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
 Frontage 20 Depth 100
 or approx. acreage _____
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
Mar. 1986

13. Condition: Excellent ___ Good ^ Fair ___ Deteriorated ___ No longer in existence ___
14. Alterations: Facade Removal
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.)

One of the historic businesses in downtown Gilroy, a stationery store has occupied this structure for over 120 years. Originally constructed with a simple, but well defined facade, the brutality of this stucco mass almost eliminates this as a contributor to any successful urban plan. Again, it must be realized that this structure in form and size has been and can be again a contributor to the commercial diversity of Monterey Street.

A number of merchants have operated stationery stores in this location. Fred suter, Spong's, and the current Jack Thomas are but a few.

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).

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