IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: Edgar Holloway House

2. Historic name: Edgar Holloway House

3. Street or rural address: 7539 Figleberry Street
   City: Gilroy Zip: 95020 County: Santa Clara

4. Parcel number: 799000624

5. Present Owner: Earl Wilson
   Address: 7519 Figleberry St
   City: Gilroy Zip: 95020 Ownership is: Public Private X

6. Present Use: remodelled for Office Original use: Residence

DESCRIPTION

7a. Architectural style: Queen Anne

7b. Briefly describe the present physical appearance of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition.

This complex, two story house has clapboard siding on the first story and shingle siding on the second. The unique, gambrel gables have enclosed eaves and arched windows surrounded by round columns. The turret on the front of the house has brackets under enclosed eaved and a finial. There is a decorated pediment over the front door, a large open recessed porch which goes around nearly on half of the house and is supported by round columns. Additional features included a small round window to the left of the front door, fancy balusters in the porch railing and leaded glass in some of the windows which face Figleberry Street.

8. Construction date:
   Estimated _____ Factual 903


10. Builder: Unknown

11. Approx. property size (in feet):
    Frontage 75 Depth 150
    or approx. acreage _____

12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s) 1986
13. Condition: Excellent X Good ____ Fair ____ Deteriorated ____ No longer in existence ____

14. Alterations: ________________________________

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

In 1982, the 80 year old Holloway House became one of only two buildings in Gilroy to be placed on the National Register of Historic Places. The house is one of the few remaining examples in Gilroy of the early design work of architect, William H. Weeks. When the home was built in 1903, it represented the height of fashion in Gilroy. Weeks went on to become one of the most influential architects in the central coast of California. The home was built as the home of Edgar and Dora Holloway, both members of prominent local families. In 1906, Holloway designed the sewer system and electric plant for the City of Gilroy. Dora Holloway was a member of the Ellis family, important in dairying and finances. The Holloways lived in the house for ten years, until they both died suddenly in 1913. The house was sold to the Barshigers, another successful Gilroy family who were in furniture and funeral business. While they lived there, the home became a center of social activity in Gilroy. The house was sold again in 1956 to William Hall, a Gilroy businessman who developed the property into apartments. In 1976, the building was bought by an organization which used it as a drug rehabilitation center and shelter for battered women. The house is now co-owned by Sherry Stigge, Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Kelly and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Delander. It is they who have done much of the excellent restoration of this significant building.

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).
   City of Gilroy assessment roll book, 1903.
   National Register Nomination
   Gilroy Museum Files - Holloway

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Locational sketch map (draw and label site and surrounding streets, roads, and prominent landmarks):

[Sketch map with North direction indicated]