

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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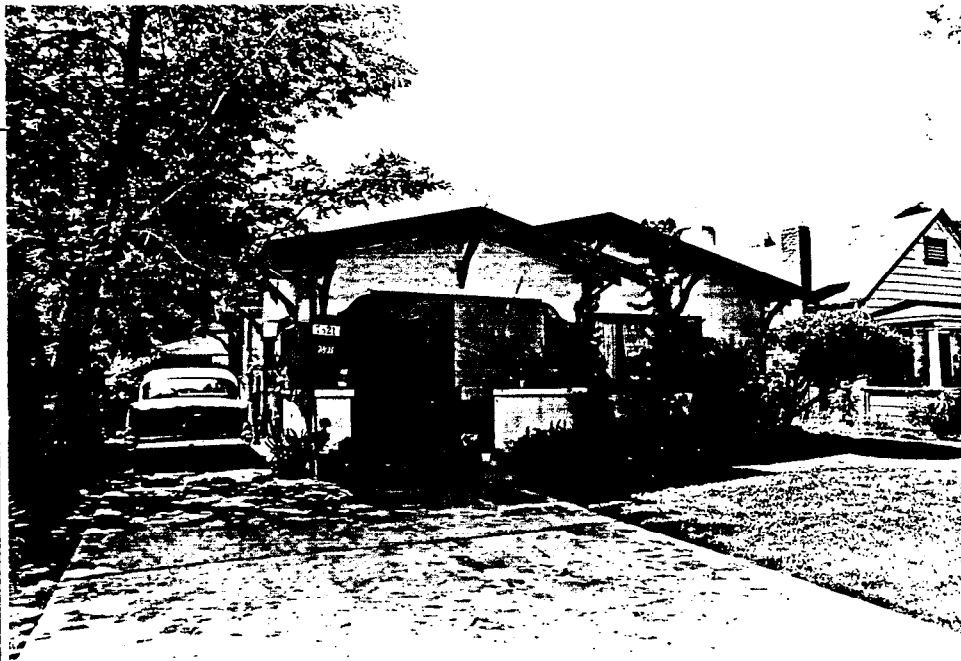
IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: _____
2. Historic name: _____
3. Street or rural address: 7821 Church Street
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 79900148
5. Present Owner: Francisco Acosta Address: 7821 Church Street
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 Ownership is: Public _____ Private X
6. Present Use: Residence Original use: Residence

DESCRIPTION

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

This is a stucco bungalow with double gable roofline, exposed rafters, and notched support brackets. The recessed porch is in the corner of the house and is supported by square pillars. Another feature of the porch is the ornamentation in the curved stucco near the top.



8. Construction date:
 Estimated 1926 Factual _____
9. Architect _____
Unknown
10. Builder _____
Unknown
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
 Frontage 50 Depth 140
 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: _____
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land ___ Scattered buildings ___ Densely built-up X
Residential X 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: Large sycamore trees in area

SIGNIFICANCE

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

The booming years after World War I were centered around agriculture in the valley around Gilroy. Food processing and the various related businesses grew and brought additional population to the area. Many new residents were people who valued the natural feeling of bungalows and enjoyed the comfort of a California style. Gilroy has retained a full range of bungalow styles that are concentrated in the area, bound by First Street on the north, Fifth Street on the south, Monterey Road and Hanna Street. Within the context of this area are found homes of industry employees, merchants, bankers, doctors, and education. A full cross section of community life is still visible in the size, style and complexity of these residences.

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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