

July 23, 2023

(By electronic transmission) Planning Board and Historical Advisory Board City of Alameda 2263 Santa Clara Avenue Alameda, CA 94501

Subject: Draft Revised Objective Design Review Standards (Item 6-A on Planning Board's 7-24-23 agenda).

Dear Boardmembers:

The Alameda Architectural Preservation Society (AAPS) would again like to thank the Planning Board, Historical Advisory Board and staff for supporting many of our previous recommendations regarding the Objective Design Review Standards. And we very much thank staff for incorporating these recommendations into the draft revised standards.

We also thank the Planning Board for requesting final review of the revised standards to ensure that they adequately reflect the Board's input at its June 26 meeting.

However, some of the Board's June 26 direction does not appear accurately reflected within the revised draft standards. There are also some loose ends that we recommend be addressed in the standards.

- 1. Neighborhood context standards--architectural details (Standard 7F.6 of the multifamily standards and Standard 12D.10 of the combined standards). The staff report correctly describes the Planning Board direction, which is also reflected in the combined multifamily/1–2 unit standards, but not in the redlined multifamily standards. The redlined multifamily standards should be corrected to show this change to ensure that the record of revisions is accurately documented.
- 2. 1-2 Unit Standards Raising a Building (Standard 5C in the 1-2 Unit Standards and Standard 10C in the combined standards). It appears to have been the Planning Board's and HAB's intent that these changes follow the provisions in the Guide to Residential Design (which was reflected in the 6-26-23 staff report). See pages from the Guide in Attachment 1.

But there now are the following discrepancies between the draft revised standards with the Guide:

- a. The Guide to Residential Design applies the raised building option only to Victorian and Colonial Revival buildings, but the draft revised standards apply it to **all** buildings. HAB members were very explicit that this option does not work for bungalows and presumably craftsman and period revival buildings.
- b. The Guide to Residential Design states that the new first floor height must match the existing second floor height, but the standards allow the new first floor to have a height as low as 7'6". This will result in awkward proportions and complicate the requirement to relocate existing entry porches to the new first floor.
- c. The Guide to Residential Design makes the raised building option available only in contexts "where other two-story buildings are common". At the June 26 meeting, the Planning Board appropriately described that language as subjective. Staff said more objective language would be developed, perhaps using the Standard's current 5 lot/250' context definition.

But the revised standards now make no reference to context. The Guide to Residential Design defines the context area as "within visual range of the subject site" (similar to the 5 lot/250' definition in the standards). The Guide takes the approach that if the context area is all one story buildings, new second stories should have the second floor stepped back. See pages 5–6 and 50–52 in the Guide. The objective standards could take the same approach and specify that the second floor setback be at least 15', so that the setback standard is "objective".

We recommend that the July 24 draft revised standards be modified to be consistent with the Guide to Residential Design as per the Planning Board's apparent intent. We discussed the above inconsistencies with staff via email and would like to thank staff for reviewing these with us.

We believe staff agrees that the raised building option should apply only to Victorian and Colonial Revival buildings (Item (a) above), but have not yet received a staff response on the first floor vs. second floor issue (Item (b)).

Regarding Item (c), we were advised that staff is hesitant to include objective standards that restrict height, even if for just the front portion of the building, or impact any other types of Development Regulations already addressed in the underlying zoning district. We believe that staff's position on Item (c) is inconsistent with previous staff recommendations. As part of its Housing Element comments last fall, AAPS recommended including a Development Regulations text provision incorporating the Guide to Residential Design requirement for upper floor setbacks along predominantly one story block faces. But staff advised the Planning Board that this provision would be better addressed as part of the objective design review standards! So we were surprised by staff's new position regarding second floors in one story contexts, which essentially rescinds almost 20 years of City of Alameda practice since the Guide to Residential Design was adopted in 2005.

Moreover, an objective design *standard* is treated in the State law provisions mandating objective design standards as substantially equivalent to a traditional zoning standard (e.g. height limits, setbacks, etc.) like those in the Alameda Development Regulations.

If there is concern that all standards governing buildings height be in the Development Regulations, rather than in the objective design review standards, could the Guide's second floor setback provisions be incorporated for now into the objective standards, so that the integrity of the Guide's approach for raised buildings is preserved, and later included in the Development Regulations?

3. Clarify that buildings in the Park Street National Register District Historical Monument include all district contributors— (Option 1, Standard 7C.1 in the multifamily redlined standards and Standard 12A.1 in the combined standards).

Option 1 states:

"if an Alameda Historic Monument or property designated "N" or "S" in the Historical Building Study List is located within the context area, then such building shall serve as the reference building".

But the Park Street Historical Monument is not a "building" but rather a district containing multiple contributing and noncontributing buildings. Staff advised us that contributing buildings, not just "N's" or "S's" within the Historical Monument District would be eligible as reference buildings. **The Option 1 text should be clarified to reflect this or modified to make clear that only N's and S's in the Historical Monument District are eligible as reference buildings.**

Attachment 2 is the National Register nomination form for the Park Street National Register District that lists district contributors. If contributors other than N's or S's within the Historical Monument District will be eligible as reference buildings, the contributors should be checked to determine if they have changed significantly since the form was prepared in 1981 to determine if they are still contributors.

4. Continue horizontal lines from neighboring buildings in cornices, tops and bottoms of windows and other horizontal elements. We presented this recommendation previously with no response from the Planning Board or staff. At the risk of being too repetitive, we are presenting it again because it is already in Section 4.2 of the Webster Street Design Manual (Attachment 3) and because it is important to maintaining architectural cohesiveness within block faces.

Prior to the early 20th century, such horizontal alignments were common practice in most situations with attached buildings and/or buildings with narrow side yards. It is highly evident in the older parts of European cities and older US cities and it is still discernible along older portions of Park Street and many other older parts of Alameda.

Since the Webster Street Manual's language is somewhat subjective, here is an expanded version of the Manual's provision that is more "objective":

On new buildings, continue horizontal lines from adjacent buildings of:

- a. Any cornice/crown molding at the top of the street elevations;
- b. Tops and bottoms of windows, and
- c. Any belt cornice or other horizontal molding at the top of first floors.

Exceptions to this standard are permitted when it is not possible to horizontally align the new building's floor elevations and other horizontal elements of the new building with adjacent buildings. In these cases, the new building shall align the above horizontal elements within 18" of those of adjacent buildings. Alternatively, such horizontal alignment may take the form of a horizontal element on the new building that does not exist on the adjacent building, e.g. a belt course on the new building that aligns with the tops of windows on the adjacent building or a sill course on the new building that aligns with a belt course or other horizontal molding on the adjacent building.

5. Include in the standards a list all of the "N" and "S" buildings within the Park Street and Webster Street Business Districts and in the C-1 zone along with the contributors to the Park Street National Register District, if such contributors are eligible as reference buildings as per item 3 above. The list could be an appendix, preferably with photographs, as part of the upcoming revision of the standards that includes illustrations and graphics. This will facilitate identification of reference buildings by project sponsors and assist staff working with project sponsors in reference building selection.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. Please contact me at (510) 523-0411 or cbuckleyAICP@att.net if you would like to discuss these comments.

Sincerely,

Christopher Buckley, Chair Preservation Action Committee Alameda Architectural Preservation Society

Attachments: 1. Guide to Residential Design provisions for raising a building.

- 2. Park Street National Register District nomination form
- 3. Section 4.2 of the Webster Street Design Manual

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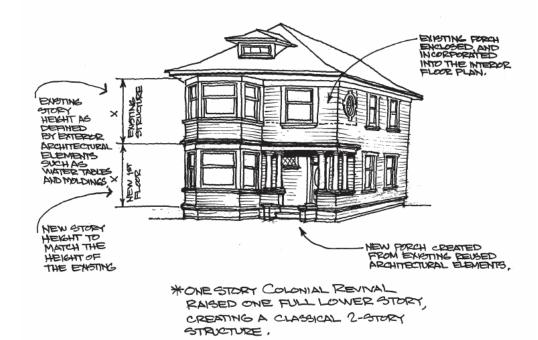
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Options available for adding a second story to a Victorian or Colonial Revival style building include:

- An existing basement can be converted to a new lower level of living space while retaining the outward appearance of a single-story building. Use partial excavation and/or lowest possible ceiling heights to minimize the need for raising the basement level.
- Architectural detailing such as watertables, change in siding material and/or restrained window placement should "ground" the new lower floor to make it appear more as a "foundation" from the street (e.g. place larger windows in rear yard).
- The original stair railing should be retained to the extent possible.
- If the building is in a context where other two-story buildings are common, adding a full second story on top of or below the existing single-story may be



possible, so long as the resulting building echoes the proportions and detailing of other two-story

Victorian and/or Colonial Revival buildings. If the new full story is to be located *below* the existing story, the front entry, porch and steps need to be relocated to the new "first-story" of the raised building. In order to preserve the historic relationship between the street, front steps and porch, the new first floor should be raised above the grade by a minimum of at least two stair steps.

Techniques that should not be used include:

Placing of a new, full second story below the existing single story, without relocating the entry to the new "lower floor." By relocating the existing front porch to the second story, the staircase

needed for the increased change in elevation would be too long and "out of scale" with the building.

Placing of a new full second story on top of or below the existing single story in conjunction with using oversimplified and/or unvaried window and siding details on both stories. The result can often appear as a "blank box" lacking the accent details and proportional balance that was found in historically authentic two-story buildings of the period.



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United States Department of the Interior Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form



See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*Type all entries—complete applicable sections

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Description of the Park Street Historic Commercial District

The proposed Park Street Historic Commercial District includes street frontages along three blocks of Park Street in the main downtown area of Alameda and on portions of Lincoln Avenue, Webb Street, Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda Avenue and Central Avenue, the cross streets. The predominate building form is one or two story, rectangular, brick or frame, with storefronts on the first floor and, if there is a second floor, apartments or other uses at that level.

Of the 72 buildings tabulated, all but nine include at least one storefront in the first floor plan. One of the non-storefront buildings actually conceals a storefront behind a modern wood facade used to provide privacy to the banquet room within.

A remarkably intact cluster of wood and brick Victorian buildings is found on the north side of Santa Clara Avenue between Oak and Park Streets, Buildings #9-#15, Photos 16 to 19. Large institutional buildings constructed of masonry serve as foci within the proposed district. These are the Old Post Office Building, Photo #6-1; The Old Masonic Hall, Photo #4-3; the New Masonic Temple, Photos #4-1 to 4-3, the two theatre buildings, Photos 6-6 and 2-6. The "blocks" or series of storefronts under a second story that carries the design theme - neo-clasical (Photo #5-4), Spanish renaissance (Photo #5-1) or Art Deco (Photo #6-5) - are still visible at three locations along Park Street. Finally, the two banks at the major intersections within the proposed district, though not large buildings, project stability and fiduciary trust in their monumental neo-classical facades.

Groupings of the older buildings (pre 1909 building permit records) occur near the intersections of Park Street with Encinal Avenue and Lincoln Avenue at either end of the proposed district. These were the early commercial nodes near the cross traffic produced by train lines. Of the 72 buildings, 24 buildings were constructed before 1897, 16 between 1897 and 1910, or a total of 40 (55%) before 1910. Twenty-three were built in the teens and twenties, five during the 1930's and only four after 1940.

Descriptions of the individual buildings, keyed to the sketch map, follow:

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Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The proposed Park Street Historic Commercial District has been a place of business and commerce for the past 120 years. Small retail establishments, generally storefronts with living quarters or storage space above, and a few monumental institutional buildings have continuously dominated the streetscape. Although residences have always existed on Park Street, they have always been secondary or accessory to the primary use - the commercial establishments. No residential buildings are to be found in the proposed district and those that did exist, historically, were on the cross-streets, half a block or more away from Park Street. Thus, the almost exclusively commercial character of Park Street sets it apart from the surrounding residential areas of Alameda, an almost intact 19th century suburban community whose populace generally was and is employed in the nearby cities of Oakland and San Francisco. Architecturally, Park Street with its attached commercial buildings built to the sidewalk, differs from the tree-lined single-family residential streets which surround the proposed district. Park Street represents the commercial counterpart to the residential architecture of the Victorian, Period Revivals, and Art Deco eras. Furthermore, as commercial and institutional architecture, the district includes numerous rare masonry buildings which have survived from the 19th century, a time when redwood was available in unlimited supply. Masonry was only used, in pre-1900 Alameda, on less than 1% of all buildings, most of them on Park Street and still standing today.

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1.	1523-5 Park Street	Watson, Robert 1525 Park Street, Alameda, CA 94501
2.	1519 Park Street	Young, Richard 956 Pacheco Ct., El Dorado Hills, CA 95630
3.	1515 Park Street	Gliozzi, James 880 Forest Land, Alamo, CA 94507
4.	1513 Park Street	Damen, Theodore and Arcelia 2865 Santa Clara Ave., Alameda, CA 94501
5.	1511 Park Street	McManus, Frank 1513 Park Street, Alameda CA 94501
6.	1505-7 Park Street	Durein, J. F. 3110 Thompson Avenue, Alameda CA 94501
7.	1501 Park Street 2329 Santa Clara Avenue	Grand Lodge IOOF 2329 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda, CA 94501
8.	2325 Santa Clara Avenue	Grappo, Michael A. 3103 La Cresta, Alameda, CA 94501
9.	2321-3-3A Santa Clara Avenue	Porikos, Costas S. 1502 Eastshore Drive, Alameda, CA 94501
10.	2319 Santa Clara Avenue	Armoore, John and Annie 7701 Potrero Avenue, El Cerrito, CA 94530
11.	2317 Santa Clara Avenue	Museo, Dorothy 2317 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda, CA 94501
12.	2315 Santa Clara Avenue	Chin, Kwock and Kun 2315 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda 94501
13.	2313 Santa Clara Avenue	Kelly, Vincent and Isobel 2313 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda, CA 94501
14.	2309-9A, 11,-11A Santa Clara	Towata, John and Georgianne 2309 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda, CA 9450
15.	2305 Santa Clara Avenue	Towata, John 2305 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda, CA 94501

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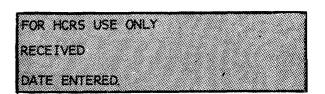
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16a.	2301 Santa Clara Avenue	Chun, Bill and Lily 740 Canterbury Ave. Livermore, CA 94550
16b.	1510 Oak Street	Chun, Bill and Lily 740 Canterbury Ave., Livermore, CA 94550
17.	1514 Oak Street	News Observer, Inc. 1514 Oak Street, Alameda, CA 94501
18.	1516 Oak Street	News Observer, Inc. 1514 Oak Street, Alameda, CA 94501
19.	2316-18-20 Santa Clara Ave.	Stone, Dennis and Ingrid 2320 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda, CA 9450
20.	2322 Santa Clara Avenue	Grappo, Michael 3103 La Cresta, Alameda, CA 94501
21.	2326-28 Santa Clara Avenue 1435-37 Park Street	Yee, Peter and Judy 2328 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda, CA 9450
22.	1429-33 Park Street	Armoore, John and Annie 7701 Potrero Avenue, El Cerrito, CA 94530
23.	1427 Park Street	Guggenheim, George and Leslie 2090 Broadway, San Francisco, CA 94115
24.	1423-25 Park Street	Guggenheim, George 2090 Broadway, San Francisco, CA 94115
25.	1419 Park Street	Howard, Roger and Donna 1412 Park Street, Alameda, CA 94501
26.	1415-17 Park Street	Ehrenpfort, E. and Meyer 2860 Concord Blvd., Concord, CA 94519
27.	1407½-13 Park Street	Mulvaney, Alma and Holt, Marion 2927 Gibbons Drive, Alameda, CA 94501
28a.	1405-07 Park Street	Levy, G. and Rosenberg, P.C. 2237 South Shore Center, Alameda, CA 9450
28ъ.	1403 Park Street	Levy, G. and Rosenberg, P.C. 2237 South Shore Center, Alameda, CA 9450

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30.	2327 Central Avenue	Franck, Roberta and A.J. 608 Grand Street, Alameda, CA 94501
31.	2315-23 Central Avenue	Lockwood, Larry 18937 Brickwell Way, Castro Valley,CA 9454
32.	2314-20 Central Avenue	Lockwood, Larry 18937 Brickwell Way, Castro Valley,CA 9454
33.	1359-63 Park Street .	Lineweaver, John 45 Quail Court #110, Walnut Creek, CA 9459
34.	1351 Park Street	Orr, Betsey and James 1351 Park Street, Alameda, CA 94501
35.	1349 Park Street	Franck, Russell 608 Grand Street, Alameda, CA 94501
36.	1347 Park Street	Franck, Russell 608 Grand Street, Alameda, CA 94501
37.	1343-45 Park Street	Jansen, Eugene and Patrick, Kroger, Kramer Realty 3726 Grand Avenue, Oakland, CA 94610
38.	1335-39 Park Street 2319-25 Alameda Avenue	Lineweaver, John 45 Quail Court #110, Walnut Creek, CA 9459(
39.	2310-10½ Alameda Avenue	Thompson, Joe and Rachael 1516 Oak Street, Alameda, CA 94501
40.	2312-24 Alameda Avenue	New Masonic Hall Association 2312 Alameda Avenue, Alameda, CA 94501
41.	2332 Alameda Avenue 1327-33 Park Street	Lineweaver, John 45 Quail Court #110, Walnut Creek, CA 94596
42.	1325 Park Street	Gregerson, Asta and Burke 1325 Park Street, Alameda, CA 94501

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43.	1317-21 Park Street	Nip, Charles and Patricia 1645 Kirkham St., San Francisco, CA 94122
44.	1313-15 Park Street	Boubalos, C.C. 639 Manila Way, Colvina, CA 94015
45.	1305-11 Park Street	Price, Charles and Brenda 3001 Flora Vista, Alameda CA 94501
46.	1301-03 Park Street	Brown, Dimitra 1301 Park Street, Alameda, CA 94501
47.	1320-28 Park Street	Moran, Marshall 1328 Park Street, Alameda, CA 94501
48.	1330-32 Park Street	Habash, Louis 1332 Park Street, Alameda, CA 94501
49.	1336-46 Park Street	Delaney, Peter and William 1624 Harrison Street, Oakland, CA 94612
50.	1348 Park Street	Delaney, Peter and William 1624 Harrison Street, Oakland, CA 94612
51.	1350-64 Park Street	Delaney, Peter and William 1624 Harrison Street, Oakland, CA 94612
52.	2408 Central Avenue Parking Lot	United California Bank Realty Loan 2408 Central Avenue, Alameda, CA 94501
53.	2416-20 Central Avenue 1359 Park Avenue	C. & L. Properties 2424 Central Avenue, Alameda, CA 94501
54.	2417 Central Avenue	Delucchi, Mario 77 Selbourne Drive, Piedmont, CA 94611
55.	1400 Park Street	Accornero, Adelaide, Paul and Grulio, Jr. P. O. Box 327, Madera, CA 93637
56.	1402-10 Park Street	Accornero, Adelaide and Paul P. O. Box 327, Madera, CA 93637



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58.	1420-24 Park Street	Ho, John and Edna 2329 Buena Vista Avenue, Alameda, CA 94501	
59.	1428 Park Street	Bradford, Bertram and Bosun 1232 Caroline Street, Alameda, CA 94501	
60.	1430-40 Park Street 2402-06 Santa Clara Ave.	Mayo, Dorothy and American Trust 1730 Franklin Street, Oakland, CA 94612	
61.	2408-12 Santa Clara Avenue	Barni, John and Thunder, B. 2410 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda, CA 94501	
62.	2420 Santa Clara Avenue	Alameda Federal Savings 2420 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda, CA 94501	
63.	1500-04 Park Street	Lurie Co. c/o B of A Tax Dept. 3245 P.O.Box 37000, San Francisco, CA 94137	
64.	1506-12 Park Street	Anderson Brothers 16513 Toledo Street, San Leandro, CA 94578	
65.	1514-18 Park Street	Mayo, Dorothy 1730 Franklin Street, Oakland, CA 94612	
66.	2412 Webb Avenue	Durein, V.E. and Theodore 3110 Thompson Avenue, Alameda, CA 94501	
67.	2411 Webb Avenue	Marderosian, Harry and Mary 7676 Barnham Way, Dublin, CA 94561	
68.	1522 Park Street	Rabe, Dieter and Helene 1229 College Avenue Alameda, CA 94501	
69.	1526-28 Park Street	Justin, W.J.Jr.,J.V.,H.W.,J., E.V., G. 1526 Park Street, Alameda, CA 94501	

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70.	1532-40 Park Street	Powell, Robert and Witteman, Carl & Jamie 156 Lombard Lane, Orinda, CA 94653
71.	1542-46 Park Street 2402-06 Lincoln Avenue	Convery, John 1128 Morton Street, Alameda, CA 94501
72.	2408-10 Lincoln Avenue	Selby, Mary E. 1534 Park Street, Alameda, CA 94501

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NC=Non-Contributing Structure

NC(R)=Non-Contributing, but with potential for rehabilitation to earlier appearance

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1523-25 Park Street

Lee Auto Supply

Date: 1926

Builder: William Knowles Owner: Richard Watson

Photos 1-1, 1-2

This one story rectangular brick building is located on the southwest corner of Park Street and Times Way, an alley. The Park Street facade is divided into three bays, each with a large square window topped by a semi-circular transom window divided into six vertical panes. The upper portion of the facade is tan and buff colored brick in a herringbone pattern. Other features include a gargoyle at the outside corner of the building, marble trim below the windows, hexagonal floor tiles on the two recessed entries and cast concrete decorative trim around the windows. (Photo 1-1)

A two-story frame building occupied the site from 1897 or before until replaced by the present building in 1926. In 1897 the building housed a public hall and a billiard parlor.

At the rear of the lot stands a brick warehouse building of unknown construction date. The use of various sizes of brick on this structure detracts from its otherwise simple and straightforward architectural character.

2. 1519 Park Street NC(R) Alameda Auto Supply Date: Prior to 1897

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Owner: Richard Young Photo: 1-2

This two story flat-roofed building of rectangular plan has undergone several major alterations. Its stucco facade, three large second floor windows where two square bays once projected over the street (see 1910 Sanborn Map) and four projecting wooden brackets which probably supported a massive cornice below the roof line are all that remain of its former facade. The recessed story entry dates from a 1949 remodelling and reveals a portion of the floor tiles from an earlier entry. In the rear it is possible to see the original long rectangular windows with segmentally arched brick work on top.

The 1910 Sanborn Maps indicate the building was used for furnished rooms.

1515 Park Street

Pop In Bar

Residential Upstairs

Date: Prior to 1897

Builder/Architect: Unknown

Owner: James Gliozzi

This is a two-story commercial building with rectangular plan and flat roof, sheathed in stucco. Above a recent (1979) ground-floor storefront, are two polygonal bays on the second story, with double-hung wood framed windows and multi-paned transoms. The two bays are joined and covered by a continuous tiled hood. This 19th century building was extensively remodelled in 1920.

1513 Park Street

Bambi's Village

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1513½ Park Street (above)

Residential

Date: Prior to 1897

Builder/Architect: Unknown

Owner: Theodore & Arcelia Damen

Photo: 1-2

This is a two story rectangular brick building with flat roof and a stucco facade with two rectangular windows on the second floor topped by a projecting tiled roof cornice

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supported by decorative brackets. The original bay windows were removed (See early Sanborn). The two ground floor bay window display cases are trimmed with blue and gold tile. The entry to the upper floor apartments features similar blue and gold tile work and a semi-circular arched doorway. A brick warehouse of more recent construction is located in the rear.

1511 Park Street

NC Alameda Sporting Goods

Date: 1933

Builder: Ben Kopf Owner: Frank McManus

Photo: 1-3

This one-story rectangular brick building with flat roof features a wide recessed display window entry framed with black vitrolite laid in large square tile dating from a 1949 remodelling. From the rear and side it is possible to see the original brick facade with its arched brickwork over the windows and brick trim bands at the roof line.

1505-07 Park Street

Optometrist

Ole's Restaurant

Date: 1926

Builder: M. H. Fish Owner: J. F. Durein

Photo: 1-4

The facade of this one-story rectangular flat-roofed brick building is composed of several shades of buff colored brick. Two distinct storefronts display bays with recessed entries are united under a single projecting cornice of the same variegated brick. The rear of the building is red brick.

7. 1501 Park Street

NC(R) Alameda Drug Store

Date: 1926

Builder: Lawton & Vegery

2329 Santa Clara (upstairs)

Grand Lodge IOOF

Oddfellow Building

Owner: Grand Lodge IOOF

Photos: 1-5, 1-6, H-1

Located on the northwest corner of Park Street and Santa Clara, this three story rectangular flat roofed stuccoed building is of Moorish design. All of the original cast concrete trim on the upper portion of the building and around the arched windows has been removed (See photo H-1). The building still features recessed arched windows on the second floor and small pairs of niches just below the roofline. The ground floor is in retail use with offices on the second floor and lodge facilities on the third floor.

The original building on the site was built by I.O.O.F. in 1878. The lodge offices were upstairs and the ground floor housed a dry goods store and later a post office. building featured a tapering tower at the corner and arched windows at the second story.

2325 Santa Clara

Owner: Michael A. Grappo

Parking Lot

Photo: 1-7

NC The parking lot provides an interesting view of the side of building 5, a brick building dating from 1933; the rear of building 6, a brick building dating from 1926; and the side of building 9, a frame building dating from before 1897.

2321-23 Santa Clara

Date: Before 1897

Johnathan's Thea's of Alameda

Owner: Costas S. Porikos

Photo: 1-8

West Coast Dance Theatre (Upstairs)

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This two-story rectangular frame building with flat roof is at the east end of a continuous row of wood frame and brick commercial structures (buildings 9-15) dating from 1902 or earlier. The front elevation has been remodelled at various times. It consists of a stucco upper story and a protruding roof cornice with a triangular parapet above. Of the two store fronts with recessed entries on the ground floor the easterly one appears nearly unaltered. The building was used for furnished rooms during its early history.

10. 2319 Santa Clara Avenue

NC Kahn's Furniture Date: 1902

Architect and Builder: Frank Bauman

Owner: John and Annie Amoore

Photo: 1-8

An insensitive remodelling of the western half of the facade of this two-story rectangular flat-roofed building has resulted in removal of all the decorative elements and the second floor windows from the western half of the building (which is listed under a separate owner and building permit approvals). The eastern half of the facade, at 2317 Santa Clara Avenue, building #11, reveals the mirror image of the original facade design for this building.

2317 Santa Clara Avenue

C Vosburgh's Hardware Date: 1902

Architect & Builder: Frank Bauman

Owner: Dorothy Museo

Photo: 1-8

This two-story rectangular brick building with flat roof and buff-colored brick facade is of Classical Revival design featuring pilasters, plain frieze, dentil coursing, and simple projecting cornice supported by brackets. The ground floor retail space is a large store with three windows spearated by flat pilasters with black and torquoise tile trim below. The floor of the square recessed entry is tiled.

2315 Santa Clara Avenue 12.

NC Frank Hally Building Chin's Restaurant Residence (Upstairs) Date: 1892

Builder/Architect: Unknown Owner: Kwock & Kun Chin Photos: 1-8, 1-9, H-2

The front elevation of this two-story rectangular wood frame flat-roofed building was totally remodelled in the Spanish Colonial style. It features a stucco facade, red clay tile shed roof, and wrought-iron balcony. The original styling can be seen in the adjacent building (building #13) which is the remaining half of the original building which extended over both sites. See also Photo #H-2.

2313 Santa Clara Avenue 13.

Frank Hally Building Autobound, Inc.

> Tax Planning Office Residence (Upstairs)

Date: 1892

Builder/Architect: Unknown Owner: Vincent & Isabel Kelly

Photos: 1-8, 1-9, H-2

This two-story wood-frame building is the remaining unaltered half of a two-story woodframe building dating from 1892. A commercial structure, it is of rectangular plan with flat roof and horizontal wood siding. The ground floor commercial space is divided into two store fronts. The upper residential level features a polygonal bay and a recessed balcony. The roof treatment consists of a plain frieze with brackets under a decorative mansard roof. Before it was altered, the adjacent building (#12) formed the mirror image of this building. (See photo #H-2.)

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14. 2309-2311 Santa Clara Avenue

Koerber Building

Alameda Typewriter
Travel Shoppe

Mac Iver Studio of Photography

Residences (Upstairs)

This two story, rectangular building with three parallel roof gables is an excellent example of a Stick style Victorian wood-frame commercial building. It is virtually in tact on the upper level. The street level consists of three glazed storefronts with black tile below the windows. The upper level has two wide 3-sided bays with long rectangular windows and decorated pediments. Other features of the building include a mansard roof, decorated brackets, panels and stickwork.

15. 2305 Santa Clara Avenue

C Flower Shop

Residence in rear

Date: Est. 1880's

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Builder: McRae Brothers

Photos: 1-9, 1-8, H-2

Owner: John and Georgianne Towata

Owner: John Towata

Photo: 1-9

Date: 1892

A green vitrolite false front is the facade of a one-story rectangular wood-frame store front addition with a gable roof. It is attached to the front of a one-story wood-frame hipped-roof residence which dates from the 1880's. An aluminum canopy projects slightly over the diagonally-recessed storefront display window, supporting the lower case letters of the word "flowers".

The house is rectangular in plan with numerous bays and additions. Both buildings are sheathed in horizontal wood siding. A one-story greenhouse with gable roof was added on the east side of the flower shop in 1954.

16a. 2301 Santa Clara Avenue

Texaco Gas Station

Date: 1938

Builder: P. Spaulding Owner: Knights of Pythias

Photo: 1-9

On the northeast corner of Santa Clara and Oak Street is a rare example of an Art-Deco (pre-fabricated metal) gas station. The station consists of a small rectangular building with an attached metal canopy supported by fluted metal columns. The word Texaco flanked by red stars appears on the canopy cornice. A two-bayed concrete garage is located to the rear. The site was previously occupied by a small store and a residence.

16b. 1510 Oak Street

Knights of Pythias Building

Date: Between 1897 and 1910, Est. 1905-1910

Builder: Unknown

Owner: Knights of Pythias

North of the gas station, facing Oak Street is the Knights of Pythias Building. The two story rectangular frame building with gabled roof, recessed entry and overhanging second story features a stucco facade with engaged end piers. Pilasters frame the entry on the first floor and the two center windows on the second story. A subtly-stepped parapet tops the building. Double-hung windows and doors appear to be original.

At the rear and on the north side of the building the original horizontal wood siding

is visible.

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1514 Oak Street

Alameda Times-Star

Date: 1926

Builder: Peter Wymer

Owner: News Observer. Inc.

Photo: 1-10

This rectangular corrugated metal one-story warehouse with a narrow clerestory is almost concealed by its stucco false front with peaked, crenelated parapet. The false front is two-sided, attached on one side to the adjacent Times Star Building. The existing storefront in the false front portion is not being used.

18. 1516 Oak Street

Times-Star Building

Date: 1946

Architect: Andrew Hass Owner: News Observer Inc

Builder: Parker, Steffens & Pearce

Photo: 1-10

This is a three-story (with penthouse) concrete building with generally rectangular plan and flat roof. Of functional design, the structural system is revealed in the bands of industrial sash casement windows punctuated by the vertical piers of the building's frame. The metal-canopied entry is framed with curved glass-block walls and features a large buff-colored terrazzo star inlaid in the sidewalk.

19. 2316-2320 Santa Clara Avenue

Schroeder Building Stone's Cyclery The Island Club

Don Lee Apartments

Date: 1903

Architect/Builder: Frank Bammer Owner: Dennis & Ingred Stone

Photo: 2-1

The facade of this handsome turn-of-the-century two-story brick building is sheathed in wood and has a metal cornice. The ground floor includes two store fronts and, at the west, a drive-through entry with a brick arch at the rear. Vehicles are able to drive under the second floor of the building to reach parking in the rear. A central recessed entry leads to the second floor apartments. The second floor which appears to be unaltered features two pairs of wide polygonal bays and classical trim.

2322 Santa Clara Avenue

The Emerald City NC

Date: 1951

Builder: Cahill Brothers, Inc.

Owner: Michael Grappo

Photo: 2-1

A pleasant courtyard between buildings #19 and #21, from which the wood siding of the rear of building #21 can be seen, leads to the flat concrete side building wall of building #22. The commercial space in this portion of the building is listed under separate ownership and building permit approvals. The concrete wall is painted with a huge rainbow arch. inviting clients to the children's hair salon within.

2326-2328 Santa Clara Avenue 21.

1435-37 Park Street

Elbe's Pharmacy

Ernie's Tennis & Sports

Silver Tree Doll Maker

China House Restaurant (Upstairs)

Date: Est. 1880's Builder: Unknown

Owner: Peter and Judy Yee

Photos: 2-1, 2-2, H-1

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The two-story rectangular wood-frame building on the southwest corner of Park Street and Santa Clara Avenue has been stuccoed on the street sides but wood siding can be seen in the rear. A simple gable roof caps the building and a parapet with raised central portion extends above the metal cornice. On the Park Street side there are two storefronts with recessed entries decorated with small floor tiles. The entry on Santa Clara features the words "Schroeder Building" spelled out in the floor tiles.

22. 1429-1433 Park Street

NC Woolworth Building

Cottage Health Foods

Bulldog Skates/Rocking Horse (Upstairs)

Wind in the Willows

Gold Market Papa's Pizza Date: 1951

Builder: Cahill Brothers Owner: John & Annie Amoore

Photos: 2-2, H-1

The facade of the modern two-story rectangular concrete building, composed of store fronts and large many-paned windows on the second story, is a straight forward architectural statement. Piers rise the full height of the building defining the storefront and window spaces. Tile and brick trim are used at the ground floor level to set off the recessed and articulated entry area which is shaded by a large awning. Although of modern construction, the building's height, entry form, storefronts, awnings and brick and tile trim are all features which make it compatible with the older buildings in the district.

This building replaced the Woolworth Building, a three story brick building built by Carl Petersen in 1891. The original building with three storefronts offered furnished rooms above. The slanted bays can be seen in photo #H-1.

23. 1427 Park Street.

NC Danish Concepts

Date: 1894

Builder: C. H. Foster & Son

Owner: George and Leslie Guggenheim

Photos: 2-2, H-1

This two-story rectangular brick building with a modern stucco facade presents a deeply recessed entry lined with display windows on Park Street. The building was first used as a bakery with lodgings upstairs. The polygonal bays which have been removed can be seen in Photo #H-1. Severe alterations appear to date from 1960.

24. 1423-25 Park Street

Bangkok Beauty

Olga Adams Dress Shop

Date: Prior to 1897 Builder: Unknown

Owner: George Guggenheim

Photo: 2-2

This one-story rectangular building of brick construction with two glazed storefronts is finished in stucco. Glass brick trim and small tiles on the entry floor distinguish the 1923 Park Street store and probably were part of a 1945 "alteration" project. The 1925 Park Street dress shop was more recently remodelled.

25. 1419 Park Street C Park Street Mall Date: 1938

Builder: A. T. Beckett

Owner: Roger & Donna Howard

Photo: 2-2

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The one-story rectangular building at 1419 Park Street has been recently remodelled as a mall with entry on Park Street. The front facade is stucco with awnings over the three display windows and signage over the entry and windows. A one-story wooden building attached to the rear of the building appears to date from the 1900's when a bowling alley was located at this site.

26. 1415-17 Park Street

C Lorelei Children's Clothing

Boniere Bakery

Date: Prior to 1909 Builder: Unknown

Owner: E. & Meyer Ehrenpfort

Photo: 2-2

All but the altered front of this one-story wood-frame rectangular building with stucco front appears to date from before the turn of the century. The 1417 Park Street portion features a recessed entry with tiles on the floor, glass brick trim above the awnings and a superb sign with moderne letters. The entry to 1415 Park Street store is deeply setback with display windows on three sides.

27. 1407½-13 Park Street

''Boehmer Building'

Card & Quill; Miss Marple's;

Needlenook; Silver Baron

Date: 1870's

Builder:

Owner: Marion Holt & Alma Mulvaney

Photos: 2-3, 2-4, H-1

The outstanding feature of this one-story rectangular brick building is the striking blue terra cotta tile facade. Miss Marple's at 1411 Park retains an old style key hole

shaped entry with small tiles on the floor.

Originally two stories high the Boehm

Originally two stories high, the Boehmer Building offered commercial space at the street level and during the 1880's and 1890's the public library occupied the second floor. With the opening of the Encinal National Bank in 1926, the Alameda Times-Star reported that "the bank is housed in premises so completely remodeled that the structure is almost a new building." Another major alteration took place when the New Rio Theatre opened in 1943. From the rear it is possible to see the original brick walls of the building.

28a. 1405-07 Park Street NC. Lox, Stock & Bagel

Vacant

Date: Prior to 1897
Builder: Unknown

Owner: G. Levy & P. C. Rosenberg

Photos: 2-4, H-3

These two one-story wood frame rectangular buildings share a common stucco facade. Additions have been made in the rear but the original gable roof and wood siding can be seen in the rear of 1407 Park Street and on the south side of 1405 Park Street. Above the storefront at 1407 Park Street is a large corrugated metal panel which obscures the top of the building.

28b. 1403 Park Street

c Tomo's

Date: 1922

Builder: Noble & Mulvaney

Owner: G. Levy & P. C. Rosenberg

Photos: 2-4, 2-3, H-3

This one story brick building with stucco front and two semi-circular windows above the storefront glazing features a Spanish tile roof. In the rear it is possible to see the original brick walls. This building replaced a one-story storefront building which can be seen in Photo #H-3.

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Silver Sword Jewelers

Pampered Pup

Owner: Delores Alexander Photos: 2-4, 2-5, H-3

Builder: Unknown

Located on the northwest corner of Park Street and Central Avenue, this two-story wood frame rectangular building is capped by a hip roof, decorative brackets and a simple cornice. Althought the street sides of the building have been stuccoed, the original upper story windows and detailing remain intact. At the ground level there are two storefronts on Park Street and on Central Avenue the original entry to the second level. The original wide horizontal siding can also be seen at the rear of the building.

2327 Central Avenue NC(R)Alameda Delicatessen

Building: G. H. Noble Owner: Delores Alexander

Photo: 2-5

This one-story wood frame rectangular building housed the old Alameda Daily Argus for a few years. The original tongue and grove siding can be seen at the rear. A corrugated metal facade has been placed above the awning. The painted brick trim below the storefront window extends around the corner building (No. 29) to Park Street.

2315-2323 Central Avenue "The Alameda Theatre" Yankee Doodle Roller Rink Juana's Beauty Salon Chez Daniel

Optometrist Picture Parade Date: 1931

Architect: Timothy Pflueger Builder: Mittry Brothers

Owner: Larry Lockwood (2315-2317

Robert & A. J. Franck (2319-23)

Photos: 2-5, 2-6

The Alameda Theatre designed by the well known Bay Area architect Timothy Pflueger, This massive Art Moderne building has a

molded curvilinear facade with concrete grillwork, vertical ribbing and elaborate bas relief panels of floral design. A large green marque projects over the sidewalk and a multi-colored terrazzo sidewalk of geometric design accents the entry. Projecting from the front of the building above the marque is a vertical elongated sign bearing the word "Alameda". In 1979, the theatre was converted to a roller rink but many of the original interior features have been preserved. These include the Grand Lobby with its bas relief decorated walls, a staircase to the mezzanine with metal art deco railings, cast plaster, columnar decorations in the auditorium area and metal light fixtures of floral design. On either side of the entry there are one-store storefronts with awnings.

2314-20 Central Avenue Phyl's Classics Alameda Beauty College
Kay's Hairstyling and Wigs Vlado's Restaurant

Date: 1910 (est.) Architect: Unknown Architect: Unknown
Builder: Unknown Owner: Larry Lockwood

Photo: 3-1

Rectangular in plan, this one-story red brick building presents a facade of yellow brick with green stucco infill on Central Avenue. Piers divide the storefronts which are glazed and two are shaded by awnings. In one case, the awning covers the transoms as well.

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The parapet is distinctive - the ends developed as red-tiled shed roofs atop the end piers and the large green stucco infill midsection is curved at the top.

Attached at the east side of the building is a small art deco tile-front one-story brick addition, currently a restaurant, with zig-zag stepped clerestory stain glass window dominating its facade on Central Avenue

33. 135/ Park OCT.
NC(R)Home Savings Bank

Home Zone Furniture Store

Date: 1898

Architect: Percy and Hamilton

Builder: Unknown

Owner: John Lineweaver

Photos: 3-1, H-4

The site of this modernized stuccoed two-story bank building, constructed of brick in the Spanish tradition, was first occupied by the Old Methodist Episcopal Church built in 1871. The church was moved to another site to make room for the brick bank building and was later demolished.

The "Spanish-finish" bank building originally intended as offices over storefronts, was designed by the same architects who designed Alameda's City Hall - Percy and Hamilton. Of the arched inset wood bays, decorative red tile overhang, and dentilled cornice, only the basic form and door and window openings remain. Of the four original storefronts, one remains-the existing furniture store which retains the tiled recessed entry and dark woodframed store windows.

34. 1351 Park Street

"T. Cannon" Building C Pizza Galore (closed)

Amazing 3-Ring Circus Pizza

(application under consideration)

Date: 1929

Architect: Unknown

Builder: Industrial Construction

Owner: B & J Orr

Photos: 3-2, 3-3, H-4, H-5

This one-story rectangular red brick building with stepped parapet and a deeply recessed entry is framed by articulated storefront windows and two doorways on either side of a storefront midsection. It occupies the site of a wood-frame one-story storefront building with decorated parapet in earlier times. (See Photos #H-4 & H-5)The name T. Cannon actually referred to the earlier building but became attached to the present one as well. Terracotta trim appears as banding on the facade and along the parapet. Small molded tiles with some geometrically cut-out accent tiles form a base below the store windows. The entry floor is finished in small patterned variegated brick tiles with a border design.

35. 1349 Park Street

Alameda TV Shop

Date: 1929

Architect: Unknown Builder: A. C. Strehlow Owner: Russell Franck heirs Photos: 3-2, 3-3, H-4, H-5

This 2-story rectangular Mediterranean style commercial building with ground floor store space replaced a false front Italianate frame house at this location (see Photos #H-4 and H-5). While its residential appearance, heavy red tile roof, hooded chimney, and dark framed windows contract sharply with the more traditionally commercial modern and Victorian stores nearby, it is a delightful 1920's period piece on Park Street.

The store front entry is recessed and finished in colorful floral-pattern tile.

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36. 1347 Park Street

Alameda Camera Shop

Date: 1900

Architect: Unknown Builder: Schuerman

Owner: Russell Frauck heirs Photos: 3-2, 3-3, 3-4, H-4, H-5

The 1897 Sanborn map shows a building attached to the false front Italianate building which occupied the adjacent site to the south. However, Photo #4, taken in 1899 shows a void in this space. Photo H-5 shows the present 2-story brick rectangular building soon after it was built appearing as it does today with one bay window and a single double hung window at the second story level. The dentilated cornice and stretcher courses are still visible although the entire pressed birck front was given a coat of white paint

The storefront has been modernized and the awning replaced with a new striped one. An early occupant of the store was "the Bakery".

37. 1343 Park Street

C Healthways Nutrition Center Dorothy's Dress Shop Date: Pre-1909 Architect: Unknown

Builder: L. Koenigshafer

Owner: Eugene & Patrick Jansen, Kroeger-Kramer Realty

Photos: 3-2, 3-3, 3-4, H-4, H-5

The unusual facade on this two-story brick building of rectangular plan is composed of subtly patterned polychrome brickwork bordered with bands of pink terra cotta. It features a modified stepped parapet decorated at the top with finials and medallions, also of terra cotta. A band of transoms with vertical and curved muntins appears above the three storefronts, two of which have been joined to create a large store. The remaining storefront features a recessed entry finished with tiles including a row of colorful jewel-like 1" x 1" tiles in the base below the store windows.

Historically, a frame building with three identical stores, shown in Photos #H-4 and H-5 occupied the site.

38. 1339 Park Street

C ''Burns Building''
Transamerica Fin

Transamerica Financial Services

City Delicatessen Beauty Boutique Alameda Burrito Barber Shop

Apartments (above)

Date: 1908

Architect: Unknown Builder: Conrad Roth Owner: John Lineweaver

Photos: 3-4, H-5

The two-story rectangular flat-roofed, reinforced concrete building at this site replaced two stores that occupied the site at the turn of the century. This is one example where the newer building improved the site. (See Photo #H-5 for earlier false fronts.) A 1965 rehabilitation also preserved and enhanced the building's fine features.

The first story, occupied by stores, has been altered repeatedly. The second story fenestration is varied, framed by fixed sidelights and inset decorative panels resembling shutters. Fine vertical bands rise from the decorated string course to an intricately faceted parapet. Dark colors have been tastefully applied to highlight the decorations.

At the rear of the building a barber shop and carryout food shop occupy storefronts facing Alameda Avenue on a portion of the site occupied by four stores and two dwellings

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at the turn of the century.

39. 2310 Alameda Avenue C 2310½ Alameda Avenue ''New to You'', Antique Shop

"Nova Nails", Custom Nail Shop

Date: 1875 (est.), 1926 (addition)

Architect: Unknown Builder: J. Maristany

Owner: Joe and Rachel Thompson

Photos: 4-1, 4-2

These two one-story storefronts, identified in Photos #4-1 and 4-2 are a 1927 addition to the front of a one-story Italianate residence dating from approximately 1875. A twin Italianate residence (not included in the Park Street Historic Commercial District) without storefronts stands immediately adjacent to the west at 2306 Alameda Avenue. Both houses were probably built as speculative rental housing by a developer of the Hibbard-Minturn Tract.

The street elevations of the two storefronts are identical - a plane of glass divided by apparently salvaged stickwork into symmetrical bays and stained glass transoms. The storefront addition is wood-framed, sheathed in horizontal wood siding narrower than that used on the residence. The flat roof is concealed by a mansard front over the two stores.

40. 2312-2324 Alameda Avenue

C New Masonic Temple (Lodge)
Wilcox Carpet Studio

Date: 1927

Architect: Edwin Symmes

Builder: Jack Irvine Construction Co. Owner: New Masonic Hall Association

Photos: 4-1, 4-2, 4-3

The New Lodge was built to replace the original Masonic Temple immediately abutting which still stands at the corner of Park Street and Alameda Avenue. Together the two buildings have been designated an Alameda Historical Monument (1979) and are the subject of an application for National Register Status.

The New Lodge is of steel frame construction concealed by finely-cut ashlar masonry. Built in 1927, the New Lodge borrows from the Spanish Renaissance style. Six uniform spaces for storefronts and entries define the ground floor facade. Slender lathed wood pilasters, resembling Victorian stickwork, each resting on a marble pilinth, separate the six spaces with colorful glass tile forming a base between the marble pilinths under the store windows. The pilasters are capped by wood finials which rise above a cornice positioned between the first and second floors. Above each of the six ground floor divisions, and below the cornice, is a transom composed of six fixed lights forming a broad, continuous band across the building face (the mezzanine level).

The flat wall surface from the cornice at the second floor level to the roof cornice is eased by regular fenestration occurring at the second floor. All window sashes are rectilinear with varied exterior window treatment consisting of highly ornate window surrounds projecting from the face of the building on two of the windows. A red tile hip roof, characteristic of the Spanish Renaissance revival tops the building.

41. 1327-33 Park Street

C Old Masonic Temple
Great Stuff Stationery/Gift Shop
Small Change Children's Ware
Super Cuts Hairstyling Salon

Date: 1891

Architect: Charles Mau

Builder: Unknown

Owner: John Lineweaver Photos: 4-2, 4-3, 4-4

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The Old Masonic Temple is a designated Alameda Historical Monument (1979) and the subject of National Register application (National Register of Historic Places, 1981.) The massive rectangular three story monochromatic brick structure stands at the corner of Park Street and Alameda Avenue. Its fortress-like appearance is emphasized by piers which rise from granite pilinths to rounded caps above the roof line. At the ground level, three storefronts are defined by the piers on the Park Street facade. Of the seven bays created by piers on the Alameda Avenue elevation, the three furthest from the corner are marked with entries - the furthest a semi-circular rough-chiseled stone arch which is the main entry to the Masonic Temple.

Above the ground floor, the Park Street elevation is further defined by flat pilasters rising to form a square tower characteristic of the Victorian era and by a gable end bisected by a cylindrical shaft capped with an ornamental pinnacle.

Monumental windows at the second story level are recessed and vertically elongated with segmental brick arches. Windows at the first and third levels are small and functional in appearance.

Projecting belt courses mark the floor levels on both elevations. Elaborate engraved stone marks the intersections of piers and pilasters with the belt course at the second floor level. This belt course is further embellished with stone bracklets characteristic of Victorian architecture which support the cornice and mansard roof.

42. 1325 Park Street
C Danish Interiors

Date: 1891

Architect: Joseph Leonard

Builder: Unknown

Owners: Asta and Burke Gregerson

Photos: 4-3, 4-4, H-5

This rectangular one-story brick building, originally an office building, featured a second story for furnished rooms with a gable end between two piers, the south one shared with the adjacent Old Masonic Temple. See Photo H-5. The carved stone motifs at the intersection of the piers with the belt course match those on the Masonic Temple. At the rear of the building remnants of the second story walls are visible and the roofline as it attached to the Old Masonic Temple is delineated. A sealed door at the second story of the Old Masonic Temple reveals a former connection between the two buildings.

The building, topped by a stepped pattern parapet with a diamond filigree band, conceals the flat roof. Large storefront windows are framed in wood and shaded by awnings; a woodpanelled area above the windows is used for signs. Tiles forming a base below the store

windows have been painted but remain intact.

43. 1317-1321 Park Street

NC(R) J. Hilco Tax and Real Estate Service

Happy Garden Restaurant

Danish Interiors (annex)

Date: Pre-1897

Architect/Builder: Unknown Owner: Charles & Patricia Nip

Photos: 4-4, H-5, H-6

Originally three identical storefronts with offices and furnished rooms on the second floor, this handsome bracketed Italianate wood-frame rectangular commercial building featured three second-story 3-sided diagonal bays projecting over Park Street. The bays were made up of double hung windows each topped by a carved triangular pediment.

Alterations over the years have produced a flat stucco front of which only the vertically

elongated wood framed (but aluminium sashed) second-story windows retain the original

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Italianate flavor. The original building form is apparent from the rear although shingles have been used to cover the siding and many of the windows. Brick chimneys at the rear are intact:

The alterations to the three storefronts have produced individualized storefronts with two stores retaining an early tile base below the store windows; the restaurant front is finished in black carrera glass.

44. 1313, 1315 Park Street NC(R) The Driftwood - Bar and Restaurant Date: Pre-1897; 1952 remodeling

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Owner: C. C. Boubalos Photos: 4-4, H-5, H-6

Two wood-frame rectangular buildings originally occupied this site: a one-story store front with a bake house and oven and numerous accessory structures in the rear, and a twostory false-front Italianate building with saloon with elaborate cornice and windows on the ground floor and furnished rooms upstairs. The store was demolished in 1950 and a onestory restaurant built connecting to the bar in the 2-story building. Alterations (also 1952) to the front of the building include new false front and wood siding, new windows at the second floor; a rectangular box awning across both building fronts produces a modern look. The original roof line is visible from the south side but the siding has been shingled and stepped to partially conceal it.

At the rear carved Italianate doors and 8-light windows are intact.

1305-1311 Park Street 45. Dunford's Beauty Salon Family Shoe Repair Bob's #1 Hamburgers

Mr. Rex K-9 Grooming

Date: Pre-1897

Architect/Builder: Unknown Owner: Charles & Brenda Price

Photos: 4-4, H-5, H-6

Historically, a one-story wood frame building with four identical storefronts, this structure has undergone at least two face-lifts: one in 1936 and one in 1951. No record of the building's original appearance has been found although the building is discernible on Photos #H-5 and H-6 taken in the early 1900's. The store furthest south (1311 Park Street) was enlarged with a brick addition featuring a stepped parapet in the rear, possibly as early as 1913 when some major work was undertaken.

The present stucco Art Deco facade features two recessed panels above the four storefronts, probably intended for signs, and fan-shaped embellishments at the tops of the

slender piers defining the stores.

Of the four storefronts, three feature angled entries and black 2½" x 5" tiles in a base below the store windows. The store at 1311 Park Street appears to have been completely redesigned with a square recessed entry finished in maroon 4" x 4" tiles.

1301-03 Park Street 46.

The Buckhorn Lounge Best Roofing Residence above

Date: c. 1880

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Owner: Dimitra Brown Photos: 4-4, H-5, H-6

A large 2-story frame Italianate commercial building, rectangular in plan, with bracketed cornice concealing the roof marks the northwest corner site at the intersection of Park Street and Encinal Avenue along which the railroad formerly travelled. The elaborate Park Hotel prominently identified the opposite (southeast) corner in early days.

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Of the two storefronts on the first floor of the building the corner was historically occupied by a drug store (both 1897 and 1910 Sanborn maps). Early photos reveal a covered walkway on the Park Street front; later, awnings replaced the covered walk.

Numerous alterations, including a major renovation and stucco application in 1970 have not destroyed the building's handsome bearing. The decorative embellishment above the cornice has been removed and the overhanging window frames are gone. Four-light windows on the Park Street front have been replaced by parallel pairs of narrow windows.

47. 1320-28 Park Street

C ''Derby Building''
Piggy Malones Gift Shop
Patricià's Beauty Salon

Juanita's Mexican Restaurant

Vacant

Date: 1924

Architect: Unknown Builder: Conrad Roth Owner: Marshall Moran

Photo: 5-1

The Derby Building is a 2-story rectangular flat roofed concrete building with fanciful parapet and applied cast-concrete decoration over four storefronts. A continuous string of molded colored tiles frames the first floor at either end and appears as a stringer course at the second floor level. The storefronts have been individually altered with only one retaining the hexagonal black and white floor-tile in a recessed entry.

The second floor is punctuated with 15 identical double-hung windows and is embellished with sculptured emblems in triangular wreaths and pilasters framing the three central windows. Four medallions occur at the top of the curvilinear parapet which follows the outline of the

decoration and culminated in a stepped parapet with urn finial.

48. 1330-32 Park Street

Lol la pa loo za Hair Salon

NC(R) Hotpoint Sales

L & H International Development

Winerack Restaurant

Grand Gourmet

Date: Between 1897 and 1909

(1332 Park Street portion)

1924 (1330 Park Street portion)

Architect: Unknown

Builders: (1332 Park Street portion) Unknown

(1330 Park Street portion) M.H. Fish

Owner: Louis Habash Photos: 5-1, 5-2, 5-3

The original structures that were combined in the present structure are completely obscured by a massive alteration and remodelling undertaken in 1972 and 1973. Along the Park Street frontage, the entry with its curved transom window is practically all that remains of the original art nouveau styling. At the second floor level four windows are framed by planter boxes and umbrella-like awnings creating a somewhat festive appearance.

The north face of the building, the ivy-clad concrete building wall, although flat, is broken by recessed windows at the second level and entries to attractive restaurants at the ground level. A pedestrian pathway, Redwood Square, passes along this (north)

side of the building.

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49. 1336-46 Park Street

"Delanoy Block"

Pro-Cuts

Apartments above

Architect: Unknown Builder: J. H. Pickerell Frank's Foam Wooster One-Day Optical Owner: Peter and Wm. Delanoy Pillow Park Waterbeds Photo: 5-4

Three attached brick buildings occupy the Delanoy Block and share the continuous neoclassical frontage on Park Street. Historically, 1336-38 Park Street was a series of stores and offices; 1340 Park Street was the long lobby-entry to the mid-block Park Theatre, whereas 1342-46 Park Street has been continuously used for storefronts. The interiors have been merged and redivided within the present building's shell. At the ground level the storefronts have undergone remodellings to reflect the changes in the interior planning of the building.

On the second story, rectangular and arched double-hung windows are simply framed and set off by pilasters at the end and center bays. A projecting metal cornice with modillions and dentil coursing is topped by a simple parapet wall.

50. 1348 Park Street

Beneficial Finance Corporation NC

Date: Pre-1897

Architect/Builder: Unknown Owner: Peter & Wm. Delanoy

Photo: 5-4

Date: 1902

This single storefront rectangular 2-story brick building with plaster face is sandwiched between the extensive fronts of the Delanoy Block and the Farnham Block. An old drawing shows that an awning shaded the storefront and an off-center bay window with an elaborate crown graced the second floor. Another unadorned window was located at the second floor level.

The present building front, probably part of a major undertaking in 1955, is unimpressive in its lack of decoration and could be described as purely utilitarian. Fortunately, the horizontal elements are perfectly aligned with the two blocks of buildings on either side so that, at least in scale, the building is compatible to the surroundings.

51. 1350-64 Park Street

"Farnham Block:

First Interstate Bank Merribee's Needlework Appliance Rentals

Vacant

Apartments above

Date: 1889

Major Remodelling: 1938 Architect: Joseph Leonard

Builder: Unknown

Owner: Peter and William Delanoy

Photos: 5-4, 5-5, 5-6, H-7

This streamlined stucco-sheathed wood-framed rectangular building with rounded corner underwent a major face-lift which changed an elaborate Queen Anne commercial building, known as the Farnham Block, complete with rounded corner tower, 3-sided bays and stickwork, to a moderne concrete surface building. The present building appears exactly as it did in 1938 when the remodelling was first done. Numerous groved horizontal bands form lines which run the entire length of the building at the second story and a recessed parapet surmounts the entire building. The ground floor storefronts feature tile siding and floors.

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52. 2408 Central

NC Parking Lot

Fire damage to a 1919 one-story building hastened its demolition in 1966. This lot is used by the bank at the southeast corner of Park and Central Avenue.

53. 2416-20 Central Avenue

C 1359 Park Avenue

Central storefront offices Sunny Side Apartments Nick Perusina Auto Service Date: 1915

Architects: Unknown

Builder: Fleeter & Windlund Owner: G & L Properties

Apartments above

A two-story rectangular brick commercial building built in 1915 and stuccoed over in the 1930's continues the tradition of shops and apartments at the southwest corner of Central and Park Avenues. The Linderman Opera Hall and two stores occupied separate buildings on the site by 1897 and by 1910 several flats had replaced the corner storefront.

The present building features storefronts along Central Avenue and a residence at the ground level on the Park Avenue side. The second floor, dominated by boxed square bays and polygonal corner bays, is used for apartments. A simple projecting cornice, plain frieze and dentils in dark wood highlight the building roofline which is hidden by a continuous parapet. Dark wood window trim lugsills, sashing, and belt course at the second floor level complement the storefronts, also finished in dark wood.

A separate garage structure, 1359 Park Avenue, is attached to the main building by an arched gate and continuous wall surface and is used for an auto repair service.

54. 2417 Central Avenue

"Old Alameda Federal Post Office"

Building 5 and 5 a

Alameda Municipal Court

Date: 1912

Architect: Wm. A. Newman

Builder: Engineering & Construction Co.

Helena, Montana

Owner: Mrs. Mario DeLucchi

Photos: 6-1, 6-2

California granite covers the exterior of the rectangular Old Post Office Building and the Spanish style roof is of red California tiles. Construction is of brick and concrete block with marble columns and floors in the interior. In 1932 an addition doubling the building's original size was built, perfectly matching the original construction.

The renaissance revival building was completely restored in 1977-78 and is a designated Alameda Historical

Monument, 1978.

A broad stairway on Central Avenue leads to three sets of pedimented bronze doors framed by doric columns supporting round arches creating an impressive entry. The building sides, east and west, are similarly arcaded with ionic pilasters separating the six arched windows.

The soffit on the underside of the projecting eaves is ornamented in terra cotta coffering and the cornice includes dentil molding and egg and dart obolo.

55. 1400 Park Street

Wells Fargo Bank

Date: 1888, 1902

Architect: Bert Remmel (1902) Builder: C. H. Foster (1902)

Owner: Adalaide Accornero, Paul & Guilio

Photos: 6-1, 6-2, 6-3, H-8

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The Bank of Alameda, established in 1878, occupied the northeast corner of Park Street and Central Avenue until 1888 when the more "commodious" structure was erected and the bank became a national bank. In 1902 a second story was added to the building and a 30-foot extension on Central Avenue was built (See Photo H-8). In 1906 the site was expanded swallowing up a small wooden real estate office. A separate building, #56, was erected here.

An extensive remodelling in 1975 removed or plastered over much of the neo-classical detailing including a balustraded parapet along both street frontages at the roofline.

On the present building, 2 stories and of rectangular plan, the original fenestration can be discerned on both floor levels. The ground floor windows appear to date back to the 1888 building. Although altered, the building is still clearly recognizable and the historical appearance could be restored with relative ease.

1402-10 Park Street

Alameda School of Dance

Watch Hospital

Island City Sports Alameda Hobbycraft

Architect: Henry H. Meyers

Builder: Unknown

Owners: A & P Accornero Photos: 6-2, 6-3, H-8

The Women's Exchange occupied the site between the Alameda Bank and the Artesian Water Works Building from 1893 until it was moved to Webb Avenue the following year. The Bank bought the property in 1906 to accommodate its planned expansion of the Bank facilities.

This building retains its original classical revival character. It is a yellow brick building with paired ionic pilastering with stone entablature separating large round arched windows at the second story. A stone frieze, cornice and banded parapet cap the building. The storefronts have been altered with only one retaining the seemingly original black tile entry inset.

57. 1412-16 Park Street

Travel Service NC

Johnson's Red Wing Shoe Store

Great Western Savings

Date: 1956

Architect: Unknown

Builder: George Peterson & Son

Owner: Gallagher & Lindsay

Photo: 6-3

At the site of the "pride of town", the grand Artesian Water Company, built in 1880 and demolished in 1955, the present one-story beige brick and buff tile building with plate glass storefronts and metal grille and stepped flat roof contrasts sharply in grandeur and scale with its predecessor.

At the extreme south of the building front a white column 24 inches in width is attached, as a totem pole-like pilaster, to the adjacent building. This is a remnant of the Artesian Water Building and is clearly visible on photo #6-3.

58. 1420-24 Park Street

C Park Place

Western Market

Date: 1934

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Owner: John & Edna Ho

Photos: 6-3, 6-4

This pressed buff brick rectangular flat roofed one-story building with three store fronts, one occupying half the frontage and the other two each one-quarter, features neoclassical raised parapet and boxed cornice with dentils and modilions which provide unity along its face. Colorful low-relief motifs adorn the three equidistant piers and black tile forms a unifying base below the windows and to eyelevel on the piers.

Historically, a bandstand was located at this site and in 1914 a dairy stood here.

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59.	1428 Park Street	Date: Not Known
NC	Kung Fu Karate	Architect/Builder: Unknown
		Owner: B & B Bradford
		Photo: 6-4
	This single standfront two sta	om: flat roofed rectangular modern "hov" is interesting

This single-storefront two-story flat roofed rectangular modern 'box' is interesting only in its use of 24" x 24" green glass in a frame surrounding the store entry and window.

Date: 1885 60. 1430-40 Park Street Remodelling: 1952 "Park Row", "Tucker Building" С Architect: George Bordwell Hunt's Jewelers Builder: Unknown Custom T-Shirts Owner: Dorothy Mayo & American Trust Law Clinic Islander Restaurant Photos: 6-5, 5-5 Christian Science Reading Room Plato's Hair Styling

Wonder Burger The 3-story turreted commercial building with mansard roof containing 8 stores was constructed in the popular stick style in 1885. Included among its businesses in 1897 were two real estate offices, two insurance brokers and a hardware store.

Though 1952 seems late for the remodelling style, the building permit seems to indicate this date for a massive remodelling project that transformed the intricately detailed Victorian building into a stucco-sheathed art-deco commercial building - boxy but with well proportioned and detailed elements. The storefronts have each been individually altered with some remants of tile work, including brick and glass tiles. One storefront retains an unusually articulated entry finished in tile; the floor and ceiling of this entry complement the design with geometric designs.

Date: 1911 2408-12 Santa Clara Avenue 61. Architects: Bakewell & Brown NC(R) Razor's Edge Builder: Unknown Yue Wah Restaurant Laundromat Owner: Unknown Photos: 6-5, 6-6

Historically, this site was unoccupied until the present one-story storefront building was constructed in 1911. A blue and white vertically stripped metal panel completely obscures whatever original design was intended for this building by the well-known team, Bakewell and Brown, who designed San Francisco City Hall.

Date: 1912, 1977 (remodelling) 62. 2420 Santa Clara Avenue Architect: A. Cornelius (1912) Alameda Federal Savings Bank Italo Calpestri (1977) Builder: W. L. Boldt Owner: Alameda Federal Savings

Photos: 6-5, 5-5

The Oak Theatre, a 2-story rectangular brick building, with flat compositioned roof, was rehabilitated and enlarged in 1977 with the addition of a wing containing a concave brick wall into which the new entry is set. The ornate circular entry arch and art deco facade of the original theatre remain as a monumental decorative feature. At the side and rear the original plain header bond brick coursing is visible adjacent to a mini garden used by the public.

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63. 1500-04 Park Street
c Bank of America
Flowers by Angelo

Date: Pre-1900, 1906, 1926 Architect: Foulkes & Oliver Builder: Harry C. Knight Owner: Lurie Company Photos: 7-1, H-9, H-10

This two-story neo-classical reinforced concrete corner building, rectangular in plan is finished in plaster on its exterior walls. Distinctively fluted ionic columns flank the front entry and ionic pilasters are spaced at even intervals along the Santa Clara Avenue side. A flat roof tops the building, concealed by a cornice projecting over the two street elevations. Fenestation at the second floor is double-hung with scrolled lug sills while windows at the ground level are arched.

The present Bank of America Building occupies the site of the old home of J. C. Tucker a retired Army medic. This was replaced by an ornate brick Italianate commercial building with Queen Anne tower which became known as one of the two Tucker Buildings, the other a frame Victorian building across Santa Clara Avenue at the southwest corner of Park Street and Santa Clara (Building #60). This Tucker Building was severely damaged in the 1906 earthquake (Photo #H-9) and the frame and walls which were still standing were used to reconstruct a monumental neo-classical building, the Citizens Bank of Alameda (Photo #H-10), on the corner, retaining the original structure on the north portion of the Park Street frontage. The impressive ionic columns and pilasters and an elaborately decorated cornice express the solidarity, permanance and monumentality of the neo-classic tradition.

A major alteration in 192 expanded the neo-classical style. A later alteration, possibly in 1943, modernized the facade by removing the cornice detailing.

The flower shop with entry on Park Street appears to have been a 1940 alteration which cut into the yellow 4" x 10" tile pilinth and entry floor and replace it with a deeply recessed entry finished in red brick.

64. 1506-12 Park Street NC Redwood Casuals

Park Street Barber Shop

Louie's Cocktails Apartments above Date: 1920

Architect: Unknown
Builder: S. A. Warner
Owner: Anderson Brothers
Photos: 7-1, 7-2, 7-3

This simple 2-story brick and concrete apartments-over-store building originally housed a single store at the ground level and was converted to three storefronts in 1944. The brick garages, Photo 7-3, at the rear accessible from Webb Avenue, form an historic complement to rear of the three stores at 1514-19 Park Street (Bldg. #65). The commercial building and attached garages form an L-plan.

The front appears as an uninteresting concrete box-framed second story plate glass window over storefronts finished in old brick and plastic tiles. The 1960 remodelling was followed by storefront remodellings in 1968 and 1973.

65. 1514-18 Park Street
P & G Delicatessen
Al's Shoe Service

Tucker's Ice Cream

Date: 1923

Architect: Unknown Builder: H. Christensen Owner: Dorothy Mayo

Photos: 7-2, 7-3

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This one-story red brick flat roofed building of square plan presents three dark yellow brick storefronts on Park Street. Its Webb Avenue side is punctuated with square recessed window openings each containing a pair of double-hung windows with lug sills. At the rear of the building two rows of windows are deeply recessed into segmental arched openings.

Above each storefront is an inset with transoms covered over by signage on two stores and ornamented with fake stained glass on the other. A simple string course serves as a cornice at the roof line which is stepped, that over the central store being taller than the other two. Decorative brickwork is featured in the higher central portion of the parapet.

The corner store features a setback corner entry with a free-standing column supporting the upper portion of the building at the corner. The entries to this store and the adjacent store are recessed, and hexagonal floor tiles, white with blue border, are still in good condition. The third store with a wood door providing entry directly to the street also appears to be original. This store retains the black marble wall surface beneath the store window.

66. 2412-16 Webb Avenue Sandwich Board (2412) Date: 1910 (est.)

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Owner: V. & T. Durein

Photos: 7-3, 7-4

This one-story rectangular flat roofed yellow brick store, with parapet stepped over the central entry, is attached at the rear to garages serving the apartments at 1506-12 Park Street (Building #64). Renovation in 1946 and continued good maintenance have preserved the building and its commercial use.

67. 2411 Webb Avenue

C Webb Avenue Auto Service

Date: Pre-1909

Architect/Builder: Unknown Owner: H. & M. Marderosian

Photo: 7-5

The Webb Avenue Auto Service is located in a two-story flat roofed red brick building of rectangular plan with three equidistant windows at the second level with altered sashes. Windows at the garage level are industrial sash. This building is in crisp simplicity mirrors the sandwich shop across Webb Avenue (Building #66) with its symmetry, stepped parapet and brick face.

68. 1522 Park Street
Bike Shop
Lunch to Go

Date: 1922, 1958 addition

Architect: Unknonw

Builders: 1922 - S. C. Scott

1958 Tidewater Oil Co.

Owner: D & H Rabe

Photos: 7-5, 7-6 (unfortunately, photos do

not show entire site clearly.)

This concrete block building of L-plan is a simple statement of concrete and glass with large wooden overhangs concealing its flat roof. It was altered in 1958 to create a gas station. In 1971 the service station was converted to a bicycle shop and the service island converted to a drive-by photo shop. A gaudily painted fast food shop specializing in sandwiches is also located in the main building. Although the building is well maintained, parking spaces on site detract from its appearance. The owner has recently inquired about building on the portion of the site occupied by parking.

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69. 1526-30 Park Street Justin Insurance Co. NC Diane's Figure Salon

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Owner: W. J. Justin

Photos: 7-6

Three one-story storefronts in a rectangular building of frame construction opening onto Park Street have occupied this site continuously since before the turn of the century. Early uses included a laundry, a repair shop and a photo gallery. Two of the storefronts were merged during the late '60's and a false front composed of singles above and flat concrete below was constructed in 1967. The extent of damage to the facade is not known.

70. 1532 Park Street Luque's Decorating Bell Cleaners House of Jeans

Date: 1925 Architect: Unknown Builder: M. H. Fish Owner: R. & W. Powell

Photos: 7-6, 7-7 (detail), 7-8

The site of the Pacific Hotel with a frontage of 100 feet along Park Street is now occupied by three large stores in a rectangular one-story flat roofed building. Large panel signs above the store windows and a gold mesh tacked-on false front on the center store make this building with crenated parapet appear as several strip commercial stores. However, behind these cheap facades an elegant building front is completely intact. A continuous row of beautiful blue-and-rose-colored terra cotta tiles set in rose-colored mortar (photo #7-7) frames at the sides of the building and traverses it at a height of about 12 feet. Horizontally elongated black marble crosses provide simple ornament to the facade. Of the storefronts, two entries have been remodelled in old brick not entirely compatible with the building while the third, Luque's, retains its setback entry finished in black 5" x 5" tile with a yellow stripe and several larger yellow accent tiles with cut-out geometric design.

71. 1544 Park Street "Haircuts"

Pawn Shop

C

Matchmaker Dresses

Date: 1920

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Owner: John Converey Photos: 7-7, 7-8, 7-9

This corner flat-roofed brick building is one-story high with three storefronts with recessed entries facing Park Street. On the Lincoln Avenue side, the three store fronts with entries directly to the sidewalk are vacant. The building is unusual in its brick pattern exterior; contrasting white glazed bricks are crisply defined by the incised dark mortar used to hold them together. Decorative crosses at the building corners are formed of black marble squares. A projecting boxed cornice, soffit with egg and dart odolo, and frieze with raised trefoil define the roof line. White brick columns at the building front appear to have been painted black while the three stores on Lincoln Avenue retain the white brick.

Of the three storefronts on Park Street all three feature entry floors done in hexagonal white and green tile designs. Although transoms are covered by signs on several stores they all appear to be intact and undamaged.

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72. 2408-10 Lincoln Avenue Snug Harbor Saloon Apartments above Date: Pre-1909; altered, 1924

Architect: Unknown Builder: Ida Code Owner: Mary E. Selby

Photo: 7-9

Stores and offices have continuously occupied the ground floor of this two-story frame building with stucco front. Wood panelling currently provides the facade over half of the first floor where a saloon is located. The stucco front with crenelated parapet resembles the Aztec look popularized by California bungalows in the 1920's and may have been applied during a \$1,000 alteration in 1924. At the ground level windows, with small upper panes also characteristic of the bungalows and craftsman houses, are of various sizes, with casement, double hung, and fixed types, all represented. At the second level windows have been replaced with aluminim sashes while the wood frames remain. The east wall of the house is articulated, with two boxed shed roof bays each containing two large windows at each floor level. A chimney also is visible at this side with a large diamond inset in a decorative motif. The other side abuts the storefronts, Building #71.

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 Vlado's Restaurant
 2314-20 Central Avenue
- 34. "T. Cannon" Building
 Pizza Galore (closed)
 Amazing 3-Ring Circus Pizza
 1351 Park Street
- 35. Alameda TV Shop 1349 Park Street
- 36. Alameda Camera Shop 1347 Park Street
- 37. Healthways Nutrition Center Dorothy's Dress Shop 1343 Park Street
- 38. "Burns Building"
 Transamerica Financial Services
 City Delicatessen
 Beauty Boutique
 Alameda Burrito
 Barber Shop
 Apartments (above)
 1339 Park Street
- 39. "New to You"; Antique Shop
 "Nova Nails": Custom Nail Shop
 2310 Alameda Avenue
 2310½ Alameda Avenue
- 40. New Masonic Temple (Lodge)
 Wilcox Carpet Studio
 2312-2324 Alameda Avenue

- 41. Old Masonic Temple
 Great Stuff Stationery/Gift Shop
 Small Change Children's Ware
 Super Cuts Hairstyling Salon
- 42. Danish Interiors 1325 Park Street
- 45. Dunford's Beauty Salon Family Shoe Repair Bob's #1 Hamburgers Mr. Rex K-9 Grooming 1305-1311 Park Street
- 46. The Buckhorn Lounge Best Roofing Residence (above) 1301-03 Park Street
- 47. "Derby Building"
 Piggy Malones Gift Shop
 Patricia's Beauty Salon
 Juanita's Mexican Restaurant
 Vacant
 1320-28 Park Street
- 49. "Delanoy Block"
 Frank's Foam
 Wooster One-Day Optical
 Pillow Park Waterbeds
 Pro-Cuts
 Apartments (above)
 1336-46 Park Street
- 51. "Farnham Block"
 First Interstate Bank
 Merribee's Needlework
 Appliance Rentals
 Vacant
 Apartments (above)
 1350-64 Park Street

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Contributing Structures, continued

- 53. Central storefront offices
 Sunny Side Apartments
 Nick Perusina Auto Service
 Apartments (above)
 2416-20 Central Avenue
 1359 Park Avenue
- 54. 'Old Alameda Federal Post Office"
 Building
 Alameda Municipal Court
 2417 Central Avenue
- 55. Wells Fargo Bank 1400 Park Street
- 56. Alameda School of Dance
 Watch Hospital
 Island City Sports
 Alameda Hobbycraft
 11402-10 Park Street
- 58. Park Place
 Western Market
 1420-24 Park Street
- 60. "Park Row"; "Tucker Building"
 Hunt's Jewelers
 Custom T-shirts
 Law Clinic
 Islander Restaurant
 Christian Science Reading Room
 Plato's Hair Styling
 Wonder Burger
 1430-40 Park Street
- 62. Alameda Federal Savings Bank 2420 Santa Clara Avenue

- 63. Bank of America
 Flowers by Angelo
 1500-04 Park Street
- 65. P & G Delicatessen
 Al's Shoe Service
 Tucker's Ice Cream
 1514-18 Park Street
- 66. Sandwich Board 2412-16 Webb Avenue
- 67. Webb Avenue Auto Service 2411 Webb Avenue
- 70. Luque's Decorating
 Bell Cleaners
 House of Jeans
 1532 Park Street
- 71. "Haircuts"
 Pawn Shop
 Matchmaker Dresses
 1544 Park Street
- 72. Snug Harbor Saloon
 Apartments (above)
 2408-10 Lincoln Avenue

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NON-CONTRIBUTING STRUCTURES

- 5. Alameda Sporting Goods 1511 Park Street
- 8. Parking Lot 2325 Santa Clara
- 10. Kahn's Furniture 2319 Santa Clara Avenue
- 12. Frank Hally Building
 Chin's Restaurant
 Residence (above)
 2315 Santa Clara Avenue
- 20. The Emerald City
 2322 Santa Clara Avenue
- 22. Woolworth Building
 Cottage Health Foods
 Bulldog Skates/Rocking Horse
 Wind in the Willows
 Gold Market
 Papa's Pizza
 1429-1433 Park Street
- 23. Danish Concepts 1427 Park Street
- 24. Bangkok Beauty
 Olga Adams Dress Shop
- 28a. Lox, Stock & Bagel Vacant 1405-07 Park Street
- 50. Beneficial Finance Corporation 1348 Park Street

- 52. Parking Lot 2408 Central
- 57. Travel Service
 Johnson's Red Wing Shoe Store
 Great Western Savings
 1412-16 Park Street
- 59. Kung Fu Karate 1428 Park Street
- 64. Redwood Casuals
 Park Street Barber Shop
 Louie's Cocktails
 Apartments (above)
 1506-12 Park Street
- 68. Bike Shop Lunch To Go 1522 Park Street
- 69. Justin Insurance Co.
 Diane's Figure Salon
 1526-30 Park Street

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NON-CONTRIBUTING STRUCTURES WITH A POTENTIAL FOR REHABILITATION TO EARLIER APPEARANCE

- 2. Alameda Auto Supply 1519 Park Street
- 7. Alameda Drug Stre 1501 Park Street Grand Lodge IOOF Odd Fellows Building 2329 Santa Clara (upstairs)
- 30. Alameda Delicatessen 2327 Central Avenue
- 33. Home Savings Bank
 Home Zone Furniture Store
 1357 Park Street
- 43. J. Hilco Tax and Real Estate Service
 Happy Garden Restaurant
 Danish Interiors (annex)
 1317-1321 Park Street
- 44. The Driftwood 1313, 1315 Park Street
- 48. Lol la pa loo za Hair Salon Hotpoint Sales L & H International Development Winerack Restaurant Grand Gourmet 1330-32 Park Street
- 61. Razor's Edge
 Yue Wah Restaurant
 Laundromat
 2408-12 Santa Clara Avenue

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In the 1860's Alameda was a rapidly growing suburban residential town east of Park Street on the eastern end of the peninsula which is now the island City of Alameda. It had increased in population from a few squatters in 1850 to 460 persons in 1860 to 1557 persons in 1870. The "Town of Encinal and Lands Adjacent", surveyed and laid out in tracts in 1854 extended from mid-peninsula to the west side of Park Street. The Town of Alameda began to expand westward in the direction of Park Street and the Town of Encinal when the San Francisco and Alameda Railway (broadguage) and its ferry connection to San Francisco were established in 1864 by Alfred A. Cohen. The Alameda railroad station, located at Park Street and Railroad Avenue (present day Lincoln Avenue) gave impetus to the shift of commercial activity from the east end to this area.

The first subdividing of blocks along Park Street occurred in 1867 with the Alameda Park Tract bisected by Park Street south of Central Avenue. This was followed by tracts on either side of Park Street in 1868 and 1869.

The budding commercial development on Park Street was given further support by the relocation of the Post Office from the east end of Alameda to the Park Street commercial area when a destructive earthquake in 1868 levelled the first post office building. A new site was established on Park Street near Central Avenue which provided speedy express wagon access to Oakland and other East Bay cities by way of Twenty-Third Avenue in the vicinity of the present day Park Street Bridge. After several temporary locations, the post office found a permanent home on Central Avenue near Park Street in 1912 and is part of the proposed Historic District.

In 1872, the towns of Alameda, Encinal and Woodstock (on the west end of the peninsula) were joined and incorporated as the Town of Alameda with a population of 2,000 persons. Local horse streetcar lines were established in 1875 with connections to Oakland via Park Street. A second railroad line, narrow gauge, crossing the peninsula along Encinal Avenue was completed in 1878 with a depot at Park Street in the Park Hotel, built that same year by Alameda architect William Patton. (It was demolished in 1965.) Thus the framework for the Park Street commercial development was laid.

Clusters of commercial buildings at the intersections of Park Street with Railroad Avenue, Santa Clara Avenue, Central Avenue and Encinal Avenue quickly spread in a sort of boom period, in the 1880's to mid-1890's, to fill the gaps along Park Street and emerge as one major district by the 1890's. The Water Works Building, a grand edifice, built in 1880, also by William Patton, brought civic offices into the commercial district. The Library Block (later called the Boehmer Building, at 1407½ to 1413 Park Street), the Tucker Blocks north and south of Santa Clara Avenue on the east side of Park Street, the Farnham block at the southeast corner of Park Street and Central Avenue, the Delanoy Block, several feet further south on Park Street, and the Masonic Hall at Park Street and Alameda Avenue, were major construction projects each housing several stores and living space, or in the case of the Library Block and the Masonic Lodge, community services on the upper floors. In the surrounding Alameda neighborhoods, residences, bathing houses, prominent civic buildings, industry and public works projects to serve and support the 1880 population of 5,000 persons followed. Electric lights were installed throughout Alameda in 1886.

During the early 20th century Park Street flourished. It was often more convenient for Alamedans to shop on Park Street in their own City, than take a 15 or 30 minute trip to Oakland or San Francisco. New buildings, such as the corner commercial building by Percy

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and Hamilton at the southwest corner of Park Street and Central Avenue (Building #33, Photo #H-4) and the gold brick building with green stucco inlay at 2314-18 Central Avenue (Building #32) and numerous other storefronts replacing fire damaged buildings in the 1500 block of Park Street, appeared. Reconstruction replaced earthquake-damaged buildings such as the Citizens Bank (now Bank of America) at the northeast corner of Santa Clara Avenue and Park Street (Building #63), Photos #H-9, H-10), expansions such as the Wells Fargo Bank's second story addition (northeast corner Park Street and Central Avenue, Building #55, Photo #H-8) and remodellings such as the removal of the second story of the Boelmer Building (1407½-13 Park Street, Building #27) changed individual buildings but did not change Park Street's appearance or its function except to accommodate growth. Theatres, including the Old Oak Theatre at Santa Clara and Park Avenue appeared along with other entertainment establishments.

The years from 1910 to 1930 were also good years. The Post Office found its home in the new freestanding arcaded bulding on Central Avenue (Building #54). A building spree in 1926 added several large new buildings on the cross streets on either side of Park Street. One of these is the handsome wood-trimmed stucco Building (#53) at Park Avenue and Central.

The depression years saw little change. A major addition in the form of the Alameda Theatre celebrating the Art Moderne appeared on Central Avenue. Then in the post-war 40's a belated Art Deco period, almost revival, occurred. The ornate Farnham Block and the frame Tucker Block, were stripped and received new faces in this style.

After 1940, Park Street no longer depended upon trains but continued to function with auto traffic and bus service. Parking lots behind buildings were aglomerated and meters appeared on the streets. However, the automobile brought with it a new kind of shopper and a new kind of commercial district - the shopping center.

A 46 acre shopping center opened less than half a mile south at Park Street and the south shore of Alameda in 1958. Park Street's most difficult year followed. Vacancies and a high turnover rate were characteristic and desperate attempts to compete with the modern shoppers' paradise resulted in some of the most insensitive alterations to Park Street facades and destruction of some of Park Street's handsomest and most solidly constructed buildings. Both of William Patton's grand buildings, the Water Works Building and the Park Hotel, were demolished during this period. The Woolworth Building at 1429-33 Park Street (Building #22) came down and the Odd Fellows Building at the northwest corner of Park Street and Santa Clara Avenue (See Photo H-1) was stripped of its cast concrete decorations. Some storefronts were redone, covering over (Building #61, 2408-12 Santa Clara Avenue) or removing tile work and decorative detailing. And in an effort to be modern, angled and articulated entryways were replaced by square entrances (Building #45, 1311 Park Street storefront).

The '70's have shown that the small scale commercial establishments and the pedestrian scale of the three block commercial district, Park Street, is best suited to Alameda. Alameda is, in many ways, a self-reliant City with a need for local availability of goods and services. The gasoline shortage has taught Alamedans to use their local shops and services and shop, dine, conduct business, and entertain themselves on Park Street. The past two years have seen growth on Park Street and even some relocations of businesses from the shopping center to Park Street. (Dorothy's at 1343 Park Street, Building #37; Cottage Health Foods at 1429 Park Street, Building #22.)

Although the many altered fronts and lost buildings decry the loss of what was once Park Street, most of the alterations have occurred on the storefront portions of the

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buildings and opportunities will arise for these to be modified again. Another opportunity exists for untouched side and back sides of many original Park Street buildings to be exposed and enhanced in clusters around pedestrian settings and malls at the interiors of the blocks west of Park Street, recreating historic associations for pedestrians. The existence of a Park Street Historic Commercial District will make it possible to effect improvements in a compatible manner, discouraging demolitions and tacked-on fronts. The creation of an historic district will also bring together the individual and City Design Review Staff efforts which have preserved and restored several fine buildings. With the policies and objectives of the already adopted Alameda Historic Element and a Park Street Commercial District, Alameda will be able to embark on an organized, coordinated effort to preserve and restore the place that is Park Street.

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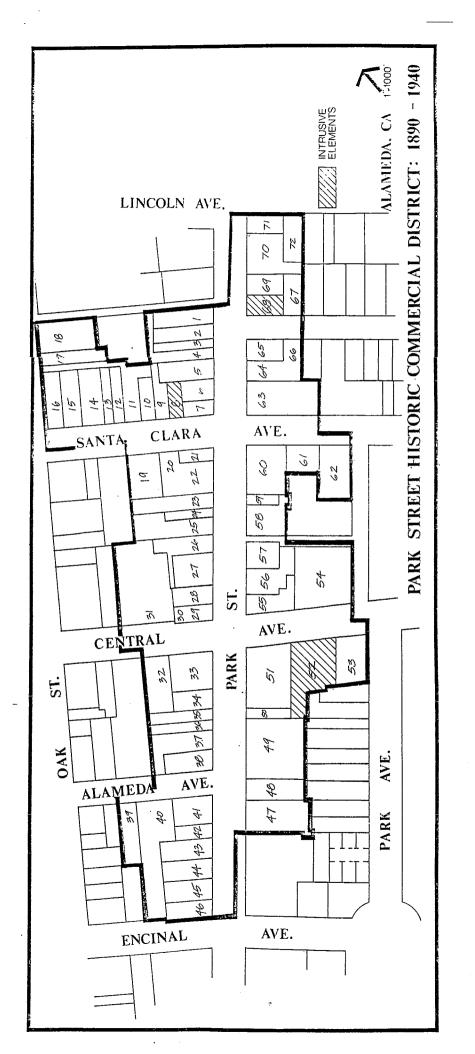
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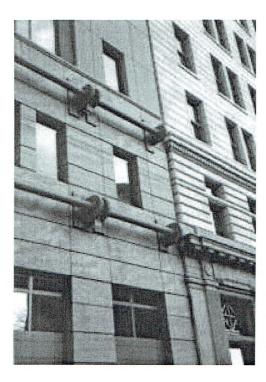
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Integrating New Buildings with Neighboring Buildings

4.2 Carry through the horizontal lines from neighboring buildings in cornices, tops and bottoms of windows, storefronts and other horizontal elements. Also maintain the rhythm established by vertical elements such as the width of storefronts and the width and placement of upper floor windows.



Guideline 4.2: **Encouraged** - Continue the horizontal lines and vertical rhythm of existing neighboring buildings.

- 4.3 Do not mix architectural styles on the same building.
- Do not design buildings or storefronts in "corporate" or "franchise" styles, where chain store business uses a particular building type, style or combination of architectural elements that is intended to be synonomous with that business.

These businesses must adapt their building designs to the traditional character of Webster Street.



Guideline 4.4: **Discouraged** - Do not design buildings or storefronts in "corporate" or "franchise" styles.