## **Oregon Historic Site Record**

LOCATION AND PROPERTY NAME address: 905 E Main St historic name: Shorey, Charles, House Hillsboro, Washington County current/other names: Shorey, Charles, House assoc addresses: block/lot/tax lot: 1N 2W 31 location descr: twnshp/rng/sect/qtr sect: PROPERTY CHARACTERISTICS total inelig resources: 1 resource type: Building height (stories): total elig resources: elig evaluation: eligible/significant NR Status: Individually Listed prim constr date: c.1908 1987 date indiv listed: 06/16/1989 second date: Single Dwelling orig use comments: primary orig use: second orig use: primary style: Queen Anne prim style comments: sec style comments: secondary style: primary siding: Horizontal Board siding comments: secondary siding: Other architect: Unknown plan type: builder: Shorey, Charles comments/notes: NC garage **GROUPINGS / ASSOCIATIONS** Survey/Grouping Included In: Type of Grouping **Date Listed Date Compiled** Hillsboro Local Inventory Update 2008 Survey & Inventory Project 2008 SHPO INFORMATION FOR THIS PROPERTY NR date listed: 06/16/1989 Special Assessment 106 Project(s): None ILS survey date: Status Term End Yr Federal Tax None Closed Project(s): RLS survey 07/01/2008 date: ARCHITECTURAL / PROPERTY DESCRIPTION (Includes expanded description of the building/property, setting, significant landscape features, outbuildings and alterations) Architectural Description: The Shorey House is one of the finest remaining residences in Hillsboro which date from the turn of the century era. The house is cross-gabled in plan, with additions attached to the back elevation. The facade volume is gambrel-roofed, and the back and side volumes are steeply gabled. It is a wood framed structure, sided with shiplap and built on a post and beam foundation. Two corbelled brick chimneys are present near the gable peak. The facade is asymmetrically composed. The porch is original and is detailed with large turned posts adorned with turned and jig-sawn brackets. The main door is elaborate, featuring an etched glass light, original brass doorknob and escutcheon, and highlighted by a wide transom. A leaded diamond and lozenge piano window flanks the door. The windows are one-over-one double-hung sash, in pairs or in single groupings. The window surrounds feature pointed brackets visually supporting the sill, and corbelled head molds (Chronological, descriptive history of the property from its construction through at least the historic period - preferably to the present) Historical Significance: This house was probably built in 1908 by Charles Shorey, who bought the lot from Wesley Boscow. This land was part of the Boscow dairy farm. (See Resource No. 34) Charles Shorey was fifty-seven when he built this residence. It is something of an anachronism due to its jig-sawn brackets and turned porch posts, which are characteristic of earlier architectural styles. The piano window and the gambrel roof, however, are elements found in houses from this era. Charles Shorey may have built houses before the turn of the century, and preferred some of the details found in those houses, which he combined with later elements when he built this house. He and his wife Sarah were from Maine. Their daughter Eliza was a stenographer in the law office of John Wall. The family lived in this residence at least ten years, and Ella inherited the property from her parents. The house was later divided into apartments, and is currently a rental. This house merits inclusion in the inventory due to its unique construction. It exhibits fine workmanship, is in near original condition on the exterior, and retains its architectural integrity. It is associated with Charles Shorey, who was presumably a craftsman representative of Hillsboro's "middle class." RESEARCH INFORMATION Property Tax Records Census Records Local Histories Title Records Sanborn Maps Biographical Sources SHPO Files Interviews Obituaries Newspapers State Archives Historic Photographs City Directories **Building Permits** State Library

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