

OREGON INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES  
HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM  
COUNTY: CLATSOP

HIST. NAME: Astoria Savings Bank  
COMMON NAME: Astoria City Hall  
ADDRESS: 1095 Duane

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1923  
ORIGINAL USE: bank, office  
PRESENT USE: government

CITY: Astoria, 97103  
OWNER: City of Astoria

ARCHITECT: John V Bennes  
BUILDER: John Hedstrom  
THEME: commerce & urban dev.  
STYLE: American Renaissance

T/R/S: T8N/R9W/S8  
MAP NO.: 80908 CC TAX LOT: 1900  
ADDITION: McClure's Astoria  
BLOCK: 44 LOT: 4 QUAD: Astoria

xBLDG STRUC DIST SITE OBJ

PLAN TYPE/SHAPE: rectangular  
FOUNDATION MATERIAL: conc/wood post  
ROOF FORM & MATERIALS: flat/built-up  
WALL CONSTRUCTION: reinforced conc

NO. OF STORIES: three  
BASEMENT: yes

STRUCTURAL FRAME: pilastered  
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PRIMARY WINDOW TYPE: fixed and casement in steel frames; fixed with  
casement in aluminum frames

EXTERIOR SURFACING MATERIALS: pulschrome terra cotta

DECORATIVE FEATURES: fluted pilasters, east; ionic columns and frieze,  
north elevation; granite base throughout

OTHER: massive door frame of terra cotta, north elevation

CLASSIFICATION: secondary

STRUCTURAL STATUS: xGOOD FAIR POOR MOVED (DATE)

HISTORICAL INTEGRITY: very altered

EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS: large vertical windows on east reduced  
to small square casements when bank converted to city hall, and  
mezzanine converted into second story; bronze double doors replaced by  
single glass door with side light in aluminum frame

NOTEWORTHY LANDSCAPE FEATURES: none

ASSOCIATED STRUCTURES: none

KNOWN ARCHAEOLOGICAL FEATURES: none

SETTING: SW corner, 11th & Duane; two elevations exposed

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: Portland contractor John Hedstrom won the  
contract for the construction of this two story, 45' x 95' building on  
July 10, 1923. The architect for this bank and office building was  
John V. Bennes of Portland. The building was completed in August,  
1924, and the Astoria Savings Bank opened its doors on August 11th.  
The building is virtually three stories high, the lower and mezzanine  
floors were the bank's quarters, while the upper floor was divided  
into 14 spacious offices. In June, 1929, the bank went into  
receivership and never recovered. Clatsop County acquired the deed to  
the building in 1936 and in September of 1938, the city of Astoria

petitioned the Public Works Administration (PWA), for funds to renovate the building for use as a city hall. This grant was approved in November, 1938, and the city moved its offices into the building on April 1, 1939. The building continues to function as Astoria's city hall.

SOURCES: Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps; Astoria Evening Budget, July 10, 1923, August 9, 1924, August 11, 1924; The Morning Astorian, June 19, 1929; Evening Astorian-Budget, July 3, 1936, September 7, 1938, November 12, 1938, April 1, 1939; Astoria and Clatsop County Telephone Directory; Polk's Astoria and Clatsop County Directory

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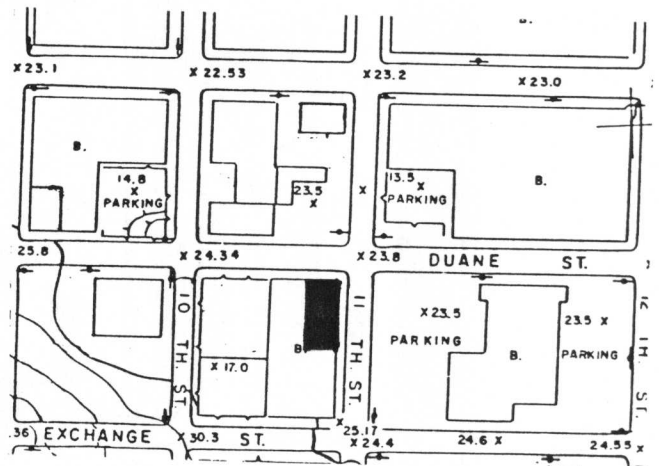
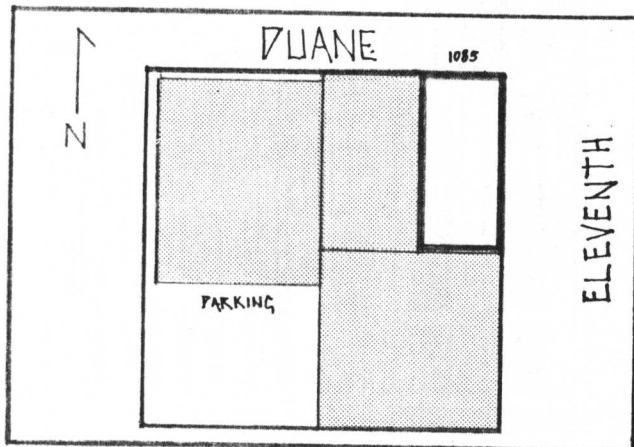
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