

111 E. Arrellaga St.

Designation Status: Listed on the Potential Historic Resources List

Assessor Parcel Number: 027-191-006

Historic Name: Chester Building

Constructed: 1906

Property Description:

One-story early Craftsman style building clad in rich, dark wood, shingle siding. L-shaped in plan with a corner entrance that recesses under a porch. Has a low pitched hipped roof with wide overhanging eaves and exposed rafters. The original fenestration is wooden, one-over-one, double-hung windows. The door is a wide pane over panel wood door. There is an ashlar cut sandstone wall at the edge of the property that contributes to the historic streetscape.



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Architect: unknown

Architectural Style: Craftsman

Property Type: Doctor's Offices

Original Use: Single Family Residence

Significance:

The building qualifies to be designated a Structure of Merit under the following criteria provided by the Municipal Code, Section 22.22.040.

Criterion A. Its character, interest or value as a significant part of the heritage of the City, the State or the Nation:

Originally constructed in 1906, as a private residence. In 1972 it was converted to medical offices. According to the 1978 Historic Resource Survey there was a \$500 addition made in 1924, with a paved driveway and parking area, and garage erected in 1979. The 1906



1978 Photograph of the building

Craftsman style building is important to the heritage of Santa Barbara as the details that are found on the building constitute a resource valuable for its ability to exemplify methods of construction, craftsmanship, attention to detail and artistry reflective of the Craftsman style. These details comprise a significant part of the heritage of the City such that they are representative of the Craftsman style in Santa Barbara

Criterion D. Its exemplification of a particular architectural style or way of life important to the City, the State, or the Nation:

The building exemplifies the Craftsman style. In Santa Barbara the Craftsman style enjoyed a popularity that can still be seen today. From the small bungalow to the large, grandiose house, Craftsman architecture thrived in Santa Barbara. Intent on rekindling the hand craft in the art of building, Craftsman architecture played a pivotal role in the architecture of the early 1900's. As a style, it has left behind a legacy of beautiful and expressive details – especially in wood – that continue to inspire architects, builders, and home owners to this very day.

Criterion G. Its embodiment of elements demonstrating outstanding attention to architectural design, detail, materials and craftsmanship: The low pitched hipped roof, the wide overhanging eaves with expressive brackets, dark wood, shingled siding, the wide, pane-over-panel front door and double hung windows demonstrate outstanding attention to details, materials and craftsmanship.

Historic Integrity: The façade of the house at 111 E. Arrellaga Street preserves enough of its character defining elements to convey its original appearance. These features include its massing, hipped roof, shingle siding, wide overhanging eaves, original front door, wood double hung windows, and sandstone retaining wall. Its original

plan has not been significantly obscured by later additions. There are two new aluminum slider windows in the 2nd story under the eaves that were added since the 1978 survey as they are not in that photograph. However, the house has still retains its integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association.

