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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

READING/APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:
November 10 and December 1, 2020

PUBLIC COMMENT – ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

NEW/OLD BUSINESS
A. Annual Election of Officers

B. Design Review COA: 22 West Park Street

C. Design Review COA: 304 East Broadway Street

D. Design Review COA: 1311 Farrell Street

STAFF/MEMBER REPORTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS
PUBLIC COMMENT – ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

ADJOURNMENT
The property owner is seeking a grant from the Urban Revitalization Agency (URA) to assist with re-establishment of an entry in the east storefront of the historic F&W Grand Building at 22 West Park Street. As completed in 1930, this large two-story commercial block had two separate storefronts; the larger storefront to the west had three recessed entries and there were two recessed entries in the smaller storefront to the east. Both storefronts were remodeled more than once in the following decades.

The store fronts’ current fixtures date to the late 1990s when the building was refurbished to accommodate a Military Entrance Processing Station (MEPS). They consist of galvanized-aluminum-sash display windows and a single entry. Comprised of pair of glass doors, this entry is in the west storefront’s easternmost bay.
The building’s two storefronts are once again occupied by separate businesses. As such, the new business in the east storefront requires a separate entry. The property owner intends to locate the new entry in the storefront’s central bay, which is slightly recessed. Work will involve complete removal of the existing windows and low base wall and installation of a single door and a single window in their place. The new door and window will be glass fixtures with galvanized-aluminum-sashes, similar to the existing windows.
Site Map

ARCHITECT'S DRAWING OF GRAND STORE BUILDING

STORE No. 96 - WEST PARK STREET - BUTTE - MONTANA
WALTER ARNOLD - ARCHITECT - METAIR BANK BUILDING - BUTTE

Montana Standard, 1 March 1930.
Ca. 1959 photograph. The red circle denotes the location proposed for the new door in building's east storefront.

December 2020 photograph of front façade. New door and window proposed for installation in the east storefront’s recessed bay at center, circled in red.
Detail of east storefront's central recessed bay (right)
Montana Historical and Architectural Inventory

Legal Description: Butte Townsite: 37/7, por 1 & 2
Address: 10-22 W. Park / 15 W. Galena
Ownership: Name: Marvin T. & Dorothy L. Osmanson
private
public
Address: 2911 Irene

Historic Name: F & W Grand Building
Common Name: Ben Franklin's
Date of Construction: 1930
X estimated
Architect: Walter Arnold
Builder: O'Brien & Goss
Original Owner: F & W Grand Silver Store Inc
Original Use: F & W Grand dry goods store
Present Use: dry goods store

RESEARCH SOURCES: Note all records consulted to determine dates of construction, original owners, builders, uses, etc.

BIBLIOGRAPHY:
Montana Standard, 1 Mar 1930, p. 8

Location map or building plan with arrow north.

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: Describe present appearance of structure/site, then contrast and compare that with its original appearance, noting additions, alterations, and changes in materials. Discuss significant architectural features. This 2-story fireproof building has a first floor with 2 large modernized store fronts with a dressed stone string course above them. The north facade is white terra cotta. The 2d floor has 9 window openings, each with 3 Tudor-arch windows & a transom window above. The sills are also white terra cotta projecting out from the wall surface. Between the window openings, narrow recesses run vertically up the wall, ending with Moorish style arches. Above each window a recessed panel frames a central diamond design. The parapet wall has another terra cotta string course and a row of ten white gargoyles shaped like lions sitting upon projecting pilasters that have recessed Moorish style arches within them. The west wall is brick & clay block covered with a concrete stucco finish. Also, a dedicated alley runs underneath the building on an east-west axis. The building covers the full depth of the block from Park to Galena Streets. Due to the sloping site, the basement is at street level on the south end. The lower floor is terra cotta & has a concrete base. Two large plate glass windows flank a central door; an overhead garage door is located on the west end. All have transom windows above them. On the west end, a double door leads to a stairway up to the main floor level. Two ornate supports hold up a small canopy over the doorway. There are two string courses between the main floor & basement store front windows. The main floor is constructed of dark brown brick. Under the windows, the
HISTORICAL INFORMATION: Describe the persons, important events, and/or historical patterns associated with the structure/site and surrounding area. This building was designed by Butte architect Walter Arnold with general contractors O'Brien & Goss. Subcontracts were let to Butte firms for plumbing ($20,950), electric ($13,880), & painting ($4,988). Those figures, added to the cost of constructing the building shell & interior totaled $200,194. Exterior materials included "Montana black & gold marble" quarried in Radersburg, and terra cotta tiles on a concrete & steel case. The store was the 96th in the national chain of variety stores. --Montana Standard, 1 Mar 1930, p. 8. Architect Walter Arnold also designed in Butte the Civic Center on Harrison, and buildings at Montana Tech, among others.

PHYS. DESC. cont.---brick is laid in large rectangles with a checkerboard pattern in them and diamond-shaped white stones at the centers. The 6 windows have brick soldier course frames. The parapet wall has another string course & a row of seven lion figures sitting on projecting pilasters. On the east facade, the lower floor is concrete and the upper floor brick; the stone parapet detail wraps around to one pilaster without a lion.


Footnote Sources:

INTEGRITY: Assess the degree to which the structure/site, and surrounding area accurately convey the historical associations of the property. The integrity of this building has been well maintained with the only significant alteration to the front facade being the BEN FRANKLIN sign and changed first floor plate windows. These changes, however, are considered minor compared to other buildings along W. Park, most of which have undergone extensive remodeling of their first floors. The old "F W Grand Silver Store" name remains in the ceramic tiled entryway.

HISTORICAL and/or ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE: Justify how the persons, important events, or historical patterns associated with structure/site lend the property significance and/or describe the ways in which the structure embodies the distinctive characteristics of a particular period, building type, or style. This building is a strongly contributing element to the Central Business and Landmark districts. Its two-story height, good retention of material and design integrity and attractive facade make it a benefit to the historic character of the district.

FORM PREPARED BY:
Name: C Amos
Address: Butte Historical Society
Date: 1985

GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION:
Acreage:
USGS Quad:
UTM's:
SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

Demolition Review COA

☐ Historic Property Inventory form.
☐ Site map showing footprint of building/structure proposed for partial or complete demolition and any other buildings/structures on the property.
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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The Historic Preservation Officer recommends project approval.

Signature of HPO

Signature of Applicant/Owner

Date 31 December 2020

Date
☐ Demolition Review COA
☒ Design Review COA

OWNER INFORMATION
  Name: Closed on Thursday
  Address: 850 N Elston Ave.
  City: Chicago  State: IL 60622-4112
  Phone: E-Mail (optional):

APPLICANT INFORMATION (If different from owner)
  Name:
  Address:
  City: State: Zip:
  Phone: E-Mail (optional):

PROPERTY INFORMATION
  Address: 304 East Broadway Street
  Addition/Block/Lot: Thornton Addition/Block 4/Lot 6
  Other Legal Description:

HISTORIC STATUS
  National Register Listed  ☐ Individually
  ☒ Contributing to Butte-Anaconda National Historic Landmark District
  National Register Eligible  ☐ Individually
  ☐ Contributing to
  Local Register Listed  ☐

SCOPE OF WORK (Describe the proposed project in detail. Insert or attach maps, drawings, reports, photographs or other materials as specified by the “SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST” section of this form).

The property owner is seeking a grant from the Urban Revitalization Agency (URA) to assist with the fabrication and installation of new signage at the historic two-story brick commercial block, 304 East Broadway. Two signs are proposed for advertising a new business “Athena’s” cafe. Wetzal Signs has been retained for the work. The company has provided photographs with drawings of the new signs superimposed on the building (see attached photographs).

One of the signs will hang on the front (north) facade next to the main entry. It will be a 5-foot wide, single face flag mounted sign illuminated with L.E.Ds. A 13-foot long arrow will pierce the sign.
The other sign will be mounted on the back edge of the roof so to face toward the south. It will consist of individual letters, "Athena's," to be illuminated with L.E.Ds or neon. The sign will be 2' tall by 12' long overall and will be centered on the roof line, which has a total length of 28'. 
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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The Historic Preservation Officers recommends project approval.

Signature of HPO
Mary MacCanel

Date 31 December 2020

Signature of Applicant/Owner

Date
This two story rectangular flat with a flat roof has a random coursed ashlar foundation and is of brick bearing wall in American bond with double hung 1/1 windows and fixed windows with transoms. On the sides windows have open brick arches with brick sills. On the front facade sills are of stone. There are brick labels on the second story. There is one stovepipe.

The front facade has a slight parapet with decorative corbelling. The main entrance is arched with segmental arched windows in the transom and glass block sidelights. There is a stone sill at the front door. A rear staircase leads to the second story.

In 1896 a permit was issued to build a wood frame 15x20' building. On the 1900 Sanborn it was noted that a two-story brick building was to be built on the site. In 1916 the building was used as a store, in 1954 it was two flats.
HISTORICAL INFORMATION: Describe the persons, important events, and/or historical patterns associated with the structure/site and surrounding area.

James Naughton first appeared in the 1895 city directory as a master mechanic at the MOP Co. Smelter, boarding at 244 E. Broadway. In 1897 he was worked as a machinist at the Anaconda mine, then in 1900 at the Colusa P M & S. In 1902 he changed jobs again working at the Parrot Mine, and again in 1906 he moved to work at the Speculator. By 1908 he had become manager of the Butte and Willow Creek Mining Co. In the 1910 census he was listed as president of a mining co., presumably the same one. He lived in this house with his wife Mary, 6 daughters and three sons. But by 1915 he was again working as a master mechanic at the Speculator.

Footnote Sources:
Polks, 1910 census.

INTEGRITY: Assess the degree to which the structure/site, and surrounding area accurately convey the historical associations of the property.

This two-story flat maintains historical integrity of design, materials, workmanship, location, setting, feeling and association.

HISTORICAL and/or ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE: Justify how the persons, important events, or historical patterns associated with structure/site lend the property significance and/or describe the ways in which the structure embodies the distinctive characteristics of a particular period, building type, or style.

This two-story flat is a contributing element of the Butte National Landmark District as a good example of its type. These multi-family dwellings appear primarily in the district's newer portions, developed at a time when multiple family housing was in demand. Brick walls with polychrome details, decorated friezes, regular fenestration and interior stairways are some of the more common features.

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GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION:

Acreage:

USGS Quad:
Demolition Review COA

Design Review COA

OWNER INFORMATION
Name: Christopher Sweeney
Address: 1227 Farrell Street
City: Butte State MT 59701
Phone: E-Mail (optional):

APPLICANT INFORMATION (If different from owner)
Name:
Address:
City: State: Zip:
Phone: E-Mail (optional):

PROPERTY INFORMATION
Address: 1311 Farrell Street
Addition/Block/Lot: Farrells Addition/Block 6/Lot 9
Other Legal Description:

HISTORIC STATUS
National Register Listed  □ Individually
   ✗ Contributing to Butte-Anaconda National Historic Landmark District
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Local Register Listed □

SCOPE OF WORK (Describe the proposed project in detail. Insert or attach maps, drawings, reports, photographs or other materials as specified by the “SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST” section of this form).

The property owner has applied for a permit to demolish the house at 1311 Farrell Street, situated in the Landmark District’s South Butte neighborhood. Constructed in 1898, the house is a small single-story dwelling of wood-frame construction. Exterior walls have a stucco veneer, applied before the late 1950s.

The house was the site of a horrific fire in November 2020. Damage was severe; the interior is all but gutted and the roof destroyed.
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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The Historic Preservation Officer recommends approval of the demolition permit request for 1311 Farrell.

Signature of HPO

[Signature]

Date

December 27, 2020

Signature of Applicant/Owner

Date
1959 photograph of house, front (south) façade and west wall. Silver Bow County Tax Assessment Card for 1311 Sanders, on file, Butte-Silver Bow Public Archives.

House, front façade.
**MONTANA HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL INVENTORY**

**Legal Description:** Block 6 / Lot 9 / Farrell

**Address:** 1311 Farrell

**Ownership:** Name:

☐ private address:

Roll # MK10 Frame # 24

**Historic Name:**

**Common Name:**

**Date of Construction:** 30 June 1898 □ estimated □ documented

**Architect:**

**Builder:**

**Owner:** (1903) George K. Posey

**Original Use:** dwelling

**Present Use:** "

**RESEARCH SOURCES:** Note all records consulted to determine dates of construction, original owners, builders, uses, etc.

**Abstract of Title:**

**Plat Records:** X

**Tax Records:**

**Building Permits:** #2271

**Sewer/Water Permits:**

**City Directories:** X 1899, 1903

**Sanborn Maps:**

**Newspapers:**

**Other:** Daybook: 1903

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**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** Describe present appearance of structure/site, then contrast and compare that with it’s original appearance, noting additions, alterations, and changes in materials. Discuss significant architectural features.

This one story L-shaped residence with an asphalt shingle gable roof has a NV foundation and is of frame construction with stucco siding. Windows are fixed, single pane. There is one interior stovepipe.

The original siding, porch and fenestration of this property have been altered.
HISTORICAL INFORMATION: Describe the persons, important events, and/or historical patterns associated with the structure/site and surrounding area.

This house was built for $350. The building permit was signed by George B. Posey, who is listed in the 1899 Polk as a miner boarding at 371 E. Granite. The 1910 census says Anton W. Goranson, a railroad station master who came from Sweden in 1893, owned this house.

The 1903 Daybook lists George B. Posey as owner; the 1903 Polk lists him as a miner, boarding at 403 W. Mercury.

Footnote Sources:

building permit, Polk, census.

INTTEGRITY: Assess the degree to which the structure/site, and surrounding area accurately convey the historical associations of the property.

Alterations such as stucco siding, modified fenestration and porch have compromised the integrity of this residence. However, because of overall form and massing, it still conveys historical associations of its type and neighborhood.

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This gable and porch fronted cottage is a contributing element of the Butte Historic Landmark District.

This is a vernacular Victorian version of a basic dwelling type predating the Victorian era. In Butte's humbler residential neighborhoods, the range of adaptations is great, from one-room frame structures to two-story brick or brick veneered showplaces. The basic structure often preceeded its embellished version, which was achieved simply by "dressing up" a gable-fronted dwelling with some combination of turned wood posts, spindle friezes, balusters, scroll brackets and other Queen Anne ornamentation.

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