State of Washington

HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY FORM

IDENTIFICATION SECTION			Office of Archaeology 111 W. 21st Ave. KL Olympia, WA 98504	y and Historic Preservation -11
	House No. 11	LOCATION SECTION Street Number <u>3802 McKin</u>	(206) 753-5010	
Field Recorder: Mark L. Brack		City/TownTacoma	7in Code 98404	•
Date Recorded: <u>July 15, 198</u> Owner's Name: <u>City of Tack</u> Street <u>747 Market</u> City/Town <u>Tacoma</u>	oma	Tax No./Parcel No. 747001- UTM References Zone Tacoma South, WA	124-0	. ¼ Sect ¼ ¼ Sect Northing 5229_900
County Pierce 98402		Acreage: less than		
Status: National Register State Register Survey/Inventory Determined Eligible Other (NHL, HABS, HAER) Indi	Cate	PHOTOGRAPHY		nd Addition, Block 4, Item 1.
Classification	Date:	Photography Neg. No.: ROII 1, Ne (Roll No. + Frame No.)	g. #19	
District Previ		view: <u>Fast and north</u> facade Date: <u>August 1985</u>	s, facing SW	
DESCRIPTION SECTION Materials & Features/Structural Types			Style/Form: (Check one or me	ore of the following)
Roof Material: Wood Shingle Asbestos/Asphalt Shingle Slate Tar Metal (specify)	Roof Type: ☐ Gable ☑ Hip ☑ Flat ☐ Pyi ☐ Monitor ☐ Sa	Foundation: Log amid Post & Pier wtooth Stone er (specify) Concrete Block Poured Brick Other (specify)	Pioneer/Homestead Greek Revival Gothic Revival Italianate Second Empire Stick/Eastlake Queen Anne Shingle Style Richardsonian Romanesque	Dutch Colonial Spanish Colonial English Revival Bungalow Craftsman American Foursquare/ Classic Box Prairie Style Art Deco/Moderne
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Wood Shingle	Split Shakes Re-sawn Machine Shingle	Three Other (specify)	2 2	
Asbestos/Asphalt Shingle Brick Masonry Stone Masonry Stucco Terra Cotta Carrara Glass Vinyl/Aluminum Siding Other (specify)		Additional Additions to house to windows Changes to roof shi	ptailed description in Description' section) Description' section) Description' section) Description' section) Description' section) Description in Description in Description' section)	

NARRATIVE SECTION

Areas of Significance/Study Unit Themes: (check one or more of the following)

Agriculture		Conservation		Military	
Architecture/Landscape Architecture	X	Education		Politics/Government/Law	Ø
Arts		Entertainment/Recreation		Religion	
Commerce		Ethnic Heritage (specify)	_ 🗆	Science & Engineering	
Communications		Health / Medicine		Social Movements/Organizations	
Community Planning/Development		Manufacturing/Industry		Transportation	
				Other (Specify)	0

Statement of Significance: (Reference names, dates, events, areas of significance/study

unit themea 909 (Period of significance: 1909-1935)

Date of Construction:

Architect/Builder:

Plans by the City Engineer's Office; C.A. Opperman, contractor

Historical Significance: Engine House No. 11 is significant for its association with the development of Tacoma's neighborhoods and the growth of the city's vital municipal services. The building is also an important example of early twentieth century fire station design. The construction of Engine House No. 11 was authorized by City Ordinance No. 3656 on April 14, 1909. The neighborhood surrounding No. 11 was largely developed in the first two decades of this century, and many of the houses display Craftsman style details similar to those found on the engine house. The station itself possesses a distinctly domestic scale that seeks to harmonize with its residential neighbors. The blocky mass of the building, together with its flared gable roof, wide eaves and knee braces imitates the form of Craftsman style "chalets" that were popular residential type in Tacoma at this time. The Progressive Movement and an economic "boom" helped to create political conditions that led most voters to believe that local government should play an expanded and active role in providing for the health, safety and welfare of its citizenry. Engine House No. 11 exemplifies the expansion of municipal services during this period, and it continues to reflect the important legacy of the Tacoma Fire Department.

Additional Descripton of Physical Appearance & Significant Architectural Features: (Architectural significance: can include interior & site features: address integrity

issues specifically) Engine House No. II is located in a residential neighborhood composed primarily of early twentieth century, one and two-story homes. Across 38th Street from the station is the large McKinley School, which dates from the same period. The station is very picturesque with its eclectic design, domestic scale and variety of building materials. The main (east) facade has two segmentally-arched apparatus doors. The lintels over these doors consist of rock-faced ashlar voussoirs. Similarly finished stone is used for quoins at the corners and a belt course on the street facades. Smooth and finished stone is used for sills and a belt course between the first and second stories. The building displays a variety of fenestration patterns, including tall double-hung wood sash windows on the ground floor with segmentally arched transoms. Paired flat-arch casement windows on the second floor of the main facade have transoms whose leaded glass has been removed. Flanking these paired casement windows are smaller windows with stone lintels carved in a volute pattern. A shallow, squared oriel window is set beneath a cross-gable on the north facade and is supported by exposed beams. Other details include: stone plaques on the main facade identifying the station and its year of construction; a cornerstone with the name of the contractor; (cont.)

Major Bibliographic References: (Include books, periodicals, manuscripts, newspapers, legal documents, maps, photos, oral sources, etc.)

Tacoma City Ordinance No. 3656, April 14, 1909 (available at City Clerk's Office).

Tacoma Fire Department Annual Report, 1910 (available at Northwest Room, Tacoma Public Library).

Tacoma Fire Department Records (901 South Fawcett, Tacoma, WA).

Talbot, Clyde and Decker, Ralph, 100 Years of Firefighting in the City of Destiny, Tacoma: Pyro Press, 1981.

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(Continuation Sheet)

Site No.:	
Site Name: Historic	Engine House No. 11
Common	Fire Station No. 11

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a wide flaring roof with knee braces and exposed rafter tails; and a small hose tower which rises from the south side of the roof. Surviving interior features include: a brass sliding pole; staircases with turned newels and balusters; a fine pressed metal ceiling on the ground floor; matchstick-board wainscoting; window and door surrounds; paneled wood doors; and closets in the dormitory that functioned as lockers for personal effects. Alterations to the building include: the boarding-over of a large door on the north facade, the replacement of the original apparatus doors, the recent construction of an apparatus door on the west facade to allow fire trucks to drive through the ground floor, the remodeling of kitchen and bathroom facilities, and the replastering of many interior walls and ceilings.