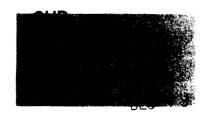
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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Downtown Santa Ana Historic District includes 99 buildings which remain from the early part of the century when they served as the commerical core of Santa Ana and as the retail center of the larger Santa Ana region. The predominantly two story business blocks with ground level retail uses and uppper story residential or office uses are complemented by a scattering of taller structures, the largest of which is six stories. The buildings date from the late 1870's to the post earthquake reconstructions of 1934 and include commercial buildings, churches, fraternal halls and civic buildings which remain as a collection of historically and architecturally significant buildings that typify a complete small city urban environment as it would have existed in the first third of the century. The district is represented by several stylistic eras, but the dominant image is set by the preponderance of 1920's Spanish colonial revival influenced commercial architecture. Despite some

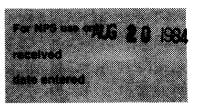
facade changes of the 1950's and later, the district has retained the better part of its historic and architectural integrity. The district boundaries are formed by distinct edges which now define the historic core; the district is bounded on the north and south by major transportation arterials, on the west by the presence of new redevelopment construction and on the east by old and new industrial buildings. Because of a break in integrity, the district is divided into two sections; northern and southern.

The Santa Ana of the 1880's consisted of five brick business blocks along 4th Street straddling the intersection with Main Street. The architecture, characterized by articulated cornices, Italianate window hoods and large wood and iron storefronts, is no longer in evidence from the street view. One small building at 118 E. 4th retains a late Victorian pressed metal cornice and several cast-iron storefront pieces that were uncovered in recent renovations are extent, but generally only inspection of these buildings from the back alleys reveals the Victorian architecture. The two most prominant early remnants are the Ernest Coxhead designed Church of the Messiah (1888) and the Old County Courthouse (1901), both at the northerly end of the district.

The prosperity of the Progressive Era of 1911 - 1915 which proceeded World War I has left many more local examples than the earlier boom of the 1880's. The pre - WW I architectural period was characterized locally by the use of glazed multi-colored brick in adventurous combinations and patterns. The city's finest terra cotta building, the Orange County Savings & Trust, was constructed in this same period as was the Spurgeon Building, then the largest office building. Growth in the Progressive Era was evidenced by the prominant, classical Trinity United Presbyterian Church at the northerly boundary of the district. Santa Ana of the Progressive Era was a town with many new classical buildings of large and impressive scale.

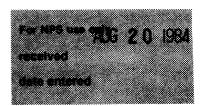
The 1920's meant exploding population growth in Orange County and Santa Ana was the primary beneficiary. The California style of architecture and living evidenced itself in the Spanish Colonial Revivainfluenced buildings. The entire historic district south of 4th Street was constructed in the 1920's and many of the storefronts and upper level facades date from the 1920's. Those facades that were not remodeled in the 1920's generally did nor survive the earthquake and come to us today with post-earthquake Moderne style fronts. The business blocks that presently front Main Street north of 4th Street all date from the 1920's.

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A-3	Church, 1st Presbyterian of Santa Ana 601 N. Sycamore St. Santa Ana, CA 92701	601 N. Sycamore	398-243-01
A-4	Orange County Civic Center Authority Real Property Division 515 N. Sycamore St. Santa Ana, CA 92701	120 E. Civic Center Dr.	398-243-01
A-5	World Travel Bureau Inc. 618 N. Main St. Santa Ana, CA 92701	618 N. Main	398-243-04
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A-7	Lee, Mark Y. 604 N. Main St. Santa Ana, CA 92701	604 N. Main	398-243-03
A-8	Pacific Latin American District Council of 109 E. Santa Ana Blvd. Santa Ana, CA 92701	601-605 N. Main St.	398-234-03
A-9	Horton Bldg. Partnership c/o Linden, Thomas 500 Newport Center Dr. Suite 450 Newport Beach, CA 92660	519-523 N. Main	398-321-01

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A-12	Pacific Latin American District Council of 109 E. Santa Ana Blvd. Santa Ana, CA 92701	610-612 N. Bush	398-234-05
A-13	Church of the Messiah c/o Church Office 614_{Λ}^{N} Bush St. Santa Ana, CA 92701	614 N. Bush	398-234-06
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A-15	United States of America U. S. Postal Service c/o Postmaster 615 N. Bush Street Santa Ana, CA 92701	615 N. Bush	398-235-01
A-17	Orange County Civic Center Authority Real Property Division 515 N. Sycamore St. Santa Ana, CA 92701	211 W. Santa Ana Blvd.	398-242-01
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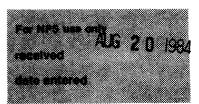
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5.	Wood, Carl L. 501 W. First St. Tustin, CA 92680	120 W. Fourth	398-264-01
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15.	Fainbarg, Allan TR 300 Via Lido Nord Newport Beach, CA 92663	201-207 W. Fourth	398-257-09
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17.	Robbins, Avron L. 9761 Rangeview Dr. Santa Ana, CA 92705	213-215-217 W. Fourth	398-257-06

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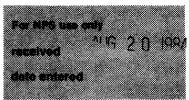
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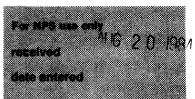
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51.	Santa Ana Redev. Agency 20 Civic Center Plaza Santa Ana, CA 92701	312 N. Main	398-264-08
52.	Compton, Blanche M. 2224 Greenleaf St. Santa Ana, CA 92706	308 N. Main	398-264-09
53.	Jensen, Arthur E. 11372 Skyline Dr. Santa Ana, CA 92705	302-304 N. Main	398-264-10
54.	Lambert, Ray A to Z Investors No. 2 c/o Chomsky, Nina R. 35 S. Raymond Ave. 4th Floor Pasadena, CA 91105	202-208 N. Main	398-268-04
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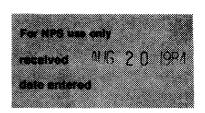
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65.	Old Pacific Building Star Rt. Box 620 Orange, CA 92667	227 N. Broadway	398-267-01
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67.	Kilkenny Associates 207 N. Broadway Santa Ana, CA 92701	207 N. Broadway	398-267-03
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The Spanish building fronts were generally either earth tone "wire-cut" brick or white stucco and the architects of the periods used extensive wrought iron and Renaissance ornamentation. The clean classical lines of the Progressive Era gave way to the Renaissance details of the Spanish revival era.

Art Deco and other Moderne influences began to be seen in the late 1920's in new construction. The Horton Furniture building (1929) shows excellent Art Deco metal work and building lines, but the earlier earthtone brick is the main building material. The Spanish style Santora Building (1929) also shows Moderne influenced tile work and cornice lines.

The facade destruction caused by the 1933 earthquake resulted in the reconstruction of building fronts in the many Moderne designs seen on 4th street; the earlier Victorian buildings with their heavy cornices could nor survive the tremor. Public buildings that could find reconstruction funds from the federal government were rebuilt in the W.P.A. Moderne style. The primary example is the Old City Hall (1935). Public construction-capital was limited, however, and many buildings owners who were left to provide their own funding simply performed inexpensive remodels on the facades and left the Victorian interiors alone.

The historic district underwent substantial changes along West 4th Street in the period 1955-1958. However, capital shortage again prevented severe modernizations on upper floor interiors and exteriors. The late 1950's saw the acceleration of suburbanization in Orange County and downtown Santa Ana suffered from lack of investment. Facade changes were generally stucco neo-modern panels and aluminum coverups. In the early 1960's the downtown business decay accelerated until the late 1970's. The result of these economic trends was that the historic integrity of the buildings was kept intact or superficially covered with easily removable alterations.

Redevelopment and civic center construction in Santa Ana has sharpened the identity and boundaries of the Downtown Santa Ana Historic District. New construction flanks the district to the west and north and residential and industrial uses are to the south and east. The Downtown Santa Ana Historic District has maintained historic integrity over time as a collective grouping of historically and architecturally significant buildings.

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DOWNTOWN SANTA ANA HISTORIC DISTRICT - NORTH Contributing Buildings

A1. 211 W. Santa Ana Blvd.
Old Orange County Courthouse

Built: 1901 Architect: C.L. Strange

Builders: Chris McNeil and Willis Blee

This individually listed National Register building is the oldest county courthouse in Southern California and is one of the most significant examples of Richardsonian Romanesque in the State. A tower originally placed on the upper part of the building was damaged in the 1933 earthquake and was removed soon after. The interior is used as a museum and archives for the Orange County Historical Society. This building was placed on the National Register in 1971 and is State Historic Landmark #837.

A2. 601 N. Sycamore Street First Presbyterian Church Built: 1906 Facade: 1937

This Gothic influenced church building is now a 1937 remodel of what was originally an ornate baroque church building. The remodel stripped much of the unstable ornate decorative material to render the building earthquake-safe. Additions were made in a simplified Gothic manner.

A4. 120 E. Civic Center Drive Howe Waffle House Built: 1889 Architect: George Stoughten

Moved: 1973

The outstanding example of Queen Anne residential Victorian architecture was moved to this site in 1973 from the northwest corner of Bush and Civic Center Drive. This preservation effort and subsequent restoration as a city house museum resulted in the house being individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The structure and free-standing carriage house show such Queen Anne features as turrets, decorative iron roof cresting and extensive ornate millwork.

A5. 618 N. Main Street
Dr. Wehrly Medical Building

Built: 1921

Architect: Unknown

This two-story brick retail and office building was constructed in 1921. The structure while still historic in appearance, has been severely sandblasted in early redevelopment activity (1973).

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A7. 604 N. Main Street Hotel Cooper Built: 1922

Architects: Ruoff and Munson (Los Angeles)

The Hotel Cooper was constructed by the Fairhaven interests in 1922 and 1923. H.J. Forgy, General Manager, was in charge of the project. The three-story brick structure was designed to accommodate 70 rooms and was built for a cost of \$300,000. The structure is in a Rennaissance Revival commercial style using old rose brick and terra cotta decorative panels at the cornice line. The contractor was R.C. McMillian and the hotel once had an annex addition to the north. The storefronts have been modified in the mid-50's and early 1960's with the exception of 610 N. Main which is the representative historic storefont.

A8. 601-605 N. Main Street California Hotel Built: circa 1890 Architect: Unknown

This Victorian era hotel and apartment building was heavily remodeled and plastered in 1922. The exterior of the building was cleared of all projecting cornices after the 1933 earthquake.

A9. 519-523 N. Main Street Horton Furniture Building

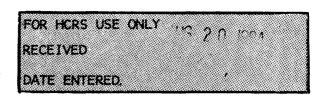
Built: 1929

Architect: Allen Ruoff (Santa Ana)
Contractor: Winton-Bever Construction

Company

This two-story wire-cut brick furniture store was constructed in 1929 as part of an entire block face of new "modernistic" designed structures. The early Moderne influenced design by Allen Ruoff was completed at both ends of the block but excluded 315 N. Main. The block was voluntarily set back for a future street widening and the Horton building showed unique decorative metal work and showcase bay windows for display of furniture settings. The building shows a unique Art Deco influenced design that was most progressive for its time.

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A10.

515 N. Main Street McFadden Public Market Built: 1925 Facade: 1930

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Facade Architect: Milo Berenson

(Santa Ana)

This handsome two-story Mediterranean revival style business building achieved its present form in 1930 for \$20,000; This major remodeling set back the facade even with the Horton Building to the north and the Syndicate (Sears-Roebuck) Building to the south. The structure has three large arched openings fronting Main Street under a large second story covered balcony. The structure has an arcade at ground level extending through the rear parking lot.

A11. 115 E. Santa Ana Blvd.
United Presbyterian Church

Built: 1911 Architect: Frederick Eley

This church, built with strong classical influences, was designed in the Beaux Arts style in the early part of the century. It is important as an early church building (which is still used as church today) and is unaltered from its original appearance. Located at the corner of Santa Ana Blvd. and Bush Street, the original pioneer congregation was the fourth organized in Santa Ana (1875). The building has extensive stained glass windows on both the Bush and Santa Ana Blvd. frontages. The building is of brick sheathed in stucco.

A12. 610-612 N. Bush Street Residential Duplex Built: circa 1910 Architect: Unknown

This small two unit bungalow cottage is clapboard sided and is located between two church buildings. Originally a residence, the building has been used as for office/retail purposes for many years.

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A14. 614 N. Bush Street Church of the Messiah Built: 1888

Architect: Ernest Coxhead

This highly significant structure was designed by noted English architect Ernest Coxhead then of Los Angeles. This version of an English Gothic country church was altered in 1910 by the addition of a raised brick basement. The alteration is in the same historic period style and does not detract from the significant design of this building. The building is listed as an Orange County Historical Landmark.

A15. 615 N. Bush Street
United States Post Office
Spurgeon Station

Built: 1931

Architect: U.S. Treasury Architect

This large two-story Spanish style U.S. Post Office was constructed in 1931 by R.J. Chute Company of Los Angeles at the cost of \$148,000. The structure combined classic Southern California Spanish elements using terra cotta ornamentation, large arched windows of steel casement design, and wrought iron decorative features.

A19. 607 N. Main Street Paul's Tailors

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Built: c 1910

Architect: Unknown

This small two-story wood frame building shows a stucco Mission style front from a 1924 remodel. The second floor of the building was added during the 1924 alterations.

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601 Sycamore Street A3. Christian Education Building First Presbyterian Church

Built: 1955

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This two story block church annex building was constructed in 1955 to adjoin the sanctuary building of the main church. The addition is in the style of the original architecture although it is too new to be a contributing building.

614 N. Main Street A6. McFarland Hall

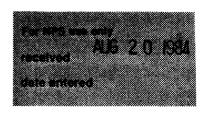
Built: 1972 Architect: Culver Heaton

This two-story parking garage and social hall was constructed with a large windowless wall on Main Street. Above the garage entrance a rough pattern of small marble pieces forms the unusual facade.

614 N. Bush Street A13. Church of the Messiah Annex **Built: 1955**

This non-contributive annex houses the assembly room and offices of the Church of the Messiah. The annex is constructed in a historically compatible manner and does not alter the architectural integrity of the church.

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A17. 628 Sycamore Street (Annex Three)
623 - 625 N. Broadway, 220 Civic Center Drive West (Annex Two) Built: circa 1965
County Administrative Offices

These "temporary" tilt-up concrete buildings were constructed on the site of the Hall of Records to house the County Engineering staff overflow. They are intrusive and architecturally incompatible with the Old County Courthouse, and are planned for eventual removal.

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A18. 615 N. Sycamore Parking Lot

This vacant lot was the former site of the Orange County Jail.

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DOWNTOWN SANTA ANA HISTORIC DISTRICT - SOUTH Contributing Buildings

1. 102-106 W. 4th Street First National Bank Building Built: 1923
Architects: John Parkinson (Los Angeles)
Eugene Durfee (Anaheim)

This six-story Beaux Arts highrise was Santa Ana's first steel frame terra cotta clad building. The structure, built with bank facilities on the first floor and professional offices above, was constructed at a time of considerable Beaux Arts high rise construction in Southen California. The building is unaltered from its 1923 appearance.

2. 108 Worth Street
Titchenal Block/
Santa Ana Hardware Company

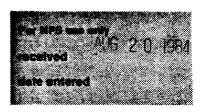
Built: 1887, remodeled 1928 Architect: H.H. Roper

This two-story brick Victorian-era structure is the remaining half of the 1885-87 Titchenal brick business block. The easterly half was removed in 1923 by the construction of the First National Bank. The appearance of the upper facade dates from 1928 when the often remodeled Victorian front was incorporated into a single facade as part of the adjacent 110-114 West Fourth remodel. The storefront retains the original stairway and cast iron columns from 1887. The current storefront design is a recreation of the mid-1920's retail showcase window and transom window format. The existing upper level facade was the only exposed remnant prior to the restoration of 108 and 110-114 W. Fourth in 1982-83.

3. 110 W. 4th Street 112 W. 4th Street 114 W. 4th Street Built: 1887, remodeled 1928 Architect: H.H. Roper

This Victorian-era two-story brick business block was constructed in 1887-88 under one facade with three store bays. The building has characteristic Victorian cast iron pilasters separating the store bays and the upper level showed Victorian fenestration with the circa 1888 cornice atop the window level. In 1928 the three structures were joined under one classical upper level facade with the addition of the remaining Titchenal building at 108 W. 4th. This classical upper facade was covered in the late 1950's and early 1960's with large stucco panels at 110, 112 and 114. The upper level facade was restored to its 1928 configuration by a restoration in 1982-83. The storefronts were altered in the mid-1920's (112. W. 4th was altered in 1923, 114 W. 4th was altered in 1921.) and again in the late 1950's. The storefront renovation of 1982-83 is based upon the documented mid-1920 storefront appearance.

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4. 116 W. 4th Street
Orange County Savings & Trust

Built: 1911

Architect: Train & Williams

(Los Angeles)

This Classical Revival "Temple of Finance" building has been extensively altered below the second story. The columns on the structure were cut off in 1952 and a stucco panel extended above the storefronts. This structure was renovated in 1983 and the stucco panel was removed and replaced with a similar feature. The renovation showed that terra cotta cladding continued below the panel and the original transom window frame detail was partially in place. This structure contains enough historic fabric on the interior and exterior to restore the building in a future renovation.

6. 408 N. Main Street Otis Building

Built: 1889

Architect: Unknown

Facade: 1925

This four-story brick commercial building is a remodeled Victorian-era bank building. The building was extensively remodeled in 1925 to the simplified Renaissance influenced structure of today. This corner building has its primary upper level access off North Main Street. The storefronts at 101/103 W. 4th were altered in the mid-1950's or early 1960's. The remaining upper level floors are unaltered from the major 1925 remodel.

8. 113 W. 4th Street Tinkers Jewelry

Built: 1888 Facade: 1933

The original two story Victorian-era common-wall brick building was remodeled in 1933-34. The zig-zag Moderne design replaced the original following damage caused by the 1933 earthquake.

The interior is in an unaltered Victorian-era style upstairs and at street level. The first story retains the original pressed metal ceiling which is now located above a dropped ceiling.

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10. 117 W. 4th Street The Rankin Building Built: 1917

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Architects: Elwing and Tedford

(Santa Ana)

A four-story retail structure located at the N.E. corner of 4th and Sycamore Streets. It is a rectangular sand colored brick building featuring a grey pressed metal cornice, modified Chicago style upper level windows, and blue-grey ceramic brick on the first story. The building was rehabilitated in 1982 and the present storefront design dates from that rehabilitation program. The building is individually listed on the National Register. (1983)

11. 206 W. 4th Street Spurgeon Building Built: 1913

Architect: Metcalf and Davis

(Long Beach)

This four-story office and retail building is of brick construction and exhibits a large clock tower above the building at the 4th and Sycamore corner. The structure built by the city's founder, William Spurgeon, was the largest building in the city prior to 1923. The structure is unaltered except for street level storefronts facing 4th and Sycamore. The building was individually listed on the National Register in 1980.

12. 214-218 W. 4th Street Riverine Block

Built: 1886 Facade: 1933

The original two-story hotel and rooming house was constructed during the 1888 boom and remodeled after the 1933 earthquake. The front consists of simplified Moderne detailing above the storefronts and 1950-era storefronts at street level.

222 W. 4th Street 14. Moore Building

Built: 1923-23

Architect: H. Newton Thornton

(Santa Ana)

Storefront: c 1934

This four-story office building has retail space on the street level. The late Mission Revival influenced brick building is unaltered above the transome window area. The street level shows the effects of the remodelings from mid-1930's and the mid-1950's.

^{*}Building has 4 interior stories, but appears as 3 stories on the exterior.

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209-211 W. 4th Street 16. Semi-Tropic #2

Built: circa 1885 Facade: c 1933

The original two-story brick Victorian-era hotel and restaurant was constructed prior to 1885. The Zig-Zag Moderne upper level and fenestration dates from remodeling after the 193 earthquake and a recent 1982-83 uncovering and restoration. The storefront was altered in a 1924 remodel and again in the mid-1950's. The current 1982-83 remodeling is based upon the mid-1920 commercial storefront design. The storefront retains the remaining circa 1885 Victorian iron columns on the center and west sides.

213 W. 4th Street 17. 215 W. 4th Street 217 W. 4th Street Built: c 1885 Facade: 1920

Contractor: George Preble (Santa Ana)

This one-story commercial storefront consisting of three retail store bays was originally Victorian-era common-wall retail shops. 213 W. 4th Street and 215-217 W. 4th Street were joined in 1920 under one upper level facade of ivory colored glazed brick. The storefronts were altered and transom windows were covered in the 1950's. These alterations have been removed above the transom line and the storefronts have been remodeled in the 1982-83 The current storefronts are loosely indicative of the typical 1920's era retail period. storefronts.

221 W. 4th Street 19. 20.

223 W. 4th Street

Beem Block

Built: 1886

Architect: 1926-Frank Lansdown

(Santa Ana)

Facade: 1926, 1929, 1956, 1982-83

This brick structure includes two separate, two-story, individually owned commercial buildings. The easterly half (221) has been remodeled several times. In 1929 the storefront was remodeled for the Turner Radio Company. *The current 4th Street facade dates from the most recent (1958) remodeling which altered it in a historically incompatible manner.

The westerly half (223) was originally a simplified Victorian-era market building with lodgings on the second floor. It was significantly remodeled in 1926 to feature a modified Spanish Revival style. The structure was altered in 1956 by the removal of all cornice elements on the 4th Street frontage. A major remodeling in 1982-83 restored some of the Spanish style elements although the tile roofs were not restored.

*This remodeling replicated the 1926 design of its neighbor on the west, unifying the two buildings behind a single Spanish Revival facade.

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22. 310 W. 4th Street Bon Ton Bakery Built: circa 1915, remodeled c. 1933 Architect: Unknown

This small one-story common wall brick retail building, constructed in 1915 was the last infill building on the block. The tenant remained at the site until until the 1940's. The building retains its circa 1933 tilework on the storefront bulkhead and at the upper level. The facade dates from the remodel of the adjacent hotel building after the 1933 earthquake.

23. 312-314-316 W. 4th Street Semi-Tropic Hotel

Built: 1888 Architect: Unknown Facade: c 1933

The original two story Victorian-era hotel had retail space on the street level. The structured retains the Victorian hotel interior and the exterior shows a storefront and upper level that resulted from remodeling immediately after the 1933 earthquake. At that time the cornice and bay windows were removed and replaced by metal casement windows above and tile storefronts at street level replaced the wood and iron Victorian fronts.

25. 324 W. 4th Street West End Theater

Built: 1915 Architect: J. Flood Walker (Santa Ana)

Facade: Altered 1966; restored 1984

This ornate two-and-one-half-story early brick movie house was constructed by contractor A.C. Black of Santa Ana for movie operator A.L. Schlesinger. The structure above the marquee was covered by a large vertically attenuated metal cover, recently removed to reveal the original two-color enameled brick facade by brick mason E. Levenspire. The building has a central hipped roof tower topped by pressed metal in the shape of Spanish roof tiles. A large central arched opening is flanked by smaller archways containing retail stores.

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26. 301-309 W. 4th Street Phillips Block

Built: (301-303) 1909 - (305) 1909-1910 -

(307-309) 1923

Architect: Unknown

Although appearing to be a single structure, this large two-story business block is composed of three buildings unified by a single facade.

The building at 103-303 W 4th Street is poured-in place concrete

The building at 103-303 W 4th Street is poured-in place concrete and the other two buildings are of brick construction. Each is two stories with retail space on the ground floor and offices or apartments above 301-303 W. 4th Street. The building at 307-309 W 4th Street was a one-story brick livery stable that was converted to two stories in 1923. Each of the buildings has a simplified classical pressed metal cornice at the roof line and double-hung windows on the second story. Unique ornamental attic portals give the building a stylistic identity. The storefronts were altered several times over the life of the structure. 301 W 4th Street was altered in 1925 by Architect Frank Lansdown into a Italian renaissance style building and all of the storefronts underwent modifications in the mid-1950's and early 1960's.

27. 311-313 W. 4th Street Wilcox Block

Built: circa 1885

The original one-story pioneer-era retail store bay was constructed under a Victorian-era cornice that covered four store bays (311-31 W. 4th Street). The entire cornice and transom windows at 311 remain intact from an early turn-of-the-century remodel. The storefront at 311½ W. 4th Street was altered in a representative Art Deco remodel and 313 W. 4th Street shows a mid-1920's storefront.

30. 400-402 W. 4th Street Company L. Armory

Built: 1889

Upper Facade: 1915

Store Front: c 1945

This two-story brick structure was the first brick building in the 400 block of W. 4th Street. Past remodeling has left the building with a simplified cornice and pilasters giving the structure a classically influenced identity. The storefront was altered in 1945 when the building housed the Savoy Restaurant. This building is currently undergoing rehabilitation to its 1915 appearance.

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31. 404-406 W. 4th Steet Lawrence Building

Built: 5/21/15
Architect: J. Flood Walker
(Santa Ana)

This two-story brick commercial building was constructed by contractor A.J. Crawford of Los Angeles in May 1915. The building with its "rug and tapestry brick," trimmed in enamel brick was an unusual, if somewhat garish, design. Each store bay is delineated by thin pilasters.

The building was renovated in 1983 and the exterior was left intact.

32. 408 W. 4th Street Clausen Block

Built: 1921

Architect: Unknown

This two-story brick business block was the first brick building constructed on the block and was built to house the furniture store of George Clausen. The building features a simplified cornice line and four double-hung windows at the upper level. The structure was constructed of a pressed brick material. In 1980 the store front was altered by renovation. The building was seismically upgraded at the time of a major 1980 interior and exterior remodel.

33. 412 W. 4th Street
Parsons Apartments Building

Built: circa 1915

This two-story brick commmercial building was constructed in approximately 1915 adjacent to a two-story wood market building. The building shows a pressed metal classical cornice and four wide double-hung windows, typical of the pre-WWI period in Santa Ana. The structure's storefront was remodeled in 1981 to a Neo-Colonial appearance. The storefront windows were salvaged from a remodeled 1920 brick auto repair building at 506 N. Broadway in 1980 which was then occupied by Santa Ana First Federal Savings.

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34. 414 W. 4th Street
Parsons Market Building

Built: 1922

Architect: W.W. Kays

This two-story brick commercial building was constructed with a classical cornice and was originally joined under one front with the building to the west. The structure contained apartments above and retail space on the first floor. The current storefronts date to 1981 when a major remodel altered the historic storefront of this building and of the entire front of the adjacent building to the west.

35. 102 E. 4th Street Dibble Building

Built: 1885 Facade: 1915

Contractor: 1885 - George E Bessonett

(Santa Ana)

Designer/Contractor: 1915 - J.S. Fluor

This two-story brick commercial building has been extensively remodeled. The current exterior facade is the result of Contractor J.S. Fluor's 1915 remodel which exhibited a simplified Classical cornice and multicolored glazed ceramic brick. The storefronts and transom windows are the result of a 1949 remodeling and are typical of the early 1950 store front designs.

36. 104 E. 4th Street
Dragon Confectionary

Built: 1885

Contractor: George P. Bessonette

Facade: c 1933

This two-story brick common-wall commercial building was originally a high Victorian commercial structure with a Classical cornice and Beaux Arts influenced detailing. In 1906 the first floor of the structure was remodeled and a new building was attached to the rear with frontage on Main Street. The current facade dates from the earthquake of 1933 when the facades both 104 and 106 E. 4th Street were destroyed and rebuilt with the existing Moderne design. The storefront is a circa 1950 remodeling.

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37. 106 E. 4th Street

Built: 1901

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Builder: A.C. Black

Contractor: George Kuchel

Facade: c 1933

This two-story brick common wall building was constructed for an undertaker in 1901 in a late Victorian commercial style. The building was remodeled in the mid-teens and again after the 1933 earthquake. The present upper facade joining 104-106 E 4th Street is a Moderne design with casement windows. The current storefront is circa 1960 sheathing over and remodeling of the 1933 facade reconstruction.

38. 108 E. 4th Street
110 E. 4th Street
112 E. 4th Street
Shaffer-Wakeham Building

Built: 1877 Built: 1886-87 Built: 1885-87 Facade: 1923

Facade Architect: Frank Lansdown

The row of three two-story brick pioneer-era retail buildings was joined under one uniform facade by 1887. The structure at 108 E. 4th Street is one of the three earliest brick structures, all being located in this block. The Victorian cornice and iron store fronts were remodeled at various times from 1920 onwards. The current upper facade dates from 1928 at 112 E. 4th Street and this similar design had, in 1928, extended over three fronts. The upper level cornice and pilasters were removed at 108 and 110 E. 4th Street sometime about 1960. Portions of the 1920's ground floor are still visible.

39. 114 E. 4th Street George Edgar Block

Built: circa 1883, altered 1933

The original brick Victorian structure was constructed with a classically influenced cornice and Italianate window hoods. The structure was altered on the upper facade following the 1933 earthquake by the removal of the cornice and a widening of the window openings. The storefront was stuccoed in the mid-1960's. The walls retain the original historic fabric above the transom window line.

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40. 116 E. 4th Street
Brunner Building

Built: 1877 Facade: 1931

The original two-story brick commercial building was built in a Victorian commercial style with a simplified brick cornice. The facade was altered in 1931 by replacing the narrow Victorian windows and refacing the front with glazed brick in simplified Zig-Zag Moderne style which is retained today. The Victorian storefront was remodeled in 1920 and again in the mid-1960's to a nondescript commercial style. A small concrete addition occupies a single bay on the east side (designated 116A E. 4th Street).

41. 118 E. Main Street Kryhl Building Built: 1877 Facade: 1902, 1923

This one-story Victorian-era store bay shows a pressed metal cornice above the storefront dating to a 1902 remodel. The current store front is an unaltered 1923 remodel with copper showcase windows and hexagonal tile in the entry way. The interior is largely unaltered from the 1902 reconstruction.

42. 120 E. 4th Street
California Commercial Bank

Built: 1877
Architect: B. Elwing

Contractor: Chris McNeil (Santa Ana)

This was the first brick building in Santa Ana, but was subjected to a major remodel in 1911. At that time, this two-story bank building was fashioned in classic "Temple of Finance" architecture. The building has been altered on the ground floor, including the classical columns which were removed in the 1950's,

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43. 202-210 E. 4th Street Hervey-Finley Building

Built: 1899

Architect: Hugh Todd

This two-story Victorian influenced commercial brick building is actually two buildings located under one common facade. The two were designed by one individual but built by two contractors; J.W. Blee (202-204 E 4th Street) and Chris McNeil (206-210 E. 4th Street). The second floor was an assembly hall and the first floor contained retail store bays. In 1928 the structure at 202-204 was altered by the removal of the corner turret and the storefronts for the Commercial Bank. The building portion at 206-210 E. 4th Street has not been altered from its original design. as severely as the other portions. The ground floor has been modernized in both portions.

NOTE: Buildings 44, 45 and 46 were reevaluated during an on-site review, and have been deleted from the application due to substantial loss of integrity.

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48. 309 N. Main Street Oddfellows Temple Built: 1905 Architect: C.B. Bradshaw Contractors: Funk & Bird

This three-story brick fraternal lodge building was constructed in 1905 in a classically influenced commercial style. The building has a large pressed tin cornice, round head windows on the third floor, and circa 1920 transom windows on the southerly store bay. The northerly store bay was altered in the mid-1950's but cast iron storefront columns still remain at each side of the front. The original turn-of-the-century features including the assembly hall still remain on the interior. Listed in the National Register in 1983.

49. 315 N. Main Street
Carey Smith Building

Built: c 1906
Architect: C.M. Jordon
Facade: 1934
Facade Architect: C. Harold Hopkins

This small brick retail and commercial building was constructed on the rear of the Dibble Block lots facing Main Street in 1906 for the Dragon Confectionary. The structure was remodeled in Zig-Zag Moderne design by C. Harold Hopkins of Balboa after the 1933 earthquake. The building has a whimsical cast concrete figure of a dozing fisherman at the cornice line facing the side alley. A pipe emmitted steam from a tailor's press below through the fisherman's pipe. The structure has a unique intact Moderne storefront to compliment the upper level.

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52. 308 North Main Street Fox West Coast Theater

This terra cotta faced

Built: 1923

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Architect: Carl Boller (Los Angeles)

Contractor: House & Graham

Spanish Renaissande Revival movie house was constructed by the firm, House and Graham of Los Angeles. The exterior of the building was altered in the mid-1930's with an Art Deco marquee and terrazzo entry way. The interior of the structure shows strong Moderne detailing and a large proscenium of gold leafed plaster. The structure is the most ornate theater of its kind in Orange County. The building was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1982.

54. 202-208 N.Main Street
Builders Exchange Building

Built: 1928 Architect: C.A. Lansdown (Santa Ana)

This prominent brick two-story business block was constructed as a model project of the Builders Exchange Association. This building was designed in a classically influenced style with extensive decorative terra cotta on the Main Street and Second Street frontages. The builder, William Rohrbacker, constructed the building with extensive steel reinforcement and a large basement. The transom windows at the northerly store bay were altered prior to 1939 and the store fronts were rebuilt in a 1983 restoration of the building. The entire interior was reconstructed and retail space eliminated in the 1983 remodel. The structure was individually listed on The National Register of Historic Places in 1982. It was substantially damaged by fire in December of 1983, but is proposed for restoration.

55. 501 North Sycamore Street Masonic Temple

Built: 1930
Architect: W. Horace Austin
(Long Beach)

This three-story brick Masonic Lodge building was constructed in a "modified Gothic" style at the beginning of the Great Depression. The structure consists of retail store bays along Fifth Street and lodge rooms above. The structure shows the influence of the Moderne style in its clean lines and simplified design. Minor exterior alterations of the upper level window openings have been imposed on the building.

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56. 421-431 N. Sycamore Ramona Building

Built: 1922

Architect: W.W. Kays

This two-story large brick commercial business block was built by owner L.D. Mercereau in 1922 for a combination office and retail space. The building, constructed of wire-cut dark earth tone brick, was the location of such commercial tenants as the Irvine Company in 1935. The structure retains its architectural integrity although storefronts on Sycamore Street were modified in 1981-82. The structure's interior was altered in the same period but burned completely in 1983. The building's exterior and a representative storefront remain intact despite the fire.

57. 413-415 N. Sycamore Street Rohrs Building Built: 1924

Contractor: George Preble

This two-story brick commercial establishment has retail space on the ground floor and office space at the second level. The structure is unaltered above the ground level storefronts and is faced with a salmon-colored, ceramic brick. The building shows modified tri-partite double hung windows and a building insignia with the owner's name at the cornice. The structure maintains historic integrity despite a mid-1960 alteration to the storefronts and transom window openings.

59. 117-119 N. Sycamore Street Parker's Auto Body

Built: 1922

This ornate automobile dealership building was constructed for the local Nash auto dealer, the May Motor Co. The building employed patterned glazed brick and large showcase windows to display the new autos to the motoring public. Slight mid-1960 window alterations show on the Sycamore Street frontage.

60. 115 N. Sycamore
Central Auto Body Works

Built: 1923

Architect: Unknown

This inexpensive simple brick warehouse building was part of the extensive auto-related buildings constructed at the southern end of the Historic District. The building originally was painted and there have been no exterior alterations.

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61. 108 N. Sycamore Street Zerman's Feed and Fuel

Built: 1923

Architect: H. Newton Thornton

This is another one of the simple brick warehouse buildings built in the early part of the 1920's near 1st Street. The simplified stepped parapet occurred frequently on warehouse buildings.

The building was built at the same time as the Grand Central Apartments.

63. 413-419 N. Broadway Fine Block

Built: circa 1909

Facade: 1926, altered c. 1933 Architect: 1909 - C.M. Jordon Architect: 1926 - Frank Lansdown

This one-story corner grouping of four store bays faces Broadway and 5th Street. The current facade dates from the 1926 remodel by Frank Lansdown. The store bays facing 5th Street were created at the time of the 1926 major remodel. The structure at 419 N. Broadway was altered after the 1933 earthquake by the removal of a low decorative tower of about four feet in height. This feature balanced the architectural symmetry of the building and lended a more Mediterranean appearance to the complex.

64. 409-411 N. Broadway
Beem Building
407 N. Broadway
J.J. Wilson's Shoeshine Parlor

Built: 1926

Architect: Frank Lansdown

Built: 1924

Architect: Frank Lansdown

Facade: 1926

This two-story brick commercial building is composed of three structures under one facade constructed in 1926 for the same owner. The building was built in a modified Spanish style in the same style as buildings which stood north and south and by the same architect. The building employed cantilevered tile hoods flanking a central parapet and rejas in the transom openings to denote the Mediterranean imagery. The building was rehabilitate in 1982 to show the original parapet, tile hoods and historically contributive storefronts.

The current building at 407 N. Broadway was a one-story shoeshine shop that was integrated into the building with a new second story in 1926.

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65. 227. N. Broadway Pacific Building

Built: 1925

Architect: Sideny J. Babcock Contractor: Sidney J. Babcock

This two-story 1920's brick business block was constructed with steel reinforcement and decorative terra cotta trim. The building was "designed to withstand earthquake shocks" and consisted of store bays on the ground floor and offices upstairs. Two large Beaux Arts influenced entry marquees are located on Broadway and 3rd Street.

66. 217-221 North Broadway
Gilmaker Auto Agency Building

Built: 1931

Architect: Unknown

This small one-story style infill brick building is only approximately 30 ft. deep. The building was built as the front office on an auto sales lot and was expected to be used on a temporary basis, but the Depression precluded replacement by a larger building. This structure has two store rooms flanking an auto passage to the rear of the lot. A clay tile roof completes the Spanish style design.

67. 207 N. Broadway Santora Building

Built: 1929

Architect: Frank Lansdown

(Santa Ana)

This architecturally unique business block was constructed in the Spanish Renaissance Revivial style with strong Churrigueresque influences. The two-story brick building has concrete ornamentation on the street frontages. Moderne influences of the late 1920's are seen in the tile work and cornice line. The structure was individually listed on the National Register in 1982. The building remains unaltered from its original configuration.

68. 207 W. 2nd Street
Southern Counties Gas County

Built: 1923

Architects: Walker and Eisen

(Los Angeles)

This building was built by a Los Angeles contracting firm known as the Clark Brothers. This Georgian influenced brick business building was listed on The National Register of Historic Places in 1983. Architecturally unique in Orange County, it was restored to its original configuration in 1982.

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200-222 W. 2nd Street 69. 116-120 N. Sycamore Grand Central Apartments

Built: 1924

Architects: H. Newton Thornton

(Santa Ana) and F.L. Lindsay (Long Beach)

A two-story brick apartment building, this building was constructed with retail store bays on the street level and apartments above. It was constructed in a simplified Spanish style of wire-cut brick and was added to the smaller Grand Central Market Building. Many of the storefronts have been altered during the 1950's and 1960's, but the structure is unaltered above the transom window line.

70. 113-117 N. Broadway Grand Central Market Built: 1922

Architect: W.W. Kays (Santa Ana)

This large market complex was modeled after the Los Angeles market of the same name. This one-story brick building was constructed with large trussed ceiling elements in an open warehouse format. The market contained stalls where individual merchants sold produce and goods. The structure is unaltered on the Sycamore Street frontage. The Broadway front entrance was modified in the mid-1960's.

71. 114-116 N. Broadway

Flagg Building

Built: 1924

Architect: Unknown

This two-story gray brick commercial building was built as a printing plant for A.G. Flagg. The structure showed a modified commercial Renaissance Revival front with double hung windows on the upper level. The building remains unaltered from its original construction.

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73. 202-208 N. Broadway
Empire Market Building

Built: 1933 Architect: Unknown

This two-story brick Moderne styled business building is sheathed in concrete on its street facades. The building, with its monumental pilasters separating the retail store bays, is an local example of Zig-Zag Moderne building and the only extant Moderne commercial structure built in Santa Ana during the Depression. Art Deco grillwork shows over the transom window and Zig-Zag geometric cornice lies atop the building. The building has had only minor alterations since its construction in 1933.

74. 212-218 N. Broadway
Broadway Development Block

Built: 1928

Architect: Unknown

This one-story retail building is constructed of brick and extends over the entire corner from W. 3rd Street to Broadway. The present building retains the original format although a three foot high band of blue tile work below the cornice line was removed or covered in the mid-1950's. The many small retail space in the building are separated by classical columns the height of the storefront. The structure was speculative venture of the Santora Land Company, the development division of the Fairhaven Cemetery Corporation.

75. 302-310 N. Broadway Gilmaker Broadway Block

Built: 1922

Architect: Unknown

This large brick business block appears as one facade but was constructed as two buildings by two development groups at the same time late in 1922. The building on the corner was constructed by Joe Gilmaker and the northerly structure was constructed by the Santa Ana Development Company. Each structure is of earth tone wire-cut or "ruffled brick" and shows a classically influenced terra cotta frieze near the cornice line which extends the length of the structure. The storefronts underwent evolutionary remodeling throughout the 1940's and 1950's.

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76. 312 N. Broadway
Gerwig Bicycle Shop

Built: 1910-11 Architect: Unknown

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The Gerwig Bicycle Shop building is a simple one-story poured-in-place concrete building. The building retains its transom windows and early storefront. The building is said to be the earliest poured-in-place concrete building, but recent research reveals that 302-304 W. 4th Street, a concrete building constructed one year earlier, has that distinction.

77. 410 N. Broadway
Broadway Barbershop

Built: 1926

Contractor: Justus Birtcher

This small one-story barbershop building was built in a modified Spanish style and continued as a barbershop until late 1982. It retains its Spanish tile roof although the storefront was altered in the mid-1960's.

422 N. Broadway

79. 302-310 W. Fifth Street Knights of Pythias Hall

Built: 1926

Architect: Godfrey Bailey (Santa Ana)

Contractor: Wm. Rohrbacker

This two-story plaster-covered brick fraternal hall has retail store bays on the street level and a large open hall on the second floor. The structure was built in the "Spanish" Style as was the description in 1926, The building is faced in plaster scored to resemble stone and has large Spanish parapets over the entry way and along the Broadway frontage. The building was constructed to mimic the Moorish motif of the Broadway Theater to the south and was built by the same architect.

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313 N. Birch Street American Legion Hall Built: 1911 Facade: 1934

Architects (Facade): Louis Dixon, Christian E. Choate and Curtis Bowman (Santa Ana)

The existing American Legion Building dates predominatly to the 1933 post earthquake reconstruction when the Italian Renaissance style was conveyed to the building. The two-story brick building then had a new construction performed on the front facade courtesy of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation grant of \$15,000 in 1934. The rear extension of the building was constructed in 1922 when a second floor was extended over the original drill hall.

The Birch Street frontage was altered in the 1960's when the stucco was removed from the brick on the front exterior. The building suffered severe fire damage in 1982, and was rehabilitated in 1984.

81. 315 W. Third Street Dr. Horton Building

Built: 1928

Architect: Fay R. Spangler (Santa Ana)

This small, well-constructed Spanish Revival professional office building, was constructed of brick and included such details as a courtyard with a fountain and a fish pond. The contractor was R.L. McMillian, a local builder, and building was landscaped and furnished with such classic California furnishings as American Indian baskets and cactus gardens.

82. 309 W. Third Street

Built: 1932

This small brick one-story building was added after the construction of the Horton Building. It was construced in a Spanish Style.

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5. 120 W. 4th Street Don Roberto Jewelry

Built: 1920

Architect: W.W. Kays (Santa Ana)

Facade: 1937

This two-story brick commercial structure was constructed with a classical Greek influenced pediment and cornice. The structure was altered in approximatley 1937 and the pediment was removed. The storefronts were altered from the original 1920 commercial design in the late 1960's and again in 1983.

7. 105-107 W. 4th Street 109 W. 4th Street Pedrini's Building

Built: pre-1885

Built: 1888

Architect: Antonio Covarrubias

Facade: 1983

This pair of two-story brick commercial buildings were extensively altered in 1983. All historic fabric was removed from the facades of both structures.

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115 W. 4th Street 9. Home Mutual Building and Loan Building Architect: Unknown

Built: 1888

Contractor: Chris McNeill Facade: 1915, 1950's

The original two-story Victorian-era common wall retail building was built during the railroad boom in 1888. The structure was subsequently remodeled in 1915 to show a large R enaissance influenced arch on the retail level and a Chicago style window above. The classical cornice was removed after the 1933 earthquake and the front was remodeled in the mid-1950's. The current facade dates to that remodel and the large stucco panel above the store front is covering the 1915 facade.

220 W. 4th Street 13. Ed Waites Saloon & Billard Hall Built: 1888, Remodeled 1919

Facade: 1955

The original one-story brick Victorian retail building has a 1919 retail storefront that he been covered with historically non-conforming signage in the 1950's - 1970's. The upper level and transom area is obscured by signage and a flush stucco panel.

201 W. 4th Street 15. Woolworths

Built: 1952

Architect: Gilbert Stearns

The large one-story retail building with a hanger-shaped truss roof was constructed on the site of the 1888 Brunswick Hotel.

219 W. 4th Street 18. Crabtree Saloon

Built: 1885, Altered 1950's, 1983

Architect: Unknown

This small one-story brick retail structure was a Victorian-era saloon building until the local prohibiton of 1906. This building was extensively altered in the mid-1950's when most historic fabric was removed. The current facade dates from the 1983 remodel of the 200 block of W. 4th Street when the front was rebuilt using ceramic brick.

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302-308 W. 4th Street 21. Gilmaker Block

Built: 1920

Architect: Edwin C. Thorne

(Los Angeles)

This single story brick commercial block was built on the foundation of the first pioneer general store by R.C. McMillian, Contractor. The structure of old gold pressed brick with ivory white glazed brick inset with tile. The building has been altered along the 4th Street frontage by the addition of a stucco veneer, removal of a cornice detailing, and the addition of an aluminum canopy above the storefronts. The storefront at 302 W. 4th Street was altered in the mid-1960's by the addition of aluminum windows.

315 W. 4th Street 28. Wilcox Block

Built: circa 1885

This small pioneer-era retail store bay is one story and was originally part of a group of four adjacent pioneer-era retail stores under one Victorian cornice. The front of this building was altered in the late 1930's to render the building architecturally non-contributive.

29. 317 W. 4th Street Montague Building

Built: pre-1885 Facade: 1948

The original small single story pioneer brick commercial building's front was completely remodeled in 1948 rendering the building architecturally non-conforming. The building originally shared a Victorian-era cornice with the three single story store bays to the east.

47. 305 N. Main Street Built: circa 1900

This small brick one-story retail building of 65 feet in depth was constructed around 1900 as a retail shop. The storefront was remodeled in the late 1920's to integrate the front with 301-303 N. Main Street. The current front is the result of a mid-1970's remodel that stuccoed over all the historic features.

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50 410 N. Main Street A.W. Stahl Building

Built: circa 1888 Facade: 1929

This two-story brick structure was built in the late 1880's and remodeled several times afterward; The facade dates principally to 1929. The most current remodel is a circa 1965 stucco panel that completely covers the upper level. Storefronts date to the mid-1960's. The building is connected to the rear of 105 and 107 W. 4th Street and was used as the Main Street entrance for a variety of retail stores at the 4th Street location.

53. 302-304 N. Main Street Andre Building

Built: 1921 Facade: 1937

This simple, one-story brick commercial building was constructed with three retail store bays along Main Street under a simple classical cornice. A 1937 remodeling has altered the exterior of the building and changed the historic character of the structure.

58. 201 N.Sycamore
Greyhound Bus Terminal

Built: 1937

Facade circa 1965

This simple, streamline moderne supermarket building was altered in the mid-1960's when it became an automobile dealership. Some potential exists for recovering the original Sycamore Street facade.

72. 118-122 N. Broadway
Montgomery Ward Building

Built: 1928

Architect: Unknown

Contractor: Wilson & Beaver

This two-story Spanish style brick building was constructed by the Santa Ana Development Company, builders of the Grand Central Building, under lease to Montgomery Ward Company. The current exterior and interior appearances date to a September 1950 remodel but the overall form remains intact. The local offices of the Depression-era Relief Administration were located in this building.

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78. 416 N. Broadway Broadway Theater

Built: 1925

Facade: circa 1955

Architect: Godfrey Bailey (Santa Ana)

and Carl Boller (Los

Angeles)

Contractor: C.T. McGrew & Sons

This ornate local version of the Paramount Theater in Los Angeles burned in the mid-1950's and was remodeled in the International-influenced style employed in the present facade. The earlier historic fabric was completely altered in the fire and the subsequent remodel.

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24. 318-320 W. 4th Street Burned Building Site

Built: c 1920

This two story brick commercial block was burned in 1978 and is now a vacant lot with basement.

51. 312 N. Main Street

Parking lot

62. 200 N. Sycamore
Electrical Substation Yard

Built: N/A Architect: N/A

This electrical substation is being used ass a utility yard for the Edison Company. It was formerly the site of the Southern County Gas Company utility yard.

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DESCRIPTION:

Supplementary Information

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The following properties have been re-evaluated in accordance with National Register guidelines to determine if they contribute to the districts.

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12 214 - 218 W. 4th Street Riverine Block

Building's appearance dates from a 1933 remodeling following the earthquake. This remodeling falls within the period of significance of the district, which terminates with the rebuilding or remodeling of many buildings within the district in 1933-34. The earthquake was a major event in the history of the district, and its effects are still represented in the district by numerous remodelings in the Art Deco and Moderne styling popular in the early 1930s. subject building still retains its appearance from the post-earthquake remodeling. The upper two thirds of the facade still retains its 1933 integrity of design and makes a positive contribution to the streetscape; only the lower one third, the store fronts, have been modernized.

22. 310 W. 4th Street Bon Ton Bakery

This small building still retains its appearance from its post-Earthquake 1933 remodeling. The Moderne treatment of the building is typical of the remodelings that occurred at this time, reflecting the final phase of development within the district: the rebuilding after the Earthquake. The building retains its appearance from the period of significance of the district and makes a positive, if modest, contribution to the district.

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23 312 - 316 W. Fourth Street Semi Tropic Hotel

The 1888 building was substantially remodeled in 1933 styling following the Earthquake. It retains its appearance from the period of significance of the district. Its visual continuity with the streetscape has been strengthened by the recent removal of signage and sheathing over much of the ground floor, returning the facade to its 1933 appearance. The current appearance is documented in supplementary photograph #4 of 13.

25 324 W. Fourth Street
West End Theatre

The building is currently undergoing rehabilitation im accordance with the Secretary of Interior's Standards. The metal sheathing has been removed, revealing the original polychrome brick facade. Supplementary photo 5 of 13 shows the current appearance of the building.

26 301-309 West Fourth Street Phillips Block

The building retains its 1925 appearance, created when three earlier buildings were unified behind a common facade. The building was covered by a metal screen in the 1960s; this feature has now been removed revealing the entire 1925 facade which makes a strong positive contribution to the district. The building is currently undergoing rehabilitation utilizing the Secretary of the Interior's Standards. Supplementary photo 6 of 13 shows the current appearance of the building.

27 311-313 West Fourth Street Wilcox Block

This one-story commercial building was recently restored to its early 1930s appearance, within the period of significance of the district. Although several different storefront remodelings are evident, all date from the 1920s and early 1930s and contribute to the historic character of the building. Although small, this building still makes a positive contribution to the district. The current appearance of the building is shown in supplementary photo 7 of 13.

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CONTRIBUTING PROPERTIES (Cont.)

30 400-402 W. Fourth Company L. Armory

The 1889 building was remodeled in 1915, then covered over by later alterations. The later exterior streathing was removed earlier this year (1984), and the building was restored to its 1915 appearance utilizing the Secretary of the Interior's Standards. It now makes a positive contribuiton to the character of the district. Suplementary photo 8 of 13 shows the current appearance of the building.

34 414 W. Fourth Street Parsons Market Building

The building contributes to the streetscape through compatible scale, materials, and age. Integrity of design has been compromised by recent rehabilitation work, which removed the store bays on the ground floor. Since the upper story remains intact, as well as the entrance in the most westerly bay on the ground floor, it was felt that the building contributes to the district.

37 106 E. Fourth Street

The present facade dates from a 1933 reconstruction after the earthquake, and represents an appearance which is within the period of significance of the district. The 1933 wall surface above the store front is intact, but obscurred by present signage. This alteration is easily reversible.

40 116 E. Fourth Street
Brunner Building

The facade of the building dates from a major remodeling in 1931, within the period of significance of the district. The polychrome brick treatment makes a positive contribution to the district. The transoms are covered with removeable metal sheating, an easily reversible alteration. Only the lower third of the building has been altered substantially.

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42 California Commercial Bank 120 E. Fourth Street

This early building was totally remodeled in 1911 to a Classical Revival appearance, an appropriate image for a banking institution of the period. The entire second story remains intact, but is covered by metal signage on the facade and on a portion of the side. This alteration is easily reversible. Although the ground floor was heavily altered in the 1950s, it was felt by the Review Board that the building, although compromised, still makes a positive contribution to the district.

NON-CONTRIBUTING PROPERTIES

A-2 First Presbyterian Church 601 N. Sycamore Street

The original 1906 building was substantially remodeled in 1937; its present exterior appearance dates from that time. The simplified Gothic styling is pleasant and the scale and character of the building is compatible with its neighbors. Although the building makes a positive contribution to the visual quality of the area, the quality of its 47 year old exterior is not exceptional enough to exempt it from the criteria consideration regarding buildings less than 50 years of age.

4 Orange Savings 116 W. 4th Street

Building was viewed on site by the review board and determined to be contributing on a split vote. Integrity of this two story building has been impaired by severe ground floor alterations. While the quality of the remaining second story is outstanding, the ground floor is new and bears no relationship to the historic character of the building or the district. The loss of the base of the massive terra cotta columns severely compromises the original architectural intent of the building.

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NON-CONTRIBUTING PROPERTIES (Cont.)

Beem Block 221 W. 4th Street 223 W. 4th Street

The building was the subject of considerable discussion by the Review Board and approved as contributing on a split vote. Integrity has been severely compromised. The right half (No. 19 at 221 W. 4th) has lost its integrity of design and does not contribute to the district. The left portion (No. 20 at 223 W. 4th) has lost the ornamentation on its facade, as well as the cornice. Since a large portion of the 1926 Spanish Colonial Revival remodelling of the earlier 1886 building still remains on the West side, the review board felt the beem block conributed to the streetscape on Broadway. Viewed as a percentage of the whole building; however, it does not appear to have sufficient overall integrity to qualify the beem block as a contributer

32 Clausen Block 408 W. Fourth St.

This two story brick building was built in 1908-09 and remodeled in 1921 to house the Clausen Furniture Company. Although the upper story and cornice of the building complement the rhythm, scale and character of the streetscape, a 1980 ground floor renovation seriously detracts from the historic character of the building. Because the ground floor remodeling now dominates the composition, a re-evaluation of the building to non-contributing status appears to be justified.

38 Shaffer-Wakeham Building 108-112 East Fourth Street

Three 19th century buildings were unified behind a common facade in 1887 to create The Shaffer-Wakeham Building. The building was subsequently remodelled in 1928 and 1932. Only the eastermost third of the building retains its appearance from the period of significance of the district. While this portion makes a strong contribution to the streetscape, the building as a whole retains less than half of its historic appearance; this issue was discussed by the review board, whose members were divided in opinion on the building's ability to contribute to the district.

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NON-CONTRIBUTING PROPERTIES (Cont.)

39 George Edgar Block 114 E. Fourth Street

The massive ground floor alterations detract substantially from this two story building's ability to make a positive contribution to the district. While the masonry pattern of the second story appears to match that of the original, the windows have been enlarged and the cornice removed.

77 Broadway Barbershop 410 N. Broadway

This small 1926 building was designed in the popular Spanish Colonial Revival styling of the period. Its contribution to the district is minimal, as the sloping tile roof is the only reminder of its original design. The entire storefront was removed in the 1960s, so that only a fraction of the original facade remains.

8. Significance

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Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Downtown Santa Ana Historic District is significant as the largest and most representative collection of downtown commerical buildings in Santa Ana and Orange County. As the county seat of Orange County and the county's largest extant historic downtown, Santa Ana was the commerical, governmental and professional center of Orange County from the mid 1880's until the post-World War II era. The district shows the physical evidence of the cycles of commerical growth and prosperity that characterized the county from its founding in 1889 to the great earthquake of 1933. The stylistic and design features of each of the predominant Southern California architectural periods are embodied in the physical structures in downtown Santa Ana. These structures show the collective work of several generations of regional architects and the collection of buildings conveys a strong sense of time and place. The district maintains design integrity that is reflected in the changes in architectural fashion over time and preserves key individual examples of important periods of architectural development.

Santa Ama was founded by William Spurgeon in 1869 as a speculative townsite on part of the Spanish land grant known as Ranch Santiago de Santa Ana. Early growth and development was stimulated by the arrival of the Southern Pacific Railway in 1878 and the Santa Fe Railroad in 1886. By the end of the 1880's Southern California railroad boom, Santa Ana's downtown business district was defined by five city blocks of brick business building on 4th Street with the intersection of 4th Street and Main Street as the heart of the city. Few exterior examples remain from Santa Ana's Victorian era although, several upper floors of business block interiors along 4th Street retain intact Victorian features.

The regional pre-World War I prosperity of Southern California has left more visible examples in Santa Ana. The period 1911-15 saw many characteristic new business blocks or remodels along 4th Street and new civic buildings constructed to the north near Civic Center Drive and Main Street. The extensive use of glazed or ceramic brick is characteristic of Santa Ana architecture of this period. The finest example of this significant type is seen in the National Register listed Spurgeon Building (1913). New buildings on the west end of 4th Street such as the West End Theatre (1915) and the Lawrence Building (1915) are other significant examples of this period.

Santa Ana's downtown expanded in the 1920's and the growth was in the form of new construction instead of rehabilitation and reconstruction as was often the case in 1911-1915. The 1920's brought rapid automobile-based commerical expansion. New construction along North/South arterials such as Main Street and Broadway extended the footprint of the downtown to the present National Register boundaries. The commericial center along 4th Street now served a much larger county population as growth in small cities in the area spurred Santa Ana's commercial prominence. Santa Ana was the professional center of Orange County in the 1920's as prominent lawyers and doctors located in equally prominent new highrises at 4th and Main (First National Bank Building, 1923) and executive office spaces (Santora Building, (1929).

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The primary historic significance of downtown Santa Ana is found in its 1920s commercial and architectural identity. The architecture of the 1920s was Spanish Colonial Revival in style with numerous regional adaptations. The local "Spanish Style" covered the range from the Churrigueresque Santora Building (1929) to the more Mission-influenced Broadway Development Block (1928). In the 1920s Santa Ana experienced two distinct growth periods centering around the years 1922 and 1928.

While the historical and architectural significance was primarily a result of changes in the 1920 s, the earthquake of 1933 left more visible physical alterations than any other event in Santa Ana's history. The earthquake came at a time of economic collapse, so the reconstruction of the physical fabric of the city was simple in design and inexpensive in character.

Elaborate cornices on classical facades were replaced by simple Moderne geometric designs. The present day absence of exterior Victorian architecture was the result of the loss of entire blocks of Victorian-era brick cornices and Italianate features. The post-earthquake materials were predominantely stucco and concrete and replaced the brick construction of earlier growth periods. Storefronts were not so severely affected and many contributive structures retain 1920's storefronts with Moderne post-earthquake upper levels (113 W. 4th Street).

The architectural significance of the downtown includes the immediate post-earthquake reconstruction because of the great number of facade alterations of this period.

As the county seat and professional center of Orange County, Santa Ana was beneficiary of a great amount of work by regional architects. Such recognized Los Angeles architects as Ernest Coxhead (Church of the Messiah, 1888), John Parkinson (First National Bank, 1923) and Walker and Eisen (Southern Counties Gas Company, 1923) all produced work in Santa Ana. Several other active and prominant architects who deserve more historic recognition include Horace Austin of Long Beach who designed city halls in at least three Orange County cities and the Masonic Temple (1932) in Santa Ana. Additionally, Frederick Ely (for institutional buildings) and Frank Lansdowne (for commerical structures) deserve recognition for major impacts on the architectural face of downtown Santa Ana. These latter two architects were based in Santa Ana.

The historic district boundaries reflect the impact of "modern" changes in the period 1950-1980. The 4th Street commerical strip is without significant intrusion, however, the district is divided into northerly and southerly components to reflect intrusive changes between the elments. This division has historical precedent as the civic and religious activities have been historically segregated along what is now Santa Ana Boulevard and Civic Center Drive. These civic and religious structures have always been functionally separate from the retail and professional business area.

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The district south of 4th Street extends along the two major north/south arterials, Broadway and Main Street. The boundary has been drawn to reflect the lack of historic integrity along 3rd Street and Sycamore Street.

Many of the listed noncontributive structures show evidence of potential historic fabric, and recent renovations of historic structures in the 100 and 200 blocks of West 4th Street confirm the presence of such historic elements under circa 1955 signage and similarly aged stucco modernizations. It is estimated that less than 10% of the district is comprised of non-contributive buildings without potential for retaining historic fabric beneath their present facades.

In conclusion, the Downtown Santa Ana Historic District is significant for the following reasons:

- 1. The district has retained its historic integrity from the period of significance as the professional and commercial center of Orange County.
- 2. The district strongly conveys a sense of time and place as the commercial heart of Santa Ana.
- 3. The district shows the major architectural phases of historic urban development in the county from the 1880's until the time of the 1933 earthquake.
- 4. The district constitutes a significant architectural assemblage containing numerous individually distinguished buildings and the works of notable regional and local architects.

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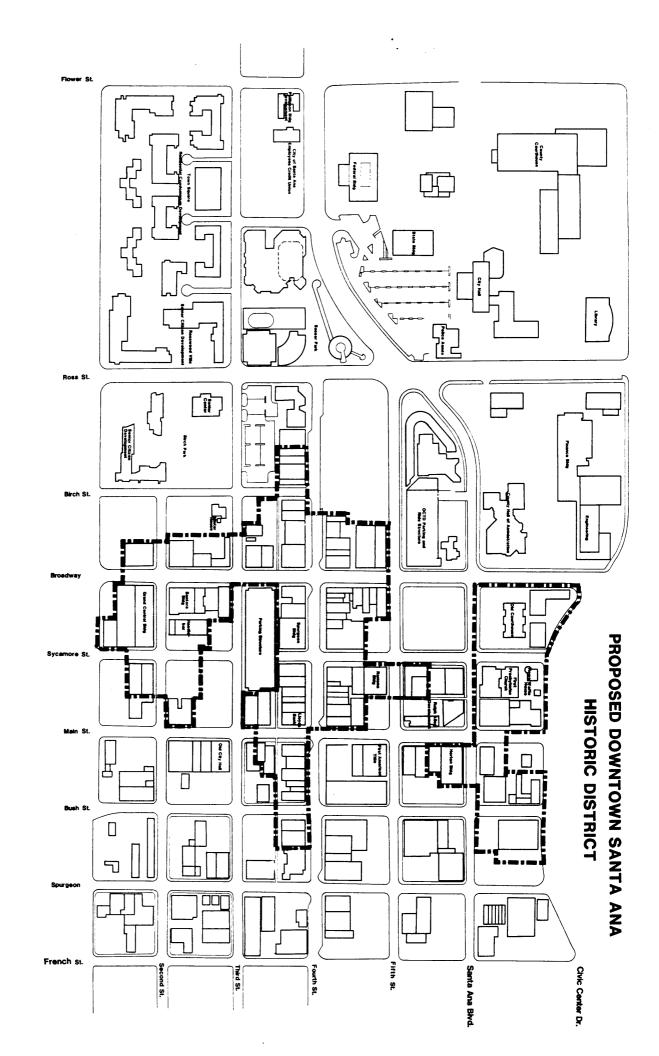
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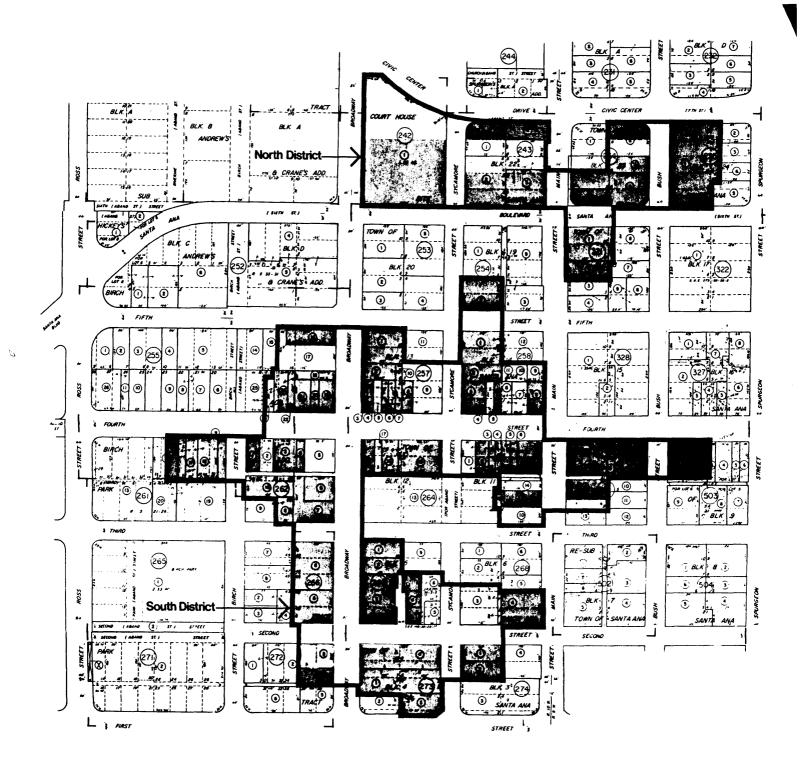
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- A1-A18. The northerly portion of the Historic District is keyed with numbers prefaced by "A". This key system is found on the illustrative exhibit, individual building photographs, and in the text description.
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- S1-S14. All block by block streetscape photographs are numbered S1 through S14 and the location is identified by the key # on the photo location map.
- H1-H10. These symbols identify historic photos of 4th Street and important individual buildings that are still standing.





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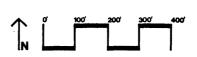


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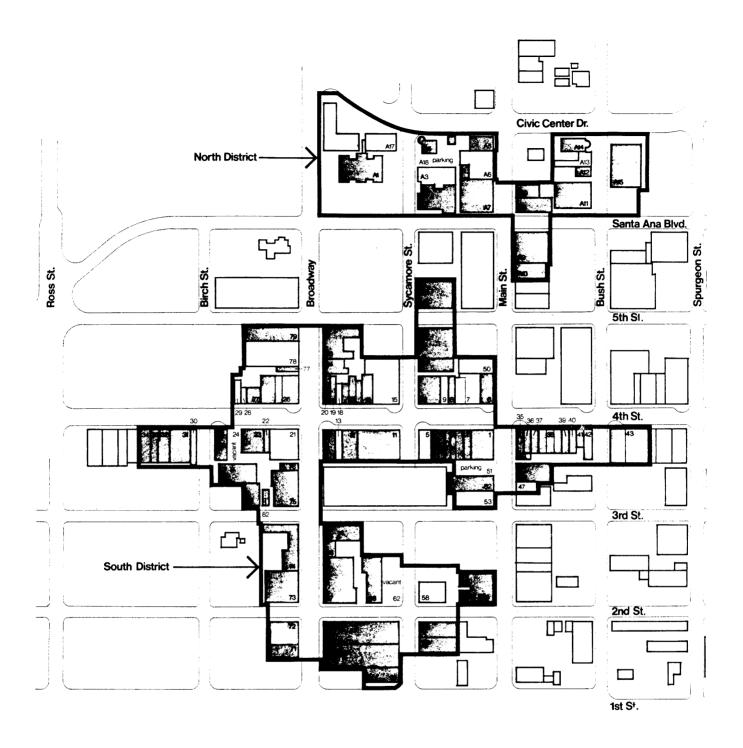
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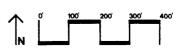


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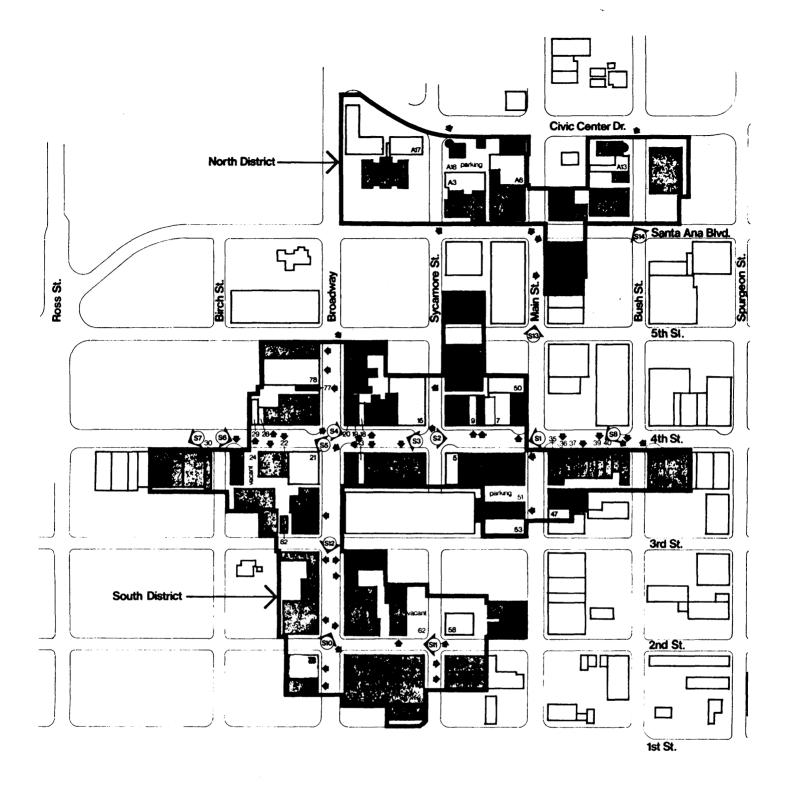


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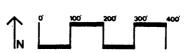
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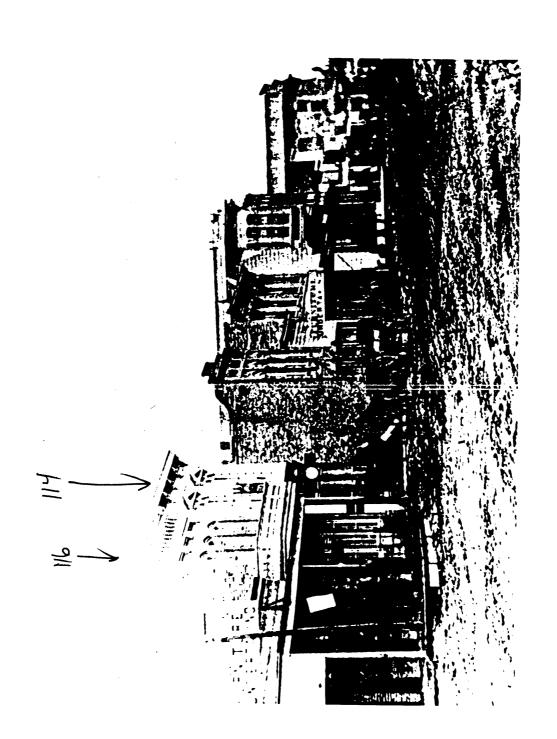
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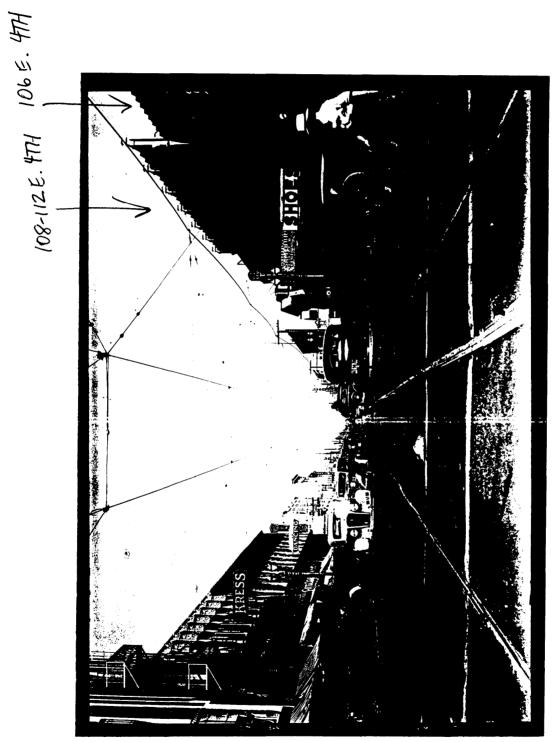
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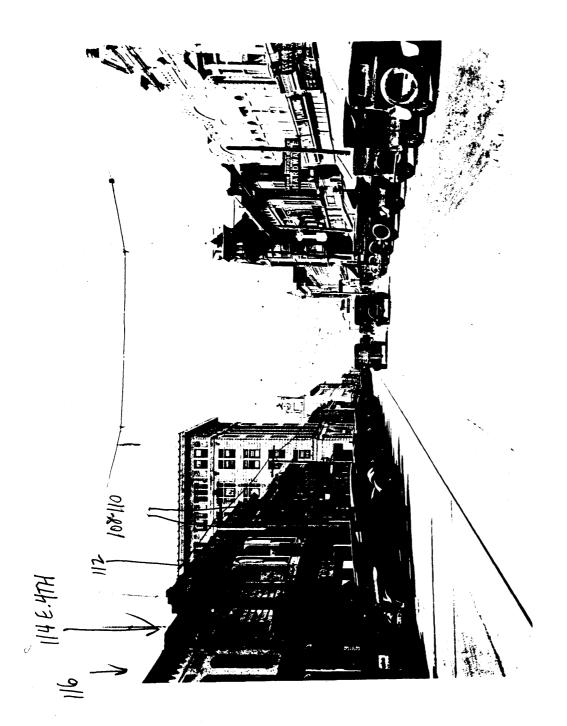
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