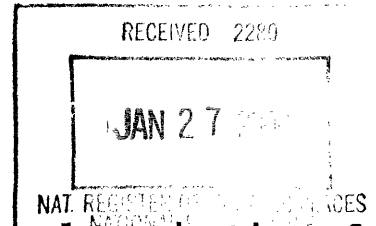


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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

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1. Name of Property
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historic name MacKinnon Apartments

other names/site number AHRS Site No. JUN-00194

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2. Location
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street & number 236 Third Street

not for publication N/A

city or town Juneau vicinity N/A

state Alaska code AK county Juneau code 110

zip code 99801

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide X locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Judith Bittner Signature of certifying official 1-20-00 Date

Alaska State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register See continuation sheet.
determined eligible for the National Register
determined not eligible for the National Register
removed from the National Register

other (explain):

Edson H. Beall 2/24/00

Signature of Keeper Date of Action

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5. Classification

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Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u> 1 </u>	<u> </u> buildings
<u> </u>	<u> </u> sites
<u> </u>	<u> </u> structures
<u> </u>	<u> </u> objects
<u> 1 </u>	<u> 0 </u> Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) N/A

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6. Function or Use
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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: domestic Sub: multiple dwelling

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: domestic Sub: multiple dwelling

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7. Description
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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

no style

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation concrete
roof asphalt
walls wood, stucco
other _____

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

The MacKinnon Apartments stand at the corner of Franklin and Third Streets in Juneau. The rectangular, three story, wood frame apartment building is covered with stucco. The front elevation is along Third Street. Built in 1925, the building originally measured 50 by 80 feet. In 1959, an addition on the rear of the building changed the dimensions to 50 by 100 feet. The long axis of the building is east-west. The building has dentals along the cornice that extends around the building, and quoins at the corners. The roof is flat.

The front elevation has a single leaf full glazed door centrally placed. Multi-lite side windows and a transom surround the door. Small 1/1 double hung sash windows flank the entry. This entry is sheltered by a flat hood supported by brackets mounted on each side of the small windows. Dentals ornament the hood. Towards the left and right hand ends of the front elevation, on all three floors, are paired 6/1 single hung sash windows. Centrally placed on the second and third floors are paired 6/1 single hung sash windows flanked by 1/1 double hung sash windows that match those on the first floor.

The right elevation parallels Franklin Street. It has seven bays that are defined by window placement. The windows are identical on all three floors. From the left, are paired 6/1 single hung sash windows followed by two 1/1 double hung sash windows, paired 6/1 single hung sash windows, paired 6/1 single hung sash windows, 1/1 double hung sash windows, paired 6/1 single hung sash windows, and triple 1/1 double hung sash windows.

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.) N/A

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

commerce

Period of Significance 1925-1939

Significant Dates 1925

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)
N/A

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder N/A

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9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Alaska Gold Rush Centennial Recognition Program. Application for Lauchlin MacKinnon on file at the Office of History and Archaeology, Anchorage, Alaska.

City and Borough of Juneau. Auditor's records.

MacKinnon, Alexander (great nephew of Lockie MacKinnon). Telephone conversation, February 19, 1999.

MacKinnon, Jane (granddaughter of Lockie MacKinnon). Telephone conversation, May 3, 1999.

Stroller's Weekly, October 10, 1925.

- Previous documentation on file (NPS) N/A
preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
previously listed in the National Register
previously determined eligible by the National Register
designated a National Historic Landmark
recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #
recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #

Primary Location of Additional Data

- State Historic Preservation Office
Other State agency
Federal agency
X Local government
University
Other

Name of repository:

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property one acre

UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

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Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

Lots 4 and 5, Block 9, Juneau Townsite: Beginning at the East corner of Lot 4 running thence South 60° 35' W 100.00 feet to the South corner of Lot 3; thence N 41° 17' W 84.58 feet, more or less to a point S 41° 17' E 15.42 feet from the West corner of Lot 3, thence N 48° 43' E 48.93 feet to a point S 41° 17' E 5.14 feet from the North corner of Lot 3; thence N 48° 43' E 48.93 feet to the Northeast boundary of Lot 5; thence S 41° 17' E 105.14 feet to the point of beginning.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The boundary encompasses the 1925 building and the 1959 addition which is an integral part of the building, occupying all of Lots 4 and 5, Block 9, Juneau Townsite.

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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Stephen Morrison

organization M & M Properties, Inc.

date July 30, 1999

street & number 6805 79th Street West

telephone 253-588-8585 city or town Lakewood state WA zip code 98499

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

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Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name M & M Properties, Inc.

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Quoins mark where the building originally ended. There is a side door in the first floor at the start of the addition.

The left elevation is similar to the right elevation, except that the front half of the building is approximately two feet wider than the back half and there is no door. The back elevation of the building is plain.

Inside, the main staircase has a single course between each floor. Each floor has a central hall that runs the length of the building. Divided between the floors are six 702 square foot one bedroom apartments, and seventeen 405 square foot studio apartments. The studio units have small entrance foyers. At the east end of the building is an interior back staircase.

In 1959, the building was enlarged with an addition creating five studio apartments on the back. The addition, and minor renovations to the bathrooms, have been the only changes to the building since construction. The building has been continuously used as an apartment house. It is sandwiched between Juneau's downtown commercial district, the Chicken Ridge residential district, and the Fries Miners Cabins on adjacent Star Hill, all listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

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Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

Opened in 1925, the MacKinnon Apartments provided modern housing in Alaska's capital and largest city. The building is representative of the size and scale of the buildings constructed during the boom that occurred in Juneau during the 1920s. The period between World Wars I and II, 1921 to 1939, has been defined as Juneau's Peak Gold Mining Era. During that period, the town was the center for the territorial government, for the Alaska-Juneau Gold Mining Company's huge hard rock operations, for salmon and halibut commercial fishermen, and for supplying southeast Alaska. The apartment building is located two blocks outside of the Juneau Downtown Historic District (listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1994). The building continues to provide apartment housing in Juneau, but the period of significance is ended in 1939 at the end of the Peak Gold Mining Era.

Background

Following placer gold discoveries in Silver Bow Basin in 1880, prospectors and businessmen established the town of Juneau. Within a decade, companies organized to mine the hard rock gold deposits in the area. Between 1880 and 1944, the three major mining companies in the Juneau area produced \$158 million in gold. The Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Company was the largest low grade ore gold producer in the world from 1910 to 1944.

Juneau quickly grew to be the largest community in southeast Alaska. In 1920, with a population of 3,058, it was the largest city in Alaska. The federal government designated Juneau the capital for the District of Alaska in 1900, although the move from Sitka was not made until 1906, and in 1912 designated it the capital for the Territory of Alaska.

After a cold storage plant opened in 1913, Juneau became the home port for a number of fishermen. The timber industry flourished with the building of a sawmill around 1910. Juneau became the regional trading center for communities in southeast Alaska. Steamships arrived and departed regularly. In the summer months, steamships brought visitors to town.

World War I created shortages of skilled labor to work in the mines and materials needed for mine operations. Production slowed. After the war, with new capital and improvements in technology, the Alaska-Juneau Gold Mining Company was profitable and expanding operations. As a result, the town prospered. Juneau business people invested in new, more substantial buildings. One of the new buildings was the three story MacKinnon Apartments.

Lauchlin "Lockie" MacKinnon, an immigrant from Nova Scotia, constructed the apartment building. He came to Alaska in 1886. MacKinnon drifted around mining camps in Alaska and the Yukon, working as a miner and businessman. For a few years in the 1890s he mined at Porcupine north of Haines. In 1893 he crossed the Chilkoot Trail to seek gold in the Fortymile. Back in

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Juneau, in 1895 and 1896 he and George Miller, his partner at Porcupine, built and operated the Circle City Hotel on Third Street. The hotel had eighty rooms, a bar and dining room. He married Martha Maline Lokke, who came to work at the hotel, in April 1896. The family continued to move around the north, spending several years at Atlin, B.C. and in the Fairbanks area, before settling in Juneau around 1911. Back in Juneau, MacKinnon managed the Zynda Hotel (later known as the Juneau Hotel) on Main Street. In the 1920s, MacKinnon sensed that apartments were replacing boarding houses and hotels, and built the MacKinnon Apartments. He and his wife lived in an apartment in the building until their deaths in the late 1940s.

The MacKinnon Investment Company prospectus appeared August 17, 1925, seeking investors in a three-story frame apartment house to be located at the corner of Third and Franklin Streets. An article in *Stroller's Weekly*, a local newspaper, dated October 10, 1925, noted that the new MacKinnon Apartments offered numerous modern conveniences. In particular, the article said the builder wired each apartment for electricity. After his second term as territorial governor ended in 1933, George Parks lived in the MacKinnon Apartments for three years.

The building has been continuously used as an apartment house since construction. Sons J. Simpson and Donald L. operated the apartment house after their parents' deaths. In 1959, perhaps anticipating the increased need for housing in the new state's capital, they added five studio units to the back of the building. Other than this addition, the building has not been significantly changed since its construction.

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CONTINUATION SHEET

Section Photograph identification
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1. MacKinnon Apartments
Juneau, Alaska
Stephen Morrison
August 1998
M & M Properties, Inc., 6805 79th St. W., Lakewood, WA 98499
Looking northeast at front and right elevations

2. MacKinnon Apartments
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Stephen Morrison
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M & M Properties, Inc., 6805 79th St. W., Lakewood, WA 98499
Looking southeast from Third Street

3. MacKinnon Apartments
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Looking north from Franklin Street at west side of building

4. MacKinnon Apartments
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Looking east at front elevation from Third Street

5. MacKinnon Apartments
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Looking east at front elevation