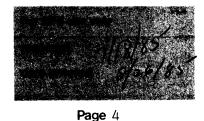
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Name: Greenville City Hall (MUG-43)

Owner: City of Greenville Greenville City Hall Greenville, KY 42345 Location: Court Street

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Classification: Building

<u>Description:</u> The Greenville City Hall is a two-story concrete building constructed in 1940 in the Art Deco style. On the main elevation (west facade) are stylized fluted pilasters which rise from a stepped base to a flat terminus below the roofline. The doorways on the facade are modern metal and glass units and windows are six-over-six sash. Above the second story windows is chevron molding. At the doorways is reverse stepped concrete decoration. On the north and south elevations is inset grooved belt coursing. At the roofline the parapet shows a stepped progression at each major bay. The interior has not been significantly altered and is used for city offices.

Significance: The Greenville City Hall is the city's only example of the Art Deco style. Constructed in 1940 the City Hall was built by the Works Projects Administration at a cost of \$80,000. Along with the Post Office the City Hall is one of the few structures constructed in Greenville during the Depression. The building was designed by a W.P.A. architect and the design is in keeping with the streamlined Art Deco buildings of the period. This design contrasts with the Post Office constructed in 1937 which is the standard "Colonial" design. No other Art Deco style building was constructed in Greenville or in Muhlenberg County during the 1930s or early 1940s. In small communities such as Greenville, governmental buildings erected by the W.P.A. or P.W.A. were often the only examples of the Art Deco style constructed during these years. The building is still used for city offices and it contains the office of city administrators and the police department. The design of the building is unique in the city and displays Art Deco detailing in the stylized pilasters, vertical grooved piers, chevron molding and reversed stepped decoration. The original design has not been significantly altered and it is the only example of this style in Greenville.

Acreage: Approximately .15 acre.

Verbal Boundary Description: The Greenville City Hall is designated on accompanying Greenville tax maps as lot 1 of Block 13.

UTM References: (Greenville Quadrangle) 16/484260/4116860

