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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC  
Payette City Hall and Courthouse  
AND/OR COMMON

**LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER  
3rd Ave. and 8th St.

CITY, TOWN  
Payette

NOT FOR PUBLICATION  
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
First

STATE  
Idaho

VICINITY OF  
CODE  
16

COUNTY  
Payette  
CODE  
075

**CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

**OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME  
Manuel E. Gonzalez

STREET & NUMBER  
803 E. Park

CITY, TOWN  
Emmett

VICINITY OF  
Idaho

STATE

**LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.  
Payette County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Payette

Idaho

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE  
Idaho State Historic Sites Inventory

DATE  
1972

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS  
Idaho State Historical Society

CITY, TOWN  
Boise

Idaho

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED    DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Payette City Hall is a two-story brick building in the Neo-Classical Revival style, which sits on a raised foundation. It is distinguished by a slightly outset entry bay which rises to a pedimented cornice.

The building is three bays wide and four bays deep. Terra cotta pilasters delineate the bays. Double hung sash windows with terra cotta flat arches are found in each bay. The first story windows are framed with quoins.

The facade and central bay contain a round arched entry with a fan light in its tympanum. A flight of steps which extend from the sidewalk provide access to the double doorway. A similar entry is located at ground level on the building's northside.

This rectangular building remains unaltered and has no additions. However, it is not in the best repair.

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

1912

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

J. Ronald Walker

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Payette City Hall is architecturally significant as a good local example of the Neo-Classical Revival style in Payette. Although of modest scale and ornament it none-the-less is one of the town's more outstanding structures and the major one in the downtown area to display Classical details and proportions. Situated at the end of Third Avenue, Payette's main street, it dominates the street scape in the north end, and for many years served as a symbol of civic authority.

Further contributing to the building's significance is its having functioned for a number of years as a seat of local government. Not only did it house the city government, but after the formation of Payette County in 1917 it also contained the county government. These governments have outgrown the building. In the 1950's the city officials moved out and about five years ago the county officers also obtained a new building. The building is now in private hands, but the structure's associations with the past remain strong.

Thus this building stands as a local landmark due to its associations with city and county government, as well as its Classical motifs, which traditionally have been associated with governmental architecture in America.

# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Payette Independent June 8, 1911 p. 1 c. 6  
Payette Enterprise May 2, 1912 July 4, 1912

# 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than 1 acre

UTM REFERENCES

A 

1	1	5	0	5	3	1	0	4	8	8	0	3	2	5
ZONE				EASTING				NORTHING						

B 

ZONE				EASTING				NORTHING						

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

This nomination includes the former city hall of Payette and the ground it stands on at Third Avenue and Eighth Street, which is owned in 1978 by Manuel E. Gonzalez of Emmett.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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# 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Don Hibbard

ORGANIZATION

Idaho State Historical Society

DATE

September 7, 1978

STREET & NUMBER

610 N. Julia Davis Drive

TELEPHONE

384-2120

CITY OR TOWN

Boise

STATE

Idaho

# 12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

*Made Wells*

TITLE

State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

8 March 79

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

*Charles A. ...*

DATE

5-14-79

ATTEST:

*W. Ray Luce*

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

5/11/79

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER