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DATA SHEET

Form 10-300
(Rev. 6-72)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Colorado
COUNTY:	Pitkin
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ENTRY DATE	JUN 5 1975

1. NAME

COMMON:
City Hall

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Armory Hall, Fraternal Hall

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
130 South Galena Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Aspen

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:
4th

STATE:
Colorado

CODE:
08

COUNTY:
Pitkin

CODE:
051

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
City of Aspen

STREET AND NUMBER:
130 South Galena Street, Box V

CITY OR TOWN:
Aspen

STATE:
Colorado

CODE:
08

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Clerk and Recorder's Office, Courthouse, Aspen, Colorado

STREET AND NUMBER:
506 East Main Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Aspen

STATE:
Colorado

CODE:
08

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Townsite plat

DATE OF SURVEY: 1880
 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
City Engineer

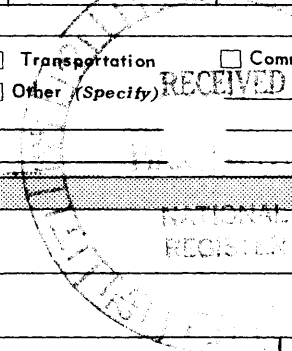
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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Ruins Unexposed

(Check One)

Altered Unaltered

(Check One)

Moved Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

City Hall's main architectural significance is its simplistic and functional form and structure during an era of typically heavy Victorian influence.

It is a single detached rectangular structure 91 feet by 66 feet with two and one-half stories. The top one-half story is currently not utilized. The main facade has three main dormers.

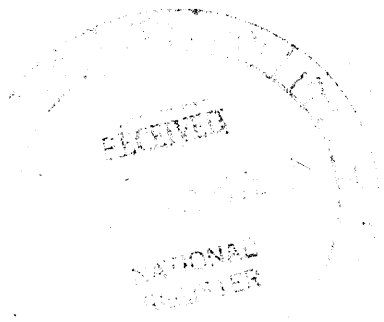
The exterior is a structural, common bond, multiple layer brick wall with vertical load bearing piers, with recessed ~~structural~~ bays. Exterior walls are approximately recessed structural bays. Exterior walls approximately 14" thick. The roof form is a gambrel with three equally spaced hipped gables on the south side and two asymmetrical gables on the north side. One of these gables has been modified to accommodate a stairway to the third half story. The gambrel's top pitch is very low, sloped only enough for water runoff and is hidden behind the front and back facades by a parapet extending beyond the roof line. The parapet wall is articulated by stepped brick work which extends slightly out from the wall, creating a crowning effect.

The roof has close eaves on the north face and projecting eaves with supporting brackets and exposed rafters on the south face.

With the exception of the first story of the east and west facade all windows have sandstone sills and arched brick heads. The east and west facades of the first story have windows with sandstone sills and heads.

Obvious alterations to the original historic design are the infilling of three of the five bays on the south side of the building, alteration to the dormer previously stated, and addition of an open porch to the north side of the building. These changes do not destroy the architectural integrity of the structure.

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SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

10/02/91 After consideration of several possible sites, the Aspen Armory Hall Company purchased two lots on the southeast corner of Galena Street and Hopkins Avenue from J. D. Hopper for \$5,000.

10/17/91 Excavation was begun. The plans for the new Armory Hall specified a two story structure made of brick. The ground floor was to be used for Armory purposes only, but the second floor, which could be reached from the outside, was to be open for lodge purposes and to have a room for banquets.

1/21/92 Company C of the first battalion held the inaugural ball to dedicate the Armory which had been completed at a cost of \$15,000. A new dancing academy had already opened in the building and it was evident that the Armory was destined to be a center of social activity in Aspen for years to come.

October 2, 1891, Aspen Armory Hall Company purchased from J. D. Hooper the two lots on the southeast corner of Galena and Hopkins for \$5,000.

Excavation started October 17, 1891.

The building originally was built for the members of the military company who were cramped for floor space for drilling purposes and for storage for their uniforms.

The building is constructed of brick and is two stories high. Cost of the Armory was \$15,000.

January 21, 1892 -- New Armory Hall was dedicated with gaiety and merry tripping of light fantastic toes. The inaugural ball given by Company C of the First Battalion was a glittering success.

The Armory Hall was used for many social events in the years that followed.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES Aspen Times 1881 to date

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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SW	° ' "	° ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **9,000 square feet**

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

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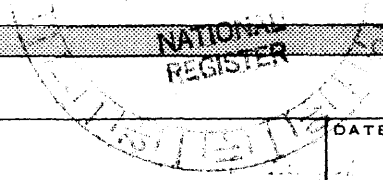
11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Ramona Markalunas, President

ORGANIZATION: **Aspen Historical Society** DATE: **8-15-74**

STREET AND NUMBER:
620 West Bleeker Street, Box 1323

CITY OR TOWN: **Aspen** STATE: **Colorado** CODE: **08**



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12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name: Gytha Emick

Title: Notary State Historic Preservation Officer

Date: January 28 1975

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

A. Rucobee
Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation
JUN 5 1975

Date: _____

ATTEST:

W. M. ...
Keeper of The National Register
JUN 4 1975

Date: _____

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Significance

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Armory Hall became the full-time City Hall in 1956. Since that time it has been politically significant as a gathering point for groups to discuss the town's future.

The social-humanitarian significance is derived from the fact that Armory Hall was the social center for Aspen. Prior to full-time use as City Hall it was used as a fraternal hall. Lodge meetings for various fraternal organizations were frequently held here. (Mining groups also used Armory Hall as a meeting place.) Most social events associated with these various meetings took place here, along with many others.

Bibliographical References 9

Roaring Fork Valley, Len Shoemaker

Aspen on the Roaring Fork, Frank Wentworth