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SURVEY-INVENTORY FORM

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COMMUNITY CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

MAY 1 6 1985

NAME

Historic

ANDREW STEGERWALD HOUSE

and/or Common

Street & Number

2. LOCATION

UTM References:

10 Easting 517460

Northing 5330340

1710 Fir Street

- not for publication

City, Town

Port Townsend

- vicinity of

State

Washington

County Jefferson

CLASSIFICATION

Ownership:

public

private

both

Status:

Present Use:

occupied unoccupied work in progress agriculture

commercial educational

entertainment government

industrial

military museum

park

private residence

scientific other: religious transportation

OWNER OF PROPERTY 4.

Name

David S. Fagan

Street & Number

1710 Fir Street

City, Town

Port Townsend

- vicinity of

State Washington 98368

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Organization	Date November 1984
Street & Number	Telephone
4021 E. Highland Drive	(206) 325-9346
City or Town	State
Seattle,	Washington 98112

7. DESCRIPTION

Condition: ex

excellent good

fair deteriorated

ruins unexposed

Circle one:

unaltered

altered

moved

Circle one:

original site

date

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance attach photo

This house is a one and one-half story, wood frame structure on a post and pier foundation. The hipped and gabled roof is covered with wood shingles. A large gabled dormer is located on the front elevation, and a polygonal window bay with an elaborate gabled dormer above is on the south side elevation. Exterior walls are covered with drop siding and cornerboards, with staggered butt shingles at the dormer Windows are one-over-one light, double-hung sash, with elaborate surrounds which incorporate heavy entablature heads, corner blocks, and apron trim. The polygonal bay has recessed panels, corner brackets, and applied mouldings in decorative patterns. The main entry porch is covered by a hipped roof with a central pedimented gable. The porch posts are incised and chafered, with brackets that support a frieze composed of dimensional lumber and band-sawn ornament. The porch railing is composed of dimensional lumber in geometric patterns. A hip-roofed side porch is similarly detailed, although the diagonal brackets with pendants seem to be out of character and of questionable origin. The interior is very handsome, with the fir millwork The bullseye corner blocks are surmounted by tripainted to simulate finer woods. angular caps, and the five-panel doors have decorative fluting. There is a copper Verbal boundary description: (contd)

Acreage: Less than an acre

Pettygrove's 1st Addition, Block 49, Lots 5-7.

8. SIGNIFICANCE

Specific dates

c. 1890

Builder/Architect Unknown

a. History

The house was built by Andrew Stegerwald as his family residence. He was a contractor and a partner in the firm of Cummings and Stegerwald. They built the N.D. Hill commercial building on Water Street and apparently numerous other buildings and residences in the town. During World War II the Stegerwald house, like many others, accommodated families connected with nearby Fort Worden. During the early 1960s there was reportedly some restoration work done by a previous owner.

b. Evaluation of Significance

The Stegerwald House is a very handsome example of a simple Victorian cottage that has been enhanced by elaborate decorative details. The attention paid to the fine interior millwork is probably due to the fact that the original owner was a contractor. The house is one of the most impressive in the area north of Morgan Hill, between the hill and the fort.

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7. DESCRIPTION (continued)

picture rail in the parlor and stenciling in the entry hall. The upper floor is now a finished and usable space, although this was probably not the case originally. The large front dormer appears to have been rebuilt (and enlarged?), although the window sash is not new.

