

**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
 Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic _____

and/or common Tyson House

2. Location

street & number 242 West Liberty St. n/a not for publication

city, town Reno n/a vicinity of _____ congressional district 2

state Nevada code 32 county Washoe code 031

3. 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 checked="" 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	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Ms. Drucilla Tyson

street & number 242 West Liberty St.,

city, town Reno n/a vicinity of _____ state NV

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Washoe County Courthouse

street & number _____

city, town Reno state Nevada

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title not represented has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date _____ federal state county local

depository for survey records _____

city, town _____ state _____

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Constructed between 1904 and 1906, the wood frame structure is two and a half stories in height and Queen Anne in style with Colonial Revival influences. It stands prominently on the corner of Flint and West Liberty and is larger in scale than adjacent structures. West Liberty is a busy commercial street, with office buildings, parking lots, and offices in former residential structures. The building has experienced minor alterations to the front of the structure and some additions to the rear.

The Queen Anne style structure is a wood frame building, surfaced in narrow clapboard and shingles. A variety of forms comprise its design. An octagonal two and a half story tower with a peaked roof projects from the corner of the building. Roof forms are varied and include three gables that intersect a pyramidal roof with a hipped extension. Two, two and a half story slanted bays and a smaller square one project from the building's facade. These bays are gabled and the gable ends contain eave returns, smaller windows, and shingles. Decorative console brackets support the gable ends of the larger bays while columns support the smaller bay which has been enclosed. The foundation is concrete and concrete block. The base line of the gable pediments encircles the structure at the second story roof line.

The rounded porch is supported by simple columns connected by a balustrade. Windows are fixed or double hung. The upper portions of the principal facade windows are divided into small decorative panes.

The second story rear extension is divided horizontally at the second floor by a band of patterned shingles that matches the first and second floor bases of the large bays. The first floor projects slightly to the south, creating a small entrance beneath a balcony, and connecting with a two car garage. A picket fence extends around the sides and front of the building.

The small house at 418 Flint, on the alley, is associated with 242 West Liberty. Originally the carriage house, built in 1905, it has been remodeled. The one story wood frame structure has a shingled hip roof with projecting dormer and narrow clapboard siding. Projecting porches are supported by columns and a picket fence extends across the front. Some windows have been changed.

Alterations include the enclosure of the small bay at the second floor, the porch balustrade, picket fence, and rear addition. Carriage lamps, weathervanes and a stained glass front door are essentially accessory changes. The carriage house has been remodeled.

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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates between 1904-1906 **Builder/Architect** unknown

Statement of Significance (In one paragraph)

The structure is primarily significant architecturally. It is a good representative of its style and type of building. Its composition is varied and typical of the era. There are also some historic associations of interest. The building was constructed between 1904 and 1906. It is not known who constructed the house but the Newlands family owned the property at one time.

The structure is one of the best remaining representatives of the style in Reno. Its composition is varied and its form interesting. Queen Anne styling is evident in the fine tower and gabled bays. The varied use of surface materials, and the counterpoint created by the combination of different forms has resulted in a visually interesting composition. This variety is very reflective of Queen Anne design. Minor Colonial Revival influences are seen in the treatment of the porch.

Though somewhat altered, the structure retains its original character and design image. It gains prominence through its corner siting.

The structure is an imposing and interesting vernacular example of its style in Reno, and one of the increasingly rarer representatives of this era in the City's past.

Historic associations are largely unconfirmed but the structure was once owned by the Newlands family. Newlands was a prominent Nevada political figure of the late 19th century, and a Reno resident. A man named James Burns, associated with a lumber company, was also associated with the property.

Other individuals, mentioned in interviews, that may have been part of its past are Mark Frankovich, a professional gambler, and James Burris, a mine owner. In the 1940's, the building was converted to a rooming house.

The structure has been converted to commercial use and now serves as a boutique.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Sanborn Insurance Maps for Reno: 1906
 Founder's Title Company of Nevada, Title and Deed Records
 Interview: Drucilla Tysen
 Nevada Historic Society, Reno, Biographical files

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property .14 acre
 Quadrangle name Reno Quadrangle scale 7.5'

UMT References

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Verbal boundary description and justification Washoe Co. Assessor's Parcel # 11-181-14
 Located on lot 13 of Lakes addition, this parcel at the SE corner of Flint Street and Liberty Street measures 46.6' along its southern line, 136.5' along the eastern line, 31.78' along the northern line and 117.50' along

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	<u>n/a</u>	code	<u>n/a</u>	county	<u>n/a</u>	code	<u>n/a</u>
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11. Form Prepared By

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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 Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature James M. Hamrick

title Alternate SHPO date January 14, 1983

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

J. Alloria Byers
 Keeper of the National Register

Entered in the
 National Register

date 2/24/83

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

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the western property line fronting on Flint Street. The residence and the remodeled carriage house are located on their original sites.

