

Structure/Site Information Form

IDENTIFICATION 1

Street Address: 9361 S. 400 East
 Sandy, Salt Lake County, Utah UTM: 12 424710 4492450

Name of Structure: Jordan School District Administration Building R. S.

Present Owner: Jordan School District
 9361 S. 400 East

Owner Address: Sandy, Utah 84070

Year Built (Tax Record): Effective Age: Tax #:
 Legal Description Kind of Building:

The building is located in the extreme southwestern corner of the school property on a parcel of less than one acre commencing at the southwest corner of the property, N 400 feet, E 100 feet, S 400 feet, W 100 feet to beginning. The legal description for the 22.26-acre parcel of land that is the school property is as follows: Lots 1, 2, 3, S 9 rods of Lots 4 & 7, and all of Lot 8, Block 4, Sandy 5 Acre Plat.

STATUS/USE 2

Original Owner: Jordan School District Construction Date: 1935 Demolition Date:

Original Use: educational Present Use: educational

Building Condition: Integrity: Preliminary Evaluation: Final Register Status:

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Site	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Significant	<input type="checkbox"/> Not of the	<input type="checkbox"/> National Landmark	<input type="checkbox"/> District
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor Alterations	<input type="checkbox"/> Contributory	Historic Period	<input type="checkbox"/> National Register	<input type="checkbox"/> Multi-Resource
<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated		<input type="checkbox"/> Major Alterations	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Contributory		<input type="checkbox"/> State Register	<input type="checkbox"/> Thematic

DOCUMENTATION 3

Photography: Date of Slides: 1984 Slide No.: Date of Photographs: 1984 Photo No.:

Views: Front Side Rear Other Views: Front Side Rear Other

Research Sources:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abstract of Title	<input type="checkbox"/> Sanborn Maps	<input type="checkbox"/> Newspapers	<input type="checkbox"/> U of U Library
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plat Records / Map	<input type="checkbox"/> City Directories	<input type="checkbox"/> Utah State Historical Society	<input type="checkbox"/> BYU Library
<input type="checkbox"/> Tax Card & Photo	<input type="checkbox"/> Biographical Encyclopedias	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal Interviews	<input type="checkbox"/> USU Library
<input type="checkbox"/> Building Permit	<input type="checkbox"/> Obituary Index	<input type="checkbox"/> LDS Church Archives	<input type="checkbox"/> SLC Library
<input type="checkbox"/> Sewer Permit	<input type="checkbox"/> County & City Histories	<input type="checkbox"/> LDS Genealogical Society	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

Bibliographical References (books, articles, records, interviews, old photographs and maps, etc.):

Twenty-first Report of the Superintendent of Public Instruction of the State of Utah for the Biennial Period Ending June 30, 1936. n.p., 1936.

Architect/Builder: unknown

Building Materials: stone

Building Type/Style: PWA Moderne

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features:

(Include additions, alterations, ancillary structures, and landscaping if applicable)

This is a 1-story flat roof building that is constructed in the PWA Moderne style. The composition of the building is symmetrical and there are two wide low relief piers at each end of the principal facade. There is a dentiled frieze under the cornice and a distinctive projecting dentiled string course just above the level of the window heads. The openings themselves are recessed and plain and there are decorative geometric glazing bars. The walls are coursed ashlar stone. The building remains in excellent condition.

Statement of Historical Significance:

Construction Date: 1935

Built in 1935, the Jordan School District Administration Building is part of the Public Works Buildings Thematic Resources nomination and is significant because it helps document the impact of New Deal programs in Utah, which was one of the states that the Great Depression of the 1930s most severely affected. In 1933 Utah had an unemployment rate of 36 percent, the fourth highest in the country, and for the period 1932-1940 Utah's unemployment rate averaged 25 percent. Because the depression hit Utah so hard, federal programs were extensive in the state. Overall, per capita federal spending in Utah during the 1930s was 9th among the 48 states, and the percentage of workers on federal work projects was far above the national average. Building programs were of great importance. During the 1930s virtually every public building constructed in Utah, including county courthouses, city halls, fire stations, national guard armories, public school buildings, and a variety of others, were built under federal programs by one of several agencies, including the Civil Works Administration (CWA), the Federal Emergency Relief Administration (FERA), the National Youth Administration (NYA), the Works Progress Administration (WPA), or the Public Works Administration (PWA), and almost without exception none of the buildings would have been built when they were without the assistance of the federal government.

This is one of 233 public works buildings identified in Utah that were built during the 1930s and early 1940s. Only 130 of those 233 buildings are known to remain today and retain their historic integrity. Of those 233, 107 were public school buildings, 55 of which remain. In Salt Lake County 20 buildings were constructed, of which 10 are left and are relatively unaltered.

The Jordan School District Administration Building was built in 1935 as a Public Works Administration (PWA) project. It was part of a \$75,000 PWA project that also included rebuilding the fire-razed Highland Boy Elementary School at Bingham which included an auditorium.