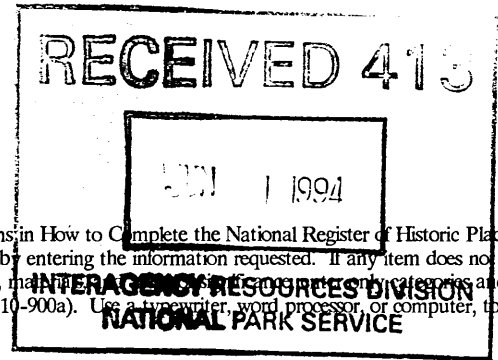


United States Department of the Interior
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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.



1. Name of Property

historic name Cedar Rapids City Hall and Library

other names/site number NeHBS # BO04-023

2. Location

street & number 423 West Main not for publication [n/a]

city or town Cedar Rapids vicinity [n/a]

state Nebraska code NE county Boone code 011 zip code 68627

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this [x] nomination [] request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property [x] meets [] does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant [] nationally [] statewide [x] locally. ([] See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Lawrence Sommer
Signature of certifying official

5/23/94
Date

Director, Nebraska State Historical Society
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property [] meets [] does not meet the National Register criteria. ([] See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

- I, hereby certify that this property is:
 entered in the National Register.
 [] See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the
 National Register
 [] See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the
 National Register.
- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain): _____

Edson R Beall

7.1.94

Entered in the
National Register

[Signature]
Signature of Keeper

Date of Action

Cedar Rapids City Hall
Name of Property

Boone County, Nebraska
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1		buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
1		Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

n/a

n/a

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

GOVERNMENT: City Hall

EDUCATION: Library

GOVERNMENT: Firehall

SOCIAL: Meeting Hall

GOVERNMENT: Correctional Facility

GOVERNMENT: City Hall

EDUCATION: Library

WORK IN PROGRESS: Enlargement of Library

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

RENAISSANCE

foundation Concrete

walls Brick

roof Asphalt

other Wood, Sandstone

Narrative Description
(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

1913

Significant Dates

1913

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

n/a

Cultural Affiliation

n/a

Architect/Builder

Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary Location of Additional Data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
 - Other State agency
 - Federal agency
 - Local government
 - University
 - Other
- Name of repository:
City Hall and Library

Cedar Rapids City Hall
Name of Property

Boone County, Nebraska
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one acre.

UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
1.	14	571010	4601030	3.			
2.				4.			

[] See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Phyllis Waymire, Secretary

organization Historical Committee & Friends of the Library date February, 1994

street & number 505 South 2nd Street telephone (308) 358-0365

city or town Cedar Rapids state NE zip code 68627

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Village of Cedar Rapids

street & number 423 West Main Street telephone (308) 358-0240

city or town Cedar Rapids state NE zip code 68627

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Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18.1 hours per response including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Chief, Administrative Services Division, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, DC 20013-7127; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reductions Project (1024-0018), Washington, DC 20503.

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RECEIVED 4 17 1980	Cedar Rapids City Hall
	Boone County, Nebraska
INTERAGENCY RESOURCES DIVISION NATIONAL PARK SERVICE	County and State

Description

The Cedar Rapids City Hall in Cedar Rapids, Boone County, Nebraska, is a two-story municipal building. Constructed in 1913, the building incorporates Italian Renaissance styling in its design. Although the interior has been altered, the exterior integrity is still good. The nomination consists of one contributing property.

The Cedar Rapids City Hall is located at 423 West Main Street in Cedar Rapids, at the west end of the main street commercial district. Constructed in 1913, this building originally provided facilities for the library, fire department, police station and jail, city offices, and community meetings.

The Italian Renaissance style two-story brick building is rectangular in shape. It has a flat roof, parapet walls and rests on a concrete slab foundation except for a cellar area beneath the library in the northeast corner. Above the middle of the five second-floor windows is a sandstone plaque inscribed with the construction date, "1913". The wall cornice and round arch above the recessed porch are also of sandstone. In the center of the roof-line balustrade appears the words "CITY HALL". Originally, a driveway led to a wide garage door on the west side of the main facade which was used by the fire department. This area was later (1974) converted to office space. A door and windows succeeded the garage door and concrete steps replaced the driveway. In the rear of the building is another garage door that leads to a storage area.

A garage on the west side of the main floor was where the fire station and maintenance department were located. (As mentioned, this later became office space). The library occupied the first two rooms on the east side. This area was also used for town board meetings. Immediately behind it was the jail. A 1976 conversion allowed the library to move into the jail space. In the southeast corner of the building was the town office.

Wooden stairs lead to the second floor where a kitchen, cloakroom, and community meeting room were located. Now used only for storage, it is still in its original condition. The rooms have hardwood floors, embossed tin ceilings, and original light fixtures.

Statement of Significance

The Cedar Rapids City Hall in Cedar Rapids, Boone County, Nebraska is significant at the local level under Criterion C as an excellent example of a specific type of town hall building; that is, a two-story masonry building that incorporated the town hall and fire department in its design. The period of significance is 1913, which is the year it was constructed.

Built in 1913, the Cedar Rapids City Hall is a good representative of a particular building type that became evident in towns throughout the state during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. This type of building is a two-story masonry building that incorporated both the city hall and the fire station. In addition to housing these two services, the nominated building also contained the library, jail, and community room. The Cedar Rapids City Hall has been in continuous use since its completion.

According to the Nebraska Historic Buildings Survey similar buildings exist in other towns in surrounding counties. They are Linwood (BU08-006) in Butler County; Boelus (HW01-005) and St. Paul

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Name of Property

Boone County, Nebraska

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Statement of Significance (continued)

(HW11-028) in Howard County; Humphrey (PT05-022) in Platte County; and Hooper (DD06-067), North Bend (DD09-008), Scribner (DD10-069), and Snyder (DD11-001) in Dodge County. Of these, only the one in Hooper is currently listed on the National Register; it is a contributing property in the Hooper Historic District.

The Cedar Rapids City Hall is similar in its styling and massing to that of the Humphrey City Hall, one of the more architecturally distinctive examples of the property type. Both buildings exhibit a three-bay composition with a central "pavilion-like" entry, and incorporate Italian Renaissance styling in their design. The Cedar Rapids City Hall is also noteworthy due to its prominent raised, recessed entry. Other property types cited display street level access.

Although the interior has experienced some remodeling, the exterior continues to exhibit good integrity. Additionally, it is a good representative of the two-story masonry town hall building that also incorporated the fire station. For these reasons, the Cedar Rapids Town Hall is significant under Criterion C at the local level.

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Verbal Boundary Description

Described as lots 11-12, block 30, First Addition of Cedar Rapids, Boone County, Nebraska.

Boundary Justification

The boundary includes that parcel of land that has historically been associated with the property.