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"HISTORIC BUILDING FORM" SHPO INVENTORY NO.

ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION

SURVEY AREA NAME: Safford, Arizona

HISTORIC NAME: Buena Vista Hotel

ADDRESS/LOCATION: 322 Main

CITY/TOWN: Safford

TAX PARCEL NUMBER: 102-22-256 /<1 ACRE(S)

OWNER: Avanti Mortgage Corporation

OWNER ADDRESS: 2180 N. Central Ave.
Phoenix, AZ 85004

HISTORIC USE: Hotel

PRESENT USE: Vacant

BUILDING TYPE: Commercial

STYLE: Mission Revival

CONSTRUCTION DATE: 1928

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: H.O. Jaastad/McGinty Const.

INTEGRITY: Minor alterations

CONDITION: Fair

COUNTY: Graham SURVEY SITE: A0015

USGS QUAD: Safford, AZ

T 7s R 26e S 8 / SE ¼ OF THE SW ¼

UTM 12/620700E/3683350N

DESCRIPTION

STORIES: 2 DIMENSIONS: (l) 80' (w) 100'

STRUCTURAL MATERIAL: Steel frame

FOUNDATION MATERIAL: Concrete

WALL SHEATHING: Stucco

APPLIED ORNAMENT: Three curved mission style parapets with stucco coping, spanish tile..

SKETCH MAP: See Final MRA Map

Description (contd.)

ROOF TYPE: Flat

ROOF SHEATHING: Unknown, spanish tile on awnings

EAVES TREATMENT: Corbeled brick stringer parapet with finials at corners

WINDOWS: Boarded shut with plywood

ENTRY: Arched entry with decorative tile jambs; main arched entry has baroque..

PORCHES: Two arched arcade

STOREFRONTS: See above

NOTABLE INTERIOR: Some original detailing still exists

OUTBUILDINGS: None

ALTERATIONS: Windows and doors boarded shut, metal replacement awnings

PHOTOGRAPH

PHOTOGRAPHER: Linda Laird & Associates

DATE: Jan, 1987 VIEW: NE, FF

NEGATIVE NUMBER: R:CC F:16

ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTION/ANALYSIS (annotated form): Appl ornam contd: shed roof awnings, quatrefoils, arched arcade, arched tile entries, baroque facade arched entry. Entry contd: style plaster bas-relief facade with engaged pilasters, parapet and keystone arch. Rel to dev contd: was important to Safford after the major USHWY was opened.

SIGNIFICANCE: Relates to National Register Criteria: A,C

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: COMMERCE XXX COMMUNITY PLANNING ____ ECONOMICS ____

EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT ____ GOVERNMENTAL ____ MILITARY ____ RELIGION ____ SCIENCE ____

THEATRE ____ TRANSPORTATION ____ TOURISM ____ OTHER(specify) Architecture

HISTORIC ASSOCIATIONS (be concise):

PROMINENT OCCUPANT/HISTORIC ASSOCIATION(S) This commercial building was built by Jaastad, a prominent Tucson architect. It was gutted by fire in 1979*

RELATIONSHIP TO LOCAL DEVELOPMENT Relates to tourist development on Main. Tourism..

CULTURAL AFFILIATIONS None

ARCHITECTURAL MERIT Major local example of Mission Revival style commercial building

MAJOR ARCH. FORM/MATERIAL None

ENGINEERING/STRUCTURAL None

DISTRICT/STREETSCAPE CONTRIBUTION Prominent corner location on edge of commercial area

DISCUSSION AS REQUIRED: Major local example of a H O Jaastad designed Mission Revival Style hotel. The hotel was important to the tourism in Safford after the US Highway was built.

* The 1979 fire actually damaged only a small portion of the building's interior.

CONTEXT: ISOLATED/RURAL ____ RESIDENTIAL STREET ____ COMMERCIAL ____ CENTRAL SQUARE ____

CBD: XXX OTHER: ____

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LISTING IN OTHER SURVEYS: 1985 Historic Resources Survey, conducted by Linda Laird & Assoc.

NATIONAL REGISTER STATUS:

LISTED ____ DETERMINED ELIGIBLE ____ DETERMINED NOT ELIGIBLE ____ NOT EVALUATED ____

COMMENTS/DEVELOPMENT PLANS/THREATS:

None

SURVEYOR Linda Laird & Assoc. SURVEY DATE 5/87 DATE FORM COMPLETED 9/19/87