2.2.13 Capitol Avenue Historic District

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The Capitol Avenue Historic District was built in two major periods, the 1870’s and the 1890’s. The many Italianates in this area, especially along P Street, from the 1870’s give it a distinctive character. No other part of the City has so many houses of this style. Mixed in with the Italianates are simple high basement cottages, which are very sympathetic in style, as well as a large number of larger Queen Annes and Colonial Revivals from the 1890’s. Buildings of the two styles relate well on the street, as they share a vertical directional expression, rhythm, materials, color, and setback. The juxtaposition of these two distinct styles of architecture provides a graphic picture of the history of the neighborhood, demonstrating two periods of prosperity when the area remained desirable. The neighborhood has suffered some intrusions of modern apartment construction. Like many older parts of Sacramento, the tree-lined streets provide continuity even to the architecturally eroded areas. Because the trees serve in this way, the effects of the modern construction, no matter how bad or insensitive it might be, are lessened when the new building is set back the same distance as the neighborhood’s original houses.

This neighborhood once extended further to the north and west but has been eroded by modern apartment houses to the west and commercial expansion of the downtown to the north. There is a railroad half a block to the east, and to the south the houses are generally newer, smaller and have a different character.

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### Capitol Avenue Historic District Contributing and Non-Contributing Resources

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*Note: Other properties in the district contributing or non-contributing status to be determined.*

Note: Addresses of properties may not be all the addresses associated with the property; address shown reflect the address assigned to the parcel by the Sacramento County Recorder's Office.

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