
Heritage Designation
Application No. 000183
for
1209 Yukon Street

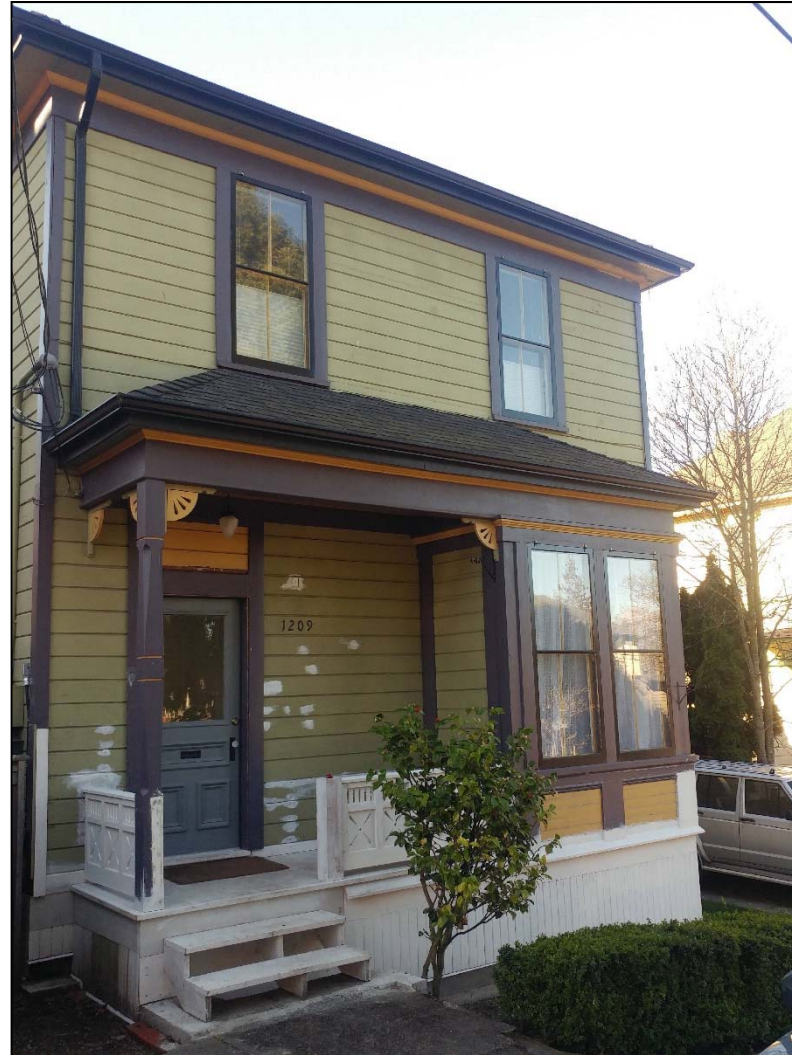
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Purpose of Application

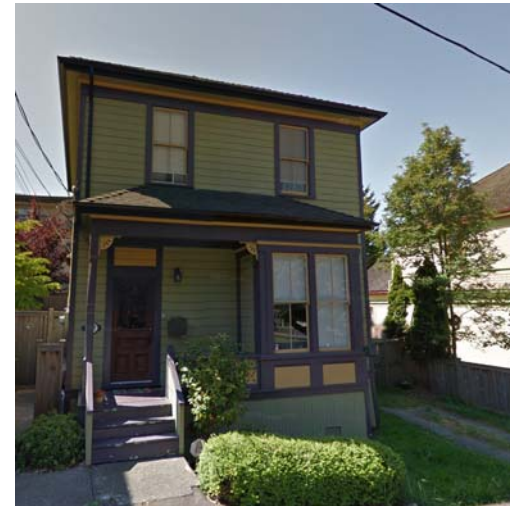
The owner has applied to designate the house, constructed in 1892 by William and Mary Whittaker as part of a row of five nearly identical houses.



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Property History

- Built in 1892
- Constructed by the Whittaker family as one of five rental houses on the street
- The Whittaker family were locally prominent; William Whittaker was a barber
- William and Mary Whittaker were both born in 1840 in England and immigrated to Rhode Island before moving to Victoria in 1878
- Part of the eastward expansion of the City spurred by mid-1880's economic boom
- A good example of the vernacular Italianate style

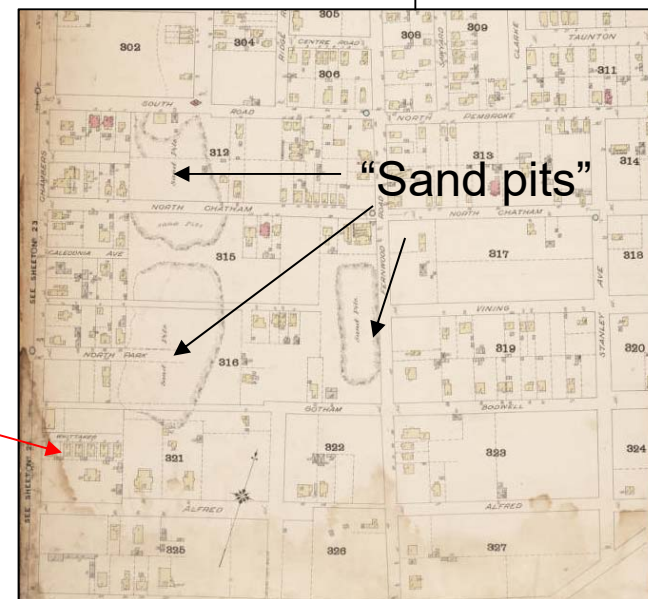
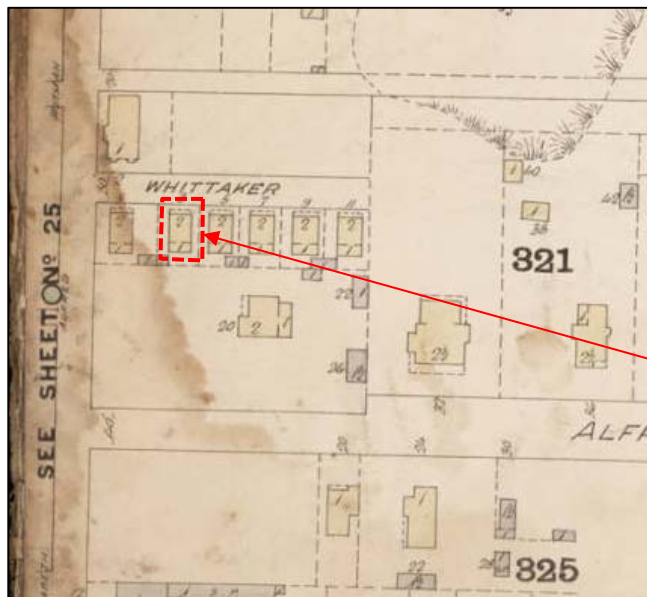


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Street originally called Whittaker, but renamed Yukon in 1946. When the houses were built, the area was much more sparsely developed and unfinished.



1209 Yukon is shown on plate 30, which is The edge of the 1891-1895 fire insurance map for Victoria



1891 Fire Insurance Plan (Revised 1895)

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Heritage Value

- Historical and cultural worth for its association with the Whittaker family and the eastward expansion of Victoria during an economic boom
- Aesthetic value as a good example of the vernacular Italianate style

Heritage Character

- The house today is an accurate representation of its original appearance in 1892
- Carpenter ornamentation, hip roof, v-groove wood siding and two-over-two centre bar sash windows produce a distinctive appearance



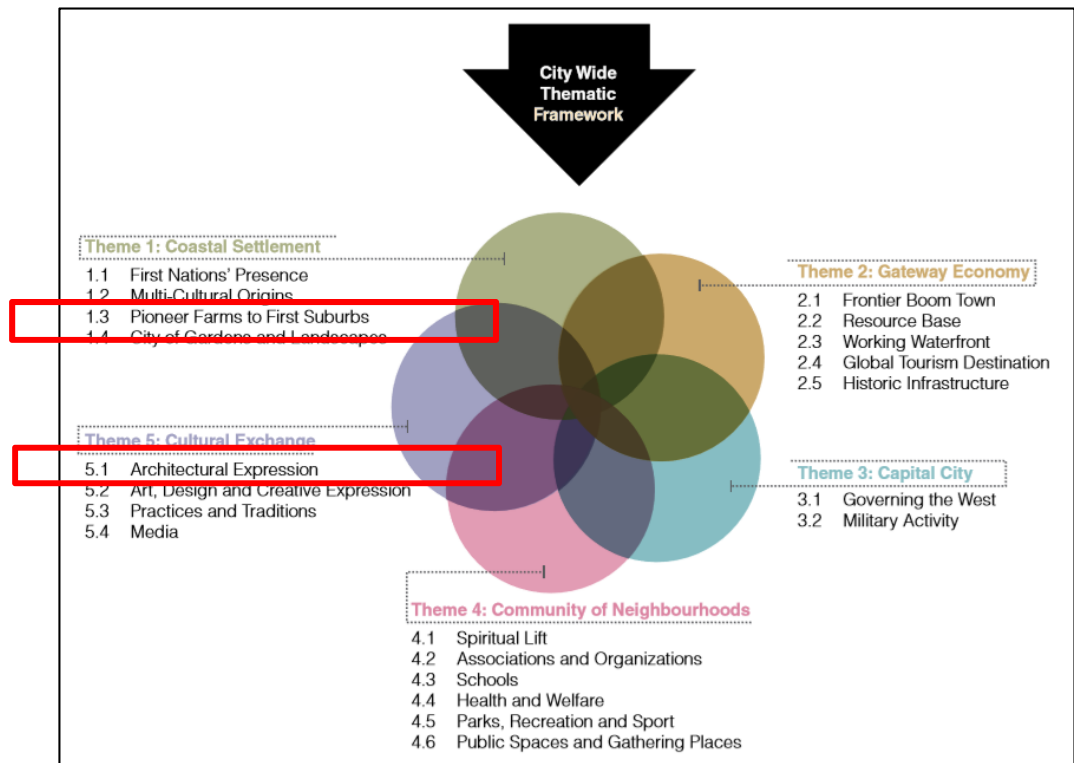
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1.3 Pioneer Farms to first suburbs

Represents residential development for the working and middle class in the 1890s.

5.1 Architectural Expression

Good example of the vernacular Italianate style. A rare example of an intact streetscape.



1209 Yukon Street- Character Defining Elements



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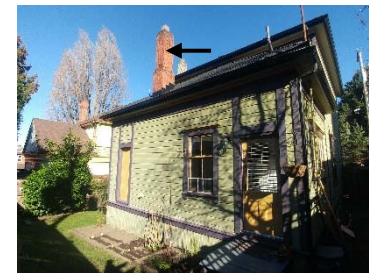
1. Removal of two non-original brick chimneys at the west side of the house
2. Removal of chimney protruding from rear one-storey addition
3. Reinstatement of central chimney in keeping with other surviving houses on Yukon Street
4. Conversion of the non-original rear door on the one-storey addition into what was originally a window
5. Re-construction of porch and restoration/preservation of original architectural details at front of house
6. Painting house with approved heritage colours
7. Completion of installation of period specific storm windows
8. Foundation repairs, including levelling of rear one-storey addition

Staff Assessment

Proposed alterations are reasonable and do not detract from heritage character or value; in fact they enhance it.



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1209 Yukon Street- Staff Recommendation

That Council approve the designation of the heritage-registered property located at 1209 Yukon Street, pursuant to Section 611 of the *Local Government Act*, as a Municipal Heritage Site, and that first and second reading of the Heritage Designation Bylaw be considered by Council and a Public Hearing date be set.

