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MUNICIPAL HERITAGE SITE REGISTRY Form A — Designation

Municipality City of Victoria Clerk Mark Johnston
Address #1 Centennial Square, Victoria, BC V8W 1P6 Telephone No. 385-5711, L.2003

Site Description

Name

Legal description Lot 373 & 382, Victoria City

000-119-342 000-119-334

Address 836 Yates Street (Coronet Theatre)

Owner(s) Duncan Morrison
c/o Corontet Ventures Ltd

Address(es) 5007 Echo Drive, RR#7
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Heritage significance Despite alterations to the marquee and entry, this elegant Art Deco structure maintains its original charm and character. Built as the Atlas Theatre, the symmetrical center tower once supported an elaborate marquee sign, complete with an insignia of Atlas supporting the earth. The windows and cornice setbacks are angled in imitation of a Mayan motif, popular as one of the revival styles of the time. A horizontal frieze of lozenge relief shapes echoes the setback, and ties together the vertical wall surfaces. The Atlas was the first air conditioned theatre in Victoria. It was later used as the Coronet Theatre.

Architectural merit

Please enclose a copy of the by-law, a facade photograph of the site, and a simple site plan indicating the relative positions of buildings and streets or roads.

Signature of Clerk