

Site Inventory Form

State Historical Society of Iowa

Inventory # 21-00132

1. Name of Property

Historic name: Fraser Theater

Other names/site number: Arts on Grand, Fraser Building, Morony Clothing, Sears

2. Location

Street and number: 406 Grand Ave

City: Spencer County: Clay

Legal description: 1st Railway Addition 30 10 and 11

5. Classification

Category of property Building(s)	Number of resources within property		
	Contributing	Non-contributing	
	1	0	building(s)
	0	0	site(s)
	0	0	structure(s)
	0	0	object(s)
	1	0	total

Name of related project report or multiple property study

HADB 21-003 Naumann, Molly Myers, 2004 - A Report on the Architectural and Historical Survey of Spencer's Central Business District With Recommendations for Future Historic Preservation Projects

HADB 21-004 McDowell, Alexa, 2005 - Phase I Historical and Architectural Resources Survey, Emergency Services Tower, Spencer Fire Department, Grand Avenue & First Street, Spencer, Iowa; Clay County

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

DOMESTIC/multiple dwelling

COMMERCE/TRADE/business

COMMERCE/TRADE/business/office building

RECREATION AND CULTURE/theater

Current Functions

COMMERCE/TRADE/specialty store

RECREATION AND CULTURE/museum/art gallery

7. Description

Architectural Classification

Late 19th and 20th Century Revivals: Mission/Spanish Colonial Revival

Modern Movement: Moderne

Roof Form: Flat

Materials

Foundation: Concrete / Poured

Walls: Brick

Roof: Other

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

			Criteria				Considerations						
Opinion	Source	Year	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Opinion of eligibility	SHPO	1992	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Contributing in listed district	SNRC	2004	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Contributing in potential district	Consultant	2004	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N

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Listed	NPS	2004	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
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Criteria legend: A: property is associated with significant events, B: property is associated with the lives of significant persons, C: property has distinctive architectural characteristics, D: property yields significant information in archeology or history.

Criteria considerations legend: A: owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes, B: removed from its original location, C: a birthplace or 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

Architecture

Commerce

Community Planning and Development

Construction date

built in 1932

Architect(s)

Barton, William C., Spencer, IA

Builder(s)

Liebenberg and Kaplan, Spencer Construction Company

10. Geographic Data

UTM References

Zone	Easting	Northing
15	325616	4777931

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Continuation Sheet

Narratives

No narrative.