

HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY FORM

Resource no.

Resource Address:
352 Cypress St
Abilene Texas 79601 United States

County: Taylor

Historic name: Paramount Theater

Present name: Paramount Theater

Local place name:

Visible from public right of way: Yes

Ownership: Private

Owner/Address:

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Land unit size:

Site/Setting:



Lat/Long: 32.452037000000000, -99.734389999999600 [WGS84]

UTM: Zone 14S, 430974.6137 mE, 3590779.7551 mN

Parcel No.

Historical Information

Historic Function: Recreation and Culture: Theater

Construction Date: ca. 1930-1939 , 1930*

Original or Significant Owners:

Significant Date/Period:

Areas of Significance:

Current Function: Recreation and Culture: Theater

Architect: David Castle

Builder: H. O. Wooten

Developer:

Architectural Information

Category: building, commercial building

Structural: steel frame

Stories: 3, Bays: 3

Form or Plan: rectangular, rectangular

Foundation:

General condition: Excellent

Basement: partial

Style: Exotic Revival and Eclectic

Exterior Material(s): original brick veneer, original terra-cotta

Roof Material:

Roof Type: Flat with parapet

Windows: original steel Commercial Store front Recessed fixed

Chimney(s):

Porch:

Additions

Alterations

Moved

Other

Ancillary structures:

Historical Summary:

Status (Current Listing or Designation)

National: indiv. district landmrk.

State/Province: indiv. district landmrk.

Local: indiv. district landmrk.

Abilene Commercial District

Evaluation (Preparer's Assessment of Eligibility)

Recommendation

- Individually eligible
 Eligible as contributing resource
 Not eligible / non-contributing
 Not determined

Level of potential eligibility

- National
 State
 Local

Landmark potential

- National
 State
 Local



Description/Remarks

This is a 3-story, 3-bay commercial building in the Exotic Revival style with Eclectic influences built in 1930. The structural system is steel frame. Exterior walls are original brick veneer and original terra-cotta. The building has a flat with parapet roof. Windows are original steel, Commercial Store front Recessed-light fixed. The Paramount was built in the 1930's Mission/Spanish and Moorish Revival style that was popular for theaters at the time. It was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1982, after being closed for three years. It has undergone extensive restoration and continues to be a showcase for not only movies and theatrical performances but for preservation in the city of Abilene.

Date source: Taylor CAD

Survey and Recorder

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| Project: City of Abilene - Historic Buildings and Districts | Sequence/Key no.: 90 | Survey Date: 10/2011 |
| Prepared By: Estrella | Report Title/Name: Texas SHPO Grant to update existing Survey | Previous Surveys: |
| Inventoried: 10/22/2012 10:26:50 am Last updated: 04/10/2017 5:47:30 pm by Hayden Brodowsky / | Level of Survey: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reconnaissance <input type="checkbox"/> Intensive | Additional Research Recommended? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |