State of California — The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

PRIMARY RECORD

Primary #
HRI #
Trinomial
NRHP Status Code
Other Listings
Review Code Reviewer Date

Page 1 of 2 *Resource name(s) or number (assigned by recorder) 1695 Mission St.

P1. Other Identifier:

*P2. Location: ☐ Not for Publication ☒ Unrestricted *a. County: San Francisco

and (P2b and P2c or P2d. Attach a Location Map as necessary.)

*b. USGS 7.5' Quad: San Francisco North, Calif. Date: 1956 (rev. 1973)

*c. Address: 1695 Mission St. City: San Francisco Zip: 94103

d. UTM: Zone: 10 mE/ mN (G.P.S.)

e. Other Locational Data: Assessor's Parcel Number (Map, Block, Lot): 3514-022

*P3a. Description: (Describe resource and its major elements. Include design, materials, condition, alterations, size, setting, and boundaries.)

1695 Mission Street is located on an irregular-shaped, 168.59' x 217.17' lot on the east side of Mission Street, between Plum and 13th Streets. Built in 1951, 1695 Mission Street is a single-story, steel frame commercial building with concrete block walls. The rectangular-plan building consists of a large, rectangular massing with a broad, bow truss roof; a smaller, contiguous rectangular massing with flat roof attached to the west elevation of the main massing; and a small, rectangular block with flat roof set off-center on the façade (west elevation). All public elevations of the building are clad in smooth stucco. The primary façade faces west toward Mission Street and is 6 bays wide. The main block has bay entrances with metal overhead doors in the first and fourth bays, and small, paired metal frame fixed sash in the fifth and sixth bays. The projecting block is five bays wide and has a recessed entrance in the second bay with cantilevered hood. The remaining bays and side elevations have paired, divided, metal awning sash with fixed bottom lights. The 13th Street elevation is 9 bays wide. The first 8 bays have divided, fixed steel sash while the ninth bay has a bay entrance with metal overhead door. The property also includes paved parking along the property frontage on Mission Street and a paved lumber yard north of the building. The north elevation has a series of bay openings. The building appears to be in good condition.

*P3b. Resource Attributes: (list attributes and codes) HP6. 1-3 story commercial building

*P4. Resources Present: ☒ Building ☐ Structure ☐ Object ☐ Site ☐ District ☐ Element of District ☐ Other

P5b. Photo: (view and date)
View from northwest
11/09/2006

*P6. Date Constructed/Age and Sources: ☒ Historic
1951
SF Assessors Office

*P7. Owner and Address:
Discount Builders Supply
1695 Mission St
San Francisco, CA

*P8. Recorded by:
Page & Turnbull, Inc. (CM)
724 Pine Street
San Francisco, CA 94108

*P9. Date Recorded:
9/6/2006

*P10. Survey Type:
Reconnaissance

*P11. Report Citation: (Cite survey report and other sources, or enter "none") None

*Attachments: ☐ None ☐ Location Map ☐ Sketch Map ☒ Continuation Sheet ☐ Building, Structure, and Object Record ☐ Archaeological Record ☐ District Record ☐ Linear Feature Record ☐ Milling Station Record ☐ Rock Art Record ☐ Artifact Record ☐ Photograph Record ☐ Other (list)

13th Street (south) elevation

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B1. Historic Name 1695 Mission Street

B2. Common Name 1695 Mission Street

B3. Original Use warehouse and offices B4. Present Use: commercial

* B5. Architectural Style utilitarian

*B6. Construction History
1695 Mission Street was constructed in 1951.

*B7. Moved? ☒ No ☐ Yes Date: _____ Original Location: _____

*B8. Related Features There are two conjoined buildings that comprise 1695 Mission Street.

B9a. Architect R. F. Wildman (engineer) . Builder W. C. Tait

*B10. Significance: Theme Industrial Employment Area: South of Market

Period of Significance 1890-1956 Property Type commercial/light industrial Applicable Criteria n/a

(Discuss importance in terms of historical or architectural context as defined by theme, period, and geographic scope. Also address integrity)

In regard to California Register Criterion 1 (History/Events) this property is considered under the Industrial Employment context of the Historic Context Statement, Market & Octavia Neighborhood Plan Area, since it is both an identified building type (Commercial) and dates from the Period of Significance (1890-1956) of that context. There is no indication the property is eligible for listing in the California Register under Criterion 2 (Important Persons), Criterion 3 (Design/Construction), or Criterion 4 (Information Potential).

Criterion 1:

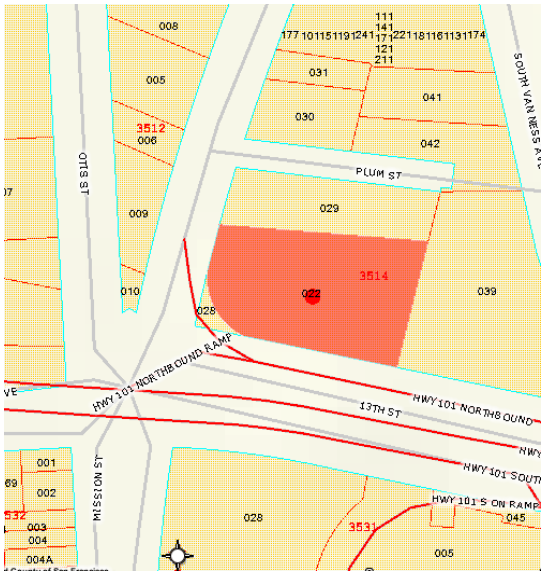
1695 Mission Street was designed by engineer R. F. Wildman and constructed by the builder W. C. Tait in April of 1951. The building was purchased on behalf of the Patent Scaffolding Co. in March of 1952 by R. S. Bergh, the local branch manager. In the mid-1940s, the Patent Scaffolding Co. was headquartered at 270 13th Street, which appears to be the same lot where the new Patent Scaffolding Co. building was constructed. (continued)

B11. Additional Resource Attributes: (List attributes and codes) _____

*B12. References: Historic Context Statement, Market & Octavia Neighborhood Plan Area, Page & Turnbull, Inc. July 20, 2007
San Francisco City Directories
Sales Ledgers

B13. Remarks

(Sketch Map with north arrow required.)



*B14. Evaluator Kelley & VerPlanck
*Date of Evaluation 5/1/2010

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B10: Significance (continued)

The building replaced a group of six one-story buildings, which included an ironworks, a store, a scaffolding warehouse (presumably owned by Patent Scaffolding Co.), a wood warehouse and storage. These buildings spanned both the lot on which 1695 Mission Street was constructed and the lot directly to the north, which operated as a parking lot affiliated with the building. The building as addressed is actually comprised of two structures: a larger structure at the west of the lot and a smaller structure at the east of the lot. This second building was designed by engineer D. Carlson and constructed by C. S. B. Construction Inc. in 1978, and serves as a warehouse. These buildings are conjoined and today operate as a hardware store and lumber yard.

In form, 1695 Mission Street illustrates many of the characteristic structural necessities of a postwar, largely utilitarian industrial building, including its low rise massing, rectangular plan and massing, occupying the entire lot, bowstring truss roof, skylights, prominent vehicular entrances and large rectangular windows for a low solid-to-void ratio, and minimal Late Moderne-influenced ornamentation. In function, 1695 Mission Street continues to accommodate a similar industrial employment use as the one for which it was built. Although the Patent Scaffolding Co. moved its headquarters to San Leandro, the building now houses a builder's supply store and a lumberyard. Its location directly by the off-ramp of the Central Freeway contributes to both its past and present functionality as an industrial building.

Integrity:

1695 Mission Street appears to have undergone few alterations since its construction in 1951 and 1978. It retains its character-defining features including large, rectangular massing, broad, bow truss roof, smooth stucco cladding, bay entrances with metal overhead doors, paired metal sash fixed and awning windows, and cantilevered hoods. The building retains the following aspects of integrity: location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association.

Conclusion:

1695 Mission Street does not appear eligible for the National Register of Historic Places, California Register of Historical Resources or local designation under any criterion. Although presumably associated with the theme of industrial employment in San Francisco during the 1890-1956 period of significance, the building does not seem to be associated with any particular events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of local or regional history.