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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Primary #
HRI#

BUILDING, STRUCTURE, AND OBJECT RECORD

***NRHP Status Code** CA Reg. 5S1

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B1. Historic Name:

B2. Common Name:

B3. Original Use: Residential B4. Present Use: Residential

***B5. Architectural Style:** Italian Renaissance

***B6. Construction History:** (Construction date, alterations, and date of alterations)

Built 1927. Convert 4 existing garage doors to 2 roll-up doors, 1956; construct 2 bedrooms, 1961; kitchen remodel, 1967; reroof, 1980; solar support structure, 1981; remodel master bath & closet, remodel kitchen, addition and remodel 1st fl. bath, construct arbor/trellis, 1994; reroof flat roof, 2003, lot line adjustment & merge, no date.

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

***B8. Related Features:**

B9a. Architect: Unknown b. Builder: Unknown

***B10. Significance: Theme** Architecture/design **Area** Los Altos

Period of Significance 1927-1961 (50 year mark) **Property Type** Residence **Applicable Criteria** NR/CR/Local

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

The original owners and builders of the property were Mr. and Mrs. Joorfetz who owned the residence from 1927-1963. Ivan and Judith Fucilla bought the residence in 1963, and the property is now held in a family trust. According to the current owners, the residence was designed by a graphic arts class at Stanford in 1926-7; the professor was Arthur Bridgeman Clark, father of Birge Clark, a well-known local architect. It is not known whether Clark had any input on his students' design. No other information about the occupants was provided.

Character Defining Features: two-story form; stucco cladding and Spanish clay tiled hipped roof with broad eave overhang; recessed front entry porch and large, full-height arched windows across front facade with raised rope and flower elements; arched, multi-pane glazed wood French doors at second story; raised ornamentation at the cornice lines; elaborate balustrade at second-story balcony; large lot with extensive grounds and landscaping.

Evaluation: 1485 Fremont Avenue is an excellent example of the Italian Renaissance style, and retains a high degree of integrity of workmanship, feeling, design and materials. Therefore, it is listed on the Los Altos Historic Resources Inventory as a Historic Resource and is assigned the California Register Status Code 5S1: "Individual property that is listed or designated locally." Note: This finding is based on architectural merit alone and further research for association with historically significant events and/or people should be conducted.

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

***B12. References:**

Los Altos Historical Commission: Los Altos HRI (9.28.1997); McAlester, Virginia and Lee. A Field Guide to American Houses. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2002; DPR series forms by G. Laffey (1997); Sanborn Maps; Los Altos HRI (February 2011).

B13. Remarks:

Vicinity map provided by the City of Los Altos and amended by Circa: Historic Property Development.

***B14. Evaluator:** Circa: Historic Property Development

***Date of Evaluation:** July 2011

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