

PRIMARY RECORD

Primary #
HRI #
Trinomial
NRHP Status Code 1D, 3D

Other Listings P-43-001468
Review Code _____ Reviewer _____ Date _____

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P1. Other Identifier: Bayside Cannery Waregiyse, Old Union Warehouse

*P2. Location: Not for Publication Unrestricted

*a. County Santa Clara and (P2c, P2e, and P2b or P2d. Attach a Location Map as necessary.)

*b. USGS 7.5' Quad Milpitas Date 2021 T 06S; R 01W; of of Sec ; Mt. Diablo B.M.

c. Address 1200 Hope Street City San Jose Zip 95002

d. UTM: (Give more than one for large and/or linear resources) Zone 10S, 590279.56 mE/ 4142847.20 mN

e. Other Locational Data: (e.g., parcel #, directions to resource, elevation, decimal degrees, etc., as appropriate)
APN 015-01-029

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

The former brick warehouse at 1200 Hope Street is a rectangular plan, two story, brick and wood frame building is currently occupied as a meeting hall called *Mudflat Refuge*. Brick walls enclose the first floor on all sides. A large, wood frame gable roof covers the rear three-quarters of the building and results in a second floor / mezzanine level throughout much of the building. The front facing gable is clad in wood horizontal siding. Four aluminum frame sliding windows are located in the gable end facing Hope Street. A shallow-pitch shed roof covers the front one-quarter of the building. Skylights in both roofs provide additional daylighting. No other windows are visible. Double-leaf, wood panel doors are located on the north, east, and south elevations. Two pairs of doors on the east (primary) elevation are topped by a wood framed transom window glazed with translucent plastic sheeting. The building is sited at the rear of the property line, adjacent to the Guadalupe River levee. An asphalt parking area covers the lot between the street and the east elevation.

The brick walls are original. However, the roof was replaced with the current oversized gable structure c.1990. See Continuation

*P3b. Resource Attributes: (List attributes and codes) HP8, HP36 -CH Chinese

P5a. Photograph or Drawing (Photograph required for buildings, structures, and objects.)



*P4. Resources Present:

Building Structure Object Site
 District Element of District
 Other (Isolates, etc.)

P5b. Description of Photo: (view, date, accession #) Looking west at primary façade, November 2022

*P6. Date Constructed/Age and Source: Historic Prehistoric
 Both

c.1858, NR Nomination

*P7. Owner and Address:

Robert John and Shelly Carol Gross, Trustee
922 Elizabeth Street
Alviso, CA 95002

*P8. Recorded by: (Name, affiliation, and address) Becky Urbano, ESA

787 The Alameda, Ste. 250
San Jose, CA 95126

*P9. Date Recorded: March 29, 2023

*P10. Survey Type: (Describe)
Intensive

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

Neighborhood of Alviso Historic Context and Survey

*Attachments: NONE Location 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): _____

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P3a: Description (Continued)

History

This building was originally constructed c.1858 to replace an earlier warehouse built by the firm of Clark, Rand & Snyder. When constructed, the Union Warehouse was part of a complex that also included docks on the Guadalupe River. After completion of the railroad in 1878, the importance of shipping in the area declined, and the warehouse was used primarily for storage of hay.¹ It was incorporated into the Bayside Cannery, started next door by the Sai Yin Chew in 1906. By 1930, and possibly as part of the cannery expansion, the building was modified to serve as a cold storage facility. This involved construction of a large one-story addition that wrapped around the east, south, and west sides of the building.² By the 1970s, the building footprint was returned to its original extent.³ The current gable and shed roof was added in the 1980s to replace an earlier gable or hipped roof that covered the entire building perimeter.

Status

The Union Warehouse is included in the 1972 Port of Alviso Historic District.⁴ It was also listed as part of an ensemble of buildings/sites identified in the State of California ethnic site survey.⁵ The seven buildings in the survey were considered eligible for National Register listing as a thematic district and are included in *Five Views: An Ethnic History Site Survey for California*.⁶ These buildings included the Bayside Cannery building, Bayside Cold Storage (or Union Warehouse), Bayside Cannery Office, Bayside Cannery "China Camp" site, the Bayside Apple Dryer site, the Thomas Foon Chew House site, and the Bayside Cannery Cabins site. The Bayside Cannery was designated a San Jose Historic Landmark in 1992. The Port of Alviso was also listed as a California Point of Historical Interest in 1995: the Bayside Cannery and the associated buildings were listed as contributing features.⁷

It is also a contributor to the Bayside Canning Company Historic District. See the Bayside Canning Company Historic District form (DPR 523D) for further information.

¹ City of San Jose, *Application for California Point of Historical Interest: Port of Alviso*, 1995, p.46.

² Sanborn Fire Insurance Company, *Alviso, Santa Clara County, California*, 1930, Sheet 1.

³ This conclusion is based on a comparison of aerial photographs of the area taken between 1928 and 1980.

⁴ Phyllis Butler and the Santa Clara County Historical Landmarks Advisory, *National Register Nomination: Port of Alviso (San Jose)*, April 7, 1972, <https://catalog.archives.gov/id/123861641>.

⁵ "Bay Side Canning Company," *Five Views: An Ethnic Historic Site Survey for California*, 1988, https://www.nps.gov/parkhistory/online_books/5views/5views3h6.htm.

⁶ Basin Research Associates, Inc, "Cultural Resources Assessment, Alviso Master Plan Area, City of San Jose, Santa Clara County, CA," prepared for the City of San Jose, 1995.

⁷ *Application for California Point of Historical Interest: Port of Alviso*.