NPS Form 10-900
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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name  Sinclair Service Station

other names/site number  N/A

2. Location

street & number 3501 East Eleventh Street  not for publication N/A
city or town  Tulsa  vicinity N/A
state Oklahoma  code OK  county Tulsa  code 143
zip code 74112
3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this XX nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property XX meets ___ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant ___ nationally ___ statewide ___. (N/A See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official  October 14, 1996

Oklahoma Historical Society, SHPO
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property ___ meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria. (___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official  Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

___ entered in the National Register  See continuation sheet.

___ determined eligible for the National Register  See continuation sheet.

___ determined not eligible for the National Register

___ removed from the National Register

___ other (explain): __________________

Signature of Keeper  Date of Action
5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

- X private
- ___ public-local
- ___ public-State
- ___ public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- X building(s)
- ___ district
- ___ site
- ___ structure
- ___ object

Number of Resources within Property

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Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) Route 66 and Associated Historic Resources in Oklahoma
### 6. Function or Use

**Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)**

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### 7. Description

**Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)**

- Mission/Spanish Colonial Revival

**Materials (Enter categories from instructions)**

- foundation: N/A
- roof: CERAMIC TILE
- walls: STUCCO

**Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)**

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

XX A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.

B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.

XX C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.

D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.

B removed from its original location.

C a birthplace or a grave.

D a cemetery.

E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.

F a commemoratory property.

G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

COMMERC
ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance 1929-1944
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8. Statement of Significance (Continued)

Significant Dates ___ N/A ___

______________________________________________

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)
___ N/A

______________________________________________

Cultural Affiliation ___ N/A ___

______________________________________________

Architect/Builder ___ Unknown ___

______________________________________________

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

________________________________________________________________________________

9. Major Bibliographical References

________________________________________________________________________________

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS)
___ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
___ previously listed in the National Register
___ previously determined eligible by the National Register
___ designated a National Historic Landmark
___ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _________
___ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _________

Primary Location of Additional Data
___ X State Historic Preservation Office
___ Other State agency
___ Federal agency
___ Local government
___ University
___ Other

Name of repository: ______________________________
10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one acre

UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

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Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

Maryjo Meacham, Director, Design/Research Center; Brenda Peck, Historian
name/title Lisa Bradley & Susan Roth, Graduate Assistants; Oklahoma SHPO, ed.
organization College of Architecture
Unsersity of Oklahoma, date May 31, 1992
street & number 830 Van Vleet Oval

city or town Norman state OK
zip code 73019

Additional Documentation
Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps
A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage
or numerous resources.

Photographs
Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)
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Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name _The Jaynes Family Trust_
street & number _3509 East 11th Street_ telephone _
city or town _Tulsa_ state _OK_ zip code _74112_
The Sinclair Service Station, built in 1929, is an excellent example of a Spanish Eclectic service station. The station consists of three parts: the office, the covered gas pump area, and an attached double-bay service garage. A stucco exterior, a triangular parapet, and the tile, visor roof are all characteristics commonly associated with the architectural style. The building is located on the original Route 66 (Eleventh Street) in Tulsa, Oklahoma, a busy four-lane boulevard which is lined with commercial buildings constructed from the 1920s through the present. The Sinclair Service Station has remained virtually unchanged and possesses a high degree of architectural integrity.

The Sinclair Service Station, constructed in 1929, is a Spanish Eclectic building. The main body of the stuccoed building consists of the office and a double-bay service garage. Extending from the office is a porte cochere, with stepped parapets and clay tile coping. On either side of the parapet are individual, clay-tile visor roofs, similar to the fully extended visor roof which is located over the garage doors of the attached double-bay service garage. The roofs of the porte cochere, which extends over the gas pump area, and that of the office and service garage are flat. Massive stuccoed columns support the porte cochere. The upper corners of each of the three openings into the pump area have decorative, stuccoed detailing. The ceiling of the open pump station has the original pressed-tin ceiling.

The office storefront has a single, wooden panel door and a fixed, metal display window. A transom is located above the entry, and wooden clerestory windows are located above the display window. The service garage has an extended visor roof on the front elevation above the garage doors. The side elevations have tile coping. The east elevation of the garage has two, steel casement windows with multi-panes. The east elevation of the office has a single door which leads to a restroom; a single, steel casement window with multi-panes; and a fixed, steel display window. This side elevation also has a clay tile coping. The rear elevation has four steel casement windows with twenty-four lights in each window.
The Sinclair Service Station remains virtually unchanged with the exception of the replacement of the original overhead garage doors with aluminum overhead doors and the removal of the gas pumps. Overall, the building is an exemplary example of a Spanish Eclectic service station and possesses a high degree of architectural integrity.
The Sinclair Service Station on Route 66 in Tulsa, Oklahoma, is historically significant for its close commercial association with the route, and is architecturally significant as an example of the popular Spanish Eclectic style of architecture which was used on the route throughout the Southwest. The Sinclair Service Station retains its historical and architectural integrity. Contextually, it relates to "Commerce on Route 66 in Oklahoma (1926-1944)." As a property type, it relates to Filling Stations, Service Stations and Garages and the subtype "House with Bay" service station.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

The Sinclair Service Station is an example of the "house with bay" service station architecture that was popular in the late 1920s. The design of this station followed an L-shape by combining the service repair area with the office and putting the gas pumps in center court. The stations, which maintained a house-like office with the garage bay extensions, were representative of a transitional time when service stations were outgrowing the original house design yet the streamlined look had not been accepted.

Built in 1929, the Sinclair Service Station was then on the outskirts of Tulsa. This position made it easy to catch the motorist's attention in a simple manner. Originally owned by R.L. Ellison, the Sinclair Service Station sold Sinclair gasoline and other Sinclair products.

By the 1930s, with the increased popularity of the automobile, service stations quickly became more specialized and their architecture more stylized. The stations concentrated on the needs of the motorist and reflected this in their design, as they changed from neighborhood stations to modern stations.

Service stations had their pumps close to the office, which created a hazard. Following the trend toward corporate sales and buildings, service stations became more standardized as well as more efficient. The Sinclair Service Station followed the trend by placing the pumps on an island in the court of the station. This greatly improved the traffic flow and made the Sinclair Station more accessible. The new design made it much easier and certainly more convenient for more than one traveler at a time to stop for gasoline and service.
The pumps were removed from the Sinclair Service Station in the mid-1960s. At that time it became primarily an automobile repair shop and later a discount muffler shop. The building serves as a reminder of the evolution of the automobile and the station that served it and continues to retain a high degree of historical integrity.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

The Sinclair Service Station also is architecturally significant as an excellent example of the Spanish Eclectic architecture. Popular in the Southwest, the Spanish Eclectic station was comparable to the other domestic forms including the Tudor Revival cottage-style station. These stations were eye-catching to the traveling public, who identified particular architectural designs with specific brands and who identified the Spanish Eclectic style with the West. Several petroleum companies used this style to attract the Route 66 traveler.

Characteristics exhibited by the Sinclair Service Station which identify it as a Spanish Eclectic style station include the stucco exterior, the triangular parapet, and the use of clay tile for roof material.

The high degree of architectural integrity that the building exhibits distinguishes this station from all other Spanish Eclectic style stations along Route 66 in Oklahoma.
BIBLIOGRAPHY


VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

West 100 feet of Lot 15, Block 6, Braden Heights Addition.

BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The boundary includes that portion of the city lot that historically has been associated with the building.
Sinclair Service Station,
Tulsa, Tulsa County, Oklahoma
15-235700-4004170

Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS, USC&GS, USCE, and Oklahoma Geodetic Survey
Culture and drainage in part compiled from aerial photographs taken 1950-1951. Topography by plane-table surveys 1954
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Oklahoma coordinate system, north zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 15, shown in blue
Red tint indicates area in which only landmark buildings are shown
To place on the predicted North American Datum 1983
move the projection lines 3 meters south and
23 meters east as shown by dashed corner ticks
Revisions shown in purple compiled from aerial photographs taken 1980 and other sources. Map edited 1982. This information not field checked.
Purple tint indicates extension of urban area.