

2019 PRESERVATION HONOR AWARDS

SAMPLE ONLY

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Name of Nominated Historic Property/Project/Individual * Filipino Community Center

Property Tax Map Key Number (leave blank for Individual Achievement) 4-9-007: 095

Street Address - Number, Street, City, Island, State, Zip Code (leave blank for Individual Achievement) 450 Jacaranda Street, Lanai City HI 96763

One-sentence description of Nominated Project, Program or Individual (20 words) * The project being nominated is the Filipino Community Center Renovation.

Award Category (Choose One) * Preservation Award

Summary Statement (300 words) *

The Filipino Community Center is located to the east of the Lana'i City commercial and business district, in a residential neighborhood within the boundary of the original planned city. The building was constructed within the first ten years of the start of Lanai City, which began in 1924. When Lana'i City was first established to house and serve the plantation workers, multiple community centers for the various ethnic groups were built, which included this building. The building has served the Lana'i Filipino community, uninterrupted, since 1930.

The building is a simple, wood-framed, plantation-style structure with a corrugated metal hipped roof. In addition to termite damage and general deterioration, one of the central challenges was providing handicapped access to the building without compromising its high level of integrity. This was complicated by the fact that the building had two internal levels, with the kitchen, one restroom, and a storage area 10-inches higher than the main floor.

Although owned by Lana'i Resorts/Pulama Lanai, the building is loaned to the community association for its use at no cost. The repair and renovation project was funded by the owner.

Property Type * Building

Designation Status (check all that apply) * Eligible but not listed

Construction Date * 1930

Period of Significance 1930- present

Description of the Property (250 words) *

The Filipino Community Center sits in a residential neighborhood on an open flat site that spans the corner at Jacaranda, Fifth, and Koele Streets. The building is a single-wall, wood-frame, plantation-style building on wood posts set on stone footings. The building is T-shaped in plan with a rear rectangular portion sited asymmetrically off the "leg" of the T resulting in a modified U-shape. A corrugated metal, hipped roof with Dutch gables covers the front section of the building, while the rest of the structure has hipped roofs. A porch is centered on its front facade, facing Jacaranda Street, and an open lanai area situated in the center of the U, both of which are covered with shed roof extensions. Original wood sliding and double-hung windows are located throughout.

The interior of the community center consists of a multi-purpose space that occupies the front two sections of the building (the T), with service spaces located in the rear rectangular section. The window-filled multi-purpose room featured a small fireplace. The exterior covered lanai is accessed via a short hallway between the multi-purpose and services spaces. The rear service spaces include a kitchen, restrooms and storage rooms. The floor level of the service spaces was originally raised 10" above the multi-purpose space but was lowered to provide interior accessibility.

At the rear of the building (Koele Street side) a slight berm was created to provide paved accessible parking and entry into the building.

Description of the Historic Significance (250 words) *

The Filipino Community Center is significant for its uninterrupted association with the Lana'i Filipino community, its inclusion in the initial planning and construction of Lana'i City, and for its distinctive plantation-style architecture.

The Filipino Community Center was constructed within the first ten years of the start of Lanai City, which was 1924. When Lana'i City was first established to house and serve the plantation workers, multiple community centers for the various ethnic groups were built, which included this building. As its name indicates the building played a central role in community life and continues to be used by the Filipino residences as a community center.

Treatment Type (select most applicable) * Rehabilitation [Learn More](#)

Treatment Type - New Construction (select most applicable) *

Describe the Media (check all that apply) *

Type of Program (check all that apply) *

Name of Nominated Individual *

Project Scope (check all that apply) *

- ◆ Preservation Planning
- ◆ Restoration/Rehabilitation

Project Scope - Media (check all that apply) *

Project Scope - New Construction (check all that apply) *

Type of Preservation Leadership (check all that apply) *

*If Other selected above, explain here

Type of Historic Property * Private

Describe the project's goals, scope and achievements (500 words) *

The Filipino Community Center renovation project had two primary goals; to provide accessibility into and through the building, and to repair, restore, and update the interior and exterior.

Work included:

- The floor plan was not changed, but the mauka portion of the building was lowered, within the envelope of the historic building, to create a single level. This level was connected to accessible parking on the mauka side through an existing

hallway. This provided accessibility without affecting the historic appearance of the front or sides of the building.

- All new electrical and plumbing systems were installed.
- Termite damaged wall boards were replaced.
- Existing windows were repaired and refinished.
- Unfinished plywood panels covering the floor were removed, termite damaged floor boards repaired, and the floor covered with wood-grained vinyl strips to recall the original design.
- New kitchen installed, in the same location but lowered.
- Toilet rooms were renovated and made accessible.

The primary achievement of this project was to provide necessary repair, maintenance, and upgrades to allow this building to continue to serve as a primary gathering place for the community while retaining its historic integrity.

Describe the Individual's background and preservation achievements (500 words) *

NOT APPLICABLE

Describe the lead organization's purpose, mission and background (300 words) *

NOT APPLICABLE

Describe the role of any partner organizations in the program (500 words). *

NOT APPLICABLE

Upload Map of the Project's Location



Location Description

Beautiful Lanai City

Upload Project Reference Materials (ZIP multiple files together)

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Upload Photograph Information *



Nominator Name *

Title & Organization (If applicable)

Address (Street, City, Zip Code)

Phone Number * (Area Code) Number

Nominator Email *

Owner Name * (First & Last Name)

Title & Organization (If applicable)

Address (Street, City, Zip Code)

Phone Number (Area Code)Number

Owner Email

Type of Ownership *

Does the property owner know this project is being nominated for an award? (Check one) * Yes, the property owner is aware of this nomination.

If answered no above, explain here:

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