

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

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County Galveston USGS Quad 2994/213 Survey site no. 15  
City Galveston UTMs 325930/3242920  
Name Pix Building Date: factual 1858-59 Est.           
Address 2128 Postoffice St. Architect/Builder           
Contractor           
Owner Pix Properties Style/Type commercial  
c/o Iris Mahula Original use commercial  
Address Rt. 1, Box 144 Present use same  
Adkins, TX 70101 Present condition good, alterations reversible  
Block/Lot 501/13 & 14. Less than 1 acre.  
Description 3-story brick commercial structure; rectangular with flat roof; corbeled  
brick cornice; street level faced with black tile; multiple door openings and display  
windows; 6/6 windows with 6 windows on Postoffice side and 4 on 22nd St. side;  
molded window heads.

Significance One of oldest (pre-Civil War) commercial buildings remaining in Galveston,  
and oldest in downtown Mall; built by Charles Hodgson Pix, English merchant who came  
to Galveston in early period; started business on Strand as Pix and Burney, Shipbrokers.  
In 1858-59, Pix built this building, and maintained business at location through 1896-97  
City Directory. Served as location of Galveston Tribune, 1906-1924. Michael's  
Jewelry first listed at this address in 1938 directory.

Building distinguished by age and architectural simplicity. Serves as anchor to  
this corner of mall.

Relationship to site: Moved          date          or Original site X Describe On major corner  
of downtown mall.

Bibliography HABS Survey Form, Files of Informant           
Galveston Historical Foundation Recorder Ellen Beasley  
Date Nov. 1982

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EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Pix Building (Central Business District MRA)  
Galveston County  
TEXAS

Working No. MAR 29 1984  
Fed. Reg. Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Due: 4/26/84 - 5/13/84  
Action: ACCEPT  
RETURN 5/2/84  
REJECT  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ resubmission  
☐ nomination by person or local government  
☐ owner objection  
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_  
Discipline \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: + technical corrections cited below  
\_\_\_\_\_ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition

- |                                    |                                       |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated |
| <input type="checkbox"/> good      | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins        |
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Check one

- ☐ unaltered  
☐ altered

Check one

- ☐ original site  
☐ moved date \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph  
☐ completeness  
☐ clarity  
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☐ dates  
☐ boundary selection



## 8. Significance

Period      Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- ☐ summary paragraph
- ☐ completeness
- ☐ clarity
- ☐ applicable criteria
- ☐ justification of areas checked
- ☐ relating significance to the resource
- ☐ context
- ☐ relationship of integrity to significance
- ☐ justification of exception
- ☐ other

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

## 10. Geographical Data

☒ Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

*Please provide acreage*

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

## 11. Form Prepared By

## 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_ national      \_\_\_\_ state      \_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title

date

## 13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

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Signed *Helena Byers* Date *5/2/84* Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet*



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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Central Business District Multiple Resource Area  
State Galveston County, TEXAS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

11. Marschner Building

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National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 8/14/84

Attest

12. Model Laundry

Substantive Review

Keeper

Beth Grosvenor 8/14/84

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13. Moser House

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14. Pix Building

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15. Robinson Building

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16. Rosenberg Library

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17. Scottish Rite Cathedral

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18. Shaw, M. W., Building

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19. Star Drug Store

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20. Texas Building

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Pix Building, 2128 Postoffice (E)  
Galveston Central Business District Multiple

Galveston Central Business District  
Multiple Resource Nomination  
Galveston, Galveston County, Texas

Photo by Ellen Beasley, May 1982; neg. on file at  
Texas Historical Commission, Austin

Site No. 15, Pix Building 2128 Postoffice (E)  
looking north

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Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000842