

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Historic Sites Inventory  
(Adapted from THC HSI Form, 10-83)

1. Royston Nave Memorial  
2. 306 W. Commercial  
3. Owner Victoria Regional Museum Association Contractor  
4. Address same 77901 10. Original Use public (library/memorial)  
5. Legal Description OTS Blk. 87 Lot 2 (cont.) 11. Present Use public (art museum)  
Description: 12. Type memorial library; Neoclassical Rev. 13. No. stories 1  
14. Const. Materials clay tile block w/ masonry veneer  
15. Plan rectangular; open 16. Roof type gable  
17. Roof/cornice details projecting eaves are detailed w/ carved cyma reversa fascia & >  
18. Chimneys  
19. Windows none; fret vent-panels flank entry on S.  
20. Entrances single centered on S. elev. has carved facing w/ egg & dart molding; >  
21. Porches 5-bay inset portico on S. elev.  
22. Architectural details/misc. features include classical details; symmetrical 5-bay facade (S. elev.); Ionic columns supporting portico; frieze panel inscribed w/ "Royston Nave Memorial," smaller scale addition on N. elev. w/ similar detailing; recessed niches on W. and E. side of addition; slightly projecting base w/ cyma molding.  
23. Interior details  
24. Associated outbldgs./structures  
25. Present condition good  
26. Significance: ARCHITECTURE, ART, EDUCATION. An outstanding example of classicism, the Royston Nave Memorial Building was designed by prominent San Antonio architects Ayres & Ayres. Emma McFaddin Nave commissioned the structure to house the paintings of her husband, noted regional artist Royston Nave, who died in 1931. The Victoria Library, funded by the Bronte Club, also used the building. In 1976, the art museum gained exclusive use of the building in order to showcase Nave's work and visiting exhibitions.  
27. Context: Moved Date or original site x 28. Area description residential area in N.W. quadrant of original townsite  
29. Bibliography University of Texas archives  
30. Informant(s) Barbara Meyer  
31. Designations: HABS (no.) TEX-  
RTHL; File name  
NR; File name  
32. Other UTM: 14/694480/3187580  
33. Recorder DH/Hardy Heck Moore Date 1983
6. USGS Quad No. 2897-441 Site No. I-68  
7. UTM Sector No. 694-3187  
8. Date: Factual 1930-33 Est  
9. Architect/Builder Atlee B. Ayres and >  
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28. Area description residential area in N.W. quadrant of original townsite
- | YEAR | DRWR | ROLL | FRME | ROLL | FRME |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| THC  |      | 13   | 23   | to   |      |
|      |      |      |      | to   |      |
|      |      |      |      | to   |      |
- Photos: 35. Slides  
36. 35mm B & W I-11:15-21  
37. Other  
VIEW:



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Continuation #17. frieze w/ carved egg & dart, dentil, dart & bead moldings

#20. denticulated egg & dart & molded cornice; single entry in recessed niche  
on W. elev.

#5. and South 58½' of Lot 3.

#9. Robert M. Ayres, Architects



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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Nave, Royston, Memorial, (Victoria MRA)  
Victoria County  
TEXAS

Substantive Review

Working No. AUG 11 1986

Fed. Reg. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Due: 9/4/86 - 9/25/86

Action: ACCEPT

☒ RETURN 9-22-86

REJECT

Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Reviewer's comments:

historically & architecturally significant  
- must be returned for reasons noted on  
reverse

Recom./Criteria return

Reviewer Patrick Andrews

Discipline History

Date 9/22/86

\_\_\_\_\_ 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	Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	
	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	
	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph  
☐ completeness  
☐ clarity  
☐ alterations/integrity  
☐ 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

X 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

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed Mr. Byers Date 9/22/86 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic GroupName Victoria MRA  
State TEXAS

## Nomination/Type of Review

## Date/Signature

61. McDonald House

Entered in the  
National Register

Keeper

Delores Byrum 12/9/86

Attest

62. McFaddin, James, House

Substantive Review

Keeper

William B. Bursley  
3/24/87

Attest

63. McNamara--O'Connor  
HouseEntered in the  
National Register

Keeper

Delores Byrum 12/9/86

Attest

64. Mitchell, Guy, House

Substantive Review

Keeper

William B. Bursley 12/9/86

Attest

65. Moeller House

Entered in the  
National Register

Keeper

Delores Byrum 12/9/86

Attest

66. Mohris--Abschier House

Substantive Review

Keeper

William B. Bursley 12/9/86

Attest

67. Murphy, Mrs. J.V., House

Entered in the  
National Register

Keeper

Delores Byrum 12/9/86

Attest

68. Nave, Royston,  
Memorial

Substantive Review

Keeper

William B. Bursley 12/9/86

Attest

69. O'Connor-Proctor Building

Entered in the  
National Register

Keeper

Delores Byrum 12/9/86

Attest

70. O'Connor, Thomas M., House

Substantive Review

Keeper

William B. Bursley 12/9/86  
Bruce J. Noble, Jr. 12/8/86

Attest



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Victoria County  
TEXAS

Substantive Review

Working No. 8/11/86

Fed. Reg. Date: 2/2/88

Date Due: 12/19/86

Action: ☒ ACCEPT 12-9-86

☐ RETURN

☐ REJECT

Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

☒ resubmission

☐ nomination by person or local government

☐ owner objection

☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☒ sample

☐ request

☐ appeal

☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

*Technical corrections completed.*

Recom./Criteria Accept - A, C

Reviewer Noble

Discipline Historian

Date 12/8/86

\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

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

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Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
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6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition

☐ excellent

☐ good

☐ fair

☐ deteriorated

☐ ruins

☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered

☐ altered

Check one

☐ original site

☐ moved date \_\_\_\_\_

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- ☐ other

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"Historic Resources of Victoria"  
Multiple Resource Nomination  
Victoria, Victoria County, Texas  
Site I-68  
306 W. Commercial  
Royston Nave Memorial  
Photographer: Daniel Hardy, 1984  
Negative filed with Victoria Preservation Inc.  
Camera facing North  
Photo

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000855