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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. Thomas M. O'Connor House
2. 303 South Bridge
3. Owner Lawrence O'Connor
4. Address L.W. O'Connor, Tee, Box 1278, 77902
5. Legal Description OTS Blk. 97 Lot 2 (cont.)
Description: 12. Type dwelling; Victorian - eclectic
14. Const. Materials wood frame w/ weatherboard & composition roof
15. Plan Georgian w/ rear & side additions
17. Roof/cornice details box eaves w/ dentils & molded cornice & box brackets w/ pendants
18. Chimneys
19. Windows wood sash double hung w/ 1/1 lights & decorative paneled shutters
20. Entrances single centered in recessed niche on E. elev.; entry has leaded fan light
21. Porches single-bay 2-story gabled portico on E. elev.
22. Architectural details/misc. features include pedimented portico on E. elev. w/ paired 2-story acanthus-capped columns on masonry piers; 1-story porch on N. elev. w/ fluted, capped, wood posts and turned-wood balustrade; 7-bay symmetrical facade; 1-story lateral ell w/ roof balustrade; denticulated frieze; fluted corner pilasters w/ molded caps.
23. Interior details
24. Associated outbldgs./structures mock stone-concrete block carriage house-garage
25. Present condition good; early 20th century stylistic changes to structure
26. Significance: ARCHITECTURE & CATTLEMAN. This Victorian dwelling in the Italianate style was remodeled in the Neoclassical Revival style in the early twentieth century and is an excellent example of historical layering. It was built as the home of Thomas M. O'Connor, a prominent banker who amassed ranch holdings of over 500,000 acres in the years after the Civil War. The house remains in the O'Connor family.

27. Context: Moved _____ Date _____ or original site x 28. Area description on block west of municipal complex

29. Bibliography County tax rolls, City directories, A Historical Atlas of Texas

30. Informant(s) _____

31. Designations: HABS (no.) TEX-
RTHL; File name _____

NR; File name _____32. Other UTM: 14/694420/318696033. Recorder DH/ Hardy Heck Moore Date 19836. USGS Quad No. 2897-441 Site No. I-5427. UTM Sector No. 694-31868. Date: Factual _____ Est 18859. Architect/Builder N/A

Contractor _____

10. Original Use residential11. Present Use residential13. No. stories 216. Roof type truncated hip17. Roof/cornice details box eaves w/ dentils & molded cornice & box brackets w/ pendants

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YEAR	DRWR	ROLL	FRME	ROLL	FRME
THC		26	22	to	23
				to	

Photos: 35. Slides _____

36. 35mm B & W I-79:6-14,
23

37. Other _____

VIEW: _____

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Continuation #17. under eaves

#20. elliptical arch transom and leaded sidelights; screen has spider web

patterned inset; fluted pilasters and broken pediment surround entry

recess

#5. South 42.7' of Lot 3.

#24. and two small frame outbuildings

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

O'Conner, Thomas M., House (Victoria MRA)
Victoria County
TEXAS

Substantive Review

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

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

Reviewer's comments:

significant for architecture and historic association
- must be returned for reason noted
on reverse

Working No. AUG 11 1986
Fed. Reg. Date: _____
Date Due: 9/11/86 - 9/25/86
Action: ☐ ACCEPT ☒ RETURN 9-22-86
☐ REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

Recom./Criteria Return
Reviewer Patrick Andrus
Discipline Historian
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

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

Patrick Ardus

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

Melrose Byers 12/9/86

Attest

62. McFaddin, James, House

Substantive Review

Keeper

William B. Baskley
3/24/87

Attest

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

Keeper

Melrose Byers 12/9/86

Attest

64. Mitchell, Guy, House

Substantive Review

Keeper

William B. Baskley 12/9/86

Attest

65. Moeller House

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Bruce J. Noble, Jr. 12/8/86
Melrose Byers 12/9/86

Attest

66. Mohris--Abschier House

Substantive Review

Keeper

William B. Baskley 12/9/86

Attest

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

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Bruce J. Noble, Jr. 12/8/86
Melrose Byers 12/9/86

Attest

68. Nave, Royston,
Memorial

Substantive Review

Keeper

William B. Baskley 12/9/86

Attest

69. O'Connor-Proctor Building

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Bruce J. Noble, Jr. 12/8/86
Melrose Byers 12/9/86

Attest

70. O'Connor, Thomas M., House

Substantive Review

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Fed. Reg. Date: 2/2/88
Date Due: 12/19/86
Action: ☒ ACCEPT 12-9-86
☐ RETURN
☐ REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

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

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☐ fair ☐ unexposed

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Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



"Historic Resources of Victoria"
Multiple Resource Nomination
Victoria, Victoria County, Texas
Site I-542
303 S. Bridge
Thomas M. O'Connor House
Photographer: Daniel Hardy, 1984
Negative on file with Victoria Preservation Inc.
Camera facing West
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