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National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

1. NAME OF PROPERTY

HISTORIC NAME: Georgetown Light and Water Works
OTHER NAME/SITE NUMBER: Site No. 125

2. LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER: 403 W. 9th
CITY OR TOWN: Georgetown
STATE: Texas CODE: TX COUNTY: Williamson
NOT FOR PUBLICATION: N/A
VICINITY: N/A
CODE: 491 ZIP CODE: 78627

3. STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this 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 meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Curtis J. Russell
Signature of certifying official

2 Jan. 1996
Date

State Historic Preservation Officer, Texas Historical Commission

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:

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

entered in the National Register
See continuation sheet.

Linda McClelland

2/16/96

determined eligible for the National Register
See continuation sheet.

determined not eligible for the National Register

removed from the National Register

other (explain):

5. CLASSIFICATION

OWNERSHIP OF PROPERTY: Public-local

CATEGORY OF PROPERTY: Building

NUMBER OF RESOURCES WITHIN PROPERTY:	CONTRIBUTING	NONCONTRIBUTING
	1	0 BUILDINGS
	0	0 SITES
	0	0 STRUCTURES
	0	0 OBJECTS
	1	0 TOTAL

NUMBER OF CONTRIBUTING RESOURCES PREVIOUSLY LISTED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER: 0

NAME OF RELATED MULTIPLE PROPERTY LISTING: Historic Resources of Georgetown, Texas (NR 1986)

6. FUNCTION OR USE

HISTORIC FUNCTIONS: GOVERNMENT: Public Works

CURRENT FUNCTIONS: GOVERNMENT: Correctional Facility

7. DESCRIPTION

ARCHITECTURAL CLASSIFICATION: NO STYLE

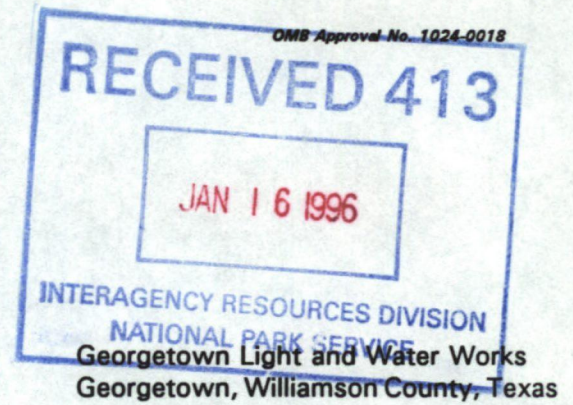
MATERIALS: FOUNDATION BRICK
WALLS BRICK
ROOF METAL
OTHER GLASS

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION (see continuation sheets 7-5).

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Description

The Georgetown Light and Water Works Building faces west on West 9th Street near the central business district of Georgetown, Texas. The 1-story industrial building is covered in a flat roof while the larger 2-story portion is covered by a two-tiered metal gable roof. Windows in the 2-story part are large 12/12 double-hung wooden windows and a steel sash multi-pane clerestory between the first and second tiers. A tall concrete smoke stack rises at the southeast corner of the building adjacent to a stone fence now incorporated into a metal warehouse building. The property is devoid of landscaping.

The Georgetown Light and Water Works Building faces west on West 9th Street near downtown Georgetown, Texas. The red brick building consists of 1-story and 2-story sections and a tall concrete smoke stack at the southeast corner. The 1-story portion is along the northern part of the building and is covered in a flat roof. The 5-bay (west elevation) by 4-bay (south elevation), 2-story section sits along 9th Street and is covered in a large two-tiered metal gable roof. Second, third, and fifth bays have 12/12 wooden double-hung windows below a brick arch. The first contains a multi-light window and the fourth bay double wooden doors. An awning covers the approach to this doorway. On the south elevation, 12/12 wooden windows highlight the first, second and fourth bays, while the third bay consists of a single wooden door with enclosed transom. A large steel sash clerestory separates the first and second tiers of the roof. Another multi-light steel sash window opens from the upper south gable end. All elevations are noted with brick corbeling at the cornice line of the first story.

Alterations include the adaptation of a stone fence to the foundation of a metal warehouse building south of the principal building. The property was rehabilitated in 1985-86 and is now reused as a police station and is so indicated with a free standing sign at the northwest corner of the property.

8. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

APPLICABLE NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA

- 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.
- 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 VALUE, 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: N/A

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: Architecture

PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE: ca. 1911

SIGNIFICANT DATES: ca. 1911; 1937

SIGNIFICANT PERSON: N/A

CULTURAL AFFILIATION: N/A

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown

NARRATIVE STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (see continuation sheets 8-6).

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHIC REFERENCES

BIBLIOGRAPHY (see historic context statement).

PREVIOUS DOCUMENTATION ON FILE (NPS): N/A

- 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:

- State historic preservation office (*Texas Historical Commission*)
- Other state agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other -- Specify Repository:

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Georgetown Light and Water Works
Georgetown, Williamson County, Texas

Statement of Significance

The Georgetown Light and Water Works Building (ca. 1911) is a 1- and 2-story brick industrial building near downtown Georgetown. The property is the only intact industrial building over 50 years of age in the community. It is nominated under Criterion C in the area of Architecture at the local level of significance as the best remaining industrial building. The property is associated with the multiple listing: **Historic Resources of Georgetown, Texas (NR 1986)**. The building retains its integrity and is being reused as a police station.

The Georgetown Light and Water Works Building (ca. 1911) is west of the central business district of Georgetown. The building and environs constitute the city's earliest efforts to provide electricity and water to its citizens. Its arched 12/12 wooden windows and corbeled cornice line make it a distinctive industrial building. A large concrete smoke stack further denotes its historic use.

In 1936 the city supported a bond election to make improvements to the plant. The bond initiative passed and in July 1937 work was completed. A new diesel engine and additions made the plant one of the best city utilities in the state. (Williamson County *Sun*)

The property was rehabilitated in 1985-86 to be reused as the city's police station. It is in good condition and retains its integrity as an industrial building. Thus, the Light and Water Works Building is the best example of industrial architecture in Georgetown.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF PROPERTY: less than one acre

UTM REFERENCES	Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing
1	14	626480	3389820	3	##	#####
2	##	#####	#####	4	##	#####

(__ see continuation sheet 10-#)

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION Original Town Site, Block 48, Lots 5,6,7, City of Georgetown, Williamson County, Texas

BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION The boundaries encompass all known resources historically associated with the property.

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME/TITLE: David Moore

ORGANIZATION: Hardy-Heck-Moore **DATE:** 7/84; 12/87; 12/95

STREET & NUMBER: 2112 Rio Grande **TELEPHONE:** 512-478-8014

CITY OR TOWN: Austin **STATE:** TX **ZIP CODE:** 78705

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

CONTINUATION SHEETS

MAPS (see USGS Map)

PHOTOGRAPHS (see continuation sheet Photo-7)

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

PROPERTY OWNER

NAME City of Georgetown

STREET & NUMBER P.O. Box 409

Telephone N/A

CITY OR TOWN Georgetown

STATE TX **ZIP CODE** 78627

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Georgetown Light and Water Works
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Photograph Inventory

Property Name	Georgetown Light and Water Works
Address	403 W. 9th
City/County/State	Georgetown, Williamson County, Texas
Name of Photographer	David Moore
Date of Photograph	1987
Location of Negative	Texas Historical Commission
Camera Facing	East

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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

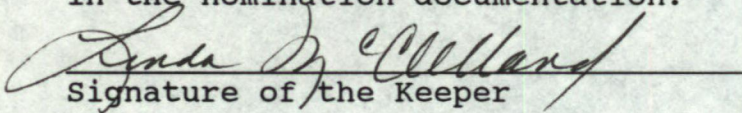
NRIS Reference Number: 96000074 Date Listed: 2/16/96

Property Name: Georgetown Light and Water Works

County: Williamson State: Texas

Georgetown MRA
Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.


Signature of the Keeper

February 16, 1996
Date of Action

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Amended Items in Nomination:

Section 8. Significance

"1937" is, hereby, removed as a significant date because the alterations which occurred on this date do not contribute to the architectural significance for which property has been nominated.

Dwayne Jones, National Register coordinator, Texas State Historic Preservation Office was notified of this amendment on February 15, 1996.

DISTRIBUTION:

- National Register property file
- Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Georgetown Light and Water Works

MULTIPLE NAME: Georgetown MRA

STATE & COUNTY: TEXAS, Williamson

DATE RECEIVED: 1/16/96 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 1/31/96
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 2/16/96 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/01/96
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 96000074

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: Y NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 2/16/96 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

See SLR.

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept C

REVIEWER LM McClelland DISCIPLINE _____

TELEPHONE _____ DATE 2/16/96

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N



GEORGETOWN LIGHT & WATER WORKS

403 W 9TH

GEORGETOWN, WILLIAMSON COUNTY TEXAS

PHOTO BY DAVID MOORE, 1987

NEGATIVE TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

VIEW LOOKING NORTHEAST

HISTORIC RESOURCES of GEORGETOWN, TEXAS
GEORGETOWN LIGHT & WATER WORKS

403 WEST 9TH

GEORGETOWN, WILLIAMSON CO., TEXAS

PHOTOGRAPH 1 of 1

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000843