State of California — The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

PRIMARY RECORD

Primary #
HRI #
Trinomial
NRHP Status Code
Other Listings
Review Code Reviewer Date

Page 1 of 2 *Resource name(s) or number (assigned by recorder) 537 Grove St.

P1. Other Identifier:

*P2. Location: ☐ Not for Publication ☒ Unrestricted *a. County: San Francisco

and (P2b and P2c or P2d. Attach a Location Map as necessary.)

*b. USGS 7.5' Quad: San Francisco North, Calif. Date: 1956 (rev. 1973)

*c. Address: 537 Grove St. City: San Francisco Zip: 94102

d. UTM: Zone: 10 mE/ mN (G.P.S.)

e. Other Locational Data: Assessor's Parcel Number (Map, Block, Lot): 0807-023

*P3a. Description: (Describe resource and its major elements. Include design, materials, condition, alterations, size, setting, and boundaries.)

537 Grove St. is located on a 26.25' x 120' through-block lot on the south side of Grove Street, between Octavia and Laguna Streets. The property includes a detached, 2-car garage with a flat roof set at the rear of the lot, fronting on Ivy Street.Built ca. 1910. 537 Grove St is a two-story, wood frame, multiple family building containing 2 units designed in the Classical Revival style. The rectangular-plan building, clad in drop wood siding, sits on a brick, perimeter foundation and is capped by a parapeted gable roof. The primary façade faces north and is three bays wide. The left bay of the first story features a basement entry secured behind a wood fence with metal gate. The middle bay is clad in brick and contains a garage with paneled wood door. The right bay features a recessed porch with a tall, arched opening framed by pilasters and a bracketed pediment with sunburst motif in the tympanum. A pair of brick planters with recessed fleur-de-lis inlay flank the entryway. The interior of the porch is paneled and shelters a glazed wood door with a transom. The upper story is clad in drop siding and features a single double-hung, wood window in the left bay. The center bay contains a chamfered bay window with spandrel panels, Ionic pilaster surrounds, and double-hung, vinyl windows. The bay window has a false gable roof with a swag frieze, rosettes on the soffits, and sunburst ornament in the tympanum. The façade terminates in a mansard parapet clad with asphalt shingles. The building is in poor condition, suffering damage from a fire that destroyed the adjacent property to the west.

*P3b. Resource Attributes: (list attributes and codes) HP3. Multiple Family Property

*P4. Resources Present: ☒ Building ☐ Structure ☐ Object ☐ Site ☐ District ☐ Element of District ☐ Other

P5b. Photo: (view and date)
View from north
9/13/2006

*P6. Date Constructed/Age and Sources: ☒ Historic
1900; rev. ca. 1910
SF Assessor; Sanborn Maps

*P7. Owner and Address:
Sheridan & Caroline Oakes
537 Grove St
San Francisco, CA

*P8. Recorded by:
Page & Turnbull, Inc.
724 Pine Street
San Francisco, CA 94108

*P9. Date Recorded:
9/13/2006

*P10. Survey Type:
Reconnaissance

*P11. Report Citation: (Cite survey report and other sources, or enter "none") None

*Attachments: ☐ None ☐ Location Map ☐ Sketch Map ☒ Continuation Sheet ☐ Building, Structure, and Object Record ☐ Archaeological Record ☐ District Record ☐ Linear Feature Record ☐ Milling Station Record ☐ Rock Art Record ☐ Artifact Record ☐ Photograph Record ☐ Other (list)

West façade showing fire damage