

First US Post Office Building

Historic Preservation Plan

Design Guidelines

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City of Scottsdale - Historic Preservation Program



Character-Defining Features

- Two-story height with one-story side addition
- Rectangular proportions
- Building to front lot line
- Masonry brick construction with mottled paint finish
- “Picture Frame” display window storefront



Character-Defining Features Continued

- Flat roof with simple stepped parapet over two-story building portion
- Rustic wooden porch addition to front façade with horizontal railing
- Recessed sign area in brick parapet
- Divided light pattern window and door coverings in upper story



Design Guidelines

1. Retain the historic scale, massing and proportions of the main building.
2. Maintain the shifted alignment pattern of the building's front façade along the property line reflecting the building's evolution.
3. Maintain the roof parapet wall.
4. Repairs to the masonry should match existing brick and mortar.
5. Additions, expansions or other improvements should occur at the rear or on the north façade of the building, providing the form of the one-story addition remains discernible.
6. An additional story may be acceptable if it is set back from the primary façade. However, no access to the upper level should be constructed upon the primary façade.
7. The additional story should be subordinate in size and form to the existing historic building and its proportion, massing, pattern of openings and roof lines should be similar to that found on the existing building.
8. Repair or replacement of the wooden porch should use similar materials and have a rustic character.
9. The picture frame display windows of the one-story addition should be retained.
10. Signage should be located on the upper primary façade.
11. Consider restoring the original post office door and window openings.

