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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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County Galveston
City Galveston
Name First Evangelical Lutheran Church
Address 2401 Avenue G

Owner First Lutheran Church,
ATTN: Rev. Vernon Rabel
Address 2401 Ave. G.
Galveston 77550
Block/Lot 324/1-7. Area less than 1 acre

USGS Quad 2994-231 Survey site no. 5
UTMs 325740/3242600
Date: factual 1868; 1915 Est.
Architect/Builder Murdock in 1915
Contractor
Style/Type Gothic Revival
Original use church
Present use gymnasium
Present condition good

Description One-story brick church structure; rectangular shape with small addition on southwest corner; both sections with hipped roofs; front facade dominated by square tower with steeple and double entrance at the base; north facade has centered entrance with roundel window; buttresses with octagonal shape; pinnacles define corners and divide side facades; arched openings with leaded and colored glass.

Significance Church founded in 1850 in Galveston by German immigrants as First German Evangelical Lutheran Church. Frame Gothic church built in 1868. Prior to construction congregation met in nearby Lyceum Hall, which was purchased by church in 1885. In 1915 the church attached the hall building to the older church, encased them in brick veneer, and added the tower. New church built in 1957 but the older structure continues in use for church functions.

Relationship to site: Moved ___ date ___ or Original site X Describe Part of half-block complex owned by church, surrounded by mixed uses, row of houses directly across.

Bibliography HABS Survey Form 1966; Rosenberg Library Archives File

Informant
Recorder Ellen Beasley
Date Nov. 1982

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

First Evangelical Lutheran Church (Central Business District M R A)
Galveston County
TEXAS

Working No. MAR 29 1984
Fed. Reg. Date: _____
Date Due: 4-26-84 / 5-13-84
Action: ___ ACCEPT
___ RETURN 5/2/84
___ REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

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

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

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: ___X___ 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
☐ excellent
☐ good
☐ fair
☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one
☐ unaltered
☐ altered

Check one
☐ original site
☐ moved date _____

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

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

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Signed Melanie Bryan Date 5/2/84 Phone: _____

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Central Business District Multiple Resource Area
State Galveston County, TEXAS

Nomination/Type of Review		Date/Signature
1. Building at 1921--1921-1/2 Avenue D	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper Delores Byrd 8/14/84 Attest
2. Building at 1925--1927 Market Street	Entered in the National Register Substantive Review	for Keeper Delores Byrd 8/14/84 Attest
3. City Hall		Keeper Beth Grosvenor - 8/14/84 Attest
4. City National Bank	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper Delores Byrd 8/14/84 Attest
5. Eiband's	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper Delores Byrd 8/14/84 Attest
6. First Evangelical Lutheran Church	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper Delores Byrd 8/14/84 Attest
7. House at 2528 Postoffice St.	Substantive Review	Keeper Beth Grosvenor 8/14/84 Attest
8. Houses at 2017--2023 Avenue I	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper Delores Byrd 8/14/84 Attest
9. I.O.O.F. Lodge	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper Delores Byrd 8/14/84 Attest
10. Jean Lafitte Hotel	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper Delores Byrd 8/14/84 Attest

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Galveston County
TEXAS

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Fed. Reg. Date: 2/5/85
Date Due: 8/19/84
Action: ✓ ACCEPT 8-14-84
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___ REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

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Multiple Resource Nomination
Galveston, Galveston County, Texas

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Site No. 5, First Evangelical Lutheran Church, 2401 Winnie (G), looking southwest.

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Winnie (G), looking southeast.

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

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