

Waverly Historic Register Nomination Form

Please answer the following questions about the nominated property. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

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- Current name of nominated property (if applicable) City of Waverly
- Historic name(s) of nominated property Farmer's Exchange
Co-op
- Address of nominated property 4th St SW between
8th + 2nd Av SW
- Legal description of nominated property. If possible, please attach a copy of an official document containing the legal description as recorded at the Court House. Lots 1-4 FBI Studevant's
Building 2
- Owner(s) of nominated property _____
and Owner(s) address if different _____
from address in Item 4. _____

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7. Eligibility. To be eligible for the Waverly Historic Register, a site or district must be at least 50 years old, retain its architectural integrity, and meet at least one of the criteria listed below. Check all that apply.

1) The site is associated with an event or events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history--Waverly's, Bremer County's, Iowa's or the nation's.

2) The site is associated with the lives of persons significant in Waverly's past.

3) The site embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or that represents the work of a master, or that possesses high artistic values, or that represents a significant and distinguishable entity the components of which may lack individual distinction.

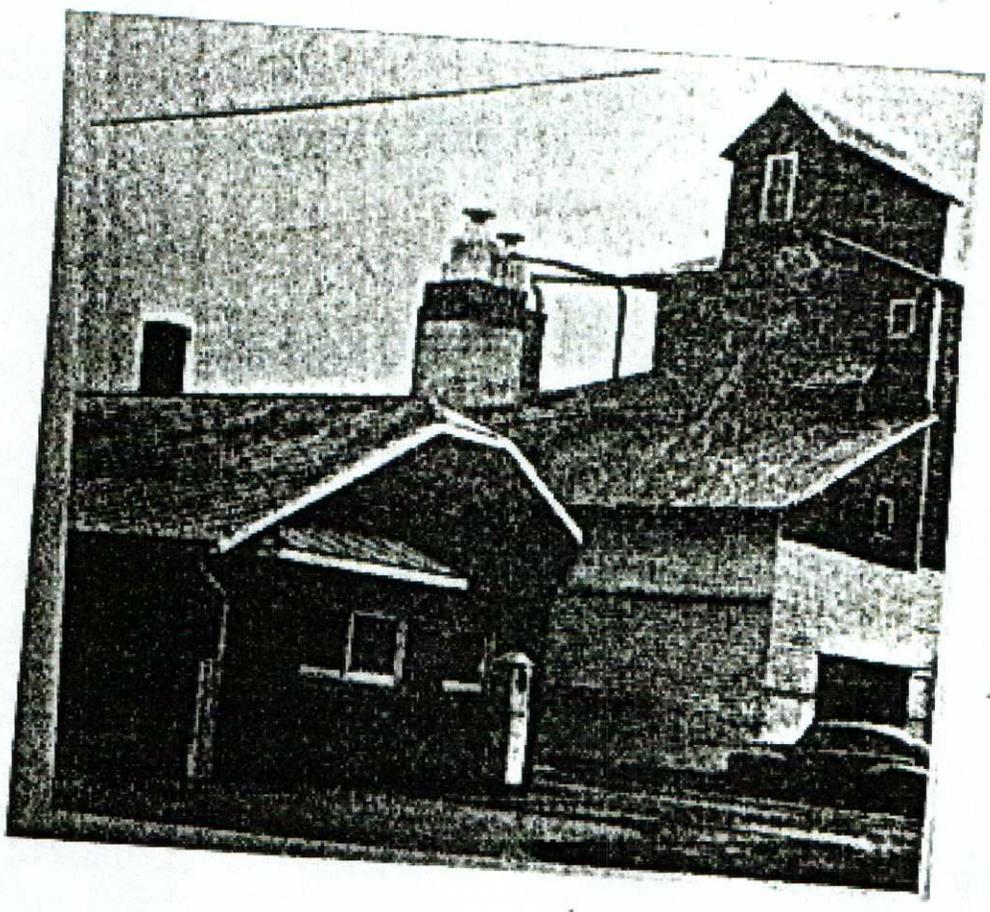
4) The site has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in this area's prehistory or history.

5) The site is a natural feature significant in Waverly's past.

8. In the space below or on an attached sheet, explain why you believe this property should be placed on the Waverly Historic Register. Your response should refer to specific criteria as noted under Item 7. Include as much of the property's history as possible. You should also include at least one current photograph of the property. The Commission would also be interested in copies of past photos of the property. Nominations become public documents in the files of the Waverly Historic Preservation Commission and copies of them may be deposited in the Waverly Public Library.

The co-op was incorporated in December 1918 and opened for business January 6th 1919. In 1930 the co-op with the business of buying and selling grain, purchased Colburn and Hicks plant and elevator at 223 1st St SW. With the Rock Island Short Line located along the river bank it made shipping grain by rail made this a very attractive location for the Co-op. The office building with scale house was built in 1935 has a unique decorative hollow tile brick with slate shingle roof. The roof is constructed with a Jerkinhead (otherwise known as half-hipped or clipped gable) style popular in medieval architecture and revived in the late nineteenth and early-twentieth centuries. In 1963 the business built a new elevator north of town and sold this property to the city for the parks and recreations use. Old records and receipts deemed unimportant were left behind and were later found by city worker in the attic of the building and still remain there today. The city has plans to possibly restore the building and convert into an open air shelter house with restrooms. These were plans were drawn up in 2009 after the city received FEMA money following the 2008 flood which 4' of water was reported in the structure.

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Farmer's Exchange Office to left; grain
buildings behind (no longer exist)

