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Preface

State Capitol Building Historic Conditions Report

“The Second Hundred Years”

In just three short years, we will mark 100th anniversary of the groundbreaking for State Capitol Building. Four years after that we will celebrate the Capitol Building’s centennial, fully 100 years since the building was completed. One hundred years!

The building still stands tall and proud, representing the tradition and accomplishments of this great state, both as the functional center of state government and as the ceremonial emblem of The People’s Building. Unfortunately, the life cycle of the building is nearly over, having suffered through a century of use, exposure to the elements and sometimes neglect. The exterior façade is rapidly deteriorating, exponentially, through seasonal weather extremes. Mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems are worn out. Life-safety systems – fire alarms, fire suppression and emergency egress – are woefully inadequate or nonexistent. Modern communications systems have been pieced over the years and will not support future innovations in technology. As with any major, historic building, it is time to restore and preserve this priceless asset and make it ready for its Second Hundred Years.

In the spring of 2010, the Construction and Properties Division commissioned this Historic Conditions Report in order to take a first look at the potential magnitude of a restoration effort. The cost estimate presented herein, while thorough and detailed, reflects only for the current known condition of the building. The costs do not reflect any provisions for functional realignment of the interior space, programmatic input from stakeholders, temporary relocation of occupants (if necessary) or the leadership’s policy decisions that would guide scope, funding or phasing of the work.

The actual scope of any restoration program will depend on the results of a formal planning exercise, which would include a more thorough facility survey, input from stakeholders, program development with alternatives and policy approvals. Conceptual designs, constructability reviews and phasing opportunities would establish requirements for capitalization, logistics and total the total program budget.

We are hopeful that this report will encourage a dialog concerning the future of the state’s most important building.

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Forward.

The way forward begins with awareness of the task at hand. This task, the preservation and maintenance of an irreplaceable asset from our states past, is at the same time the vehicle housing many of the aspirations of our future. From this house comes much of the practical guidance and law which guides our lives, protects our families and secures our place as leaders and innovators amongst the fifty states in this country we call home.

The goal of this document will be stated many times and it will be to raise awareness of the varying conditions inside and outside of this building. Though many issues are causes of concern, many others are a cause for rejoicing in what a valuable and historic asset our state has as its seat of government and what a stable asset our state has which will continue to serve it for generations to come. It will continue to serve as long as we recognize that all assets of this magnitude must be cared for in a manner consistent with its place in our daily lives. It is time for us to begin a dialogue on the maintenance of this Historic structure. There are two types of maintenance, preventive and corrective, much of our task deals with both. Yet, the word maintenance can be traced back to the Latin phrase manus tenere “to hold in the hand”. A phrase quite applicable to our goals for this wonderful building, we hold in our hands the condition of this building representing equally past, present and future and we must recognize that it is an ongoing enterprise.

We must also recognize much of our maintenance will be corrective in nature, correcting many decisions made in the past. Often these decisions may be made in haste or to amend short term problems which can and often do cause damage to materials and conditions that are completely impossible to replace. Then there are our goals for betterment as we have with many things in our lives. Constantly seeking to make the important assets we have more efficient, more usable and more adaptable to our changing needs.

Many will feel that this awareness is not required, that a physical object may be used until replaced. This asset may not be replaced, its care must be accompanied by awareness of its current condition, an inventory of the treasure we have. Whether collapsing sewer lines, failing and leaking limestone cladding or electrical wiring over 100 years old, much must be learned and quantified before taking action. What you have in front of you is a simple beginning. There is so much more to learn, awareness is a long path, it will be full of surprises, changes, actions and reactions. Use this information to begin the process and add to its quality at every turn.

Our hope is that this information will serve you well and begin a path to awareness, awareness of how valuable and fragile this beautiful building, housing the heads of our government, truly is. Especially how much work really lies ahead but how wonderful the rewards can be. Let this building serve another one hundred years, and then may future generations have the commitment and resolve to let its serve one hundred more.

D.D. Mass AIA
Introduction.
The State Capitol of Oklahoma Building is a functioning historic and irreplaceable treasure serving the people of our great state, as a building, a museum, a repository of our governments past, and simultaneously, the evolving headquarters of its future, in both its daily use and technological need.

This document is to briefly outline the present condition of the building and make recommendations to some of its more critical maintenance issues. In addition, long term improvement goals are outlined in the enclosed “Capitol Preservation Commission Master RESTORATION LIST” listing numerous essential improvements and goals for preservation projects.

Existing Conditions.
Achieving an accurate survey of the existing conditions was the most pressing goal of this document based on as much information and archived drawings as could be assembled in a relatively short time period. Moderate field measurements were taken to complete the as-built drawings. However, more in-depth surveys will occur if this restoration process begins, each detailed survey directly related to the key component it addresses and will uncover many more things that require attention. This broad general stroke to provide the base information for the discussions required to advance this restoration effort are merely the crucial beginning.

This document is to be built upon and in no way can be looked at as complete but only the best start available for the time and expense that was exhausted. Additionally, the overview of the buildings structure, its electrical systems, and plumbing systems are included and a very in-depth report on its existing heating and air-conditioning systems is also included. This in-depth report was completed by the Benham Group of Oklahoma City, is very detailed and is included as a reference document.

Planning Future Restorations.
The other broad goal is to provide impetus to a system for documenting all future improvements beyond any complete initial restoration effort. This complete restoration will provide the benchmark in time to begin again the second round of preserving this structure. Once the many groups who have the valuable input work together to guide this restoration they must keep a journal for lack of better terms to document and ensure compliance with written design standards. Maintaining a system of tracking real time conditions ensure “Good Maintenance and Improvements” which is the key to “Good Preservation”. The challenge of maintaining the intent of design standards is the challenge of maintaining this repository of the people.

The statement made of “this is only a beginning effort” is the truest of all statements made in this document. Though this will give us a broad overview and point out that much work lies ahead, we can see our way clear to this future and leaving this history for future generations of Oklahomans to experience.

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Thank you, graciously, for your assistance.
Goals and Objectives.
The goals and objectives of this report are to provide a tool that documents the history and material elements of this historic and irreplaceable structure and its associated environment. It will inform you generally of historical data including statements about original construction, material types, present conditions, future maintenance, and aesthetic and preservation criteria. This document is simply just a point of departure.

Additionally, the hope is that this document will provide the information necessary to gain support for the general recommendations to responsibly deal with all existing issues of aesthetics, restoration, and rehabilitation of this historic building. A great deal of planning, design and research await beyond this document when the actual implementation of these goals and strategies associated with discussions of this document begin. The discussions of certain pressing maintenance issues are a key component and certainly must be given immediate considerations and the compilation of recommendations to appropriately address them now begins.

The long term strategy beyond this document is to leave a structure that is complete in all aspects of its care, restoration, improvement, and maintenance and evident to all who visit. This is a vision which will extend years into our future to successfully implement and may involve various phases to complete. With all improvements to this facility its function as the seat of government in our state must remain undisturbed.

The existing issues and concerns about this building and its future improvements must take information and ideas from all interested groups and all concerned parties in consideration of its current and potential use as the seat of government for this great state of Oklahoma. It is envisioned this document will form the nucleus of a new database for the goals and ideas that drive the Capitol’s improvement efforts. Especially as additional pertinent information is sought out and added from all note worthy sources.

No document can cover every relevant issue but can become the focal point of a discussion on how to catalogue and plan for the necessary preservation efforts as issues arise. The compilation effort is important to maintain as many renovations have been undertaken in the past which have been most detrimental to the building as a whole. Documentation of renovation efforts and maintaining a complete and current statement of condition allows for consistent planning and maintenance of one of our State’s true treasures.

Having a current Statement of Conditions will allow others the information to garner support and raise the financial capital necessary to undertake the ambitious nature of this effort. It is hoped that all who take time to read this document learn more of our State’s greatest building treasure and gain a general knowledge of what makes it so special. What must come from this effort is a more concerted effort to document and catalogue all repairs and projects to better ascertain actual condition and the monitoring of the required cyclical maintenance of this structure.

Overview of the Document.
The following is an overview of what is located in this document.

- Summary description of the structure’s existing conditions.

- Existing condition assessment of the individual major building exterior material components including to varying degrees; foundation, structure, exterior skin, windows, doors, roof, exterior stone trim, stone detailing and all major building components.

- A brief description of the present yard and landscape surrounding this structure.

- Certain room by room descriptions, including some documentation of features, finishes and materials and detailed identification of areas of deterioration requiring repair, especially irreplaceable or special architectural features.

- Evaluation of the buildings physical condition with regards to non-historic or inappropriate features or remodeling that were undertaken in the past which were not sympathetic to the building.

- Summary description of the structure’s systems to include electrical and plumbing (The Benham Group study of the HVAC system included for reference).

- Recommendations for repair and maintenance of critical components.
Restoration List

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This list includes all items from the Architectural and Grounds Outline Development List, 1991 Restoration List, and some additional items. Items prioritized by the Long-Range Committee according to time phasing priorities are as follows:

- **P1** First Priority  
  RED = CPC 10 Most Wanted
- **P2** Second Priority  
  BLUE = Completed Since 1998
- **P3** Third Priority  
  GREEN = Work in Progress

**Priority One:**

*All work in Capitol public area or viewable from public areas and the surrounding grounds are to be approved by the Capitol Preservation Commission prior to starting any work.*

Capitol Grounds and Building Exterior

**Location and Priority:**

- **EXT-A** P2  
  Rework Capitol Grounds to include landscaping, sculpture, flags, and exterior furnishings.

- **EXT-B** P1  
  Redesign exterior lighting of building, sculpture, and flags to be more dramatic, uniform in color, energy efficient and provide additional security. Match Dome lighting. (Modified in 2003)

- **EXT-C** P3  
  Carve sculpture in South Pediment.
EXT-D  Construct Dome originally designed by Solomon Layton and dedicate on Statehood Day 2007, the 100th Anniversary of the State. (Completed 2002)

EXT-E  P3  Build new underground parking taking in account safety and aesthetic issues. (Refer to preliminary design)

EXT-F  Completion of “Plaza of the Oklahomans” in accordance with plans approved by CPC. (Completed 2002)

EXT-G  Restore Horse and Rider statue. (Completed 2002)

EXT-H  P2  Develop area east side of Capitol for Oklahoma Treasurers Ta Ata sculpture and fountain.

EXT-I  P1  Building Security stations to be integrated into building design.

EXT-J  P3  Reroute 23rd Street around the Capitol.

EXT-K  P2  Extend granite walks at upper walks around the Capitol and install sculpture, benches, and sound system to play Indian flute music.

EXT-L  P1  Repair granite of Centennial Memorial Plaza of the Oklahomans.

General-Interior:
GEN-A  P1  Raise light levels and maintain uniform light color with energy efficient appropriate lamps (timed) in each area.

GEN-B  P1  Remove all surface wiring, conduit, etc. and relocate above ceilings or behindwalls, etc. Initiate standards to prohibit this practice from continuing in the future. (Passed by CPC 2000)

GEN-C  P1  Renovate all nonconforming doors to CPC standards throughout the Capitol Building with faux grain finish to match original color, which is in the Supreme Court area.

GEN-D  P1  Install sound system in Rotunda and other public areas of Capitol for fire safety and ADA compliance.

GEN-E  P1  Raise ceiling to above windows and install blinds or plantation shutters as per Capitol Preservation Commission standards. (On going)

GEN-F  Remodel the restrooms in the buildings in accordance with ADA Compliance (Completed 2000)
GEN-G  P3  Historic road signage on Lincoln Boulevard, 21st Street, etc.

GEN-H  P1  A/C in all public areas. Leave ground source in offices. Chillers for public areas like Rotunda.

GEN-I  P1  Install uniform key system.

GEN-J  P1  Hang paintings with appropriate lighting.

GEN-K  P1  Clean exterior of Building and repair stone as required.

GEN-L  P1  Safety upgrades, exterior door security systems, fire suppression system and fire stairs at east and west dead-end corridors.

GEN-M  P1  Repair copper roof and gutters. (Partly complete in 2007)

GEN-N  P1  ADA upgrades.

GEN-O  P1  Install electronic self-guided tour system for tourists.

GEN-P  P1  Control quality of art and location.

GEN-Q  P1  Inventory art and copyright status.

Basement:
B-A  P1  Renew floor, ceilings, and add energy efficient lighting in tunnel to East parking lot and repair leaks.

B-B  P1  Remove terrazzo corridor floor, replace asphalt base with concrete and install new terrazzo or marble tile.

First Floor:
1-A  P1  Visitor Center and Orientation Theater with snack bar, gift shop, tour guide/information desk areas relocated to the south of the first floor monumental staircase. Approved in concept by CPC December 2001. (Completed 2007)

1-B  P1  Top quality exhibits of a lasting interest in the Rotunda area as well as lighted top quality artwork. Commission design of the first floor Rotunda including display areas and higher light level. (On going)

1-C  P1  Open wide corridor in west wing and restore for State Art Collection. (Refer to Minutes of October 2002) (Completed 2007)

1-D  P1  Install “restoration lamps” at marble stair case and at rotunda.
Install carpet runner and rug at Grand Staircase. (Funded and completed by F.O.C. 2008)

Second Floor:
2-A \(\text{P1} \quad \text{Install Constitution Display at Supreme Court Monumental Corridor as approved by Capitol Preservation Commission on August 18, 1994. (Partially completed 2001) – Design adjacent area when Supreme Court moves out.} \)

2-B \(\text{P1} \quad \text{Remove all plywood paneling in hallways of Supreme Court and restore sidelights and doorways when Supreme Court moves out.} \)

2-C \(\text{Commission small murals for the four “arch” areas in the Rotunda (4 diagonal direction-landscape murals-NE, SE, SW, and NW). (Completed in modified form in 2002)} \)

2-D \(\text{P1} \quad \text{Commission mural for “Arch” area at the south side of the Hall of Governors. (Approved by CPC 2007, Funded by F.O.C. 2008)} \)

2-E \(\text{P1} \quad \text{Relocate entrance to Governor’s Suite at foyer to Governor’s Conference Room.} \)

2-F \(\text{P3} \quad \text{Obtain high quality artwork for Rotunda and hallways; and install with proper lighting. (On going)} \)

2-G \(\text{P1} \quad \text{Reopen the Southeast monumental corridor, after relocating the Lt. Governor’s offices to the north wing after Court of Criminal Appeals moves.} \)

2-H \(\text{P1} \quad \text{Add lighting for Governor’s bust and Hall of Governors. (Approved by CPC and Funded by F.O.C. in 2008)} \)

2-I \(\text{Relight the Guardian Statue on the 2nd Floor. (Completed 2003)} \)

2-J \(\text{P3} \quad \text{Hall of Governors – install custom rugs for sound abatement. (Approved by CPC and Funded by F.O.C. 2008)} \)

Third Floor:
3-A \(\text{P1} \quad \text{Renovate entryways at corridors to House and Senate offices. (House offices completed 2000) (Totally conceal wiring devices)} \)

3-B \(\text{P2} \quad \text{Obtain high quality artwork and install with proper lighting. (On going)} \)
Goals and Objectives


Fourth Floor:

4-A  Renovate entryways at corridors to House offices. (Senate entrances reconstructed in January 1997) (Most completed in 2000)

4-B  Restore House Chamber. (Completed 2000)

4-C  P1  Open skylights over Grand Staircase and Entry Lobbies to House and Senate Chambers.

4-D  P2  Obtain top quality art and install with proper lighting. (On going)

4-E  Commission bas-relief sculptures of four Indian busts for location in existing plaster circle frames at House and Senate Lobbies as shown on original drawings. (Completed 2001)

4-F  P1  Restoration of Senate Chamber. (Completed 1994)

4-G  P2  Renovation and relocation of Press Room.

4-H  P3  Restore 4 shells over 4th floor Rotunda paintings.

Fifth Floor:

5-A  Renovate entryways at corridors to House offices for uniformity. (Completed 2000) (Senate areas reconstructed in January 1997)

5-B  P1  Renovate original assembly room for Joint House and Senate use. (Part of HB 1919) “State Room”

5-C  P3  Install high quality artwork and install with proper lighting. (On going)
Historic Overview.
The Oklahoma State Capitol Building is a symbol of the establishment, growth and development of the State of Oklahoma as well as the state government and stands prominently as a beacon to the memory of our collective past in the eyes of all the citizens. The building is evidence of the past, a stabilizing landmark that marks the gradual control of a tumultuous episode of change. Therefore, any discussion of the building must begin with an understanding of how the land was occupied and settled by many cultures, people with an expectation of continuing their traditions including their community’s orientation, daily routines as well as their traditional construction methods and materials as they struggled to live side-by-side in this diverse geographic area. Like the development of the building, itself, this story takes dramatic leaps and turns based on the politics of the day and the desires of the few that had authority to implement their preferences.

The Land of Oklahoma.
The land that became the state of Oklahoma was purchased from France, in 1803, as part of the Louisiana Purchase. From 1803 to 1819, Oklahoma was part of several territorial districts as the federal government reorganized its land holdings due to boundary disputes and treaties. By 1819, Oklahoma, minus the panhandle, was part of the Arkansas Territory. During the early 1800’s, there was intense pressure to remove Indians from the settled eastern part of the United States. In response, the federal government reserved Oklahoma for Native Americans and, in 1828, required all settlers to withdraw from the area. Between 1830 and 1842, the Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Creek, and Seminole Indians, known as the Five Civilized Tribes, were compelled to give up their traditional environments and lifestyles at various locations throughout the United States and move to Oklahoma. The Cherokee people referred to this migration as the “Trail of Tears”.

By the late 1880s, Native Americans were forced to compromise again as Indian Territory was divided into two parts. At noon on April 22, 1889 cannons sounded the start of the Oklahoma land run. In only six hours about 10,000 people had settled in what would soon become the Capitol of Oklahoma Territory. Without the protection of the federal government, Oklahoma’s newly established government became part of political battles concerning where the Capitol should be located. On March 2, 1890 this land, plus an additional 3,681,000 acres, was established as Oklahoma Territory by the U.S. Congress and Guthrie was designated as the Capitol.

The State of Oklahoma.
In 1906, representatives from Indian Territory and Oklahoma Territory met in Guthrie to draw up a new constitution that would combine the two territories as one new state and on November 16, 1907, Oklahoma was admitted to the Union. In the middle of the night, on June 11, 1910, the state seal was taken from Guthrie and moved south to Oklahoma City, the present site of the State Capitol.

Oklahoma City was caught by surprise with the sudden removal of the State Capitol from Guthrie in 1910. The relocated capitol building was originally slated to be built in what is now the Warr Acres suburb, far west from downtown Oklahoma City. The proposal called for the capitol building to front NW 39th Street. However, after three years of debate and consideration, final selection of a site was resolved when two city leaders - William Fremont Harn and John James Culbertson – each gave adjacent 40-acre sites on the city’s northeast side. And, when each understandably pushed for actual location of the Capitol on his donated parcel, Judge Edgar S. Vaught made the decision to center the Capitol-to-be on Lincoln Boulevard, the half-mile line of Section 27.

The Capitol Building.
The capitol building was designed by the Oklahoma City architectural firm of Layton and Smith. As early as 1910, Solomon A. Layton and S. Wemyss Smith, at that time partnered with another notable Oklahoma City architect, James Watson Hawk, were selected as designers of the important public building. Hawk left the firm of Layton, Smith and Hawk to form his own company the following year and actual progress on the building, including final selection of the architect, was delayed for several years due to a myriad of politically-influenced factors. Following final selection of Layton and Smith to design the building, the firm engaged Jewel Hicks, an architect from Durant, to come to Oklahoma City to work with them on the capitol plans. While Layton is frequently credited as the architect for the state capitol building, unquestionably it was a collaborative effort of the firm of Layton and Smith. The 1914 architect’s statement submitted to the State Capitol Commission by the firm and describing the building in detail was signed by S. Wemyss Smith. The State Capitol Commission, consisting of Pat Goulding of Enid, Steve Douglas of Ardmore, and Bill Anthony of Marlow, also hired Edward P. Boyd to supervise construction of the building and ensure that the state was not excessively charged during the construction of the $1.5 million dollar building. In 1914, Boyd, educated as an architect and structural engineer, was employed as a construction engineer for the federal government and supervised construction of the Oklahoma City Post Office, among other Oklahoma federal buildings. As a federal employee, Boyd was immune to local political pressure.
Capitol Construction.

After many years of anticipation and various commissions, the Manhattan Construction Company began construction of the relocated Capitol Building on July 20, 1914 under the direction of Governor Lee Cruce. It was delivered to the state on July 1, 1917 though it wasn’t finished until 1919. The completed building had over 400,000 square feet. The complex is located at an elevated position so that it is visible to the larger community; however the building is centered between the north-south lanes of Lincoln Boulevard. Twenty-Third Street, (Route 66) running east-west immediately north of the State Capitol building, was built below grade so that the building can be seen from a distance, however, the highway was lowered immediately in front of the capitol building to allow continuity of the site and grounds and to accommodate access to the related buildings to the north. The state capitol building combined with the surrounding government buildings, the Historical Society Building, the Jim Thorpe Building, non-government agencies, museums, libraries, and tree lined streets and boulevards, form the Oklahoma State Capitol Complex or Capitol Campus.

The structure’s cornerstone, of Tishomingo granite, was laid on Statehood Day – November 16, 1915. The collaborated design was built in the classic Greco-Roman (also known as neoclassical) style in the grand Beaux Arts tradition. The massive concrete foundation with pink and gray granite, quarried in Johnston County, Oklahoma, covered the raised basement and water table. The exterior walls, above, are clad with Bedford limestone. A square Rotunda rises from the center of the building, later it would support the massive dome. The exterior and interior of the building is highly ornamented, including stone winged-lions on the corners of the copper roof. The massive structure is six stories high, with its full basement. However, it has only five “working” floors, as the legislative chambers are two stories high.

The Building's Legacy.

The Oklahoma State Capitol building is the seat of government of Oklahoma, for the past 90 years it has watched over virtually every phase of the growth and development of the state – the passage of its laws within the chambers of the Oklahoma Legislature that were recently remodeled, the administration of its justice though the meeting place of the Oklahoma Supreme Court is in the process of being moved, the inauguration of its governor (and impeachment of two of them), the burial (or at least lying in-state) of its famous sons (like Wiley Post)…all the routinecomings-and-goings of state government. The governor's office and reception room are on the second floor, as are courtrooms and offices. On the top floor are the two chambers of the state legislature. Features of the Rotunda include heroic portraits of four of the state’s best known men: Sequoyah, Will Rogers, Jim Thorpe, and Robert S. Kerr, all by Oklahoma artist Charles Wilson. Currently being readied for placement by the same artist are four giant murals portraying the history and development of the state.

Architectural Features.

The reinforced concrete building has a cross-gable configuration defined by the copper pitched roof hidden behind the parapet walls, with projecting central pedimented pavilions at the north and south wings being shorter and terminating in projecting porticoes. A low central tower, over the crossing, is the base of the new dome that was included in the conceptual design, but not built until 2002. The east-west section is 434 feet in length, 136 feet in width. The north-south section is 304 feet long, 88 feet wide. At the time it was built it was said to be the largest reinforced concrete building in the world. The advantages of this symbol of strength requires the understanding that additions or rearrangement of interior walls as well as custom-made hardware and solid wood interior doors, cannot be undertaken if preservation of this significant historic building is to be respected and retained for future generations. Reconstruction of these missing significant features may be possible, however authentic historic fabric can never be created with the same historic value as the original features, at best it will be a replica of features present during the past. Preservation/retention of authentic historic fabric is critical to ensure the historic integrity of the property.

The National Register of Historic Places accepted the nomination of the Oklahoma State Capitol building on October 8, 1976. The area of significance defined by the nomination are for economic (oil) and politics/government.

Entrances were originally provided on all four sides of the building, with the main entrance on the south (and a grand staircase extending to the fourth floor). The west entrance, however, has long since been closed to permit use of the west corridor for offices and to provide access to the basement for service vehicles. Artwork that depicts significant historic events are strategically placed throughout the public areas of the building, however a gallery at the south basement corridor has been established behind a plate-glass partition wall that in-fills the barrel vaulted space not unlike a storefront in a modern shopping mall. The north and south facades have Corinthian porticoes; the east and west have Corinthian pilasters. The outside steps and tables are made of black granite from Cold Springs, Oklahoma.

The Capitol’s interior is decorated with classic features in harmony with the exterior. Lobby floors and balustrades
are of light-colored Alabama marble and the interior stairs and wall bases are Vermont marble. Pilaster walls add to the intricate design with beams, lunettes, and Italian elliptical vaulted ceilings that are sculpted with historic plaster over the exterior stone, in part or over wood lath framework.

The Dome.
When the firm of Layton and Smith presented its preliminary drawings to the State Capitol Commission in 1914, the dome had been removed from the drawings for economic reasons, including sacrifices that were made to support World War I, however, critically; the building was designed to allow for the weighty-construction of a dome to adorn the central square Rotunda. The original Commission itself was split on the desirability of the dome due to the high cost and as completed in 1917 the Oklahoma State Capitol had no dome. Eighty-two years after the building was put into service, Governor Frank Keating formed the Oklahoma Capitol Complex and Centennial Commission which immediately began efforts to raise private funds for the $20.8 million dollar dome project. Master artist Enoch Kelly Haney (formerly an Oklahoma State Senator and later chief of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma) created “The Guardian” statue that stands on top of the dome designed by Frankfurt-Short-Bruza. Manhattan Construction Company and Flintco, Inc. worked together to build the dome. The designers created a horizontal burgundy colored line at the interior to mark the location where the historic building ends and the new dome addition begins. Likewise there is a change in materials at the exterior of the building delineated by pink granite.

A dome raising ceremony was held June 20, 2001, and construction began in August 2001. It was completed and dedicated on Oklahoma’s Statehood Day, November 16, 2002.

Many portions of the temporary dome were saved as historic artifacts including the stained glass skylight, plaster crown, and cut limestone.

State Capitol and Oil.
The Oklahoma State Capitol Complex is famous for oil wells being located on the site and produced much revenue for the state during the past as the only state capitol grounds in the United States with active oil regs. The Oklahoma City Oil Field drew from the Nemaha Ridge which stretches from southeastern Nebraska across Kansas into Oklahoma. The southern end of this vast oil trap lies about 6,500 feet below the Capitol itself. The oil well was first tapped December 4, 1928, when the ITIO Oklahoma City No. 1 blew in some six miles to the south. Drilling spread steadily north and westward toward Oklahoma City until by 1930 the forest of derricks had reached the city limits. By 1936 oil wells had crept west to within blocks of the downtown business district and north to the Capitol grounds. The Oklahoma City Council objected to enlarging the drilling zone, but in defiance to local opinion Governor E.W. Marland, himself a successful oilman, went into action. He put the area under martial law and issued drilling permits. Twenty-four wells went down immediately, some within a few yards of the Capitol and of the governor’s mansion. Many of these are still visible. Few pictures of Oklahoma are more familiar than those depicting the Capitol with one or more oil wells in the foreground busily pumping black oil money into state coffers. The well in front of the entrance to the capitol is nicknamed “Petunia #1” because the drilling began in the middle of a flower bed.

Building Usage.
For over ninety years, the state capitol housed all three branches of Oklahoma State government. In 2006, the judicial branch moved out of the capitol, into the original Historical Society building constructing an addition to the east (back) of the building, located east of the capitol building on Lincoln Boulevard. The legislative and executive branches continue to function in the historic state building, albeit now with more room. As the symbol of Oklahoma government, the capitol maintains its prestige and elegance.

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The way forward:
With the purpose of this document being to impart general knowledge; let us start with an overview of some conditional items based upon a broad overview. The rest of the document is dedicated to fully explaining many of these issues in depth.

Existing Condition Overview.

The Capitol Grounds.
1. The grounds are beautiful but, as always, require extensive maintenance to remain this way. The areas seem well drained, accessible for the most part and very complimentary to the building as a whole. Please refer to the attached Capitol Preservation Committee project list for specific ideas for improvement.
   a. The plantings are mature and well maintained. Any improvements to the landscape would be considered from a master plan standpoint but the work would not begin until CPC approved and this plan would fall under the purview of a landscape architect. Paving requires maintenance but that is a constant problem. Presently the parking areas are in adequate condition and must be inspected twice a year to limit damage and contain maintenance repairs.
   b. The granite steps are suffering from deterioration and require restoration, especially at joints and trim units, some individual stone steps may require replacement while others will require repair at areas of limited damage with consolidation material only.
   c. The pavers require routine grout and sealant maintenance.
   d. The sidewalks are adequate. Any improvements would be a part of an overall exterior improvement plan but with regards to maintenance and restoration they are not considered.

Foundations.
2. The building presently has no obvious structural deficiencies with regards to the foundation. We have found cracking in the granite exterior base units, but we feel this is minor, potentially from some settlement and not from major foundation failure. A structural engineer found no areas of great concern.
   a. Many of the lower areas and the tunnels surrounding them have lost integrity in the waterproofing and some seepage is occurring, major in some areas minor in others. New injection systems are on the market for repairing wall leakage, a hole is drilled and the material is pumped into the area filling voids and migrating to surrounding areas. These have shown promise in eliminating seepage. Time will only tell if these are permanent or temporary repair agents.
   b. Everyone has seen the condition of the terrazzo in the basement. From the original plans the basement was originally a dirt floor in a great many areas with only the original library area in the south specified as having a floor. Asphalt was then added to the original remaining dirt floor in the basement and the terrazzo was placed on it later. This will never work and heaving and cracking will always be a problem. The basement level floor must be completely replaced from the dirt up in 80% of the areas. This will be a considerable task.
   c. Light wells against the basement walls. In most areas against the north and south walls there is a void against the wall allowing light to filter down to windows in the basement. In some areas drainage is poor from these areas and waterproofing has broken down. These areas require more study and may involve removal of the floor surface in these exterior areas and the addition of better drainage. Refer to photos associated with the basement.

Structure.
3. The buildings structure is in good condition with the exception of one specific area of concern. A structural engineer's report is included for detail review. The area is above the south portico on the 6th floor. A concrete beam is bearing on and crushing the corbelled brick supporting it. It is a troubling existing condition that could be from overloading, but it will require extensive study in the future to ensure there is no danger. There are other small cracks that have developed in certain concrete members on the 2nd floor and the 6th floor but they are considered inconsequential until further in-depth review. It is impossible to say if these are truly minor instances but future monitoring is advised. The cracks should be gauged and monitored to see if they continue to grow.
a. The gypsum plank decks are well adhered over the original skylight areas above the stained glass in both house and senate chambers. Some weakening of the gypsum planks has occurred due to the attachment of the copper roofs replaced in the past two decades. These were screwed directly into the gypsum and have created many large “wallowed” holes in the gypsum planks. This condition was removed and replaced in 2007 but a lot of damage was done to the panels. This also requires monitoring during future projects to ensure no additional damage takes place.

b. Several cracks in the floor are judged as minor to the whole of the structure and do not seem to indicate major inherent faults. These cracks should be filled.

Exterior Masonry.
4. The most pressing and critical issue in our opinion is the deterioration of the limestone skin in certain areas. A great deal of information is made available later in the document specifically on this issue. Areas of “spalling” (flaking off) of the stone are located around the building.

Original Woodwork and Ornamentation.
5. Much of the ornamentation in the Capitol is intact and as grand as it was on opening day. There are several areas where subsequent improper work or damage to these elements has occurred. There is system of guarding these elements that occur within the public spaces through the Capitol Preservation Commission. A building wide commitment should be made with all groups to limit or deny any future destruction and, whenever possible, to restore as many elements as can be found. Examples of this damage, as well as preserved elements are listed in following sections and documented with photographs.

Roofing and Insulation.
6. Presently the copper roofs have been 70% replaced and soon the entire copper roof areas will be renewed. Replacement began in 2006 and 2007 when it was found that in an earlier replacement the roof was attached improperly and ready to “blow off”. The roof had pulled the fasteners out of the gypsum deck to which it was improperly attached.

a. Several other areas were burned through via fireworks, holes as large as tennis balls were on the roof of the north quadrant.

b. Sections that remain are planned to be completely replaced within the next few years.

c. Once replaced, the roof should have a 50 to 75 year life span.

d. There are four low sloped roof areas that act almost as large gutters below the copper roofs. These roofs are modified bitumen systems and are approximately 10 years old and should serve for another ten years. Any major renovation should consider replacement of these areas since at the time of renovation they could conceivably be near the end of their serviceable life.

e. Insulation is and always will be a concern for this building. When this building was built insulation was not a consideration and limited areas exist where it can be added. There are no easy answers for adding insulation below the roof areas and the inefficiency of non-insulated portions of the building must be accounted for.

Doors and Windows.
7. The windows of the Capitol are reasonable for present condition but require some maintenance. Later in this document you will find the issue of doorways addressed. There are dozens of differing doors. Review the attached photos and documentation of one of the more major eyesores in the Capitol.

Wall and Ceiling Surfaces.
8. The wall and ceiling conditions and surfaces of the public areas, with few exceptions, are proper for the building and pleasing to the eye. Individual areas still remain which require potential restoration for the display of art aesthetics but are not major enough that any considerations should be given past acknowledgement.

a. The area of continuing concern is the years of exposed cabling in most or nearly all public spaces. This is an item that would be addressed in any restoration.

b. Another consideration is the damage to the walls that a plumbing restoration might entail when exposing old piping. Much of the piping is behind plaster and adjacent to ornamentation. Any complete plumbing restoration must account for simultaneous wall and ceiling restorations.
c. An opportunity exists to install, as part of wall renovations, a system similar to a cable tray to make concessions for future cable management and upgrades.

d. Reasonable efforts for easily accessible storage areas must be considered to alleviate table and chair storage from the corridors and public spaces.

Elevators.

9. The elevators serving the Capitol appear to have been renovated over the years. The cab design and controls are all in marginal but working condition. The biggest issue with the elevator service is wait time which is due to the fact that the elevators are installed in single units. There is not a cab answering down calls while another answers up calls. This adds to the wait time for individual elevators. The main motors appear to be original to the building and the controller was upgraded in 1994.

a. The elevators are still utilizing antiquated power delivery to the main motor systems serving them. No more efficient system of vertical transport (another renovation of the elevators) should be considered until the motors and power delivery is updated to high efficiency 3 phase power. Changing cab design for more occupancy is not an option but improving service through a new motor system is.

b. The renovations of the cab themselves will solve the aesthetic issues but the need to upgrade the motors and service to them is of utmost importance to installing better performing and faster more modern equipment. As noted in the electrical summary the existence of the 240V service for most floors has more to do with the elevator system than anything else. The removal of this antiquated power system is a primary goal. Please refer to the electrical survey to obtain a more thorough understanding of the 240V and open delta system in service that should be completely replaced.

c. The cab is already traveling at a vertical speed set a bit faster than typical office buildings (400 feet per minute rather than 350 feet per minute). By upgrading the motors and controllers, however, faster cab doors and adjustments to the door time delays can decrease loading and unloading time to improve overall wait time.

Miscellaneous Issues.

10. These include things as random as fire extinguishers locations in niches which are inappropriate and are not aesthetically pleasing locations, door hardware varying from door to door, and most especially the upgrade of the elevator systems. The vertical systems are a critical component of any upgrade. The only way this building can be accessible to the handicapped is to ensure the elevators are in good order. An upgrade of these components is critical.

a. Outdated and unused cabling abandoned in place must be removed.

b. A comprehensive security upgrade to the camera systems must remove outdated security systems and find better, and more efficient, and more aesthetic locations for cameras.

c. A complete security master plan should be undertaken to ensure that any security system is well planned, uses wireless systems whenever possible, limits intrusion into aesthetic components, and integrates itself more with the architecture of the entries to the building.

d. Some elevator components still in use are reaching the end of there life span. Comprehensive improvements to all elevators must be undertaken. Refer to electrical reports for statements on elevator motor condition.

Code Issues.

10. Varying code issues. The building of course can never be fully compliant with today’s stricter building codes. Many things can be done in an upgrade to better alleviate many of the concerns. This is a matter of consultation with the State Fire Marshal and determining the best way to achieve reasonable compliance with concerns for Health Safety and Welfare. Installing a wet-pipe sprinkler system where practical should be a major consideration.

Mechanical and electrical issues are covered in consultants reports that are included.

Existing Conditions Assessment.

The following two sections catalog the State Capitol Building’s exterior and interior existing conditions graphically to better illustrate maintenance and restoration issues.
west elevation

east elevation
south elevation

The exterior limestone of this building is beginning to illustrate the need for significant maintenance. Placing the restoration as a priority goal within the next several years will minimize the project rather than more extensive restorations after suffering damage to irreplaceable elements if put off longer.
DOME CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED IN 2002

THE FLAT SURFACE ON THE CORNICE IS LEAKING THROUGH JOINTS AND ADVANCING DAMAGE TO CORNICE

ORIGINAL DETAIL BAND, REQUIRES RESTORATION

COPPER ROOF (70% REPLACED)

SIGNIFICANT DAMAGE FROM EROSION OF DETAIL CARVING AND SOFTENING OF SURFACES

MORTAR MISSING IN MASONRY, WATER DAMAGE AND STAINING.

AREAS OF DAMAGE TO LIMESTONE FROM WATER INTRUSION.

CORNICE BREAKING AND SPALLING FROM WATER DAMAGE

GRANITE STEPS NEED RESTORATION

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GRANITE STEPS NEED RESTORATION
Most vertical faces are in good condition with the exception of the cracked mortar joints. Most damage is in the upper areas where more water intrudes behind and through the stone. Water intrusion into the system causing the damage and erosion of detail.

Chipping and erosion on horizontal surfaces

Mortar missing or cracked at joints with water intrusion behind limestone.

Griffin has significant loss of detail

Mold and carbon black staining on limestone.

Area of spalling at the joints.

Evidence of leaking through cornice.
CORNICE BREAKING AND SPALLING FROM WATER DAMAGE

GRIFFIN HAS SIGNIFICANT LOSS OF DETAIL

SPALLING UNDER CORNICE

DAMAGE TO LIMESTONE MOLDING AT UNDERSIDE OF CORNICE

SIGNIFICANT DAMAGE FROM EROSION OF DETAIL CARVING AND SOFTENING OF SURFACES

south wing - east elevation
The flat surface on the cornice is leaking through joints and advancing damage to cornice.

Dome construction completed in 2002.

Original detail band requires restoration.

Significant damage from erosion of detail carving and softening of surfaces.

Mortar missing in masonry, water damage and staining.

Areas of damage to limestone from water intrusion.

Cornice breaking and spalling from water damage.

Significant damage from erosion of detail carving and softening of surfaces.

Mortar missing in masonry, water damage and staining.

Areas of damage to limestone from water intrusion.

Cornice breaking and spalling from water damage.
MAJORITY OF WORK LIMITED TO RE-POINTING OF MORTAR AND MASONRY RESTORATION AT COPING, PARAPETS, AND CORNICE.

AREAS OF DETAIL REQUIRE SIGNIFICANT RESTORATION

DARK STAINING OF LIMESTONE PARAPET.
Majority of work limited to re-pointing of mortar and masonry restoration at coping, parapets, and cornice.

Areas of detail require significant restoration.

Dark staining of limestone parapet.

Mold on bases of columns.
DOME CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED IN 2002

ORIGINAL DETAIL BAND, REQUIRES RESTORATION

SIGNIFICANT WATER DAMAGE AT PEDIMENT, STAINING AND MOLD EVIDENT.

SIGNIFICANT DAMAGE FROM EROSION OF DETAIL CARVING AND SOFTENING OF SURFACES

MORTAR MISSING IN MASONRY, WATER DAMAGE AND STAINING.

AREAS OF DAMAGE TO LIMESTONE FROM WATER INTRUSION.

CORNICE BREAKING AND SPALLING FROM WATER DAMAGE
MOST VERTICAL FACES ARE IN GOOD CONDITION WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE CRACKED MORTAR JOINTS. MOST DAMAGE IS IN THE UPPER AREAS WHERE MORE WATER INTRUDES BEHIND AND THROUGH THE STONE. WATER INTRUSION INTO THE SYSTEM IS CAUSING THE DAMAGE AND EROSION OF DETAIL.

- Chipping and erosion on horizontal surfaces
- Mortar missing or cracked at joints with water intrusion behind limestone.
- Griffin has significant loss of detail
- Mold and carbon black staining on limestone
- Area of spalling at the joints
- Evidence of leaking through cornice
Majority of work limited to re-pointing of mortar and masonry restoration at coping, parapets, and cornice.

Significant damage from erosion of detail carving and softening of surfaces.

Cornice breaking and spalling from water damage.

Griffin has significant loss of detail.

Damage to limestone molding at underside of cornice.

Spalling under cornice.
Existing Conditions Assessment: Exterior
DOME CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED IN 2002

ORIGINAL DETAIL BAND, REQUIRES RESTORATION

SIGNIFICANT WATER DAMAGE AT PEDIMENT. STAINING AND MOLD EVIDENT.

SIGNIFICANT DAMAGE FROM EROSION OF DETAIL CARVING AND SOFTENING OF SURFACES

MORTAR MISSING IN MASONRY. WATER DAMAGE AND STAINING.

AREAS OF DAMAGE TO LIMESTONE FROM WATER INTRUSION.

CORNICE BREAKING AND SPALLING FROM WATER DAMAGE

STAIN AND MOLD AT COLUMN BASES

east wing - east elevation
MAJORITY OF WORK IS LIMITED TO RE-POINTING OF MORTAR AND MASONRY RESTORATION AT COPING, PARAPETS, AND CORNICE.

AREAS OF DETAIL REQUIRE SIGNIFICANT RESTORATION

DARK STAINING OF LIMESTONE PARAPET.
Majority of work is limited to re-pointing of mortar and masonry restoration at coping, parapets, and cornice.

Areas of detail require significant restoration.

Griffin has significant loss of detail.

Dark staining of limestone parapet.

Mold on bases of columns.
Exterior Damage and Deterioration.

A major restoration issue with regards to the exterior of the Capitol Building is the restoration and stabilization of the limestone façade. The Bedford Limestone exterior is a truly irreplaceable feature of the Capitol. The biggest foe to its continued survival is the infiltration of water — with its cycle of freeze and thaw — and pollution.

If you were to climb the roof and look today at the Historic Griffins overlooking the lawn you would see that all features of their faces are gone, worn away by pollution and water. The pollution of carbon and acid eats away at the stone making it soft and susceptible to each rain eroding more and more away. This is common to the horizontal faces of the stone.

Much more damaging is improper care from the past few decades. Someone, it may appear, has sandblasted parts of the limestone, which is the most hazardous way to clean it, eroding the finely ground face which wears the best over time. Worse yet, another set of improvements was to re-point the limestone with what appears to be ‘Type S’ mortar, a very stiff structural mix which does not breathe well or move. Each joint between the limestone panels was ground out and then filled with this stiff mix.

If you notice each joint is cracked and each crack is a location for water to infiltrate. This must be done with the correct mortar this time, using the natural lime mortar used originally, it can both move and breathe. To re-point the joints and stop all infiltration at the cracks will add life to this wonderful and irreplaceable feature of this building, the face the public sees.

Repointing is the process of carefully removing deteriorated mortar from the joints of a masonry wall and replacing it with new mortar that has been intelligently formulated. If done well, repointing (also incorrectly referred to as tuckpointing) will both protect the building and enhance its historical character. Improperly done, repointing not only detracts from the appearance of the wall, but may cause damage to the historic masonry units themselves (as in our case). Thorough care in the repointing process is critical with only skilled historic masonry contractors. Masons who specialize in Historic masonry are the only contractors of choice.

Other critical areas show where water and pollution has began to “spall” or flake away the limestone. On certain days you can walk around the Capitol and find pieces of the limestone like flakes that have spalled away. Spalling is the separation and breaking away of pieces of stone due to sub-florescence, freeze-thaw, improper repointing with a stiff mortar mix or Portland cement, or structural overloading
of the stone. Please refer to the technical brief at the end of this section to learn more about historic limestone and potential damages to it.

This spalling has caused panels to appear as if they are literally flaking away. Several panels on our Capitol in areas of the pediments [A pediment is a classical architectural element consisting of the triangular section found above the horizontal structure (entablature), typically supported by columns. The gable end of the pediment is surrounded by the cornice moulding.] have begun to flake away and will require substantial repair. These panels will not quite match the others once repaired, but if we act now we can suspend the deterioration and somewhat limit the damage.

The dark discoloration on the limestone is simply carbon black and will clean easily. Once restored the Capitol Building should be cleaned on a regular basis.

Another area of restoration are the horizontal surfaces such as the cornices above the pediment where the damage has occurred. The horizontal surfaces may be damaged and soft to the point of needed a specialty coating to halt freeze-thaw and the leaking through the joints in the stone. The accompanying photos better illustrate the need for a complete masonry restoration.
LIMESTONE: CHARACTERISTICS, USES AND PROBLEMS

This procedure includes general information on the characteristics and common uses of limestone and identifies typical problems associated with the material. See also 04400-01-S for guidance on inspecting stone masonry failures.

INTRODUCTION

Limestone is a sedimentary rock composed principally of calcium carbonate (calcite) or the double carbonate of calcium and magnesium (dolomite). It is commonly composed of tiny fossils, shell fragments and other fossilized debris. These fossils are frequently visible to the unaided eye on close examination of the stone surface, however this is not always the case. Some varieties of limestone have an extremely fine grain.

Limestone is usually gray, but it may also be white, yellow or brown. It is a soft rock and is easily scratched. It will effervesce readily in any common acid.

Limestones may vary greatly in texture and porosity from coquina, which is a matrix of oyster shells loosely cemented by calcite, to oolitic limestones and microcrystalline limestones whose structures are so fine that they can be seen only under magnification.

Oolitic limestone consists of substantial amounts of “oolites” or “ooliths.” Oolites are small spherical or sub-spherical grains of concentric calcite.

The actual classification of limestones and marbles can be very confusing to the non-geologists. The same stone can be marketed one time as a limestone and, at another time and place, sold as marble. The subtypes which sometimes differentiate between grades and types of stones are frequently beyond the concern and expertise of maintenance workers, building managers and historical architects with responsibility for maintenance of the resources. While this is understandable, it does not lessen or eliminate the need to accurately identify the materials which must be treated and maintained. Failure to accurately identify a material to be treated can result in the failure to consider important technical details which subsequently results in irreversible damage to the resource(s).

In an effort to improve accuracy in identifying the general categories of limestones at a ‘macro’ level, the following section contains descriptions of the most common types of limestone, however this information is no substitute for training and experience to correctly identify and catalog stone types. The following definitions are from the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) document, “Standard Definition of Terms Relating to Natural Building Stones.”

- Calcareite: Calcareite is composed of sand-sized grains of calcite, usually in the form of tiny fossils, shell fragments and fossil debris. Some calcarenites contain oolites and if the oolites are present in sufficient quantity, the stone is called oolite limestone. Oolite limestone is a sub-category of calcarenite.

- Coquina: Coquina consists of raw, unaltered shell fragments, often quite large, loosely cemented by calcite. It is generally very coarse and porous, frequently consisting of oyster shells and fragments.

- Dolomite: Dolomite is a sedimentary carbonate rock composed of calcium and magnesium carbonate. Also called “magnesium limestone”, it contains from 5 to 40% magnesium carbonate.

- Microcrystalline limestone: This is a limestone structure of crystals too small to be seen without magnification.

- Oolitic limestone: Oolitic limestone is a calcite cemented calcarceous stone composed of shell fragments, practically non-crystalline in character. Generally without cleavage, and extremely uniform in composition and texture, oolitic limestone adjusts to temperature changes.

- Travertine: A calcium carbonate, usually light in color, travertine can be extremely porous or cellular. It is usually deposited from solids in groundwater.

Limestone coloration is generally a consistent pure white to off-white. Many varieties do not take a polish well, so that the surface is typically a matte finish, no-gloss surface. Limestones, like marble and other calcarceous stones, are referred to as acid sensitive. Calcareous stones are readily dissolved in acid, therefore acidic products should not be used on limestones and marbles.

TYPICAL USES

Limestone is widely used in architectural applications for walls, decorative trim and veneer. It is less frequently used as a sculptural material, because of its porosity and softness, however, it is a common base material. It may be found in both bearing (structural) and veneer applications.

PROBLEMS AND DETERIORATION

Weathering may have a degrading effect on the appearance and structural soundness of limestone. Factors include rain, snow, temperature, wind and atmospheric pollutants. Generally these factors act in combination with one another or with other agents of deterioration.

Rainwater, especially in combination with atmospheric gases can result in dissolution of the limestone, creating higher levels of salt movement within the stone structure. Temperature can effect rates of deterioration and (in larger stones) movement of the pieces, as well as patterns of salt migration within the stone. Most of the natural or inherent problems which can occur with limestone require some degree of moisture to occur, however other problems such as wind erosion and vandalism may occur independently.

NATURAL OR INHERENT LIMESTONE PROBLEMS

WEATHERING:

Limestone subjected to exterior exposures deteriorates due to weathering or the natural effects of wind, rain, and thermal change. Limestone is extremely durable. It does, however, absorb water and, since it is a carbonate rock, it is highly reactive when exposed to acids or even mildly acidic rain water, and it can suffer substantial deterioration. The most common effect of weathering and erosion is loss of precise detail.

Little can be done to restore edge detailing short of re-carving the stone which is usually infeasible.

EROSION:

Erosion can be the result of general weathering described above, or it can be a more localized phenomenon based upon handling or exposure. Wind driven airborne abrasives may selectively wear away detailing on certain elevations, based upon the direction of prevailing
winds. One of the few effective ways to address this problem is by landscaping where plantings and/or grade can deflect the wind. Such landscaping and/or grading may range from the simple and inexpensive up to a major and expensive intervention. It would have to be consistent with appropriate policy for the management of cultural landscapes. It may, however, be cost effective when considering the extended life of the marble.

The symptoms of erosion can be as simple as the loss of edge sharpness as described above, or it can be very localized, specific wear due to contact with landscaping and mowing equipment. Localized damage due to contact by mowing or other maintenance equipment is preventable. Where there is evidence of recurrent physical damage, steps should be taken to protect the resource(s).

STAINING:
Discoloration of the limestone, whether general or localized, is staining. Staining, may be the result of exposure to a variety of exterior substances or to internal occlusions in the stone or structural elements.

Some of the most common types of staining and the causative agents are:

1. Oil/grease stains: These stains are usually the result of vandalism or use. A variety of organic or inorganic oils may be absorbed into the stone upon contact. The depth of penetration will depend upon the viscosity of the oil/grease, temperature, stone porosity, finish and dryness.

   The appearance of grease/oil stains will usually consist of a darkening of the stone at the area of contact. The edges of the staining will generally be diffused, especially after an extended period. There are standard techniques for removing oil and grease stains.

   For specific guidance on removing oil/grease stains from limestone, see 04455-10-R and 04455-11-R.

2. Dyes and inks: The staining could be any color depending on the type and source of the dye. This type of stain is likely to be extremely localized around the area of contact. The liquid containing the coloration may be absorbed into the stone and during the normal process of evaporation, the coloring pigment is deposited in the stone.

   For specific guidance on removing ink and dye stains from limestone, see 04455-18-R.

3. Organic stains: Organic stains are caused by direct contact with decomposing organic matter, such as leaves, bird or animal droppings, flowers, tea or coffee. Regardless of the source these stains tend to be a slight reddish-brown in color. They also frequently disappear after the source has been removed. These stains may be left to weather and bleach or oxidize out after the removal of the organic source, however a residue may still remain on the stone.

   For specific guidance on removing organic stains from limestone, see 04455-14-R.

4. Metallic stains: Two major categories of metallic staining occur, they tend to be based on either iron or copper. The source of the staining may be internal structural components or elements. A major source is the water wash, or run-off, from adjacent metallic elements, especially bronze.

   a. Rust stains: These stains are reddish-orange and are caused by the oxidation (rusting) of iron. The source of iron staining is usually the structural or connecting components. These components are usually hidden and protected; however, water penetration from bad joints or cracks can activate or accelerate rusting. The discoloration may be within the stone or it may be a deposit of rust on the surface of the stone. Surface deposits of rust may sometimes be removed by hand rubbing with a clean cloth. The examination of the stain should include such rubbing to determine if it is only a surface deposit.

   For specific guidance on removing rust stains from limestone, see 04400-06-R.

   b. Copper stains: Stains from water run-off from bronze can range in color from a light green to a dark brown. The staining results from the dissolved copper salts (from copper or bronze) which wash onto the stone, then oxidize. The pattern of the staining is likely to be localized, streaked and in the path of the run-off from the metallic source.

   For specific guidance on removing copper stains from limestone, see 04400-07-R.

CRUMBLING:
This condition is indicative of a certain brittleness or tendency of the stone to break up or dissolve. It may be caused by an inherent weakness in the limestone or gradual breakdown of the binder, or it may be the result of external factors affecting the strength and durability of the limestone.

This condition may be caused by the use of de-icing salts, or any other source of salt migration, such as that which can occur when rising damp is present. There is currently little which can be done to repair the damage once this condition has developed, however the early detection of potential problems and elimination of sources of salts is critical to arresting the process. When this condition is severe and obviously caused by the heavy or inappropriate use of de-icing salts, it is sometimes called “Salt Fretting”. Regular preservation maintenance may eliminate the causes promoting crumbling, however, once the condition has occurred, its correction or repair is beyond the level of a maintenance procedure. The Regional Historic Preservation Officer (RHPO) should be contacted for assistance.

CHIPPING:
The separation of small pieces or larger fragments from a masonry unit, frequently at the corners, edges or mortar joints is known as chipping. These fractures are generally caused by deterioration and repointing, especially due to the use of too hard a mortar, or by accident or vandalism.

Repairs include detachment repairs, patching and splicing. Repair of chipped stone requires a skilled mason and is not a maintenance procedure. If chipping is due to occasional impact from mowing or other landscape maintenance, steps should be taken to prevent future damage.

For specific guidance on repairing chips in limestone, see 04455-03-R.

CRACKING:
This condition is manifested by the appearance of narrow fissures ranging from less than 1/16 to 1/2 inch wide or more in the stone. It
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results from a variety of causes, such as structural overloading due to settlement, the use of too hard a mortar mix or a flaw in the material. Minor cracking may be no problem, in and of itself, but it can be an indication of structural problems and the cracks can be a point of entry of water into the interior of the stone, promoting salt migration. Cracking, which allows water or salts to enter the stone, increases the possibility of failure along the limestone and may result in subsequent spalling. Repairs include patching and replacement.

For specific guidance on repairing cracks in limestone, see 04455-03-R.

DETACHMENT:
This is not a failure of the material per se but a failure of the construction system, i.e. the connectors and/or joints. The definition implies that the failed component survives intact and may be re-installed using appropriate mechanical techniques.

The failure of anchors or metal connectors which lead to detachment may be caused and/or accelerated by the penetration of water into the structure behind the stone, causing rust and corrosion. Adequate pointing and caulking can prevent leakage and penetration of water into the system.

For specific guidance on resecuring detached limestone blocks, see 04460-07-R and 04460-13-R.

EFFLORESCENCE:
The appearance of a whitish deposit locally or uniformly over the surface may be efflorescence, the surface deposition of soluble salts. There are numerous sources for the soluble salts which create the hazy appearance; salts can come from mortar, improper cleaning agents, rising damp, de-icing salts, chemical landscaping treatments and air pollution.

Efflorescence can be a salt residue resulting from improper chemical cleaning, i.e. too strong a chemical cleaner or inadequate rinsing. It can also be an indication of water problems. Salt migration and/or sub-efflorescence and efflorescence should be considered a symptom which should be investigated to identify the source of the soluble salts and/or the source of moisture. Corrective action should then be taken to eliminate the source of the problem once it is identified.

Some efflorescence may occur naturally with new stones, mortar and installation materials. Normally, this efflorescence will be removed by natural rain and weathering processes and/or by regular washing. The new or continued appearance of efflorescence is a stronger indicator of problems like rising damp or inappropriate cleaning methods, all of which should be referred to the Regional Historic Preservation Officer (RHPO).

For specific guidance on removing efflorescence from limestone, see 04500-02-R.

EROSION:
Erosion is the wearing away of the material surface by the natural action of wind, windblown particles and water. It can occur with limestone as well as any exposed materials. Inspections should include examination for any apparent loss of detail and edge sharpness which could be due to erosion.

Erosion may be less of a problem on rock-faced or quarry-faced marble, but may be a more serious problem on stone with more precise detail. Little can be done to correct this problem once it occurs, other than to protect the surface from further exposure. This may stop or at least retard the erosion process.

FLAKING:
This is an early stage of peeling, exfoliation, delamination or spalling evidenced by the detachment of small flat thin pieces of the outer layers of stone from a larger piece of stone. Flaking is usually caused by capillary moisture or freeze-thaw cycles which occur within the masonry.

The problem can also occur due to sub-efflorescence, so that if flaking occurs, the area should be examined to determine if salt crystallization is occurring in the flaked areas.

PEELING:
Peeling is the flaking away of the stone surface from the substrate in strips or layers. It may result from the improper application of masonry coatings which result in failure of the coating and/or stone surface. It may also result from a defect in the stone, or from weathering.

Encrustations of the surface caused by chemical reactions with environmental elements may also peel or flake along the bedding plane.

RISING DAMP:
Rising damp is the suction of ground water into the base of masonry through capillary action. Moisture is drawn up into the stone and may rise and fall due to conditions of temperature; humidity; site grading; absence or failure of damp courses, and/or treatments to the masonry surfaces which affect evaporation. During active wet periods, rising damp may be visible as a darkening of the stone along the base at ground level. Due to the continuous changing of the moisture level due to varying exposure conditions, staining or efflorescence may be visible at a range of several feet up from the ground. Continuation of the problem can lead to more severe problems of flaking, peeling and/or spalling, but the correction of the problem requires the elimination of the source of water or the interruption of its path into the stone by physical or chemical damp-proofing.

SPALLING:
Spalling is the separation and breaking away of pieces of stone due to sub-efflorescence, freeze-thaw, improper repointing with too hard a mortar mix or portland cement, or structural overloading of the stone.

Spalling is less frequent with limestone than with sedimentary stones which are also less hard. Limestone is hard enough to resist internal forces which would cause spalling in other natural stones or fabricated masonry.

For specific guidance on repairing spalling limestone, see 04400-03-R and 04455-03-R.

SUB-EFFLORESCENCE:
This is a potentially harmful internal accumulation of soluble salts deposited under or just beneath the masonry surface as moisture in the wall evaporates.

The build-up of salts and their crystallization can create substantial pressures within the masonry, causing pieces to break off along the planes of deposition. Efflorescence at the surface is an indication that sub-efflorescence is possible. Techniques for mitigating the problem include poulticing, removal of identified salt sources, elimination of moisture in the stone and damp-proofing.

END OF SECTION
Roof Conditions.

The roof has been under maintenance and replacement over the past few years. Approximately 70% of the roof areas have been replaced.

The remaining areas should be prioritized and maintained.
Capitol Grounds.

The Capitol Grounds are beautiful with few exceptions. In general, routine maintenance is all that is required beyond desired improvements. The following points, and accompanying photos, illustrate other areas identified for restoration.

There are some locations directly adjacent to the building, in conjunction with an exterior restoration, that need joints to be routed and resealed to prevent water intrusion into the lower level of the building. This has been an issue in the past. Salt used in de-icing is very caustic to the grout and surfaces.

The main south plaza needs maintenance attention given to the grout within the paved areas leading to the steps. The granite steps need masonry restoration at all areas. Water intrusion is the greatest maintenance issue at these areas.

The handrails on the east and north steps are rusting at the attachment points and washing oxide down the treads and risers. These handrails should be replaced. A more historically sensitive design should be utilized.

Better access to grounds keeper staff needs to be developed to minimize their need for locating ramps at retaining walls.
Photo 56-1. Polished surfaces become slick when wet. An alternative to the orange cones needs to be determined and utilized.

Photo 56-2. Discoloration from rusting connections.

Photo 56-3. Much of the south plaza needs to be re-grouted, including some of the steps.

Photo 56-4. Improved handrail designs/construction are needed.

Photo 56-5. Damage at doorway hinges.

Photo 56-6. Flatwork is sinking away from guardrail walls.
Photo 57-1. Sealant joints and exterior cabling need to be addressed.

Photo 57-2. Better maintenance access needs to be incorporated.

Photo 57-3. A light well on the north wing needs to be re-coated with a new concrete finish.

Photo 57-4. Some damage to the lower granite base.

Photo 57-5. Area drainage needs to be assessed to assure no further infiltration into the basement will occur.

Photo 57-6. Sidewalk areas that need to be addressed to reduce possible trip hazards.
Interior Condition Overview.

With the exception of certain areas, the interiors of the Capitol open to the Public are in wonderful condition. The Dome, Rotunda, Grand Corridors, and Display and Museum areas are the most grand spaces in our state.

The following pages illustrate areas of the Capitol with photographs and associated floor plans. Most of the areas seen are in good condition, but any major plumbing and electrical system renovations required will affect many of these areas.

The Capitol Preservation Commission’s Restoration List states many objectives for the areas. With the keyplans you may associate the area to the restoration goal.

The photos also illustrate several interior areas that were remodeled thirty to forty years ago in manners very inconsistent with today’s standards of Preservation.

Several photos will illustrate the exposed wiring and cabling which is a major restoration goal for removal. Also, the need to upgrade camera types and locations along with integrating security into an overall masterplan.

Consistency of Character.

The goal of the Preservation and Restoration of the Capitol building is maintaining a consistency of character that equals the areas in and surrounding the Rotunda and the major public spaces.

This consistency is best guaranteed by initializing a stringent set of design standards as the first step in any major restoration/rehabilitation program. Not defining and adhering to a set of design standards resulted in many haphazard and poorly thought out renovations prior to the establishment of the CPC.

Many floor areas have locations of rare marble flooring damaged by power actuated fasteners for framing that was indeed temporary. Maintaining a consistency of character through written design standards prior to any restoration will aid against rash design decisions.

The following pages illustrate many of the door types within the public spaces. A goal of any restoration would be to select one door for each door ‘type’—such as Exterior then Interior, major entry, suite entry, or service type.

The CPC has adopted door standards that will accomplish this goal once it has been implemented throughout the Capitol.
Photo 60-3: Panoramic view of a corridor within the Third Floor Rotunda illustrating the inconsistency of door types and lack of storage space.
Consistency of Character?
01 LAW LIBRARY
02 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES & FISCAL DIVISION
03 SHIPPING & DELIVERY
04 SENATE SERVICE STAFF
05 CLERK OF APPELLATE COURTS
06 STATE FINANCE - OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS
07 STATE ELECTION BOARD
08 HOUSE BILL PROCESSING
09 ETHICS COMMISSION
10 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF
Basement Level.

The basement floor contains many functions as a service level and holds many of the back of house functions that are not meant to be seen by the general public. There are suites of offices for the different departments as well convenience functions. Building services include areas for storage, mechanical rooms, maintenance, and shipping and delivery. The basement maximizes its usable square footage for offices and services but leaves little area for corridor relocation.

The main entrance is in the west wing and a secondary tunnel entrance from the southeast parking lot. The basement is mainly used by those who work in the basement and functions as a main entry for most elected officials.

Interior Design.

Much attention has been paid to the newly renovated west entrance. Most basement office areas deviate from reflecting the historic design intent found in other areas of the Capitol.

Problems

The most noticeable problem in the basement is the cracking in the floors. This is not a structural problem as many believe, but the problem is a poor substrate. The substrate is a combination of dirt and asphalt as further discussed in the structural assessment. The current floor system was installed over a dirt floor with little consideration to durability and longevity.

The most pressing maintenance issues are the plumbing and electrical systems which all branch from the basement level.

An area safety concern is the north hallway in the east wing. International Building Code (IBC) allows a 20’ dead end corridor, in this wing, the dead end corridor is 113’. To add to this safety issue, there is a smoking room at the entrance of this hallway. This corridor has been grandfathered in and acceptable but an emergency exit should be considered for this location. One solution may be to install an operable window and emergency ladder into the north light-well.

There are also known water issues in the basement. The rooms under the west staircase leak water and condensate under the metal deck; they maintain moisture almost year round. Most of the areas can be addressed with waterproofing and sump pump solutions.

The east tunnel issues are more substantial and need to be addressed. The idea of digging up the tunnel for replacement of the waterproofing systems is very expensive. Newer injectable systems are available, but their longevity is undetermined. Wells and pumps to lower the water table around the corridor may be installed but may not eliminate the nuisance leaking at various joints and expansion systems in the tunnel itself (caused by actual rain).
Photo 64-1. Typical view of main basement corridors illustrating the terrazzo flooring.

Photo 64-2. View of the intersection of the main circulation corridors. This illustrates the severe cracking of the terrazzo flooring installed over poorly suited substrate.

Photo 64-3. Interior view of Information Technology’s office illustrating the lack of storage.

Photo 64-4. View of general office area.

Photo 64-5. Condition of hallway that is sometimes left open to the public.

Photo 64-6. Interior condition of storage for court records. Lacks space and has not been well maintained.
Photo 65-1. Room under West staircase maintains moisture year round.

Photo 65-2. General view of shipping and receiving.

Photo 65-3. View of a window that has been duct taped for insulation from weather and bugs.

Photo 65-4. View of dead-end corridor without an emergency exit.

Photo 65-5. View of ceiling in Court Records that is missing ceiling tile and a broken light lens.

Photo 65-6. View of transition between the original marble floor and the terrazzo floor.
01 BETTY PRICE GALLERY
02 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF
03 OFFICE OF CHIEF CLERK - ADMINISTRATION
04 SUPREME COURT REFEE
05 VISITOR'S CENTER
06 OFFICE OF STATE FINANCE
07 SECRETARY OF STATE
08 STATE AUDITOR & INSPECTOR
09 COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS
First Floor.

The first floor is meant to be a space for gathering and orienting visitors as they enter the Capitol building. Spaces intended for visitors include; the Visitors Center, the Betty Price Gallery and the open Rotunda. The remaining spaces are offices for different state agencies, departments or support staff for legislation.

Interior Design.

The interior of the first floor has been updated in areas, but without much concern for the overall character of the Capitol. Each office suite in the East and West wing has been updated but each suite looks different from the others. Each renovation should have been directed under a strict set of design standards that boost the overall character of the Capitol. The Rotunda has been neglected since the addition of the Visitors Center. The original welcome center desk needs to be removed and this area should be restored similar to the other quadrants.

Problems.

Finding the southeast entrance can be difficult for visitors, it is understated and unnoticeable. This is a very modest entry to the building as opposed to the intended grand entry from the south lawn. The only indication for the southeast entrance is a sign outside of the grand stairs; which are often overlooked. Once a visitor has reached the southeast entrance, they are greeted by the security area. The existing security area is undersized for the amount of traffic they handle in a day. This area is so close to the entrance that crowds often wait in line that extends outside of the building. The security area needs to be integrated into the building and allow for more people to queue inside. Once inside, the security area has directed visitors away from the Visitors Center and there is a lack of way-finding information for the Capitol. The signage that is available is inadequate and difficult to understand.

There is a lack of storage of every floor throughout the Capitol Building. The hallway outside of the restrooms store tables and chairs on every floor. This gives the Capitol an appearance that is dirty and disorganized, this is not an appropriate description for the State Capitol. The improper routing of wires and cables contributes to the dirty and disorganized appearance of the Capitol’s interiors. The overall character of the Capitol must be developed to preserve a beautiful building.
first floor plan - east wing
First Floor - East Wing.

The east wing is the main entrance for members of the House of Representatives. The security area in this location works fairly well. People may go swiftly through security and they are oriented in the proper direction.

The East Gallery is well maintained and is flexible for displaying a variety of art.

The three offices in this wing each have a different vernacular. The most recent addition is in the State Auditor’s office and the Office of State Finance is considering remodeling to their area.

Photo 69-1. View of entrance. Security should be more integrated into the architecture.

Photo 69-2. Interior condition of finishes in an office area.

Photo 69-3. Office space illustrating finishes inconsistent with original Capitol design.

Photo 69-4. East corridor leading to the center Rotunda. This illustrates a well restored and maintained finish.

Photo 69-5. Interior office space.
First Floor - South Wing.

The south wing contains the Visitor’s Center to the State Capitol Building. As such, the security check-in should better direct new visitors. Often, individuals proceed to the Rotunda rather than back to the Visitor’s Center.

The Visitor’s Center was recently renovated. This renovation project is a wonderful addition to the Capitol. The design motif of the main doors, however, must be approached with caution as they do not reflect the currently adopted standards based upon the original historic doors.
First Floor - West Wing.

The west wing contains the Betty Price Gallery which was completed in 2007. This is a nice addition because it closes the wing to protect the art but maintains the feeling that it is an open corridor, similar to the east wing.

The north side has been renovated recently and like in other renovations, they have built within every available square foot, at times choking the original circulation spaces to widths that no longer meet modern code egress requirements.

The office for the Court of Criminal Appeals has been updated in two parts. There is a clear division where the older wood paneling meets with the new typical wall construction. The dated interior finishes should be upgraded to a more historically sensitive finish.
first floor plan - north wing
First Floor - North Wing.

The north wing has offices for the Office of State Finance and a large conference room.

This hallway is known as the North Gallery that displays photography. The hallway still maintains the original character of the Capitol.

The restrooms are in the north wing on every floor and they appear to be close to original design. There is some indication that they may have been updated recently.

Photo 75-1. View of the north corridor illustrating a door no longer in operation, but with an Exit sign which may lead individuals to a locked door.

Photo 75-2. View of the restrooms on the first floor.

Photo 75-3. A view of the ADA stall. This lavatory is not in compliance with current ADA standards.

Photo 75-4. View of the nicely maintained north hallway including an original door.

Photo 75-5. View of the conference room.
First Floor - Rotunda.

In the first floor Rotunda, a visitor will catch the first glimpse into the dome.

The state seal has been laid in the floor and cordoned off to be preserved.

Three of the four quadrants in the Rotunda have displays pertaining to the building of the State Capitol. The southwest quadrant has an abandoned welcome center desk which should be removed. In its place should be a display similar to the others found in the Rotunda.

Photo 77-1. View from the center Rotunda.

Photo 77-2. View of an unused counter in the center Rotunda which should be removed.

Photo 77-3. View illustrating artwork hanging in center Rotunda. The phone lines need to be rerouted from view.

Photo 77-4. View of corridor around center Rotunda. Better provisions for storage must be found.

Photo 77-5. View of the State Seal in the Rotunda floor.
second floor plan

01 SUPREME COURT OFFICES & CHAMBERS
02 COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS
03 STATE TREASURER
04 GOVERNOR’S SUITE
05 LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
06 COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS
Second Floor.

The second floor is an important floor that has offices for the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the State Treasurer, the Supreme Court, and the Court of Criminal Appeals. This floor is visited by many important guests and provides the first glimpse the Capitol's grandeur. This floor is open to the public and the Rotunda is used for large gatherings and celebrations.

Interior Design.

The second floor is large in scale and grand with multiple two-story spaces. The public space of the second floor has a great amount of detail in the ceiling. The original moulding and dentils appear to be in great condition. The coffers and trim were painted by the previous Capitol Architect circa 1980.

The Rotunda appears to be in good condition, but the remaining spaces have been renovated under their own guidelines. The hall leading to the State Treasurer's office seems to be closest to the original design of the Capitol. However, the variety of doors deteriorates the character of this hallway. The door leading into the State Treasurer's office is an original door to the Capitol. This door should set the design standards for door types throughout the Capitol. The Supreme Court is planning on moving out of the west wing in the near future and renovation of the wing may begin shortly after they relocate. This will be a great location for implementing the Capitol design standards. The current wood paneling may be removed from the door openings and replaced with the doors that meet the CPC standards. After the renovation, the west wing may become the first uniformly renovated area of the Capitol.

Problems.

The current entry to the Governor's suite is not in the original location. The original location is at the center of the east wing near the Rotunda. The current location is an understated entry that competes for significance with the Lieutenant Governor's entry, neither of which is original to the building. The Governors entrance should be at its intended location.

The second floor creates a nice gathering space for large events, but the acoustics cannot be controlled. When an event is held in the Rotunda, the acoustics travel throughout the whole Rotunda. This can be disruptive to the environment in the Capitol.

The Hall of the Governors was once an office space with wall partitions and carpeted floors. When the office was vacated and the hall was restored, the marble floors were left with holes and were also stained. Maintenance staff believes the floors have been restored before and the stains have penetrated through the marble.
second floor plan - east wing

0. Indicates camera location and view direction

1. Conference Room
2. Governor's Wing
3. Treasury
4. Blue Room
5. North
Second Floor - East Wing.

The east wing contains prominent offices in the Capitol. The north side is occupied by the State Treasurer and the Governor resides in the south side.

The north corridor housing the State Treasurer’s office maintains much of the historic character. This should be preserved and restored as required.

The Governor’s entry has deviated from the original design by entering through the south corridor rather than the central entry on axis with the Rotunda.

This section has an area of cracking at a column behind a major painting that must be monitored.
second floor plan - south wing

key plan.

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HALL OF GOVS.

LT. GOV. OFFICE

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Second Floor - South Wing.

The south wing is home to the Lieutenant Governor and the Hall of Governors. It is planned that the Lieutenant Governor's office will be relocated and the gallery will be restored to its historic character.

This is also the original main entrance to the Capitol. It should be preserved and restored.

Photo 83-1. Main, monumental entry no longer in service. The opening beyond that has been filled in should be upgraded to better suit the adjacent finishes.

Photo 83-2. Marble floor staining in the Hall of Governors. This type of discoloration is permanent.

Photo 83-3. View of the Lt. Governor's office. Upon relocating this office elsewhere in the Capitol, this area should be restored to the original grand hall which was similar to the Hall of Governors.

Photo 83-4. Another view of the Hall of Governors.

Photo 83-5. A view of the monumental stairs no longer in use.
Second Floor - West Wing.

The west wing is currently dedicated to the Supreme Court. This wing appears to have retained the character of the past and has been well maintained.

The corridors still exhibit the exquisite detail that is original to the Capitol. However, wood paneling that infills the historic door openings should be removed and replaced with doors that meet Capitol design standards.

The courtroom is a truly wonderful and historic space.
Second Floor - North Wing.

The north wing currently belongs to the Court of Criminal Appeals. The foyer is built within the north corridor and contains exquisite detail.

This level of detail in a space should be sought throughout the Capitol.

This section has an area of cracking at a column behind a major painting that must be monitored.
second floor plan - rotunda
Second Floor - Rotunda.

The Rotunda is large and a wonderfully maintained gathering space.

The circulation around the Rotunda is currently less appealing, at times being cluttered with tables and chairs and cable routing being visible. These are distractions from the ornate detail found in the Rotunda.

Better provisions for storage and modern technology requirements need to be found.
third floor plan

01 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
02 COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS
03 SENATE STAFF
04 LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
Third Floor.

The third floor contains office for the House of Representatives, Senate and offices for the Court of Criminal Appeals. This is the first upper floor that is predominately for offices and lacks a common public space. There is little reason for the common public to visit this floor.

Interior Design.

The hallway around the Rotunda is very minimal in interior design. The ceilings are barrel vaults and alternating groin vaults lacking ornamentation. The design intent of this floor is less about being impressive than it is about being practical. This reinforces the idea that the task of this floor is meant to be productive.

The corridors servicing the House of Representatives are similar to what the original design may have been. There have been a few modern alterations that make this hallway less like the original design. Acoustical ceiling tile has been added so that lighting and electrical equipment may be added to the hallway. It is possible that the ceiling tile may be removed to restore the hallway to its original character. It appears that the old doors and sidelights have been replaced with new similar doors.

Problems.

The Senate Staff in the east wing seems to have been updated as needed. The north side appears to have been updated recently and the south side may not been touched in decades. The Senate Staff is tightly crammed into the space they have and they lack storage and comfortable work space. The circulation is disorganized and encroaching offices have narrowed the main corridor. The north side is the main entry for the Senate Staff, it has received some updates but they were poorly done. The painted detail in the reception is very poor and amateur. This is an example of poor quality of detail ruining the character of a space.
third floor plan - east wing
Third Floor - East Wing.

The east wing is dedicated to Senate staff offices. This interior design of this wing is very eclectic. It has become a maze of offices and cubicles without any consistency of décor.

The north entry to the Senate offices has been updated but the painted details look amateur compared to the Capitol’s original details.

Historically, the main corridors divided this area but currently the first half of the corridor is filled with offices. This removes the historic character and organization of this space.
Third Floor - West Wing.

The west wing maintains most of its historic character. The individual office entries have been updated with new doors and an acoustical ceiling was added.

The acoustical ceiling hides the original vaulted ceiling.

An interesting detail can be found in the west stairwell. The balusters are made of glass etched with the detail of the original balusters.
third floor plan - north wing

0. → INDICATES CAMERA LOCATION AND VIEW DIRECTION
Third Floor - North Wing.

The third floor contains offices for the Court of Criminal Appeals and offices for the House of Representatives.

Similar to the east wing, a majority of the north wing has not been renovated in many years. The House staff is tightly occupying an original corridor.
01 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
02 SENATE
03 PRESS ROOM

fourth floor plan
Fourth Floor.

The fourth floor is another public space that is available for large events and grand celebrations. The fourth floor was so important to the Capitol that the original intent for the entry processional was to culminate at the Rotunda. This floor also houses functions for the House of Representatives, and the Senate, Conference rooms, and a Press Room. Apart from the occasional celebration the fourth floor is intended to be a public space used by members of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

Interior Design.

The scale of the Rotunda is large and is the most impressive space in the Capitol. This is meant to be a space that is extraordinary and overwhelming. Most public spaces in the Capitol receive a level of ornate detail on the walls and ceilings. The highest level of detail begins on the fourth floor Rotunda and reaches to the dome. The hallway around the Rotunda is intended to be semi-private and is minimally detailed to emphasize the importance of the Rotunda.

The Rotunda is flanked on the west and the east by the large entrances to the House and Senate chambers. The interiors of the House and Senate chambers were recently restored to meet historic conditions. These chambers set the standard of restoration that should be completed throughout the Capitol. The renovation successfully incorporated modern systems into a historical environment without disrupting the integrity of the chambers. The mechanical and electrical systems are incorporated in such a way that they become unnoticeable. This solution is more desirable than adding an acoustical ceiling to hide mechanical systems, which has been done in other Capitol renovations.

The hallways for the House and Senate offices are similar in character to the original building. The doorways in the House hallways have been updated with new doors and frames. The doorways in the Senate hallways may be original to the building. If they have been renovated, then they were done well. The Senate hallway maintains the original character of the Capitol building.

Problems.

An issue on this floor, like others, is the lack of storage. The fourth floor needs to store plenty of tables and chairs because of the many events that take place here. The tables and chairs are currently stored in the hallway when they are not in use. This makes the hallways cluttered and congested.

There are some noticeable cracks in the floor of the Rotunda, this also occurs on other floors. There are some people at the Capitol who believe the cracks have appeared after the dome was completed in 2002. After an inspection with the structural engineer, we believe the cracks have occurred over time. Refer to the structural report for further information.
fourth floor plan - east wing
Fourth Floor - East Wing.

The east wing captures the historic character of the Capitol. The Senate chamber was renovated to appear historic but also incorporates many modern conveniences.

The hallway to the Senate offices also appears to be in historic condition and have been well maintained.

This area is an example of preserving the historic character of the Capitol. This character should be consistent throughout the building.

Photo 101-1. View of nicely restored and well maintained corridor.

Photo 101-2. Senate Chamber Entry.

Photo 101-3. View of nicely restored and well maintained interior. This represents the quality of interior finish that should be brought to all areas of the Capitol.

Photo 101-4. View of hall leading to Senate lounge.

Photo 101-5. A view of the Senate lounge.
fourth floor plan - south wing

INDICATES CAMERA LOCATION AND VIEW DIRECTION
Fourth Floor - South Wing.

This was intended to be the grand entry to the Capitol building; the scale is overwhelming and inviting at the same time and should continue to be preserved.

The grand entry is flanked by the conference rooms that are not original to the Capitol. This area was once an interior loggia space that often had vendors selling refreshments.

The conference rooms work well in this location and the largest are quite dramatic in scale. They were designed and executed in a manner sensitive to the character of the space and respectful of the large, historic murals.

This space should be more available to the public.
fourth floor plan - west wing
Fourth Floor - West Wing.

The west wing is similar to the east; it has been restored to maintain the historic character of the Capitol.

To complete the renovation, the existing entries should be replaced with doors that meet CPC design standards.

The main observed issue for the House of Representatives is the lack of storage in this wing.

Photo 105-1. View of a corridor. Better provisions for storage must be found.

Photo 105-2. View of House of Representatives Chamber entrance.

Photo 105-3. Detail view of historic electrical fans that still serve the House today.

Photo 105-4. View of wall detail to upper office area.

Photo 105-5. View of House of Representatives lounge.
fourth floor plan - north wing
Fourth Floor - North Wing.

The north wing does not have as much ornate detail as other floors, but still reflects the original design intent. The fourth floor is meant to be a grand impressive space; the lack of storage detracts from this atmosphere. Better provisions for storage needs to be found.

Photo 107-1. View of north corridor.

Photo 107-2. View of a corridor. Better provisions for storage must be found.

Photo 107-3. View of north corridor.
fourth floor plan - rotunda
Fourth Floor - Rotunda.

The Rotunda is the most impressive and ornately detailed space in the Capitol. The addition of the dome has emphasized this dramatic space.

The exposed cabling is a distraction and should be addressed in every instance. The Rotunda does suffer from minor floor cracks but this is not an indication of an inefficient structural system.
01  HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
02  SENATE

fifth floor plan
Fifth Floor.

The floor usage for the fifth floor is similar to the fourth; it mostly holds office for the House and Senate. There is a lack of public space on the fifth floor, but it does overlook the open Rotunda below. The House and Senate chambers have upper seating that overlooks the chamber floors. This is intended to be a productive floor of the Capitol.

Interior Design.

The hallways surrounding the Rotunda give an intimate view of the ornate detailing. From here you get a close view of the columns capital and the cornice detail. The ability to be this close to the details can give someone an understanding of the importance of this building. The main hallways are more ornate in detail to match the Rotunda.

The Senate hallway maintains the character of the Capitol similar to the fourth floor. The House hallway deviated from original character when the acoustical ceiling was installed. Installing the acoustical ceiling destroyed the original ceiling and removed the character of this space.

The north wing has been renovated in an awful manner. The first half of the hallway appears to be original but the last half was disorderly renovated.

The conference rooms in the south wing are not original to the Capitol. The conference rooms occupy what was intended to be a two story gallery. Restoring the galleries will involve relocating the conference rooms.

Problems.

From visual observation, the fifth floor seems to be in good condition. It does suffer from typical symptoms such as disorganized cabling, lack of storage, minor floor cracks.
Fifth Floor - East Wing.

The east wing continues the high level of detail that is visible in the fourth floor.

In the Senate chamber, the fifth floor is dedicated to gallery seating and a private area for media. Offices surround the Senate chamber and appear to employ the historic doors.

There is a wonderful level of detail found throughout the fifth floor.
fifth floor plan - south wing
Fifth Floor - South Wing.

The south wing is bifurcated by the grand stairs and this remaining space has been converted to conference rooms. From here, a visitor has a wonderful view overlooking the grand stairs. The conference rooms encapsulate the ornate detail engaged columns and cornices.
Fifth Floor - West Wing.

The west wing is similar in quality as the east wing. The renovation has restored the historic character of the Capitol.

The offices surrounding the House Chamber maintain a character that is similar to the historic conditions. Acoustical ceiling was added to the hallways and now hides the original vaulted ceilings.
fifth floor plan - north wing
Fifth - North Wing.

The front half of the north wing maintains its original character but a renovation in the last half has neglected all historic characteristics. Offices were added to accommodate Senate but do not meet current building codes.

The fifth floor offers great views throughout the fourth floor Rotunda and up into the dome.
sixth floor plan

01 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF
02 SENATE STAFF
03 ATTIC
Sixth Floor.

The sixth floor supports service needs and provides attic space for the Capitol. It offers an interesting perspective of how the Capitol building works and how it stands. Mechanical and structural systems are exposed for maintenance and easy assessment. Some spaces can be difficult to navigate.
The Dome.

Eighty-two years after the building was put into service, Governor Frank Keating formed the Oklahoma Capitol Complex and Centennial Commission which immediately began efforts to raise private funds for the $20.8 million dollar dome project.

Master artist Enoch Kelly Haney (formerly an Oklahoma State Senator and later chief of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma) created “The Guardian” statue that stands on top of the dome designed by Frankfurt-Short-Bruza. Manhattan Construction Company and Flintco, Inc. worked together to build the dome. The designers created a horizontal burgundy colored line at the interior to mark the location where the historic building ends and the new dome addition begins. Like-wise there is a change in materials at the exterior of the building delineated by pink granite.

A dome raising ceremony was held June 20, 2001, and construction began in August 2001. It was completed and dedicated on Oklahoma’s Statehood Day, November 16, 2002.

This Dome is in great condition and is suffering no maintenance issues.
Photo 125-1. View looking up into the dome.

Photo 125-2. View looking down from dome.

Photo 125-3. View of the stained glass seal at the top of the dome interior.

Photo 125-4. View of lighting system above stained glass.

Photo 125-5. View of dome structure and exhaust systems.

Photo 125-6. View of the spiral stair leading to the top of the dome.
## Area Usage.

The chart below describes the area usage of the tenantable square footage of the Capitol building by floor and department, governmental body, or function. The total square footage of the Capitol is just over 400,000 sf.

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Structural Observations.
A general walk through Structural inspection was conducted on the Capitol Building. Special attention was given to areas near the Rotunda, dome support elements, and areas that Capitol Maintenance personnel expressed concern about.

Basement.
There were cracks observed in the floor finishes throughout the primary corridors of the basement. Cracks have occurred in a non-repetitious manner. Cracks have propagated from most of the terrazzo corner breaks. Horizontal crack widths from 1/32” to 3/8” were observed. Vertical crack displacements of up to 3/8” were observed.

![Photo 128-6. Typical Basement Floor cracking.](image)

Dome Level.
Vertical flexural cracking was observed near the mid-span of the southeast dome support concrete beam. Excessive deflection was not observed. Water infiltration or reinforcement oxidation was not observed.

![Photo 128-6. Cracking in brick corbel under roof beam in Main Portico.](image)

South Main Entrance Portico.
Brick corbel showing excessive cracking under concrete roof beam on the south west corner of portico.

Second, Third, Fourth, and Fifth Floors.
Horizontal floor cracks were observed on each of the floors. They were primarily in the Rotunda area in the following locations:
- Running between the columns that support the dome.
- Running north-south adjacent to each of the (4) four stairwells.
- Radial cracks around the Rotunda slabs.

All floor cracks observed were less that 1/16” in width.

Minor vertical cracking was observed on the third and forth floors in ceiling finishes around the Rotunda.

![Exterior. Minor cracks, stress concentrations, and spalling was observed in exterior cast stone elements.](image)

Exterior.
Minor cracks, stress concentrations, and spalling was observed in exterior cast stone elements.

At the light box, with stair access, on the north side of the building has extensive spalling of the cementitious scratch coat. Maintenance personnel have removed large portions of this coating to reduce the possibility of endangering pedestrians traveling in this area.

Structural Conclusions.
The Oklahoma State Capitol Building is in very good condition for a building this age.

In my Professional Opinion, the minor architectural surface cracking occurring around the Capitol is not caused by the placement of the dome that was completed in 2002. The lack of cracking around primary column bases in the basement, no observable shear stress at beam column connections, and no observable vertical separations of finishes in the upper floors indicates that deflections or PVR (Potential Vertical Rise) due to the dome construction is not in excess of structural system tolerances.
The extensive cracking that has occurred in the terrazzo flooring is due to an improper preparation of the subfloor. The terrazzo was placed on a subfloor that was not stiff enough for this flooring system. Cracks in the subfloor have translated up through the finished floor. It is anticipated that further cracking will continue to occur unless remediation is performed.

Water infiltration near the west entry is caused by water migrating through the joint in slab that supports the west lawn. This condition is due to several factors. The grading on the lawn areas is either too flat or is sloping towards the building and the lining and sealant system used during construction has deteriorated to the point of ineffectiveness. Recent attempts at diverting the water with a French drain has slowed down the problem, but water infiltration will continue in the future with large rainfalls unless extensive remediation is performed.

The cracking that was observed in the upper floor finishes had separations less than 1/16”. There was a build up of floor wax in the floor cracks indicating that these cracks may have been there for many years. In my opinion these cracks have occurred slowly over time during cycles of lateral resistance.

The vertical flexure crack that has developed in the southeast concrete support beam is not of immediate structural concern. Please refer to Structural Recommendations section below.

The brick corbels that are currently supporting the concrete roof beams should be removed and replaced with steel columns. The steel columns can be supported by structural beam below.

Minor cracking in the cast stone exterior is anticipated to continue in the future. Temperature expansion/contraction, water infiltration with freeze/thaw effects, and localized building deflections are just a few possible reasons for this. Major structural modifications will not significantly deter these cracks from occurring. Properly placed elastomeric joint materials between cast stone elements is the best solution to minimize future cracking.

The south main entrance portico roof bearing and water infiltration into the west side basement storage areas are the only conditions encountered that requires immediate remediation.

In the entrance portico, a more in-depth investigation into the current bearing condition and final repair options should be conducted. Due to the lack of building drawings in this area, this investigation will require that all structural elements involved be exposed and identified. Once completed, an appropriate repair can be designed and detailed for installation.

Due to the location of the water infiltration into the west side of the basement, a comprehensive repair should involve the following:

- Removal of all organics and soil from the affected areas.
- Removal of portions of concrete sidewalk (adjacent to the light wells and building).
- Sealing the top of concrete slab with a minimum of 10 mil vapor barrier with less than 0.01 Perms. All laps in barrier should be seam sealed.
- Joint between slab and building should be thoroughly cleaned and inspected to ensure no excessive corrosion has occurred on bearing ledge. Once joint has been inspected and approved, an appropriate sealing detail should be designed and installed.
- Replace organic materials ensuring that final grade has ample slope for surface drainage.

The basement floor does not require immediate action, due to it not being a structural issue. However, cracking is anticipated to continue if a repair is not performed. In order to fix this condition appropriately it will be necessary to remove the existing terrazzo flooring, subfloor(s), and any poor bearing material, and replace it with properly compacted structural fill, structural slab, and desired finish flooring.

Regular scheduled observation of the southeast concrete dome support beam should be conducted. If evidence of deflection, further separation of the flexure crack, or any spalling is observed, then further structural assessment should be conducted.
Plumbing System Overview

The plumbing systems within the building contain a mixture of pipe installed over nearly 100 years. Much of the original 1914 piping was encased in concrete headers and chases or beneath the floor slab making it difficult to replace. Piping has been replaced where accessible during renovations; however, most of the piping serving the building is original or over 50 years old.

Sanitary Waste and Vent.

The original sanitary waste and vent piping was a combination of lead pipe and cast iron pipe with lead and oakum joints. During the first half of the century, the risks of lead poisoning were acknowledged and the gradual replacement of the existing lead pipe within the building began. Lead pipe was replaced with cast iron where accessible. However, due to the encasement of much of the pipe, a large portion of lead pipe is still being used. All of the main sanitary waste lines that run beneath the basement slab and west parking lot are original.

According to the maintenance personnel, a video camera was inserted down the main sanitary sewer line to determine its current condition. The camera indicates that the clay tile pipe is separating and offset somewhere under the west parking lot.

Domestic Water.

The original water piping was steel. The steel water pipe has been replaced by copper pipe in renovated areas over the years. However, most of the copper pipe installed approximately 50 years ago is needing replacement. Pin-hole leaks have been located through-out the building.

Roof Drainage.

The original roof drain piping was cast iron with lead and oakum joints. The roof drainage risers were encased in concrete in the outer corners of the exterior façade. Although the roof drains have been replaced several times during various roofing projects, the original roof drainage risers are still in use.

Effects of Aging on Piping Systems.

As the piping ages, the friction of the water erodes the pipe wall. Also each year the calcium build up in domestic water pipes and the waste build up in sanitary lines increases. According to the maintenance personnel, the piping replaced due to leakage has been corroded to the point where the area left for water flow is a fourth of the original flow area. This forces the same amount of water through a much smaller opening and increases the pressure of the water. The higher pressure water breaks through the thin walls of the piping and develops into a leak. The existing piping is beginning to leak in many areas through-out the building. Pin-hole size leaks are common among both the original steel water lines and the older copper water lines. The walls of the lead and much of the cast iron sanitary lines
are paper thin and the pipe is collapsing. Large leaks over the library and the document storage area have damaged non-replaceable books and legal documents. Leaks have also caused damage to public areas including the flooding of the historic Blue Room on the second floor.

The piping is collapsing to the point that the maintenance staff is struggling to repair the leaks. As they remove the leaking portion of pipe, they find the adjacent piping corroded or the walls so thin that making a watertight connection is nearly impossible. Often the pipe is encased in concrete and repairing is not probable. In several locations the piping is routed awkwardly through the ceiling space, chase or even public area in an attempt to locate a solid portion of pipe where a reconnection can be made. Soon repair of the older piping will not be possible and a total replacement will be necessary.

The original asbestos insulation was removed from the piping several years ago. The original piping labels were removed with the insulation. Currently there is no identification on the piping to help the maintenance department determine what lines serve which areas. This is another obstacle in the repair of the existing systems.

**Second Floor Restroom.**

This restroom located on the west end of the second floor is estimated to have been installed in the 1920's or possibly original to the building. The lavatories and urinal are from that time period. One water closet is missing. The other water closet has been replaced but a custom pipe fitting was created to connect the flush valve to the existing steel water piping. The early 19th century pipe sizes are not compatible with today’s plumbing standards. The water piping serving all of the fixtures in this restroom is steel and the sanitary waste lines are lead. There is a sanitary waste leak in the piping behind the urinal. Due to its location above an air-handling unit on the first floor there is no access to repair the line. The sanitary waste is currently leaking on top of the air-handling unit.

**Second Floor HVAC Closet.**

An original restroom on the west side of the second floor is now being used as a HVAC closet. The original piping is still visible. The water closet flange has been covered. The lavatory drain is being used to collect the condensate from the air-handling unit. According to the maintenance staff, they must fill the original lavatory P-trap with water every few days to keep sewer gases from entering the 2nd floor.

**Second Floor Service Sink.**

The piping to the second floor service sink has deteriorated beyond repair. The sink has been discontinued from use. The concrete enclosed pipe chase nearby has been exposed in order to repair the pin-hole leaks in the water piping. The proximity of the leaking pipe to the public lobby and Rotunda area could cause a large amount of damage to
architectural features. Accompanying photographs show how the original galvanized steel pipe has been replaced with sections of copper pipe and the copper pipe has been replaced with sections of PEX piping.

Recent Renovations.

- In approximately 1992, the main water line serving the building and the domestic hot water heaters were replaced. Most of the water piping within the mechanical room was replaced at the same time in order to provide make-up water to the HVAC water source heat pump system. The main water line connects to the city main under the west parking lot and enters the building through a tunnel. The main water shut-off valve and booster pumps are located in the basement mechanical room and appear to be in good condition. The water heaters are at the end of their life expectancy and are beginning to rust through.

- The main public restrooms on the upper floors were remodeled in 1999. Much of the piping serving these restrooms was replaced during the renovation and is still in good condition.

- The restrooms near the Senate Chamber were remodeled approximately 10 years ago. During the remodel a worker accidentally bumped an old water valve which disintegrated releasing a large volume of water flooding the Blue Room on the second floor. During the restoration of the Blue Room after the flood most of the piping within that portion of the pipe chase was replaced.

Summary.

It appears that approximately 80% of the current plumbing pipe within and under the Capitol needs replacement. This includes all of the roof drainage piping, and most of the sanitary waste, vent, and domestic water piping with the exception of the main water entrance located in the basement mechanical room and the new lines serving the main public restrooms. The water heaters should also be replaced.

The condition of the existing plumbing piping is disintegrating quickly. Leak repair is getting more difficult as the pipe surrounding the leak is also in poor condition.

It should be noted that since much of the plumbing piping is encased in concrete or below the basement slab, replacement of this piping will require removal and replacement of portions of the floor slab, architectural flooring, walls and ceilings. Much of this piping runs above offices and public spaces and its replacement will interrupt the normal operations in these areas during construction.
Photo 134-1. Steel water and lead waste lavatory connections.

Photo 134-2. AHU condensate drain directly connected to original lavatory P-Trap.

Photo 134-3. Disconnected service sink and exposed pipe chase on 2nd Floor. Photo shows multiple pipe materials including copper, steel and PEX water piping, lead, cast iron, and PVC sanitary piping.

Photo 134-4. Document storage restroom. Piping to plumbing fixtures is exposed within the space.

Photo 134-5. Lavatory fixtures in private restrooms. Inconsistent, ‘pink’ fixture on the left and exposed lead waste piping through wall on the right.

Photo 134-6. Kitchenette near Chief Justice’s office.


Photo 135-4. Blue Room on the 2nd Floor. The room was flooded during the renovation of the Speaker’s Restrooms on the 4th Floor above. The plumbing chase is located in the furr-down above the mirror.

Photo 135-5. Lavatories in the renovated Speaker’s restrooms near the House of Representatives Chamber.

Photo 135-6. View inside the plumbing chase serving the Speaker’s restrooms and located above the Blue Room. Notice new and old water piping.
BASEMENT KEYED NOTES:

01 SANITARY SEWER TO MANHOLE IN WEST PARKING LOT

02 SANITARY WASTE RISER INSTALLED IN 1999 SERVING RENOVATED MAIN PUBLIC RESTROOMS

03 MAIN DOMESTIC WATER ENTRANCE INSTALLED IN 1992 (REFER TO PHOTO)

04 MAIN DOMESTIC WATER BOOSTER PUMPS INSTALLED IN 1992 (REFER TO PHOTO)

05 DOMESTIC WATER HEATERS (QUANTITY = 2) RUSTING THROUGH AT BOTTOM OF TANKS (REFER TO PHOTO)

06 WATER LEAK OVER CONGRESSIONAL LIBRARY

07 WATER LEAK OVER CONGRESSIONAL LIBRARY

08 SEWER LEAK OVER DOCUMENT STORAGE AREA (REFER TO PHOTO)

09 DOCUMENT STORAGE AREA TOILET (REFER TO PHOTO)

10 COLLAPSING MAIN SEWER LINE - APPROXIMATE LOCATION

11 2" SANITARY WASTE LINE IN CORRIDOR - REPAIR INDICATES PAPER THIN PIPE WALLS, CORROSION IS SEEPING THROUGH PAINT (REFER TO PHOTO)

12 LEAKING MAIN WATER LINE GATE VALVE
FIRST FLOOR KEYED NOTES:

01 ROOF DRAIN RISER

02 LEAKING SANITARY WASTE PIPE OVER AIR-HANDLING UNIT DUCTWORK. NO ACCESS TO ALLOW REPAIR.

03 PLUMBING CHASE - SOURCE OF MULTIPLE LEAKS

04 PLUMBING CHASE UP TO JUDGE'S OFFICE SINK. MAINTENANCE HAD TO TEAR OUT CONCRETE FURR-OUT TO REPAIR.

05 PLUMBING CHASE WITH MULTIPLE PIPING MATERIALS INCLUDING GALVANIZED STEEL WATER PIPE (REFER TO PHOTO)

06 LEAKING SANITARY WASTE PIPE. MAINTENANCE REPAIRED ELBOW AND DISCOVERED THAT PIPING WAS SEVERELY CORRODED FROM THIS POINT TO PLUMBING CHASE. (REFER TO PHOTO)
SECOND FLOOR KEYED NOTES:

01 ROOF DRAIN RISER

02 THE BLUE ROOM - FLOODED AFTER A WATER VALVE IN THE PLUMBING CHASE ABOVE DISINTEGRATED DURING RENOVATION OF THE FOURTH FLOOR SPEAKER'S RESTROOMS. MOST OF THE PLUMBING IN THE CHASE WAS REPLACED AFTER THE FLOOD. (REFER TO PHOTO).

03 MECHANICAL ROOM ABOVE CEILING AND PLUMBING CHASE. PIPING INSTALLED OVER MANY YEARS. ORIGINAL LEAD PIPING STILL IN USE.

04 PLUMBING REPLACED IN CHASE SERVING RENOVATED MAIN PUBLIC RESTROOMS.

05 KITCHENETTE NEAR CHIEF JUSTICE'S OFFICE (REFER TO PHOTO)

06 RESTROOM TURNED INTO AN HVAC CLOSET. THE AIR-HANDLING UNIT CONDENSATE DRAIN IS CONNECTED INTO THE OLD LAVATORY DRAIN. MAINTENANCE HAS TO POUR WATER INTO THE P-TRAP TO KEEP SEWER GASES FROM ENTERING THE SPACE. (REFER TO PHOTO)

07 RESTROOM - LEAD PIPE SANITARY WASTE LINES. WATER CLOSET IS MISSING. URINAL SANITARY WASTE LINE LEAKS ONTO AIR-HANDLING UNIT BELOW (REFER TO PHOTOS)

08 MOP SINK WATER SUPPLIES LEAKING BEYOND REPAIR. USE HAS BEEN DISCONTINUED. PORTIONS OF COPPER WATER PIPE DEVELOPED MULTIPLE PIN-HOLE LEAKS AND WAS REPLACED WITH A SECTION OF PEX PIPE (REFER TO PHOTO)
THIRD FLOOR KEYED NOTES:

01  ROOF DRAIN RISER

02  PIPING REPLACED IN THE PLUMBING CHASE AFTER FLOODING OF THE BLUE ROOM BELOW DURING THE RENOVATION OF THE SPEAKER’S RESTROOM ON THE FOURTH FLOOR.
FOURTH FLOOR KEYED NOTES:

01 ROOF DRAIN RISER

02 PLUMBING CHASE WITH MULTIPLE RENOVATIONS AND PIPING MATERIALS

03 RESTROOM WITH PINK PLUMBING FIXTURES (REFER TO PHOTO)

04 SNACK BAR ADDED IN 1999 WITH RENOVATION OF MAIN PUBLIC RESTROOMS

05 SENATE PROTEMPORE OFFICE RESTROOM DOES NOT DRAIN WELL

06 RENOVATED SPEAKER'S RESTROOMS (REFER TO PHOTO)
FIFTH FLOOR KEYED NOTES:

01 ROOF DRAIN RISER - ORIGINAL PIPING

02 SERVICE SINK AND ICE MAKER. THE DOMESTIC HOT WATER LOOP REACHES THE TOP OF ITS RISER. SOME OF THE STEEL WATER PIPE HAS BEEN REPLACED WITH THE COPPER IN THIS AREA.
SIXTH FLOOR KEYED NOTES:

01 ROOF DRAINS HAVE BEEN REPLACED WITH REROOFING PROJECTS, HOWEVER, THE DRAINAGE PIPING IS ORIGINAL AND ENCASED IN CONCRETE

02 RESTROOM - UPPER PORTION OF PLUMBING RISERS
space. It would be virtually impossible for anyone not familiar with the layout of the electrical system to find this room should an emergency arise. It would be equally impossible to get out of the space quickly should a problem arise during maintenance or repair.

The main electrical room, as renovated in approximately 1993, is located near the center of the basement. The location of the room is shown on the Basement Electrical Plan. The system includes a large main switchboard with multiple drawout style circuit breakers. The equipment in this room serves (4) 1350A, 277/480V riser busways, which extend up to the 6th floor via the chases located on each corner of the Rotunda.

The equipment installed in 1993 is in good condition. The room is well-kept, with the exception of a small amount of supplies being stored inside the space. This room also has a potential issue involving the same clearance/egress requirement previously discussed. In this case, the switchboard is much larger than the six foot wide criteria, and therefore is clearly subject to the regulations regarding egress. Further, the exception allowing one exit if there is double the required clearance cannot be met due to the rack of equipment installed a few feet in front of the switchboard.

The space has also been used somewhat for storage, with paint and miscellaneous supplies located near the north wall. The accompanying photographs within section document the existing conditions at the date of this report.

The third basement electrical room is located west of the Main Switchboard room, and is also noted on the Basement Electrical Plan. This room has serious problems relating to code mandated clearance, egress, and dedicated space requirements. Refer to the accompanying photographs.

Upper Floors.
As previously stated, the Main Switchboard provides power for the 1350A, 277/480V feeder busways which extend up the chases at each corner of the Rotunda. The busways serve electrical panelboards and dry type transformers located in equipment rooms on each floor. These rooms are noted on accompanying electrical plans. A brief description of the equipment located in the rooms is included via keyed note indicators.

According to the Capitol electrician, these riser busways were installed during the 1978 renovation, and the as-built documentation confirms this installation. It appears that the 1993 renovation provided new service to these existing busways, but did not address any issues in the upper floor electrical rooms.

The 1978 as-built documents indicate the presence of 240V Delta equipment on each floor. According to the Capitol electrician, this equipment was left in place during all of the previous renovations, primarily to continue service to the original elevator motors.

During our preliminary site investigation, we visited selected Rotunda electrical rooms. Many of these rooms include panelboards which are believed to be original to the building, or are at least many years old. These are recessed in the wall near the door of the south side Rotunda rooms, and are noted on the sketches. The Rotunda electrical rooms are cramped, cluttered, and do not meet current code requirements for clearance, egress, and dedication of space. Typical problems are shown in the photographs.

Life Safety.
The Capitol building does not have a generator. Egress and Emergency lighting is provided by battery backup in fluorescent lighting. Exit signage has been recently upgraded, and a strong effort is made to maintain battery packs in all fixtures. However, this is an extreme task for such a large facility. The fire alarm system was not investigated for this preliminary study, however, it should be thoroughly examined for compliance with current codes. This work would coincide with an investigation of overall sprinkler, elevator, smoke evacuation, and fire alarm notification requirements. Mass notification should also be considered.

Summary and Recommendations.
Several issues were noted during these cursory site investigations and discussions with the Capitol Electrician. These are discussed briefly below:

- Documentation for the existing electrical system is inadequate. There do not appear to be up-to-date documents which show the overall electrical distribution system in both single-line and plan format.

Mr. Roger Power, the Capitol Electrician, is very knowledgeable about the overall system, however, little of this information is actually available in written form. A complete survey of the system should be undertaken and documented to include an overall single-line diagram and corresponding plans showing equipment locations.

- The room in which the 3000A main switches are installed should be renovated to provide more space in front of the equipment and a better egress route. The refrigerator and other kitchen equipment should not be located directly outside of the door. Panic hardware should be provided for the door. The space should not be used for storage.
Photo 146-1. Feeder Busways leaving Main Switchboard.

Photo 146-2. Feeder Switch for East End.

Photo 146-3. Painting and other supplies stored in the space.

Photo 146-4. Basement electrical room used as storage (left image) near Circa 1978 equipment (right image).

Photo 146-5. Stored equipment in front of Basement Panelboards.

Photo 146-6. Fifth Floor electrical room with microwave resting on a Dry Type Transformer (left) and a kitchen cart near Panelboards (right).
Photo 147-1. Kitchen equipment within 5th Floor electrical room.

Photo 147-2. Fifth Floor electrical room with a desk situated in front of Panels with a Bus above.

Photo 147-3. Fifth Floor Riser Bus and Communications equipment (left), and a temporary panel installed years ago that has never been revised.

Photo 147-4. Looking up at elevator equipment on the 6th floor.

Photo 147-5. Sixth Floor electrical and communications equipment.

Photo 147-6. Sixth Floor electrical room equipment.
BASEMENT KEYED NOTES:

01 OG&E TRANSFORMER VAULT, (2) 1000KVA, 227/280V SECONDARY TRANSFORMERS

02 APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF (2) 3000A MAIN CIRCUIT BREAKERS, INSTALLED IN 1993 RENOVATION

03 MAIN ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH DISTRIBUTION EQUIPMENT FOR ENTIRE BUILDING IS LOCATED IN THIS SPACE

04 OLDER VINTAGE ELECTRICAL SWITCHGEAR IS LOCATED IN THIS ROOM
First Floor Keyed Notes:

01 Branch circuit and appliance panelboard in this approximate location.

02 First Floor Northwest Electrical Room with equipment as follows:
   1350A Riser Busway
   800A Plug-In Switch
   800A Plug-In Busway
   Transformer "TINW1" 175 KVA, 120/208V
   Panelboard "INW1" 120/208V, 400A, 3PH, 4W
   Transformer "TINW2" 160 KVA, 240V Delta
   Panelboard "INW2" 240V, 360A, 3PH, 5W
   Panelboard "INW4" 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W

03 Approximate location of riser busway.

04 First Floor Northeast Electrical Room with equipment as follows:
   1350A Riser Busway
   800A Plug-In Switch
   800A Plug-In Busway
   Transformer "TINE1" 225 KVA, 120/208V
   Panelboard "INE1" 120/208V, 600A, 3PH, 4W
   Transformer "TINE2" 75 KVA, 240V Delta
   Panelboard "INE2" 240V, 225A, 3PH, 5W
   Panelboard "INE4" 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W

05 First Floor Southwest Electrical Room with equipment as follows:
   1350A Riser Busway
   800A Plug-In Switch
   800A Plug-In Busway
   Transformer "TISW1" 225 KVA, 120/208V
   Panelboard "ISW1" 120/208V, 900A, 3PH, 4W
   Transformer "TISW2" 112.5 KVA, 240V Delta
   Panelboard "ISW2" 240V, 340A, 3PH, 3W
   Panelboard "ISW4" 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W

06 Branch circuit/appliance panelboards, possibly original construction.

07 First Floor Southeast Electrical Room with equipment as follows:
   1350A Riser Busway
   800A Plug-In Switch
   800A Plug-In Busway
   Transformer "TISE1" 150 KVA, 120/208V
   Panelboard "ISE1" 120/208V, 600A, 3PH, 4W
   Transformer "TISE2" 75 KVA, 240V Delta
   Panelboard "ISE2" 240V, 225A, 3PH, 5W
   Panelboard "ISE4" 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W
SECOND FLOOR KEYED NOTES:

01 BRANCH CIRCUIT AND APPLIANCE PANELBOARD IN THIS APPROXIMATE LOCATION.

02 APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF RISER BUSWAY.

03 2ND FLOOR NORTHWEST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
1350A RISER BUSWAY
300A FLUG-IN SWITCH
TRANSFORMER "T2NW1", 112.5 KVA, 120/208V
PANELBOARD "2NW1", 120/208V, 400A, 3PH, 4W
TRANSFORMER "T2NW2", 225 KVA, 240V DELTA
PANELBOARD 2NW2, 240V, 700A, 3PH, 3W
PANELBOARD 2NW4, 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W

04 2ND FLOOR NORTHEAST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
1350A RISER BUSWAY
300A FLUG-IN SWITCH
TRANSFORMER "T2NE1", 225 KVA, 120/208V
PANELBOARD 2NE1, 120/208V, 800A, 3PH, 4W
TRANSFORMER "T2NE2", 225 KVA, 240V DELTA
PANELBOARD 2NE2, 240V, 700A, 3PH, 3W
PANELBOARD 2NE4, 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W

05 2ND FLOOR SOUTHWEST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
1350A RISER BUSWAY
600A FLUG-IN SWITCH
TRANSFORMER "T2SW1", 112.5 KVA, 120/208V
PANELBOARD 2SW1, 120/208V, 400A, 3PH, 4W
TRANSFORMER "T2SW2", 75 KVA, 240V DELTA
PANELBOARD 2SW2, 240V, 225A, 3PH, 3W
PANELBOARD 2SW4, 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W

06 BRANCH CIRCUIT/APPLIANCE PANELBOARDS, POSSIBLY ORIGINAL CONSTRUCTION.

07 2ND FLOOR SOUTHEAST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
1350A RISER BUSWAY
600A FLUG-IN SWITCH
TRANSFORMER "T2SE1", 150 KVA, 120/208V
PANELBOARD 2SE1, 120/208V, 600A, 3PH, 4W
PANELBOARD 2SE4, 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W
THIRD FLOOR KEYED NOTES:

01 BRANCH CIRCUIT AND APPLIANCE PANELBOARD IN THIS APPROXIMATE LOCATION.

02 APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF RISER BUSWAY.

03 BRANCH CIRCUIT/APPLIANCE PANELBOARDS, POSSIBLY ORIGINAL CONSTRUCTION.

04 3RD FLOOR NORTHWEST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
   1350A RISER BUSWAY
   800A PLUG-IN SWITCH
   800A PLUG-IN BUSWAY
   TRANSFORMER "T3NW1", 112.5 KVA, 120/208V
   PANELBOARD "3NW1", 120/208V, 400A, 3PH, 4W
   TRANSFORMER "T3NW2, 150 KVA, 120/208V
   PANELBOARD "3NW2", 240V, 450A, 3PH, 3W
   PANELBOARD 3NW4, 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W

05 3RD FLOOR NORTHEAST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
   1350A RISER BUSWAY
   800A PLUG-IN SWITCH
   800A PLUG-IN BUSWAY
   TRANSFORMER "T3NE1", 150 KVA, 120/208V
   PANELBOARD "3NE1", 120/208V, 600A, 3PH, 4W
   TRANSFORMER "T3NE2, 225 KVA, 240V DELTA
   PANELBOARD "3NE2", 240V, 700A, 3PH, 3W
   PANELBOARD 3NE4, 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W

06 3RD FLOOR SOUTHWEST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
   1350A RISER BUSWAY
   800A PLUG-IN SWITCH
   800A PLUG-IN BUSWAY
   TRANSFORMER "T3SW1", 112.5 KVA, 120/208V
   PANELBOARD "3SW1", 120/208V, 400A, 3PH, 4W
   PANELBOARD 3SW4, 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W

07 3RD FLOOR SOUTHEAST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
   1350A RISER BUSWAY
   800A PLUG-IN SWITCH
   800A PLUG-IN BUSWAY
   TRANSFORMER "T3SE1", 150 KVA, 120/208V
   PANELBOARD "3SE1", 120/208V, 600A, 3PH, 4W
   PANELBOARD 3SE4, 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W
FIFTH FLOOR KEYED NOTES:

01 BRANCH CIRCUIT AND APPLIANCE PANELBOARD IN THIS APPROXIMATE LOCATION.

02 APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF RISER BUSWAY.

03 BRANCH CIRCUIT/APPLIANCE PANELBOARDS, POSSIBLY ORIGINAL CONSTRUCTION.

04 4TH FLOOR NORTHWEST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
1350A RISER BUSWAY
600A PLUG-IN SWITCH
600A PLUG-IN BUSWAY
TRANSFORMER "T4NW1", 112.5 KVA, 120/208V
PANELBOARD "4NW1", 120/208V, 400A, 3PH, 4W
TRANSFORMER "T4NW2", 75 KVA, 240V DELTA
PANELBOARD "4NW2", 240V, 225A, 3PH, 3W
PANELBOARD "4NW4", 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W

05 4TH FLOOR NORTHEAST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
1350A RISER BUSWAY
400A PLUG-IN SWITCH
400A PLUG-IN BUSWAY
TRANSFORMER "T4NE1", 112.5 KVA, 120/208V
PANELBOARD "4NE1", 120/208V, 400A, 3PH, 4W
TRANSFORMER "T4NE2", 45 KVA, 240V DELTA
PANELBOARD "4NE2", 240V, 150A, 3PH, 3W
PANELBOARD "4NE4", 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W

06 4TH FLOOR SOUTHWEST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
1350A RISER BUSWAY
600A PLUG-IN SWITCH
600A PLUG-IN BUSWAY
TRANSFORMER "T4SW1", 150 KVA, 120/208V
PANELBOARD "4SW1", 120/208V, 600A, 3PH, 4W
PANELBOARD "4SW4", 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W

07 4TH FLOOR SOUTHEAST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
1350A RISER BUSWAY
800A PLUG-IN SWITCH
800A PLUG-IN BUSWAY
TRANSFORMER "T4SE1", 150 KVA, 120/208V
PANELBOARD "4SE1", 120/208V, 800A, 3PH, 4W
TRANSFORMER "T4SE2", 112.5 KVA, 240V DELTA
PANELBOARD "4SE2", 240V, 350A, 3PH, 3W
PANELBOARD "4SE4", 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W
FIFTH FLOOR KEYED NOTES:

**01** BRANCH CIRCUIT AND APPLIANCE PANELBOARD IN THIS APPROXIMATE LOCATION.

**02** APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF RISER BUSWAY.

**03** BRANCH CIRCUIT/APPLIANCE PANELBOARDS, POSSIBLY ORIGINAL CONSTRUCTION.

**04** 6TH FLOOR NORTHWEST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
- 1350A RISER BUSWAY
- 400A PLUG-IN SWITCH
- 400A PLUG-IN BUSWAY
- TRANSFORMER "T5NW1", 112.5 KVA, 120/208V
- PANELBOARD "5NW1", 120/208V, 400A, 3PH, 4W
- PANELBOARD 5NW4, 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W

**05** 6TH FLOOR NORTHEAST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
- 1350A RISER BUSWAY
- 400A PLUG-IN SWITCH
- 400A PLUG-IN BUSWAY
- TRANSFORMER "T5NE1", 112.5 KVA, 120/208V
- PANELBOARD "5NE1", 120/208V, 400A, 3PH, 4W
- PANELBOARD 5NE2, 240V DELTA
- PANELBOARD 5NE4, 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W

**06** 6TH FLOOR SOUTHWEST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
- 1350A RISER BUSWAY
- 400A PLUG-IN SWITCH
- 400A PLUG-IN BUSWAY
- TRANSFORMER "T5SW1", 112.5 KVA, 120/208V
- PANELBOARD "5SW1", 120/208V, 400A, 3PH, 4W
- PANELBOARD 5SW4, 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W

**07** 6TH FLOOR SOUTHEAST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
- 1350A RISER BUSWAY
- 400A PLUG-IN SWITCH
- 400A PLUG-IN BUSWAY
- TRANSFORMER "T5SE1", 150 KVA, 120/208V
- PANELBOARD "5SE1", 120/208V, 600A, 3PH, 4W
- PANELBOARD 5SE2, 240V, 360A, 3PH, 3W
- PANELBOARD 5SE4, 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W
SIXTH FLOOR KEYED NOTES:

01 APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF RISER BUSWAY.

02 BRANCH CIRCUIT/APPLIANCE PANELBOARDS, POSSIBLY ORIGINAL CONSTRUCTION.

03 LOCATED IN 6TH FLOOR EQUIPMENT ROOM ABOVE THIS SPACE:
   TRANSFORMER "T6SE2", 112.5 KVA, 240V DELTA
   PANELBOARD "4SE2", 240V, 350A, 3PH, 3W

04 6TH FLOOR NORTHWEST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
   1350A RISER BUSWAY
   800A PLUG-IN SWITCH
   800A PLUG-IN BUSWAY
   TRANSFORMER "T6NW1", 112.5 KVA, 120/208V
   PANELBOARD "6NW1", 120/208V, 400A, 3PH, 4W
   TRANSFORMER "T6NW2", 300 KVA, 240V DELTA
   PANELBOARD "6NW2", 240V, 700A, 3PH, 3W
   PANELBOARD "6NW4", 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W
   PANELBOARD 6NW4-2, 277/480V, 500A, 3PH, 4W

05 6TH FLOOR NORTHEAST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
   1350A RISER BUSWAY
   (2) 800A PLUG-IN SWITCHES
   800A PLUG-IN BUSWAY
   TRANSFORMER "T6NE1", 112.5 KVA, 120/208V
   PANELBOARD "6NE1", 120/208V, 600A, 3PH, 4W
   TRANSFORMER "T6NE2", 225 KVA, 240V DELTA
   PANELBOARD "6NE2", 240V, 700A, 3PH, 3W
   PANELBOARD 6NE4", 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W

06 6TH FLOOR SOUTHWEST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
   1350A RISER BUSWAY
   (2) 800A PLUG-IN SWITCHES
   800A PLUG-IN BUSWAY
   TRANSFORMER "T6SW1", 112.5 KVA, 120/208V
   PANELBOARD "6SW1", 120/208V, 400A, 3PH, 4W
   TRANSFORMER "T6SW2", 225 KVA, 240V DELTA
   PANELBOARD "6SW2", 240V, 700A, 3PH, 3W
   PANELBOARD 6SW4", 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W
   PANELBOARD 6SW4-2, 277/480V, 500A, 3PH, 4W

07 6TH FLOOR SOUTHWEST ELECTRICAL ROOM WITH EQUIPMENT AS FOLLOWS:
   1350A RISER BUSWAY
   (1) 600A PLUG-IN SWITCH
   (1) 1000A PLUG-IN SWITCH
   800A PLUG-IN BUSWAY
   TRANSFORMER "T6SE1", 150 KVA, 120/208V
   PANELBOARD "6SE1", 120/208V, 600A, 3PH, 4W
   TRANSFORMER "T6SE2", 500 KVA, 240V DELTA
   PANELBOARD "6SE2", 240V, 1600A, 3PH, 3W
   PANELBOARD "6SE4", 277/480V, 225A, 3PH, 4W
   PANELBOARD 6SE4-2, 277/480V, 500A, 3PH, 4W
Capitol Art Collection Overview.

The Capitol art collection overview was provided by Amber Sharples of the Oklahoma Arts Council.

The Oklahoma State Capitol is home to the Capitol Art Collection and the State Art Collection. In addition to these permanent, state-owned art collections, the Temporary Capitol Galleries also feature rotating exhibitions of artwork by Oklahoma artists.

Capitol Art Collection

The Capitol Art Collection is rich with more than 100 works of permanent art, each with its unique story of diversity and tradition. The collection ranges from monumental bronze sculptures that adorn its plaza to magnificent murals, portraits, and paintings that bring vibrancy to its interior. The works in the collection are exhibited on each floor of the building, primarily in the public areas of the Capitol.

The Capitol Art Collection is primarily comprised of paintings and bronze sculptures which commemorate significant individuals and historical events, and celebrate the natural resources and diverse geographic regions of our state. The permanent collection contains works of art that date from circa 1919 to the present by world-class painters and sculptors that illustrate our state’s rich history from statehood.

The collection has created beauty and interest for the thousands of tourists and schoolchildren who come to the Capitol. These works of art are an invaluable reference and research tool for students, educators, scholars and anyone interested in the study of Oklahoma history. This provides educators with an opportunity to use an interdisciplinary approach to Oklahoma history and art.

New acquisitions are accepted through publicly or private-funded commissions, or gifts to the state from private individuals or organizations. All acquisitions must be approved by the Capitol Preservation Commission after proposals have been reviewed and recommended by the Arts Standards Committee, a committee of select members from the general commission.

General History of the Collection

The first artwork acquired by the state of Oklahoma was the bronze sculpture by Constance Whitney Warren titled Tribute to Range Riders, which is located on the South Plaza of the Capitol grounds. Created in 1926, the sculpture was acquired shortly after the bronze titled The Cowboy, featuring a life-size sculpture of a cowboy on a bucking horse was unveiled at the Texas State Capitol in 1925.

The first artwork that was commissioned for the interior of the Capitol was dedicated in 1928, only ten years after the end of World War I. The monumental mural titled Pro Patria, which translates to “For One’s Country,” was commissioned by Bartlesville oilman Frank Phillips to commemorate the tragedies and triumphs of the First World War.

The next major commissioning of artwork was by the Oklahoma State Legislature in 1963. The Legislature commissioned Charles Banks Wilson to paint life-size portraits of Will Rogers, Sequoyah, and Senator Robert S. Kerr for the state capitol rotunda. These portraits were so successful that they led to a second commission in 1966 for a similar style portrait of the American Indian athlete, Jim Thorpe.

The abounding interest in the portraits of Robert S. Kerr, Sequoyah, Jim Thorpe, and Will Rogers painted by Wilson sparked the 1970 legislature to commission Wilson to create four murals depicting the history of Oklahoma from 1541 to 1906. The four monumental murals were dedicated in 1976. Since 1976, numerous works of art have been added to the collection, the following list is a summary of some of the most significant acquisitions in the collection’s history:

- 1982: First 21 Governors’ busts commissioned as part of the state’s Diamond Jubilee Celebration
- 1983: Original Black Portraits of Benjamin Harrison Hill, Albert Comstock, Roscoe Dunjee, and Edward McCabe
- 1989: As Long as the Waters Flow by Allan Houser (bronze sculpture)
- 1991: Flight of Spirit by Mike Larsen
- 1996: Oklahoma Black Gold by Jeff Dodd
- 1999: We Belong to the Land by Jeff Dodd
- 2001: Kate Barnard by Sandra Van Zandt (bronze sculpture)
- 2002: The Guardian by Enoch Kelly Haney (bronze sculpture)
- 2005: Black Portraits by Simmie Knox
- 2007: Ada Lois Sipuel Fisher by Mitsuno Reedy
- 2009: The Senate Collection gift of 29 paintings and sculptures
- 2010: Te Ata portrait by Nellie E. Shepherd
- 2010: Beyond the Centennial mural by Carlos Tello

State Art Collection

The Betty Price Gallery, located on the 1st floor, west wing of the State Capitol, houses the State Art Collection. Curated by the Oklahoma Arts Council, the current exhibition features more than 100 works of art by artists who were
born in, trained in, or have produced a significant portion of their work in the state. This museum quality gallery features rotating exhibitions of works from the collection. The current exhibition of the State Art Collection is organized into five sections: Highlights of the Collection, Recent Acquisitions, Works on Paper, Modern and Contemporary Art, and Sculpture.

The State Art Collection was established in January 1971 to collect and preserve the work of Oklahoma artists. The collection’s primary purpose is to serve as an educational resource. The Council manages and cultivates the collection by continuing to acquire donated works. The Acquisitions Committee, comprised of private citizens from around the state, reviews all proposed gifts to the collection. The committee provides its recommendations to the general membership of the Oklahoma Arts Council, which must approve all new acquisitions.

**Temporary Capitol Galleries**

The Oklahoma Arts Council supports the work of professional Oklahoma artists by showcasing their work in three galleries in the State Capitol: the North, East, and Governor’s Gallery. Curated by the Oklahoma Arts Council, the gallery spaces feature temporary exhibitions that rotate approximately every 60 days. Artists are Oklahoma citizens who live and work in our state.

The exhibitions exemplify the artistic quality and cultural diversity in our state and enrich the lives of Oklahomans and Capitol visitors alike while promoting public interest and understanding of the arts.

- **East Gallery - Located on the 1st floor, east wing, this gallery features paintings and mixed media works.**
- **North Gallery - Located on the 1st floor, north wing, this gallery features photography and works on paper.**
- **Governor’s Gallery - Located on the 2nd floor adjacent to the Governor’s Blue Room, this gallery features paintings and mixed media works.**

The Oklahoma Arts Council reviews submitted portfolios. Factors taken into consideration in the selection of artists include the artist’s connection to the state, professional status, physical nature of artwork in relation to exhibit space, diverse ethnic and cultural background of artist and statewide representation.

Artistic excellence and artistic merit are the criteria by which artwork will be considered, taking into account general standards of decency and respect for the diverse beliefs and values of the people of this state. All proposed exhibits must be approved by the Capitol Preservation Commission after proposals have been reviewed and recommended by the Arts Standards Committee, a committee of the select members from the general commission.

**Needs**

The Capitol Art Collection has grown extensively in both the number of works and the scale of the work that ranges from small to monumental murals and sculptures. The acquisition of artwork imposes certain legal and ethical obligations to ensure the long-term care and management of the collection on behalf of the state’s citizens.

**Collections Management and Care: Standards and Best Practices**

On behalf of the Capitol Preservation Commission, the Oklahoma Arts Council serves as the Collections Manager for the Capitol Art Collection. As a collaborative effort, the Commission and Council should develop standards and best practices that would provide the framework for decisions that determine the long-term development, care, and management of the Capitol Art Collection. While the Art Standards Committee and CPC have rules and regulations, museum industry standards and best practices should be outlined in order to ensure the preservation of the collection.

Issues addressed in outlining these standards and best practices include: mission of the collection; statement of authority; definition of collections; collecting plan; ethics; documentation; acquisition; deaccession; access; loans; care and maintenance; conservation; storage; environment; inventory; risk management; insurance; integrated pest management; disaster planning; security; and policy revisions.

**Inventory**

One of the primary responsibilities of a collecting institution is to preserve and care for its collection. Inventories determine the number of objects that the state of Oklahoma is accountable to care for in addition to aiding security by deterring theft. An inventory identifies objects for insurance coverage purposes to ensure that the state’s Risk Management policy includes all applicable state-owned works of art. In addition, an inventory can also identify objects that need conservation and can provide the basis for planning and budgeting collection-related projects.

There are several types of inventories that can be done. The first type of inventory that should be conducted is a complete wall-to-wall inventory of the entire Capitol. This inventory would consist of viewing every object, producing records to its current location and status, and photographing each work for identification purposes. The wall-to-wall inventory would identify all works of art in the Capitol. After the complete wall-to-wall inventory takes place, the Collections Manager would need to reconcile the findings with current records. Many works of art in the Capitol are state-owned but do not fall under the control of CPC. A complete inventory would allow for all objects to
be identified. For work not under CPC care, the appropriate agency could be provided with a list of works of art under their care.

On a scheduled basis, section-by-section and spot inventories should be conducted. Section-by-section inventories are more thorough than a spot inventory, and focuses on some logical unit, such as checking the high-valued objects in the collection. A spot inventory is also performed to check the accuracy of records and the location of a small percentage of the collection. Unlike the section-by-section inventory, the spot inventory is not based on high-value and is more random in nature to ensure that records are updated. Generally, a complete wall-to-wall inventory is completed first, and then the other two inventories are performed on a regular schedule to ensure that record keeping and storage locations are current.

Conservation/Preservation
Long-term preservation of collections is affected by relative humidity, temperature, light, air pollution, and pests. From the moment of their creation, all objects are vulnerable to physical deterioration. This process can be mitigated by careful object handling, by providing good storage in a clean and stable environment, and by ensuring environmental stability while on exhibition. In order to preserve collections in a way that is safe and economically prudent, preventive care, also called preventative conservation, is the most cost-effective strategy. Preventative conservation is the mitigation of deterioration and damage to cultural property through the creation and implementation of the following: appropriate environmental conditions; handling and maintenance procedures for storage, exhibition, packing, transport, and use; integrated pest management; and, emergency preparedness and response.

If frequent reviews by a conservator had been employed, the condition of the Supreme Court Justices’ portraits in the ceremonial courtroom on the 2nd floor would not require such extensive and costly treatment. In addition, a preventative conservation practice would have deterred the extensive and partly irreversible damage to these early-acquired portraits. It has been estimated that a lack of proper routine maintenance is responsible for 95% of conservation treatments.

Currently, the Commission does not have an appropriated budget for the care and management of the collection, including preservation and conservation services. An annual budget should be developed and would include services such as routine and scheduled cleanings and consultations with conservators.

Environmental Stability of the Public Spaces: Temperature and Relative Humidity
Relative humidity (RH) may be defined as the proportion of the amount of water vapor in a given quantity of air compared to the maximum amount of water vapor that the air could hold at that same temperature, expressed as a percentage.

Maintenance of stable RH is desirable, as extremes and rapid fluctuations can result in severe damage by changes in shape and size, chemical reactions, and biodeterioration of materials comprising an object. Humidity less than 40% can result in tears in works on paper, flaking on paintings, cracking in sculptures, wooden frames to warp, and textiles to become brittle. Other consequences of unstable humidity include bronze disease, which is corrosion of metals and the damage of materials such as paper, textiles or wood, will expand with increasing RH.

A constant RH within a range of 45-55% for mixed collection has generally been preferred. The Capitol Art Collection is comprised of two-dimensional oil and acrylic paintings and a number of bronze (metal) sculptures. RH that is over 55% is too high for metals, including bronze, and can cause active corrosion above 55%.

Since temperature directly determines RH levels, its control is critical. Increased temperature will produce chemical deterioration, biological activity, and minor physical expansion of water-absorbing materials such as paper, textiles, and wood. It can also cause dimensional changes in metals such as bronze and may cause enamel to pop off. Ideally, the environment should be stable, as fluctuations in temperature affect relative humidity. For most objects, the optimum temperature range is 68-72 F (20-22 C) with 2-3F fluctuation within 24 hours. There is a consensus that it is better over the long term to keep levels a steady level within a range rather than have fluctuations above and below standard levels.

The public areas of the Capitol are not climate-controlled spaces. The ideal solution for the long-term care of the artwork in the spaces is to install climate-controlled equipment to regulate and stabilize the temperature and relative humidity. Since the building is a working space and the likelihood of installing the HVAC system for the public spaces is unlikely, the need to have frequent reviews of the artwork in these spaces is a necessity. Currently, the artwork is subject to unfavorable and frequently fluctuating environmental conditions.

As part of Texas State Capitol Preservation Board’s preventative conservation policies, the Board employs the services of a professional conservator to assess the condition of their entire collection every 5 years. The frequent review by a trained conservator ensures that early signs of deterioration may be handled prior to any extensive loss or damage.

Placement of Artwork
The majority of the collection is displayed on the fourth and fifth floors of the Capitol, concentrating in the Rotunda.
and public areas under the dome. The lack of space in this area has resulted in some oversized paintings to be hung in inserts that are too small for the works.

On the northeast wall, the large painting President Roosevelt Signing Statehood Proclamation by Mike Wimmer currently hangs on the Senate side off the Rotunda. The large scale of the painting and the ornate antique frame are too large for the insert and extend beyond the building's architectural molding. In addition, it is difficult to stand at a distance from the large painting for viewing purposes. The antique frame has extensive damage, resulting in numerous visible repairs and possible risk for damage in its current location.

On the second floor on the Senate side off the Rotunda, another large painting hangs in a small area. Steamboats on the Red River by Mike Wimmer is another example of a work that is too large for its current location. Similar to President Roosevelt Signing Statehood Proclamation by Mike Wimmer, this work is placed in an area where the viewer cannot stand at any distance to view the painting properly. Unlike the first painting, this work is framed in an appropriately sized frame that does not detract from the work.

In addition to these examples, there are other works of art in the Capitol that are installed in areas that are not size appropriate and detract from the work and the visitor's experience.

**Lighting**

Light is radiant energy that permanently damages light-sensitive materials by catalyzing degradation reactions. Both the type (proportion of ultraviolet and infrared light) and intensity (amount of illumination) of light affect an object's condition. The most damaging component of the light spectrum is UV light, which is invisible, short wave radiation.

The majority of the works in the Capitol Art Collection are oil and acrylic-based works on canvas or linen. The recommendation for maximum exposure of these moderately sensitive materials is no more than 150 lux or 15 footcandles.

Daylight is most hazardous to objects because of its intensity and high UV and infrared or long-wave radiation. The amount of daylight exposure can be reduced by shutters, curtains, or blinds. In addition, windows or skylights can be covered with plastic solar control film, varnish, or UV-filtering acrylic sheeting.

The lighting priority for the Capitol Art Collection is to control the amount of direct daylight that is irreversibly damaging the Historical Murals by Charles Banks Wilson. According to conservator Perry Houston's 2002 letter to the Capitol Dome Builders, “To give you an idea of the severity of the problem it may be useful to remember that the lighting on these murals before the dome was added [2002] was probably under 150 foot-candles in intensity. Now, from the dome windows these columns of light may be as high as 9000 foot-candles and move across the mural for a two to three hour period depending on the time of year. The damage being caused by this increased light level may be as much as 60 times more than was being caused by the former lighting...The light level, now in the dome, is excessive for the exhibition of paintings and murals.” Since it has been more than 5 years since the first assessment, a conservator should conduct a follow-up reassessment for possible light damage.

If outside light levels are reduced for object safety, the lighting of the spaces must be supplemented by superficial light. With the environmental conditions of unstable and uncontrolled temperature and relative humidity in the public areas of the Capitol, the exposure to further damaging elements should be reduced through the lighting system.

The new LED lighting technology offers energy-efficiency and drastically reduces the UV radiation exposure. In addition, the color temperature is a more pure white, which better illuminates the artwork without changing the color composition and enhances the visitors’ experience. The energy savings are estimated at 80% (the example of the State Art Collection gallery and the Temporary Galleries are estimated to save 80% annually). LED lighting does have some drawbacks including initial startup costs and the changing technology, which continues to improve. A lighting expert with an understanding of artwork preservation and museum standards for museums should be consulted in the case of the Capitol due to its numerous physical and budget challenges.

**Temporary Capitol Galleries: Lighting**

The current tracks for the lighting in both the North and East Galleries are loose and some are damaged. In addition, the cans on the tracks are inconsistent in size and style and many show signs of extreme wear.

Currently, there are two light cans per panel in each gallery. With larger works, more cans are required. Additional cans will give versatility and more options to efficiently light the exhibits to enhance the visitors’ experience.

**Signage**

Signage is a key component in the presentation of the artwork and ensures that information is easily accessible and readable. The signage and labeling of the artwork in the Capitol is inconsistent and the overall appearance is not aesthetically cohesive or pleasing for the visitor. Some works have gold plates installed directly on the frames while some works have no signage at all. In addition, for works with signage, the materials range from plastic to bronze. Stylistically, the House, Senate, and Oklahoma State Senate
Historical Preservation Fund, have all introduced different signage formats. Unfortunately, this lack of control of signage format has created an inconsistent experience for the visitor.

The Capitol Preservation Commission should develop standard formats as to size, shape, material, font, style, and content should be developed and enforced for future acquisitions. These standards for signage should be consistent throughout the public areas as well as the labeling for works of art that are state-owned but under the control of the House of Representatives and the Senate. Policies and procedures for the approval of signage in the Capitol in relation to artwork should be created by the Commission and communicated to the Department of Central Services, House, Senate, and the Oklahoma State Senate Historical Preservation Fund. Current works on display will need to be retrofitted with signage that is consistent with developed standards.

According to accessibility standards, signage in Braille should be considered and the height of signage installation should also be included in signage standards so that visitors with disabilities are able to read all labeling. Prior to the installation of any signage, the Collections Manager should approve all signage in the public areas to ensure that it is consistent with standards developed by the Commission.

Protection

The Capitol is the state’s working seat of government and receives thousands of visitors in addition to the state employees, legislators and other officials that visit the Capitol for government business on an annual basis. In comparison to a traditional museum environment, the visitors to the Capitol are sometimes unaware of the potential risks and hazards associated with works of art in public spaces. Access to the works of art are a priority but must be balanced by implementing protective barriers between the visitor and the collection.

Currently, brass railings are sporadically placed throughout the building. This lack of consistency detracts from the aesthetic beauty of the Capitol. Numerous works including The Centennial Suite by Wilson Hurley (2nd floor) and the Historical Portraits by Charles Banks Wilson (4th floor) are protected by brass railings. In addition, brass railings are placed in front of Wilson’s portraits of Dr. Angie Debo and Carl Albert (4th floor). The other portraits on the fourth floor, however, are not protected by brass railings. This inconsistency of protection should be addressed and the other works of art in the public areas should have railings installed for additional protection. Railings should be installed in the second and fourth floor areas that are typically reserved by both public and private entities. These areas are frequently reserved for parties, receptions and other events where food and drink are provided. The risk of damage is higher for these works due to the frequency and type of events held in these areas.

Temporary Capitol Galleries: Protection Railings

Suggested railings for the Temporary Capitol Galleries would be placed at the foot of each panel to prevent people and furniture from getting too close to or leaning against the artwork. These railings will also establish the spaces as galleries, while providing a barrier of protection.

Collections Storage

Collections storage is an essential component in the long-term care of collections. Collections care requires climate-controlled spaces for storage, research, cleaning, condition reporting, and other tasks involved in the care of collections.

In order to manage and care for the Capitol Art Collection, the State Art Collection, and the artwork under the temporary physical control of the state from the Temporary Capitol Galleries exhibitions, a centralized storage area is a necessity. Storage areas should be within the same vicinity but there should be separate areas designated for the Capitol Art Collection, State Art Collection, and Temporary Capitol Galleries. There are numerous factors that necessitate the storage of each of the collections and the temporarily held artwork in three separate areas of storage.

First is the size of the artwork. The Capitol Art Collection is a collection generally comprised of large to extra-large two-dimensional paintings and bronze sculptures. The State Art Collection has a varied mix of sizes ranging from small to large. The Temporary Capitol Galleries hold works that are typically two-dimensional paintings, photography, works on paper, and some three-dimensional works attached to walls and the work ranges in size from small to large.

The second reason is the range of media represented in the collections and exhibited artwork. The Capitol Art Collections contains mostly oil and acrylic paintings on canvas or linen in addition to bronze sculptures. The State Art Collection, however, holds many oil and acrylic paintings in addition to two-dimensional works on paper, photography, fiber art, sculpture, ceramics, and mixed media works. Due to the range of materials utilized in the creation of the artwork in the collections, the standards for the climate-control levels in the Capitol Art Collection, State Art Collection, and Temporary Galleries will vary.

Collections Storage: Design

Collections storage should be located in an area separate from all other activity, removed from exhibition and general administrative functions. While very few large spaces are available in the Capitol, the opportunity to care and store the state’s art treasures in the Capitol minimizes the risk of damage to the collection by limiting the movement of collection objects and ensures the long-term preservation of these significant collections for the state’s citizens.
Under ideal circumstances, separate areas of the centralized storage facility would have distinct storage sections for the Capitol Art Collection, the State Art Collection, and the Temporary Capitol Galleries. The Capitol Art Collection and State Art Collection are permanent, state-owned works of art and should have the highest standard of care to ensure their long-term preservation. The storage of the artwork that is part of the exhibitions in the rotating Temporary Galleries should be climate-controlled but the standard of stability will not be as stringent and the materials for storage will not be archival. Specific storage needs of each collection are discussed in detail below.

Other areas in the facility should have distinct sections that would be used for several purposes: temporary storage for processing incoming or outgoing works, a place for research of collections, space for keeping storage supplies, an area for the temporary storage of works from the rotating galleries, and an area for cleaning and maintenance tasks associated with the collections. The temporary storage for processing objects area should also be maintained at the same relative humidity and temperature as the main storage areas to which the artwork would proceed next.

Pipes running through storage should be avoided and works cannot be placed under or near the pipes. If pipes are within the vicinity of storage, all works must be placed on fixtures off the ground in case of pipe breaks.

Separate Areas in Storage:

1. **Study Area**: A study of collections area should be a separate works space outside the storage area that is accessible for conservators and researchers to review and study objects.

2. **Processing Area**: This area would include a space dedicated to measuring, photographing, marking and preparing works of art that are returning to storage or in preparation for exhibit.

3. **Temporary Capitol Galleries Storage Area**: Designated to temporarily store packing material and other works of art loaned to the state for the rotating galleries in the Capitol.

4. **Capitol Art Collection Storage Area**: Area designated solely to store the Capitol Art Collection.

5. **State Art Collection Storage Area**: Area designated solely to store the Capitol Art Collection.

6. **Laboratory Area**: An area with a sink, tables and other equipment in order to conduct minor cleaning and maintenance tasks associated with the collections.

**Collections Storage: Security**

Security against theft and vandalism is a critical component of storage planning. Collections storage entrances and exits should be minimal with the main entrance close to the freight elevator for minimal transportation of artwork from storage. Computer monitoring of the entrance of collections storage should be wired into the Oklahoma Highway Patrol's security cameras. Alarming devices should be fitted on doors that are opened without authorization to deter theft.

Access to collections storage should be limited to collections managers and curators who work with the collections. The building superintendent should have a master key for emergency purposes only.

The door opening to the collections storage should accommodate the largest of collections objects. Curatorial staff should be logged into storage either by a key card system, key control logs, or locked doors.

**Collections Storage: Environmental Stability**

Temperature and relative humidity are two key components of good storage. A centralized HVAC (heating-ventilation-air conditioning) or climate-control system maintains temperature and relative humidity at constant levels. Since the Capitol is on the National Register of Historic Places, retrofitting the building with this system may be challenging without jeopardizing the historical integrity of the Capitol. General solutions to temperature and relative humidity problems are usually monitored by tracking levels and fluctuations in spaces with hygrothermographs. A less expensive option to hygrothermographs is the hobologger, a smaller piece of equipment that tracks temperature, relative humidity, and light levels at interval readings. The data from the hobologger can then be downloaded to a computer for monitoring. At the room level, humidifiers or dehumidifiers may need to be used to bring relative humidity closer to optimum levels.

The relative humidity levels in the State Art Collection gallery on the first floor, west wing of the Capitol have not been constant since the opening of the gallery in November 2007. Relative humidity levels have fluctuated over 40%, between the levels of 20% to 60% humidity. Optimum levels are set around 50-55% by the American Association of Museums. In order to ensure relative humidity is closer to optimum levels, separate humidifiers may need to be placed throughout the gallery. Museum standards require a less than 5% fluctuation in a 24-hour period. Fluctuations can cause stress to collections materials by forcing them to expand and contract on a microscopic level. This stress eventually wears out the collections. Since fluctuations in humidity levels have proven to be the most damaging, stability is more important than occasionally reaching the optimum level.
The works in the Capitol Art Collection are comprised of mainly two-dimensional paintings and bronze sculptures. The optimum humidity level for paintings is 40-55% while bronze sculptures are optimally stored below 40%. The State Art Collection is comprised of a larger variety of media from paintings, water-based media on paper, works on paper, etchings, mixed media works, photography, sculpture, basketry, turned wood, textiles, and ceramics. The optimal levels of humidity for the different media range from 30-35% for photography to 60-65% for baskets.

Collections Storage: Light levels
Light levels should be kept low in storage areas to protect against both intense visible and ultraviolet (UV) light, which can cause fading or trigger chemical reactions. Fluorescent bulbs have a high UV output and should not be used or used only when fitted with filters. Halogen bulbs have a lower UV output but generate a higher level of heat. The heat produced requires the HVAC or climate-control system to work harder to keep the temperature stable and constant.

Since light damage is permanent, LED lighting should be considered because it drastically reduces the UV exposure of the artwork in addition to being more energy-efficient and longer lasting.

A motion-censored system should be utilized in order to use the lights only when the collections storage is in use. The light system should also be an emergency lighting source and flashlights should be available. All exterior doors should not incorporate windows so that natural light enters the space. In addition, any exterior windows should be eliminated or covered.

Collections Storage: Storage Equipment
The State Art Collection has good quality storage equipment. The Capitol Art Collection, however, does not include any storage equipment. Good quality storage equipment is a worthwhile investment. Well-built shelving and other materials can help preserve and protect collections. By housing works in good storage fixtures, additional protection from the vagaries of light, temperature fluctuation, pollutants and pests can be additionally mitigated. Proper storage of works should be in closed cabinets or in open shelving with dust and light covers, which is a low-cost method to minimize exposure. Wood storage should not be used due to the nature of the material to attract pests and the additional risk of gassing.

Additional shelving that could be less expensive would be utilized in the area of the Temporary Galleries storage in order to temporarily store works and packing material associated with the galleries. Additional equipment required for the safe handling and care of the collections includes carts with straps for the movement of large, framed, two-dimensional works and two-tiered carts for moving smaller and more fragile objects.

Collections Storage: Materials
Specialized storage materials need to be used to support and pad objects in order to protect them from bumps and snags caused by overcrowding, vibrations, or internal structural failure. Within each storage unit, each object should have a place to stand or lie by itself on a shelf or drawer, rather than being stacked or crowded with other objects. Adequate padding and supports should protect objects from collisions and vibrations caused by walking or by retrieving other objects. Works being hung should be supported in more than one place to prevent the weight of the painting or object from tearing the edges away from the hanger or to cause stress. The types of materials and supplies used in storage can directly affect collections. Many commonly used office supplies do not have archival qualities. Unknown materials should not be used. Storage materials should be recommended by a conservator for specific collection situations and should be carefully selected.

Collections Storage: Fire Protection System
Fire suppression systems should be installed in storage areas. Current thinking for museums or collections storage recommends a water sprinkler system with air-charged pipes. The air in the pipe prevents water leaks and gives a time delay to stop the system if a false alarm is triggered. In most instances, the potential fire damage and threat of fire spreading in the collections storage are considered higher risks than water damage; however, a conservator or input from fire officials and specialists should be evaluated and considered in the selection of a fire protection system for storage areas. Other options include mist systems. In addition, fire extinguishers should be positioned regularly throughout the collections storage for staff use in the case of an emergency.

Collections Storage: Disaster Mitigation Planning
A disaster preparedness plan focuses on preparing for and mitigating the damage from catastrophic events that endanger people and collections. In addition to the objects in the collections, as a public space, the Capitol is responsible for the safety of visitors and employees. Writing a disaster preparedness plan will be a collaborative project between numerous agencies and offices to ensure that individuals and objects are cared for in the event of an emergency. The plan for collections would be integrated into an overall emergency plan for the Capitol but would be generally collections specific.
A fire safety program should be part of the framework for a disaster mitigation plan. Fire policies and procedures would establish who has the primary authority for implementing the plan and would clarify staff responsibilities in support of fire safety with collections. Fire prevention planning would address situations such as exhibit production, conservation labs, kitchen facilities in the building, and building equipment. Almost every function and space near the collections storage that would pose a risk from fires would be addressed. The Collections Manager would work with the Commission and a safety officer to establish appropriate procedures for fire prevention as well as response to fire in the Capitol.

Collections Storage: Maintenance
Collections management staff prefers to perform the housekeeping duties in storage. Staff members can clean areas regularly. Regular housekeeping by staff trained in handling objects provides an opportunity to inspect objects for possible problems. When additional housekeeping duties are required, collections management staff should accompany any janitorial staff. When any maintenance workers are required to be in storage areas, staff with collections responsibilities should accompany them.

Projected Budget
The Capitol Art Collection and other works of art in the Capitol require a budget to be developed to support the objectives necessary for their care and management. The budget should clarify the objectives of collections care and provide the rationale for revenue and expenditure projections.

Currently, the Commission relies on the Friends of the Capitol to provide grants for any conservation related expenses. However, collections care requires scheduled cleanings, conservator consultations, appraisals, framing, collections storage, appraisals, equipment, materials, labeling, signage, lighting, and other services outlined in this document which are necessary to adequately care for collections according to the American Association of Museum standards and best practices.

State Capitol: Guidelines for Other Spaces
The following are recommendations to the Department of Central Services in their set up procedures for special events at the Capitol. Implementing these changes will ensure that there is a safe distance between the state’s treasures and possible risk factors:

- Tables or chairs must be placed at least 24” from walls or railings near artwork
- Tables with food or drink must be placed at least 36” from walls or railings near artwork

These additional guidelines should be provided to individuals and organizations utilizing the public spaces of the Capitol:

- Food and Drink
  While food and drink are permitted in the public areas of the Capitol, tables with food and drink should be placed at least 36” from any walls or railings. No food or drink is permitted on landings, past railings, or directly under artwork.
- Touching Artwork
  In order to preserve the artwork that is on display, visitors are cautioned not to touch objects and works of art. The oils that are on our hands and in our skin can damage the artwork. In addition, objects should not be leaned against or placed on the artwork or its frame, display, or supporting materials.
- Equipment and Displays
  The Capitol is utilized for events, programs and organizations. The use of equipment such as tables, chairs and displays must be placed at least 24” from walls and railings. Personal or work items cannot be stored, placed or displayed on or beyond railings.

State Capitol: Guidelines for Other Spaces
In addition to the Capitol Art Collection and State Art Collection, the Capitol houses other state-owned collections that fall under the control of the House of Representatives and the Senate. In addition, other works of art are privately owned by the Oklahoma State Senate Historical Preservation Fund, Inc.

The Capitol Preservation Commission is responsible for the artwork that is located in the public areas and has no control over the care and management of the House, Senate, and Senate Preservation Fund collections. However, for the House and Senate collections, the state of Oklahoma has a legal and ethical obligation to ensure the long-term care of the works since they are state-owned. Guidelines should be created and provided to the House of Representatives and the Senate so that certain standards of care are communicated to the appropriate divisions of government.

Temporary Capitol Galleries
History
The first of the Temporary Galleries established in the Capitol was the Governor’s Gallery. The Governor’s Gallery was initiated by Governor George Nigh who wanted to recognize Oklahoma artists in the form of an “Artist of the Month” exhibit. While the opening exhibit did not feature one particular artist, it featured select works from the State Art Collection and opened on November 11, 1979. The gallery featured some traveling and group exhibitions with Oklahoma. Since its inauguration, the gallery has featured exhibitions of work by hundreds of Oklahoma artists.

On December 8, 1986, Governor George Nigh dedicated the East Gallery for rotating gallery exhibitions featuring Oklahoma artists. The North Gallery was the last gallery
to be selected as a venue for artists and currently features works on paper such as photography and printmaking by Oklahomans working and living in the state.

**Description**
The Oklahoma Arts Council supports the work of professional Oklahoma artists by showcasing their work in three galleries in the State Capitol: the North, East and Governor's Gallery. Curated by the Oklahoma Arts Council, the gallery spaces feature temporary exhibitions that rotate approximately every 60 days. The exhibitions exemplify the artistic quality and cultural diversity in our state and enrich the lives of Oklahomans and Capitol visitors alike while promoting public interest and understanding of the arts.

**Temporary Capitol Galleries: Needs**
North, East and Governor’s Galleries: Cleaning or Replacement of Haitian Cotton Walls (panel inserts for hanging artwork)

1. Cleaning Estimate: North and East Galleries
All the inserts in the three galleries are covered with Haitian cotton. Unfortunately, over the years the cotton has become dirty, discolored, and damaged. Cost estimates for professional cleaning of the North and East Gallery inserts are estimated at $2,900. The Governor's Gallery wall inserts will need to be completely replaced and cannot be salvaged by professional cleaning due to the extent of filth.

**North Gallery**
Wall inserts:
- 8’ x 10’ (2) = 160 sq. ft.
- 8’ x 8’ (6) = 384 sq. ft.

**East Gallery**
Wall inserts:
- 8’ x 10’ (13) = 1040 sq. ft.
- 8’ x 14’ (2) = 224 sq. ft.

2. Replacement of Capitol Galleries Insert Wall Panels (Estimate provided April 2008)
   Fabric/Materials ($19.90/yard with 500-yard minimum order required and includes shipping)
   - 480 yards needed for all three galleries:
     - $9,950.00
   Labor (including trim and foam backing):
     - $5,800.00
   **Total:**
     - $18,300.00

In addition to the cotton coverings, the walls are lined with three-quarter inch plywood. Nails are attached to this plywood to hang the artwork in the exhibits. The plywood is loose in several areas and requires repair. The current condition of the plywood limits the amount of weight one panel can hold and increases the potential for damage.
Overview.
The goal of this document is to provide a general report on existing conditions within this building, and its importance to the history and future of the State of Oklahoma. In addition, to begin the discussions for undertaking the specific tasks and implementation to help sustain this structure to serve our government and to be enjoyed by its citizens.

The items discussed in this report would then be fully investigated as architectural and engineering firms are engaged to prepare for specific projects.

Existing Conditions.
This report takes a broad look over each individual building system and area. Items have been reviewed for historic preservation significance, construction integrity, life safety, and future use requirements.

A more in depth list of many issues desired is found in the body of this document within the list compiled by the CPC. Several more pressing issues are summarized within this section.

Exterior.
• The Capitol grounds are beautiful, but will always require continual maintenance.

• Granite steps require restoration in some areas, and exterior pavers require routine grout and sealant maintenance. Note the area where the upper plaza meets the steps on the south. The 3” granite band is heavily deteriorated. The use of salts and the freeze thaw cycle has accelerated its deterioration.

• Many of the foundation and lower areas have water and moisture issues. Steps need to be taken to prevent water infiltration. During recent rains, the east tunnel as well as other lower levels have filled with as much as 3” of water. The location where the east tunnel and the original foundation/basement wall meets has been especially problematic. The expansion joint assembly has deteriorated.

Proposed solutions have included drilling shallow wells and “siphoning” to lower the immediate water table.

• The exterior limestone’s current level of deterioration is one of the most pressing and critical issues. Information on proper restoration has been included in this document.

• The copper roof has had 70% of its area replaced in recent years. The copper roof still has 30% of its area to replace. This should be an immediate goal to obtain a “benchmark” with regards to the copper roof and consider it complete. The areas of low slope are covered with “modified bitumen” roofing. With moderate maintenance, this roofing should have a 15 to 20 year lifespan.

Interior.
• The general interior of the Capitol, with few exceptions, is in wonderful condition. Some of the non-public spaces do not reflect the same character as the restored and maintained public spaces. These areas need to be reviewed and rehabilitated to more sensitively reflect the original design intent of the Capitol.

• The terrazzo on the basement level was installed on improper substrate (what was originally dirt, then asphalt). This accounts for the movement that has lead to the cracking. The only repair is to fully remove the flooring and replace with properly supported flooring.

• Wall and ceiling surfaces in the public spaces are in good condition. Consideration will need to be given to maintaining these surfaces as other plumbing and electrical renovations and upgrades will disrupt the finishes.

Structural.
• The buildings structure presents a stable platform for the Capitols continued use for the next 100 years. There is evidence of cracking in some areas of the marble floors but these are not considered to be growing or escalating.

The routine settlement of a one hundred year old building is often to blame. Few of these cracks exceed 1/8” in width.

• One area of concern is a corbelled brick support under a concrete beam within the roof structure of the south portico. This brick support is showing compressive failure and crumbling. This needs to be immediately addressed.

• A crack does exist on the 4th floor, northeast corner, adjacent to the entry to the senate offices. A “crack-guage” should be placed here to further evaluation. In addition, the area in the south pediment must be monitored until bracing can be added to the cantilevered concrete beam.
Plumbing.
- The plumbing system has never had a complete restoration. Several different piping types are being used together. With many sections being original to the building, an in depth plumbing rehabilitation should be made a priority.
- Several plumbing lines have deteriorated to the point that they are leaching effluent into the chase and adjacent walls and, at some points, dripping onto mechanical equipment and ceilings.
- Much of the original piping is encased within concrete structure, which will require new chases to be created to abandon the deteriorated lines.
- A coordinated effort will need to be maintained with restoring walls disturbed by any plumbing renovations.

Electrical.
The electrical system is woefully deficient except in areas renovated in the past twenty-five to thirty years. Areas still exist in porcelain insulators and cloth insulated wire.

The only feasible way to consider a complete electrical upgrade is in conjunction with a complete building restoration. This is due to the fact that the electrical system is typically “within” the walls of the building.

- The electrical system has been modified many times over the history of the building.
- Many of the electrical rooms do not meet current clearance and safety codes applicable today. Considerations should be made for reasonable compliance.
- Consideration should be given to updating the elevator equipment to remove the existing 240V electrical system.
- Considerations should be made for providing an emergency generator system to serve life safety loads for the overall facility.
- Several areas throughout the public spaces have exposed conduits, communications lines, and security cabling. These items need to be relocated to reduce or eliminate visibility. Coordination with wall surface restorations must be considered.

Restoration Goals.
For the long term sustainability of the Capitol Building, the most pressing overall restoration goal is to stop any deterioration of the building. This is most evident in the limestone exterior. In addition, water infiltration into lower level building areas must be mitigated.

To prioritize the individual projects or the phasing of a major restoration requires stable oversight of a group that would be required to maintain this task until the restoration was complete.

The Capitol Preservation Commission will establish a restoration goal statement and subsequent plan upon completion of restoration programming. The starting point of this is the goal list presently compiled by the CPC.

Design Standards.
All subsequent projects must adhere to a set of design standards.

A future goal must be to adequately enforce written comprehensive design standards for the entire Capitol. These guidelines will enforce consistency and create a grand historic atmosphere throughout the building.

The House and Senate Chambers are great examples of the quality of character that deserves to be seen throughout the building. The chambers were restored to meet the same quality of detail that was intended when the Capitol was built. We believe that the Capitol should return to this level of quality throughout the entire building.

To achieve this high quality of character, strict design standards must be developed and placed into this document.

The development of design standards is one of the first steps to be undertaken in a comprehensive restoration program.

Any future work of any magnitude will involve the inclusion of chases and mechanical closets to contain ductwork for a modern HVAC system. This may slightly alter the historic characteristics of existing rooms.
Photo 167-1. An original door leaf within an ornate entry surround.

Photo 167-2. An original exterior door leaf.

Photo 167-3. Images above depict doors that meet the original design intent of the Capitol and satisfy the standards adopted by the CPC. All doors should reflect these design standards.

Photo 167-4. Photo of historic State Seal door knob. Many remain, however many more have been removed or replaced.

Photo 167-5. ADA now requires lever type door hardware, the above illustration is for a design of custom hardware to evoke the same level of detail given to the original construction of the Capitol Building.
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## SCHEDULE OF VALUES

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**General Liability** 0.25% $152,233.58

**Payment & Performance Bond** 1.00% $608,934.30

**Historical Consultant** 1.50% $913,401.45

**Architectural Fee** 10.00% $6,089,343.00

**Contractor Contingency** 18.00% $10,960,817.40

**Recommended GMP Base Budget** $84,702,761.13

**Material Tax** 

**Recommended GMP Total Budget** $84,702,761.13 $211.76

**Alternate to Add All air system with Chiller and Boilers** $18,725,000.00 $46.81

**Alternate to Add for 42 Month Schedule** $1,623,800.00 $4.06

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Note: This page is a summary of the detailed cost estimate prepared by White Associates. Pages 3 – 31 of the report have been omitted from this publication for the purposes of brevity but are on file at the Construction and Properties Division, Department of Central Services.
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**Table: Estimate of Service Lives of Various System Components - Source "ASHRAE HVAC Applications (2003) Chapter 36, Page 3"**

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- Air-cooled condensers                              | 20           |
- Evaporative condensers                             | 20           |
- Insulation                                         |              |
- Molded                                             | 20           |
- Blanket                                            | 24           |
- Pumps                                              |              |
- Base-mounted                                       | 20           |
- Pipe-mounted                                       | 10           |
- Sump and well                                      | 10           |
- Condensate                                         | 15           |
- Reciprocating engines                              | 20           |
- Steam turbines                                     | 30           |
- Electric motors                                    | 18           |
- Motor starters                                     | 17           |
- Electric transformers                              | 30           |
- Controls                                           |              |
- Pneumatic                                          | 20           |
- Electric                                           | 16           |
- Electronic                                         | 15           |
- Valve actuators                                    |              |
- Hydraulic                                          | 15           |
- Pneumatic                                          | 20           |
- Self-contained                                     | 10           |
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Benham Companies was commissioned by the Oklahoma Department of Central Services to perform a study of the Heating and Air Conditioning Systems at the Oklahoma State Capitol in November of 2005.

The existing system consists of individual water source heat pumps connected to a condenser water loop. Water in the loop is circulated on demand by the heat pumps and individual heat pumps use the water in the loop as a heat source or heat sink to accommodate the needs of the space being served by the individual heat pump units.

The condenser water loop has a combination of geothermal heat wells and a cooling tower to add or reject heat to the loop. Water temperature is maintained between 70 and 90 degrees F by cycling the cooling tower. The system has been in operation since the late ‘80s. Total Electrical Consumption for the building from July 2004 to July 2005 was $1.23/SF compared to $1.65/SF for the average total electric building in Oklahoma City during the same period.

ASHRAE has a procedure to calculate maintenance costs for different types of heating and air conditioning systems and following that procedure the expected costs for the existing system would be $144,000 per year. Maintenance Costs for the existing system were obtained from DCS records and show a total of $129,440 for 2005.

Two other all air systems were modeled to compare Life Cycle Costs between them and a totally new heat pump system utilizing the existing geothermal wells as a heat source. The results of the Life Cycle Costing Study are as follows:

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Based on the results of the study, it is recommended that a new water source heat pump system be installed and that the existing geothermal wells be utilized as a heat source for the heat pumps.

During the building survey building code deficiencies that affect life safety and fire protection were identified and brought to the attention of DCS. Benham was apprised of the fact that projects are underway to correct the situation in the near future.
INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Study is to provide the Oklahoma Department of Central Services and other interested State Government Agencies with facts concerning the installation and operation of the Heating and Air Conditioning System at the Oklahoma State Capitol.

The existing system was installed in the late 1980s to serve the lower three floors of the building and consists of a distributed system of water source heat pumps that are connected to a system of underground thermal wells in order to provide heat to the circulating water loop. The individual heat pumps provide either heating or cooling as required to satisfy room thermostats.

During the early 1990s, the system was expanded to serve the three upper levels of the State Capitol. However, the Rotunda and other common areas have not been air conditioned and the existing artwork is at risk for temperature and humidity damage.

With the original system approaching the end of it’s expected life, it makes sense to look at different options that are available to the State to provide adequate heating and cooling service to this facility.

Three different systems have been selected for comparative purposes as a part of this study and they are:

- Geothermal Water Source Heat Pump System
- Variable Air Volume System with Chilled and Hot Water Generation
- Variable Air Volume System with Hot Water Generation and DX cooled coils

The Geothermal Water Source Heat Pump System would utilize the existing infrastructure with new and upgraded equipment to meet present criteria. Water cleaning systems will be installed to improve the quality of the water in both the cooling towers and the closed condenser water systems.

The VAV system utilizing Chilled and Hot Water will require the creation of several new Mechanical Rooms to house the Air Handling equipment and a central plant to house chillers and boilers to generate the heating and cooling water required at the air handlers. The most practical location for the central plant would be the area SW of the Capitol that presently houses the cooling tower associated with the geothermal system with the new piping connecting the building to the central plant running through the underground tunnel presently connecting the two facilities.

The VAV system utilizing Hot water generation and DX cooling coils will also require the creation of several Mechanical Rooms to house the Air Handling equipment plus a central plant to house the new hot water boilers. The existing condenser water
system with cooling towers and pumps will be expanded to serve the compressors at the air handling units. The new heating water piping will be routed through the tunnel as before.

Note: This preceding executive summary and introduction is a summary of the detailed engineering study prepared by Benham in 2006. Pages 6 – 280 of the report have been omitted from this publication for the purposes of brevity but are on file at the Construction and Properties Division, Department of Central Services.