

900 W. 5th Street

Historic Name: Peter J. and Anna Kraus House

Other Name:

PROPERTY FEATURES:

Year Built: 1903

Additions:

Survey Date: 2005

Historic Use: house

Architectural Style: Neoclassical

Property Type: Building

Structural System:

Wall Material: Clapboard

Architect:

Other Buildings On Site:

Demolished?: No

Demolished Date:



DESIGNATIONS:

National/State Register Listing Name: West Fifth St.-West Sixth St. Historic District

National Register Listing Date: 2006-02-14

State Register Listing Date: 2005-09-23

National Register Multiple Property Name:

NOTES:

Additional Information: THE BEST AND NOW ALSO THE ONLY NEOCLASSICAL REVIVAL STYLE HOUSE IN MARSHFIELD. THE HOUSE HAS A TILE ROOF AND THERE IS A LARGE EN SUITE GARAGE BEHIND THE HOUSE THAT IS ALSO CLAD IN CLAPBOARDS AND WHICH HAS A TILE ROOF AS WELL. Peter J. Kraus was a successful early mercantile business owner in Marshfield who subsequently operated an insurance agency in the city. 2005- earliest Period Revival style house in the district and it is also one of the most impressive, thanks in large part to thorough maintenance. This is the only Neo-Classical house in Marshfield found by the Marshfield Intensive Survey and it is a superb example. two-stories-tall, almost square in plan. Main facade is dominated by a two-story-tall, colossal order portico whose flat roof is upheld by paired, fluted Ionic columns. The house rests on a stone foundation, its exterior walls are



clad in wood clapboards, and these walls are sheltered by a shallow-pitched hip roof covered in red tiles. The main north-facing elevation of the house is symmetrical in design and three bays wide, with the main entrance door placed in the first story of the center bay and having a balcony supported on console brackets placed just above it. All of the windows on the house are twelve-over-twelve-light double hung sash and larger windows are used in two projecting one-story ells on the east-facing side elevation of the house. The Kraus house occupies a sizable corner lot and it also has a large garage located behind it that has a tile roof as well.



Bibliographic References: SANBORN-PERRIS MAPS OF MARSHFIELD: 1884, 1887, 891, 1898, 1904, 1912, 1925, 1925 (UPDATED TO 1941), 1925 (UPDATED TO 1960). SCHNITZLER, DONALD H. (ED.) THE MARSHFIELD STORY. VOL. 1., AMHERST, WI, 1997; VOL. 2, EAGLE RIVER, WI, 2000, P. 550. CHARLES, C. W. MARSHFIELD ILLUSTRATED. MARSHFIELD, 1905, ILLUSTRATED ON THE LAST PAGE. CITY OF MARSHFIELD TAX ROLLS. 2005, Timothy F. Heggland. National Register of Historic Places Registration Form, West Fifth Street - West Sixth Street Historic District, Marshfield, WI.

Additional Wisconsin Historic District information at: <http://preview.wisconsinhistory.org/Content.aspx?dsNav=Ny:True,Ro:0,Nrc:id-4294966367%7cid-5,N:4294963828-4294963814&dsNavOnly=N:4294966362&dsRecordDetails=R:HI55555&dsDimensionSearch=D:900+W.+5th+St.+Marshfield+WI,Dxm:All,Dxp:3&dsCompoundDimensionSearch=D:900+W.+5th+St.+Marshfield+WI,Dxm:All,Dxp:3>