Pawhuska Drug

536 SOUTH KIHEKAH AVENUE, PAWHUSKA, OSAGE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA





Pawhuska Drug is a rectangular, two-story, brick building with a flat roof, listed in the National Register of Historic Places as a contributing resource to the Pawhuska Downtown Historic District (1986). It was constructed in 1912 as a drugstore and modified in the 1950s. On the first floor, the building has large original display windows with transoms and offset, recessed entries that provide access to the first and second floors. Four original windows with transoms are located on the second floor. The building's facade has two levels of impressive stone cornices that were painted. On the interior, aside from the mezzanine level, which had been blocked off with drywall, the first floor is mostly open space with painted plaster walls. The two most noticeable elements of the structure are the original mosaic floor and the painted pressed metal tile ceiling. The mosaic tile floor has the word "DRUGS" at the entrance. The second floor contained apartments.

The initial project was limited to the rehabilitation of the first floor and included restoration of the tin ceiling; installation of new mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems; construction of two full bathrooms; replacement/restoration of the original flooring and windows; opening the mezzanine level; installing a banister; and removal of the carport. After the certification of the project, the owner submitted an application to rehabilitate the second floor into an office and three apartments by installing new mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems, repairing existing wood floor, plaster walls, and replacing the existing plaster ceilings with pressed tin ceilings.

Project Profile

Year Built: 1912

Start of Rehab: 7/1/2014

Rehab Completion: 11/1/2014

Date of Certification: 2/6/2015

Original Use: Drug Store/Housing

New Use: Offices

Est. Total Project Cost: \$400,000

Est. Qualified Rehab Costs: \$300,000

Est. Combined Federal/State Tax

Credit (40%): \$120,000

Historic Preservation Consultant:

None

Architectural Consultant:

Bruce E. Smith, Owner

Property Owner/Developer:

Bruce E. Smith; Owner



Senator Bill Coleman (426)

Representative Ken Luttrell (405)