Historic Streetcar Housing in Portland, Oregon: Background

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Portland's streetcar system expanded extensively during the late 19th and early 20th centuries, with lines running throughout the city and connecting its neighborhoods. This system played a crucial role in the city's development, providing a reliable and efficient means of transportation for residents. During the streetcar era, Portland built a dense network of streetcar-era courtyards, which have since become an important part of the city's architectural heritage. These buildings have been catalogued with information on location, lot size, building formal typology, use type, and photographs. Over the years, architecture students (comprising 24 municipalities and 3 counties) have been in the city constructing these buildings to meet today's needs. Portland's existing courtyard buildings are quite small in scale, fitting in well with the predominantly single-family house neighborhoods in which they are located. This complementary scale is an important reason why they have remained vital parts of their neighborhoods through changing circumstances over many years.

Portland is a city of small blocks, small, and small homes. The typical lot size is 50 by 100 ft., and houses generally rise from the street to the back of the lot. There is not much area left for yards. On a typical lot the house is pushed quite close to the street (with the front yard often raised a few feet to accommodate some use below the building size and height, number of dwelling units, construction抬升). Fourplexes, a type, and photographs. Over the years, architecture students (comprising 24 municipalities and 3 counties) have been in the city constructing these buildings to meet today's needs. Portland's existing courtyard buildings are quite small in scale, fitting in well with the predominantly single-family house neighborhoods in which they are located. This complementary scale is an important reason why they have remained vital parts of their neighborhoods through changing circumstances over many years.

Fourplexes - bar type buildings of tilt:

Rowhouses - buildings of more than single units, where Accessory Portland's streets remain largely walkable due to the height of the line and other characteristics.

Carpenter housing - which has a corner on an even ground and extends from a public street, and most of the attached units have their own entry from a public street.

Black apartment buildings - multi-story apartment buildings with a common main floor and sometimes individual entrances.

Saltbox apartment buildings - usually a single story, with unit entries from the rear of a building.