Neon Sign Survey

Description of sign(s)

1. Name: \_\_Don’t Tell Mama Piano Bar

2. Owner: Assessor's page stated T-Breo II LLC (possibly owner of the property, but no owner of the bar/business was found.

3. Address: 517 Fremont St #110 89191

3b. Additional Site Details (information on site, site history, owner comments): \_Don’t Tell Mama opened in 2008/9 as a New York style piano bar. The name is inspired by the 1966 song “Don’t Tell Mama” in the broadway show ‘Cabaret’. They are known for their bartenders that double as entertainers as well as having open mic every night.

4. Condition (1-5 scale, with 5 being excellent, written description): 4- relatively new sign but also there is some aging.

5. Form (pylon, blade, porte cochere, etc): Hanging sign and a sign above the entrance

6. Specific Description: Rectangle sign is outlined in red neon . In lower case letters ‘don’t tell mama’ is spelt out in a painted white font, but at night the letters are in red cursive skeletal neon. Below the font there is a piano key design. On the building right above the entrance the sign is an image of a closed grand piano neon sign. The body of the piano during the day has blue tubes and illuminates blue at night. Some of the keys are blue and others are red.

7. Type of Display (neon, incandescent, etc): \_\_\_Neon\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8. Media (steel, plastic, fiberglass, etc): \_Plastic and steel\_

9. Non-neon treatments: \_\_Plastic backing for signs

10. Animation: \_\_\_None seen\_

11. Environment (surrounding properties, neighborhood):\_Located in the East Fremont District in between Las Vegas blvd and 6th St. This bar has the Beauty Bar to the west of it and Le Thai restaurant to the east. Across the street is Therapy and the Emergency Arts center.

Artistic Context

1. Manufacturer: \_Valley Signs and Lighting\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. Designer: Architect of Record: \_\_Tried to reach out to Valley signs and said they would call back with info, but no call back within a week.

3. Date of Installation: \_Google map shows that the sign has been up since at least 2014\_\_\_\_\_

4. Date(s) of any major redesign/move: \_None\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. Thematic Influence (design elements found on similar signs, elements related to the property, linkage to previous themes, trends, context): New York piano bar vibe, and since Neon is/was prominent New York it plays along with their theme.

6. Artistic Significance (themes and representation, era: time and design, trends, context): Piano bars were popular in the 1950’s. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Surveyor Notes

1. Research locations (archives, library, recorder’s office, etc)

Assessor's page, don’t tell mama website, Las Vegas Sun

2. Research notes

\_There is a Don’t Tell Mama in New York, but did not find an affiliation or a real connection .\_\_

3. Any other relevant surveyor remarks

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Surveyor Date

\*Please attach a map from the assessor’s site when possible.