Neon Sign Survey

Description of sign(s)

1. Name: Vanguard Lounge

2. Owner: \_Andrew and Jennifer Wheatley

3. Address: 516 Fremont St. 89101

3b. Additional Site Details (information on site, site history, owner comments): The building was originally constructed in 1951. Previously to the lounge opening it was Fremont Street Guitars. Andrew and Jennifer Wheatley opened the lounge in 2010 after 30 years of experience together in the industry. This trendy bar has Modern-Industrial Decor, as you can see with their black building with a glass garage door entrance.

4. Condition (1-5 scale, with 5 being excellent, written description): 5- newer sign that lights up brightly at night

5. Form (pylon, blade, porte cochere, etc): \_Hanging sign

6. Specific Description: Right above the entrance is a black canopy, but at night a white neon tube illuminates the perimeter of the canopy. The canopy also showcases their street address ‘516’ in white channeled numbers. Above the canopy there is a beam which acts as a support for their main sign. Their main sign is a black rectangle which is also attached to the building. The sign states “Vanguard Lounge”in white skeletal neon letters. The word ‘Vanguard’ is in a thick block-type print letters. ‘Lounge’ is written in a smaller but similar type-font.

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

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

9. Non-neon treatments: \_\_N/A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10. Animation: \_\_\_N/A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

11. Environment (surrounding properties, neighborhood):\_ This is located in the Fremont East district in between Las Vegas Blvd. and 6th St. This location’s storefront is located in between the Therapy restaraunt and Red dance club (used to be the old Coin Insert bar).

Artistic Context

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

2. Designer: Architect of Record: \_\_N/A

3. Date of Installation: \_\_2010

4. Date(s) of any major redesign/move: \_\_\_ Vanguard used the old sign box that the previous company used and added their logo in neon in 2010.

5. Thematic Influence (design elements found on similar signs, elements related to the property, linkage to previous themes, trends, context): The skeletal neon showcases a simple yet classic design. It also showcases the Modern trendy vibe.

6. Artistic Significance (themes and representation, era: time and design, trends, context): The sign does have a modern vibe but is staying true to the Neon culture of downtown

Surveyor Notes

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

Vanguard lounge website <http://www.vanguardlv.com/vanguard_lounge_venue> , Las Vegas Sun <https://lasvegassun.com/news/2010/sep/20/vanguard-lounge-opens-fremont-street/> , Assessor's page

2. Research note:

3. Any other relevant surveyor remarks: Definition of Vanguard is a group of people leading the way in new developments/ideas. Possibly a theme of being different than the other bars downtown. Coincidentally there was a dance club in L.A. called Vanguard, but no connection found between the properties besides their modern dance vibes.

\_\_Emily Fellmer\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_August 11, 2017\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Surveyor Date**

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