



“Dorrington Apartments”, 108 N. Broadway

American Colonial Revival, 1907

A Redondo Beach landmark, the structure was constructed by Frank A. Dorrington, a prominent builder, in 1907. Dorrington also constructed two other prominent and notable early Redondo buildings, the Casino (demolished) and the St. Edgar Hotel (demolished). Reflecting the elements of the City’s socioeconomic past, the building originally functioned as a boarding house for numerous persons who were involved in the railroad, lumber and public utility industries that were instrumental to the early growth and development of Redondo Beach. Many of the residents were local fishermen who dried their nets on the long picket fence. The boarding house was originally constructed with sixteen sleeping rooms and two bathrooms. The building was later remodeled into larger apartments. True to the Colonial Revival style, the apartment emphasizes a square volume with classical symmetrical features, narrow clapboard siding, and a classical entry portico. The building is one of only a limited number of Colonial Revival style buildings remaining in the City.