

Taking The 19th Century Building Into the 21st Century



There are 3 aspects of this courthouse that will make an immediate impression on people:

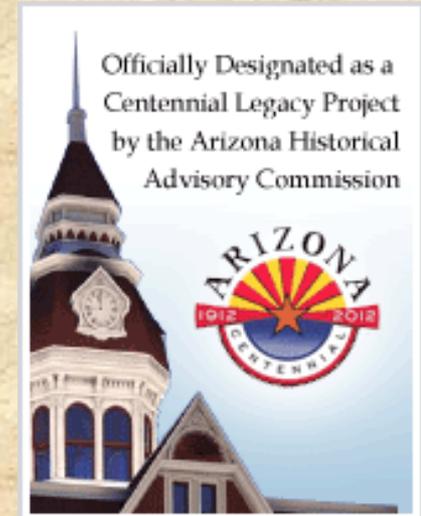
- One is the grand staircase at the entrance of the building. People will notice it and the high ceilings when they walk into the courthouse.
- Next is the complete rebuilding of the ceremonial courtroom on the second floor.
- Finally the new Board of Supervisors hearing room will be much larger. The seating capacity will grow to 126 people, nearly double what the current hearing room in Building A holds.
- Some of the original interior highlights will be kept for all to admire. The original brick in the Supervisors' hearing room will be exposed. Windows from the old jail cells, complete with bars, will be on display as well.



1891 SECOND PINAL COUNTY COURTHOUSE

PROJECT GOALS

The goal is to restore/rehabilitate/renovate the 1891 Second Pinal County Courthouse and building additions in accordance with The Secretary of the Interior Standards for adaptive use by Pinal County. The end result will be the preservation of an irreplaceable historical resource for future generations.



PROJECT SCOPE

Rehabilitation of the entire building including the 1917, 1933, 1975, and 1983 additions.

Interior improvements include:

- Rehabilitating and restoration of the historically significant primary spaces and
- Renovation of the less significant spaces.
- Installation of new mechanical, electrical, and fire sprinkler systems,
- Design of new elevator system
- Reinforcement of floors
- Design of Board of Supervisors Hearing Room, meeting rooms, offices, and accessible restrooms.

Exterior improvements include:

- Rehabilitation of the brick and mortar, metal entablatures, metal door and window surrounds, wood windows (at ceremonial courtroom only) and other miscellaneous improvements.
- Wood window sashes in all other locations will be replicated while the original wood casings, moldings, and similar components will be restored in place.



- Non-original metal entablatures at the latter building additions will be removed.

Site improvements include:

- Design of ADA sidewalks, new underground utilities, a mechanical yard, landscaping and irrigation systems, and signage.

Construction Phase of 1891 Courthouse Renovation Underway

January 5, 2012

Florence AZ – With the interior demolition complete and the architectural design finalized, the next and biggest step of the renovation of the 1891 Courthouse is now underway – interior construction.

“Considering the age of this building, it will be a very sensitive project. It is not typical of our past projects where we build from the ground up. You have to plan this properly, it means taking extra care during demolition and construction but this is an exciting time,” said construction project manager Archie Carreon.

Carreon said that crews will be busy throughout most of the year getting the building ready for its 2013 debut. Work on the courthouse is scheduled to be completed by the end of November.

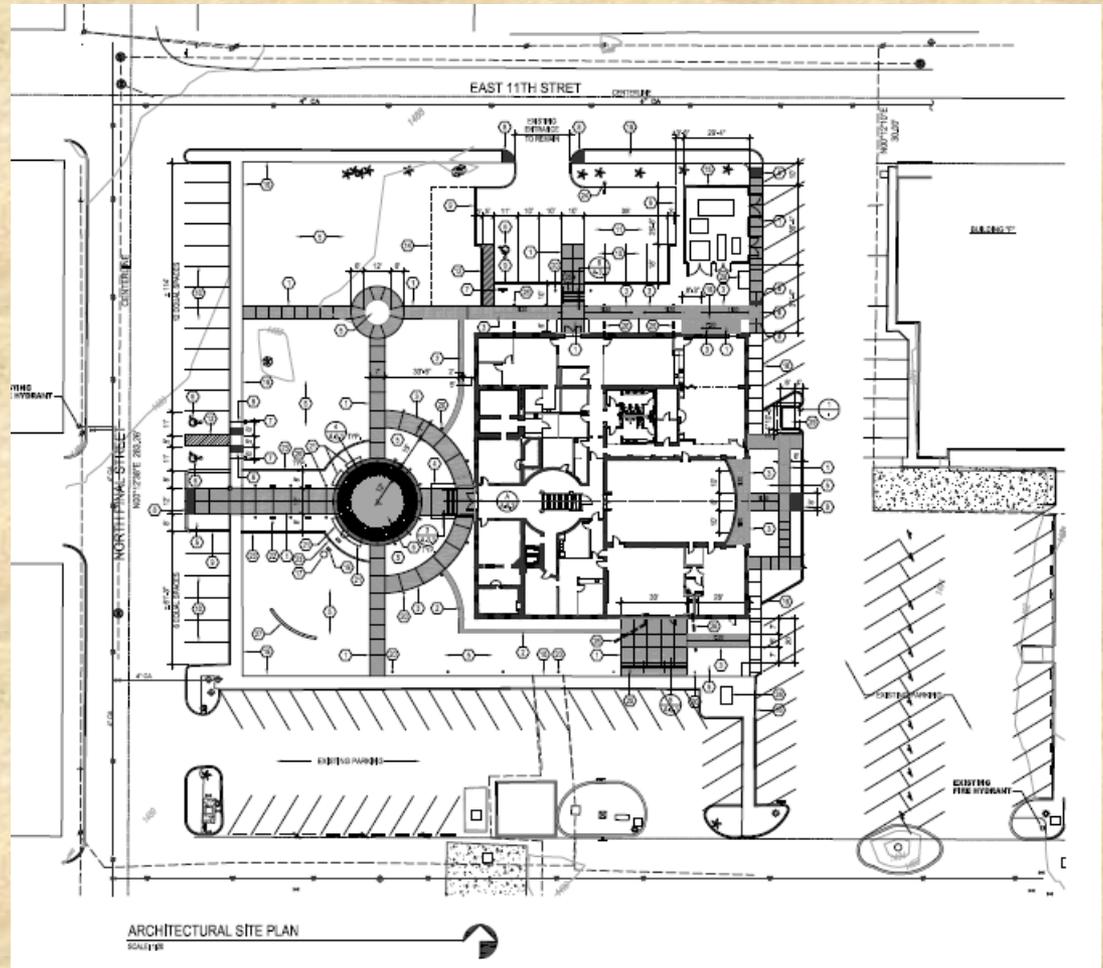
AND SO THE RENOVATION BEGINS.....



Concord General Contracting of Mesa, Arizona will be giving the historic structure a new lease on life.

In addition to the interior construction, crews will also be improving the utilities, paving new parking spaces around the building and installing new curbs and gutters.

All the modern conveniences will be included in the renovation: Full insulation, up-to-date air conditioning, fire suppression and alarm equipment, new wiring, contemporary lighting, and an ADA compliant elevator will be installed.





MOVING THE BEAN TREE

*Planted in honor of Superior
Court Judge Robert R. Bean*

Signs Of Progress

- Bean Tree Relocated
- Ground Stripped
- Scaffolding goes up
- Old windows come out
- Additional beams go in for clock tower support
- Staircase restoration begins
- Structural supports go in
- Internal brick work exposed
- Internal wall partitions / in progress
- Old jail windows exposed
- New windows go in
- New electrical and plumbing installation begins
- Elevator enclosure / structural support work begins

(current as of April 2012)









Two glu-lam beams were brought in through a window on the east side of the courtroom and raised up above the ceiling and into the attic to further stabilize the clock tower.









Jail windows in Board Hearing Room are exposed.

Work on the new Board Hearing Room in progress.

- Some of the brick will remain exposed as will portions of the support beams.
- The jail windows will remain exposed.







Brick and windows to be replaced



Salvaged Brick





Portion of roof deck at northeast corner was replaced due to structural conditions.



Elevator shaft goes in



Utilities are brought up to current building codes.



CONCEPTUAL RENDERINGS – FINAL REVEAL



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PROJECT WEBSITE

Follow progress of project:

- Updates on the status of this project
- Photos and video uploads
- Provides historical information
- Source for public involvement through memoirs and brick paver project
- Announcement of Dedication and Opening

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1891 Courthouse Renovation Project

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1891 Courthouse Renovation Project

"The inevitable challenge to rehabilitate / renovate the 1891 Second Pinal County Courthouse into a vibrant, useful facility will require determination, conviction, and a sense of obligation to future generations."
~ Swan Architects, Inc.

ARIZONA CENTENNIAL LEGACY PROJECT

History
The Second Pinal County Courthouse was built in 1890-91 replacing the First Pinal County Courthouse which was built in 1877-78. Mr. James Miller Creighton was selected by the County Board of Supervisors to design and supervise the construction of the new courthouse. Mr. Creighton is considered the founder of the architectural profession in Arizona. He designed many houses, schools, and other commercial buildings throughout Arizona. His accomplishments were remarkable for a person that had no formal architectural education. The Second Pinal County Courthouse was constructed by A.J. Doran in association with T.A. Adams for a total cost, including the jail, of \$34,765. The courthouse contained a sheriff's office, jail, courtroom, and offices for the assessor, treasurer, recorder, and supervisors. In 1899 Pearl Hart, Arizona's best known woman outlaw was held in the Pinal Courthouse Jail for robbing the Florence-Globe Stage. [Learn more...](#)

Years of Restoration and the Final Reveal
The 1891 Second Pinal County Courthouse is a noteworthy example of the American-Victorian style and of nineteenth century construction technology on the Southwestern Frontier. The courthouse was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on August 2, 1978. Until 2003, it remained the oldest public building still in use and is one of Arizona's most irreplaceable historic properties.

The courthouse has gone through years of construction to bring it to the total net area of 22,449 net square feet. In 1917 the first and second floor additions were completed adding 840 net square feet to each floor. The addition completed in 1933 added another 2,113 net square feet to the building. In 1975 another 2,680 net square feet was added. Then again in 1983 another 2,094 net square feet was added. Restoration of the clock tower, roof. [Learn more...](#)

New home for the Board of Supervisors
As we move into the 21st century and celebrate Arizona's 100th birthday we can reflect on the history of Pinal County and those who have served as the Board of Supervisors. The renovation of the 1891 Courthouse will provide additional office space to accommodate five (5) supervisors and related offices.

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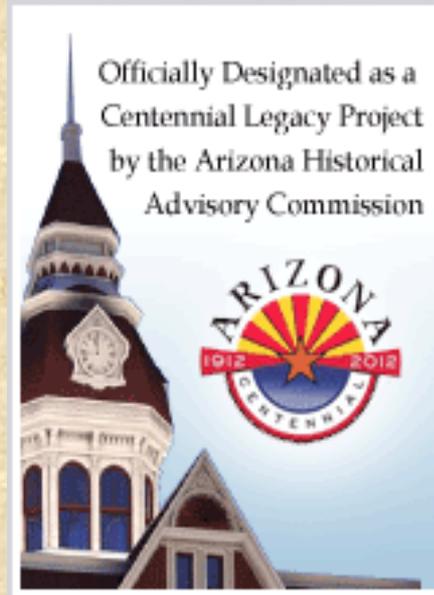
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Special thanks to:

- ❖ ***Pinal County Board of Supervisors***
- ❖ ***Arizona Centennial Committee***
- ❖ ***Arizona Historical Advisory Commission***
- ❖ ***State of Arizona***
- ❖ ***Town of Florence AZ***
- ❖ ***Main Street Projects***

And Our Legacy Lives On

1891 Pinal County Courthouse



"Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set." Proverbs 22:28