



EVERETT RISES FROM THE ASHES

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The Neighbor

When a fire gutted the interior of the Everett Apartments two years ago, many predicted a quick demise for the historic structure.

That was until a Los Angeles engineer with a background in renovating old structures bought the building and nursed the project to its near completion.

The apartments, at 2018 N.W. Everett, had been a nuisance to neighbors even before the fire.

The city had condemned the building for code violations and it sat vacant for several months before becoming a magnet for homeless who took up residence in the empty rooms.

Then the fire consumed most of the interior, leaving only the brick exterior and a few charred support beams.

Perry Raanan heard about the building and decided to purchase the structure after viewing the scene.

SAVING A CLASSIC — A plumber welds a pipe for the newly restored structure and painter touches up.

—Neighbor photos by Matthew Dodson

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Commercial Real Estate.....34

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west historic building. Three rooms and waiting area. Includes
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Miscellaneous For Sale.....40

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Automotive.....46

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Exterior saved on apartment

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The first major hurdle to tackle developed when Raanan tried to find construction crews to remove the debris and prop up the exterior walls.

Portland companies turned down work on the project due to the possible prospect of having the 70-year-old brick wall caving in on the workers.

Raanan finally sent his own Los Angeles work crew to complete the delicate project.

"The simplest approach would have been to level the entire structure and start from scratch," said Kirby Kirch, a spokesman for Income Property Management.

The company is supervising the management of the building as it seeks renters for the 19-unit complex.

Kirch said Raanan wanted to preserve the classic brick architecture of the exterior and maintain the urban feel of the neighborhood.

"There were some unique problems with this building," said Raanan, "but I knew from the beginning that it was possible to save the exterior walls with a little effort."

Rent for the one-bedroom units will range from \$495 to \$595 per month, depending on the floor. There are two room layouts available.

Kirch said he expects to attract mostly singles and couples who work downtown and want to live in an urban environment.

Parking will not be provided for residents at the building and prospective renters would be encouraged to use public transportation and bicycles.

"We don't want to bring an additional 30 cars onto the block. We don't want people mad at us," Kirch said.

Reservation deposits are now being accepted with the resident manager at the apartments or through Income Property Management.