

CT-1221
4136 7th Street
North Beach, Calvert County
Private

Built before 1925, 4136 7th Street is a side-gable structure. This is an relatively uncommon building type amongst North Beach's non-bungalow building stock. This two-story, side-gable, two-bay, clapboard-sheathed frame dwelling is situated on a narrow lot and positioned close to the street. The front façade of the house is dominated by a five bay, shed-roof porch that may have been enclosed at an early date, if it was ever open. The house features a side-passage plan.

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

**North Beach, Calvert County Survey
Survey Numbers CT-1215 through CT-1253
(excepting CT-1217, -1238, -1238, -1240, -1250 and-1251)**

Geographic Organization: Western Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period(s): 1870-1930; 1930-Present

Historic Period Theme(s): 2) Architecture, Landscape and Community Planning

7) Social/Education/Cultural

Resource Type:

Category: building

Historic Environment: urban

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): dwelling

Known Design Source: none

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. CT-1221

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common 4136 7th Street

2. Location

street & number 4136 7th Street not for publicationcity, town North Beach vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Calvert

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Mary Gemeny & Albert Sanderson

street & number 3918 Longfellow Court telephone no.:

city, town Hyattville state and zip code: Maryland 20781

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Courthouse liber ABE 709

street & number 310 Main Street folio 38

city, town Prince Frederick state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Evaluated in *Architectural Survey and Historic District Evaluation: North Beach, Maryland*date June, 1998 federal state county localc_o s_i tory for survey records Maryland Historical Trust

city, town Crownsville state Maryland

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

4136 7th Street is situated on the north side of the street, on a narrow flood prone lot. It sits back from the street approximately 10'. The Chesapeake Bay is located one block east. This is a two-story, two-bay, side-gable, side-passage, double-pile frame dwelling. Its walls are sheathed in narrow clapboard siding and rest on a low concrete foundation. The front facade is dominated by a five-bay, shed-roof porch. The lower section features the same type of clapboards found on the main body of the building. Porch windows and the centrally-placed storm door are modern replacements. The 6/1 windows found throughout the rest of the building appear original. The low-pitch roof has a slight overhang and is pierced on the west side at the gable's peak by an interior brick stove chimney, with corbelled top. This simple structure features little ornamentation. Decoration is restricted to wide unmitered window surrounds, and verge- and corner boards.

Views of side elevations is obscured by the close proximity of this structure to its neighbors.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 100-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify) (recreation)

Specific dates	Builder/Architect						
Check: Applicable Criteria:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C	<input type="checkbox"/> D			
and/or Applicable Exception:	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input type="checkbox"/> C	<input type="checkbox"/> D	<input type="checkbox"/> E	<input type="checkbox"/> F	<input type="checkbox"/> G
Level of Significance:	<input type="checkbox"/> national	<input type="checkbox"/> state	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> local				

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

This building is important for its association with the architectural development of the early-20th century summer colony and resort community of North Beach, Maryland. Please refer to continuation sheets for an historical sketch of the town.

This modest vernacular dwelling has experienced little significant alteration. When compared with front-gable buildings, side-gable structures, such as that seen here, are relatively uncommon amongst North Beach's non-urban building stock.

4136 7th Street first appears in the 1925 assessment. This lot and 3134 were owned by the same person (name illegible) and assessed at \$200 and \$400 respectively.

Section 8: History and Significance

North Beach is a fair to good example of an early 20th century summer resort colony and is a Maryland example of a national trend in community development initiated by the Industrial Revolution. Communities such as North Beach were a result of the growing middle class, mobility and consumerism resulting from the industrial economy that dominated the period. Dozens of beach resorts developed around the Chesapeake Bay in the years between the end of the Civil War and the Great Depression. Some, such as Gibson Island, catered to a rich, white, gentile clientele, while Highland Beach is an example of an African-American summer colony. North Beach was in the middle of the social spectrum. While deed restrictions excluded blacks, Jews were well represented in early North Beach. Excepting this major exclusion, by the standards of the day, North Beach was a heterogeneous middle-class summer community.

North Beach was platted in 1900 (revised in 1908) and incorporated in 1910. The town was developed by a group of principally Washington-based businessmen with ties to railroad, labor and banking. Conceived as a summer residential community and resort, the town was laid out according to a standard grid. In addition to houses, the town featured a variety of tourist and recreation-oriented businesses including theaters, restaurants, dance halls, bingo parlors, amusement arcades, and night clubs--including several gay clubs.

Most surviving historic buildings were constructed in the 1920s and 1930s, and include a good collection of early-20th century vernacular buildings. Represented building types include bungalows, shotguns, American Four Square and gable-front cottages. Most commercial buildings are either destroyed or extremely altered. Many of the town's historic structures were altered in the years immediately following World War II. In the post-war years North Beach completed a transformation begun in the 1930s, from a resort and summer colony to a permanent suburban community.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name North BeachQuadrangle scale 1: 24,000

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Calvert County tax map 200, block D, lot 40

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

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11. Form Prepared by

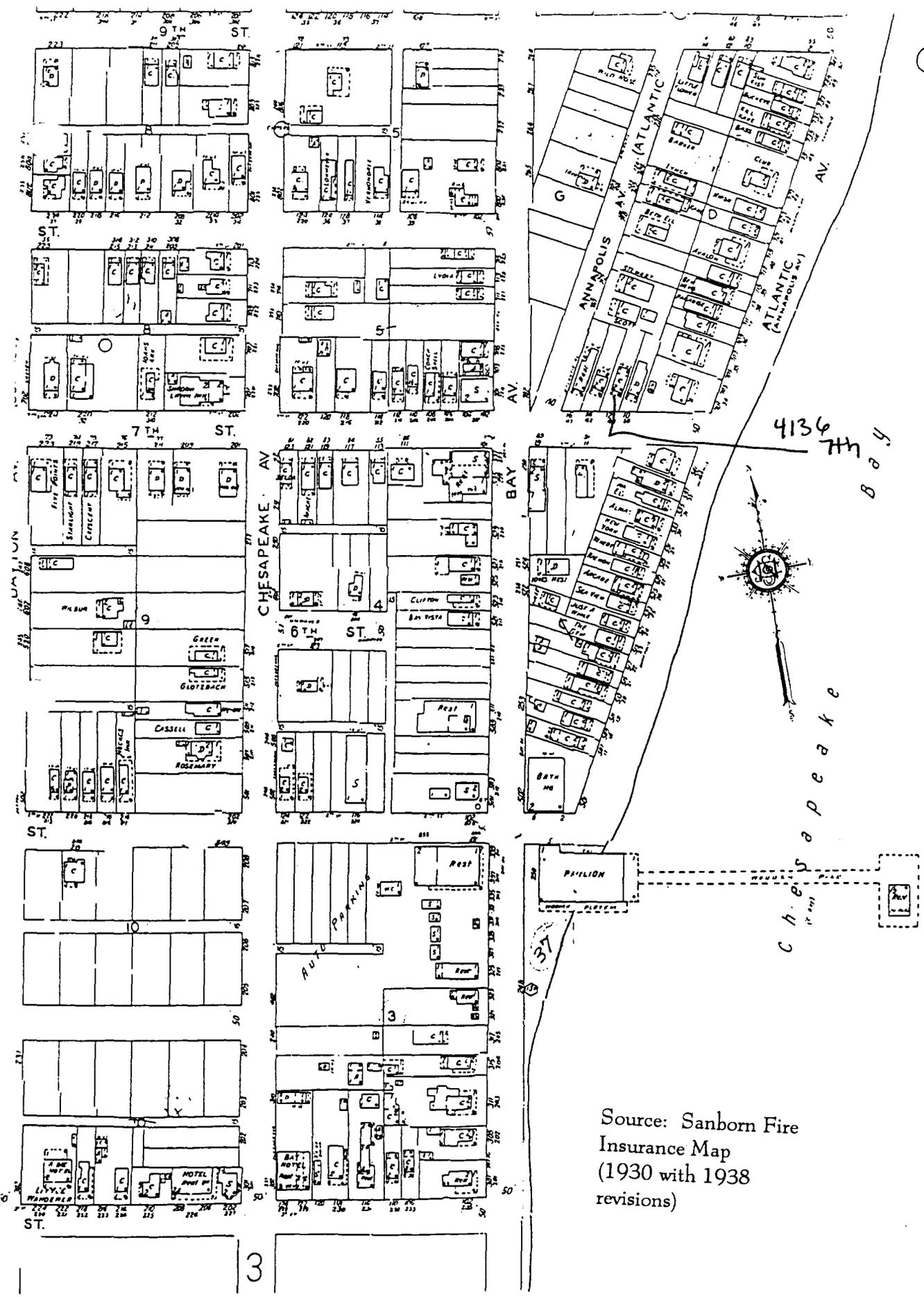
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organization	Retrospect Cultural Resource Services	date May-98
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city or town	Annapolis	state MD

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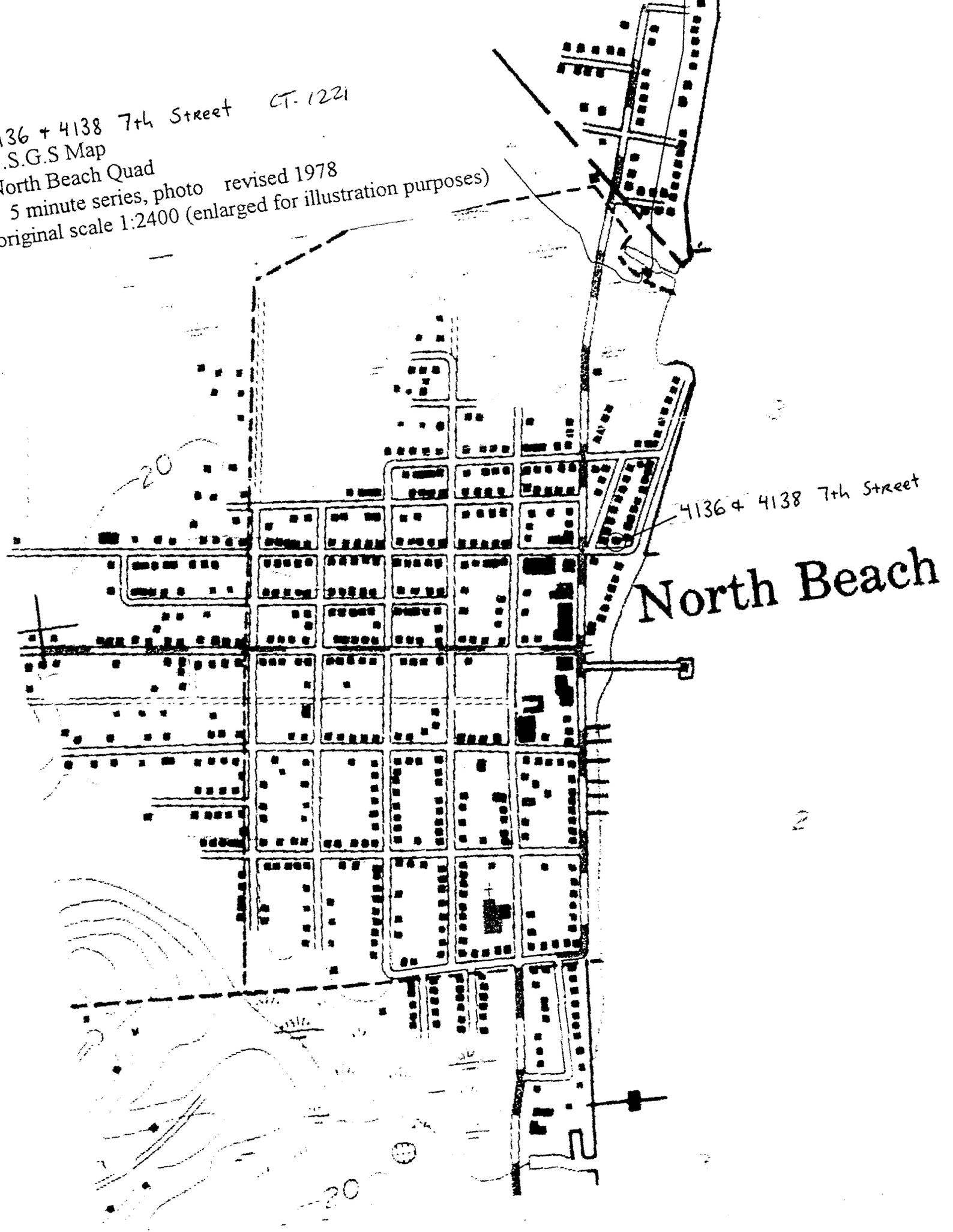
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S.G.S Map
North Beach Quad
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NORTH Beach, Calvert County

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South elevation

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