

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

Property Name: _____ Inventory Number: ~~80007~~ CH-864

Address: 4635 Crain Highway, Charles County - in the vicinity of White Plains

Owner: M & M Joint Venture, LLP

Tax Parcel Number: 374 Tax Map Number: 23

Project MD 301 Agency State Highway Administration (SHA)

Site visit by SHA Staff: no yes Name: _____ Date: _____

Eligibility recommended Eligibility **not** recommended

Criteria A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None

Is property located within a historic district?: no yes Name of District: _____

Is district listed?: no yes

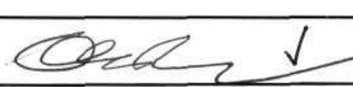
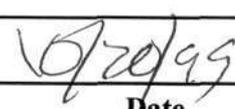
Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

4635 Crain Highway is a one-and-one-half-story, wood frame bungalow. The building, which is no longer a dwelling, is three-bays wide and has a side gable roof. Shed roofs extend from both the front (east) and rear elevations. The shed roof on the main elevation extends over the full-width porch. The porch is constructed of three bays and is supported by tapered square wood columns set on brick bases. The porch has arched openings. The house has a central entrance, flanked by paired 3/1, double-hung, sash windows. A front gable roof dormer pierces the center of the side gable roof. The house is clad with German siding.

The bungalow became the dominant style of middle and working class housing in the period between 1900 and 1920. It was a style spread primarily by plans sold in popular catalogues, rather than by architects. Bungalows are typically one-and-one-half-story structures, with low, horizontal lines and an integral porch on the front of the house. They are also characterized by a series of broad gables that form contiguous and receding plans. Gables often are bracketed and have projecting eaves. Roofs are gently pitched and often have either gable or shallow shed dormers. The bungalow form frequently features Craftsman-style detailing, such as exposed rafter tails, wood brackets under eave

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overhangs, and wide wood frames around doors and windows. Bungalows were enormously popular in the early years of the 20th century because they were inexpensive to design and build. Their emergence coincided with the rise in the number of working and middle class Americans who could afford to purchase a house.

Towards the end of the first quarter of the 20th century, road improvements and developments contributed to the suburbanization of Charles County. Charles County experienced the expansion of commercial establishments which catered to the tourist trade along the Robert Crain Highway and its successor U.S. 301.

World War II and the increasing dependence upon motor vehicles played a very important role in Charles County's development. Charles County continued its relative isolation from large-scale residential and commercial development until after Crain Highway was dualized and designated U.S. 301 in the 1960s. Earlier trends in travel-related services and entertainment along the Crain Highway grew somewhat when the highway was extended across the Potomac River to Virginia through southern Charles County and over the new Harry W. Nice Bridge in 1940, thus completing a route from New York to Florida

Built circa 1920, this Craftsman-style bungalow is not eligible for the National Register. While it is a typical example of the residential development along U.S. 301, this resource lacks significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.

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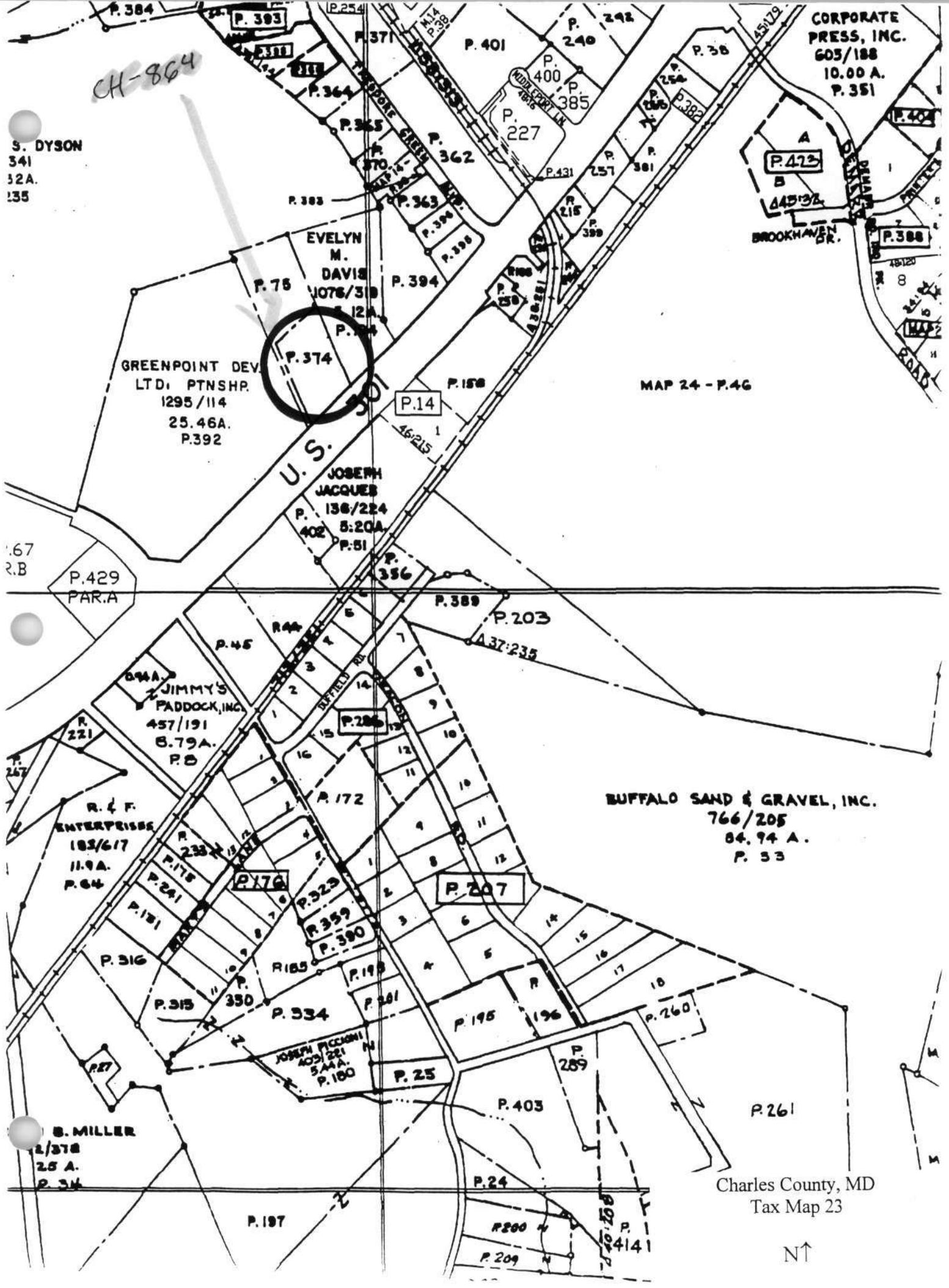
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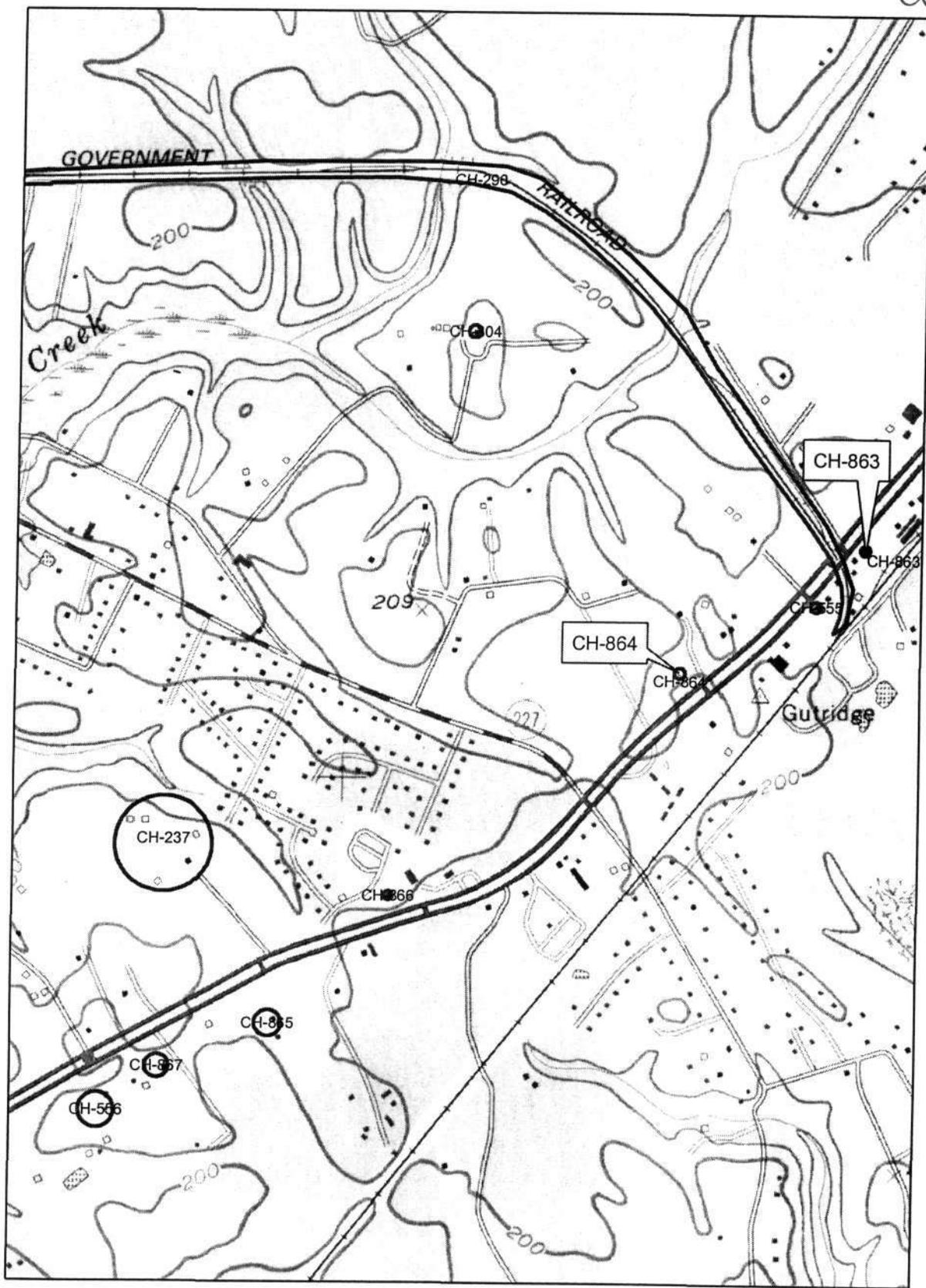
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