

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

Property Name: _____ Inventory Number: ~~11-0030~~ CH-876

Address: 400 Prospect Street, Charles County - in the vicinity of La Plata

Owner: Unknown

Tax Parcel Number: 332 Tax Map Number: 109

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)*

400 Prospect Street is a one-and-one-half-story, three-bay house with a single bay side addition. The Craftsman-style, wood frame, bungalow is covered with a side gable roof, pierced by two front gable dormers. A single bay porch with a front gable roof marks the central entrance. The porch is supported by tapered masonry piers set on brick plinths.

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 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

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in the number of working and middle class Americans who could afford to purchase a house.

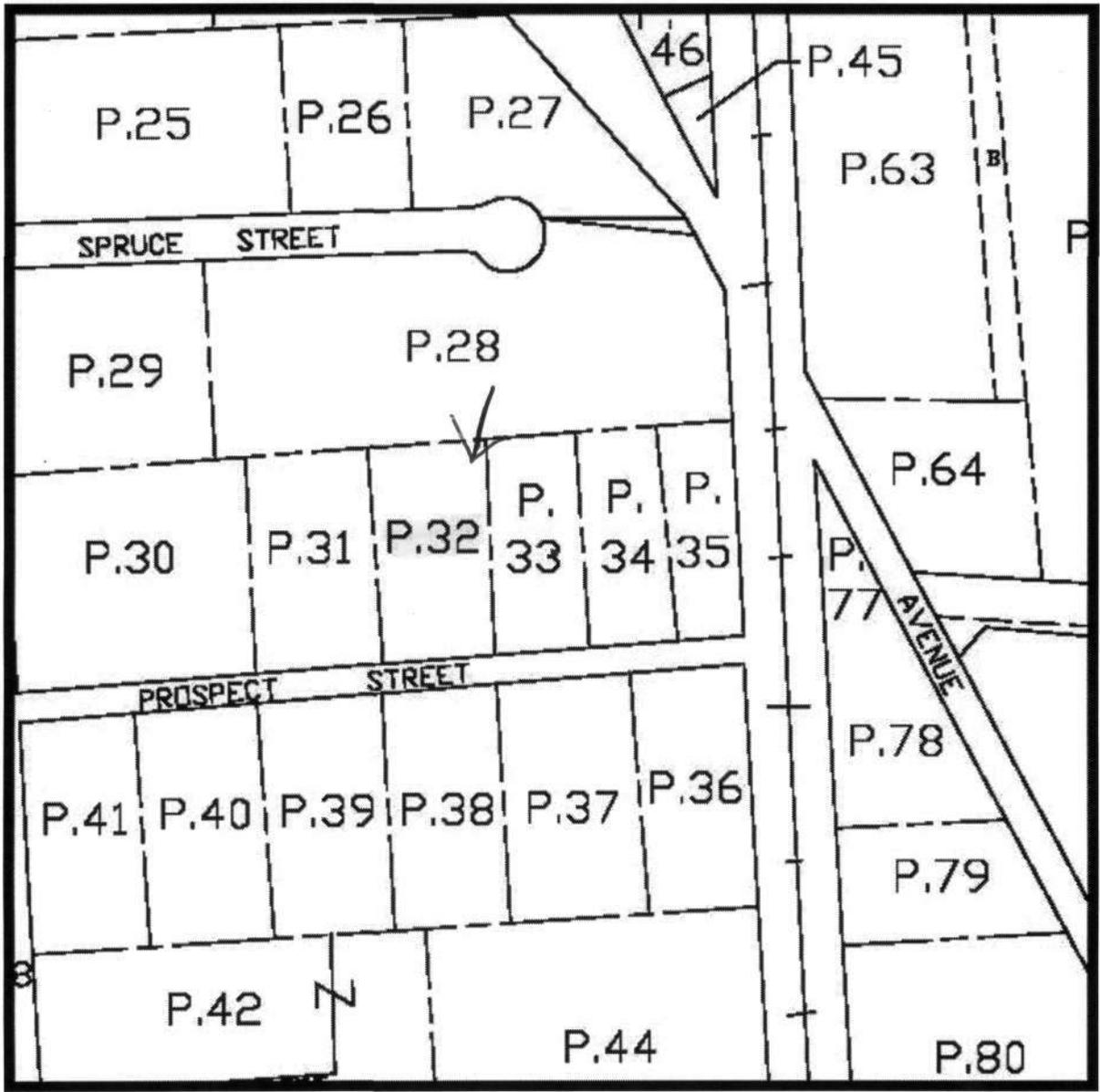
World War II and the increasing dependence upon motor vehicles played a very important role in community development. Charles County continued its relative isolation from large-scale residential and commercial development until after Crain Highway was dualized and designated U.S. 301 in the 1960s. Earlier 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 1940, this Craftsman-style bungalow is not eligible for the National Register. While it is typical of the residential development within La Plata, this resource lacks significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.

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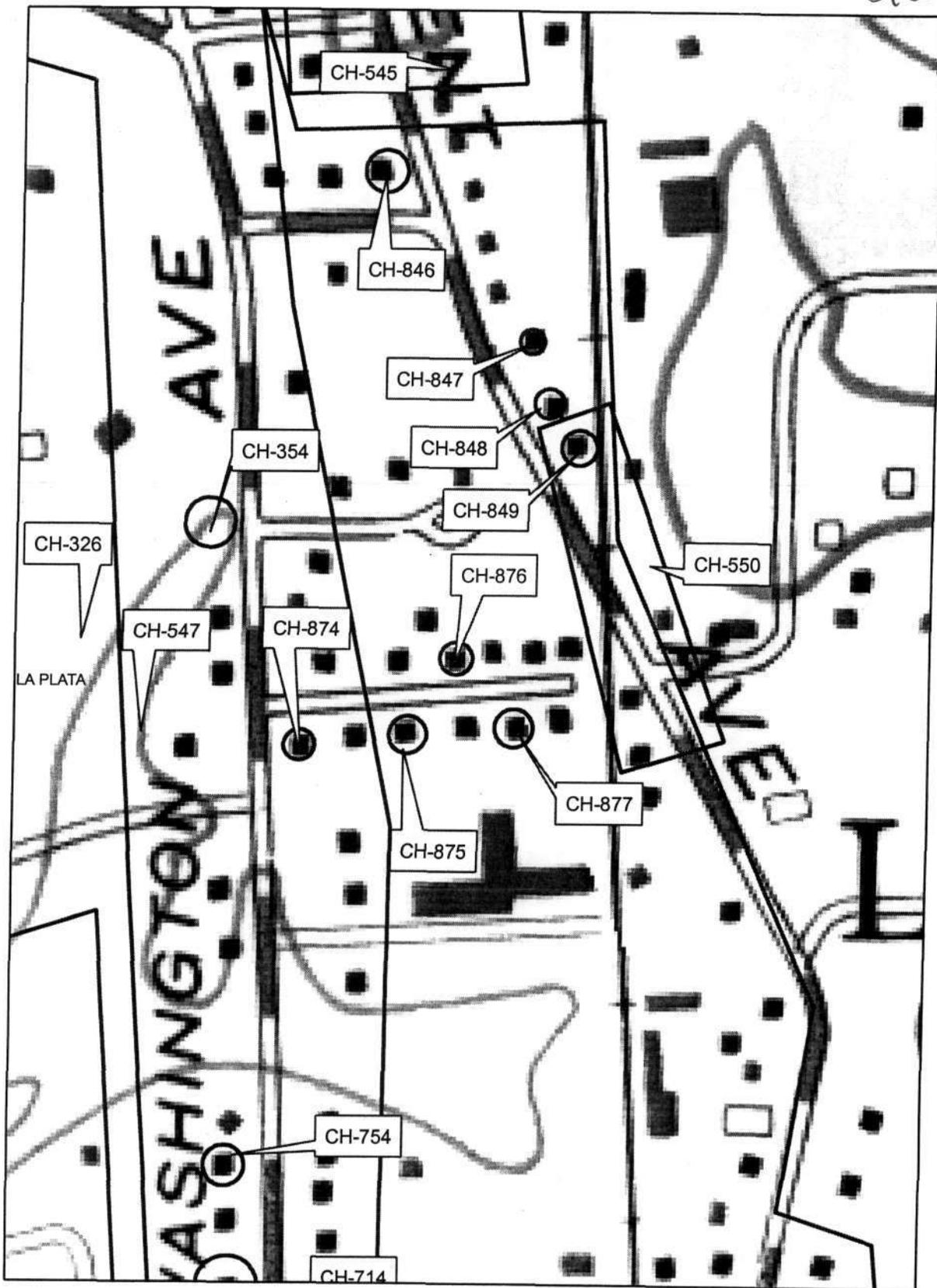
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