

INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Marv Jane DeWitt House

Survey Number: G-VI-A-~~041~~⁰⁷³

Project: US 219/Oakland Vicinity Improvement Project

Agency: MSHA

Site visit by MHT Staff: No Yes Name _____ Date _____

Eligibility recommended Eligibility **not** recommended

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

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

The Mary Jane DeWitt House is recommended not eligible for the National Register. Although illustrative of settlement patterns in the Oakland area during the mid-twentieth century, the dwelling possesses poor integrity of materials, design, workmanship, feeling, and association. Research has not identified any significant associations with historic persons or events. The house neither reflects the distinctive characteristics of a particular architectural style nor embodies the representative work of a master craftsman or method of construction. The building also does not appear to potentially provide important information for the study of history.

Document on the property/district is presented in: Historic Structures Inventory and Determination of Eligibility Report

(KCI/MSHA 1997)

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Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

7/20/98
Date

NR program concurrence: yes no not applicable


Reviewer, NR program

7/20/98
Date



Mary Jane Dewitt House
G-VI-A-~~041~~ 073
648 South Third Street
Oakland
1940
Private

The Mary Jane Dewitt House (G-VI-A-041) is located at 648 South Third Street in Oakland. The mid-twentieth-century one-story frame cottage is three bays wide and two bays deep. A one-story frame garage/workshop is located off the eastern rear corner of the house.

Built in 1940 according to Garrett County tax records, the Mary Jane DeWitt House relates to the development of residential areas in previously outlying sections of Oakland during the mid-twentieth century.

7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

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

The Mary Jane DeWitt House (G-VI-A-041) is located at 648 South Third Street in Oakland. The mid-twentieth-century one-story frame cottage is three bays wide and two bays deep. An offset projecting gable dominates the front elevation. Facing northwest, the dwelling sits on a flat rectangular lot in a subdivision of similar homes along Third Street.

The dwelling is clad in vinyl siding and rests on a concrete block foundation that encloses a full cellar. It has a side-facing gable roof with an offset projecting gable front wing and a full-width rear lean-to addition. The roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles and finished with a shallow box cornice covered with vinyl. The front entrance leads into the a fully enclosed cut-away porch on the west corner of the front wing. The back door, which is flanked by paired windows, is covered by a metal awning and leads into the rear lean-to addition. The modern replacement windows are primarily one-over-one vinyl sash. A bowed oriel window is located on the front (northeast) elevation. Flat vinyl molding surrounds the door and window openings. An exterior stone chimney is located near the front of the southwest (side) elevation.

A one-story frame garage/workshop is located off the eastern rear corner of the house. Clad in asbestos shingles, this building has a corrugated metal side-facing gable roof and rests on a concrete block foundation. According to the resident, it was built during the 1960s. A macadam drive leads from the street around the southwest side and rear of the house to the garage. A concrete walk leads to the front door from the street.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
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	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates Circa 1940 **Builder/Architect** Unknown

Evaluation for:

National Register Maryland Register not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual).

Built in 1940 according to Garrett County tax records, the Mary Jane DeWitt House relates to the development of residential areas in previously outlying sections of Oakland during the mid-twentieth century. Area landowners subdivided parcels along much of South Third Street, then part of the Garrett Highway (US 219's predecessor) and the principal road network leading south of town, during the 1940s. An example of settlement radiating outward from village and town centers along established road networks, development of the South Third Street area evolved during this period in response to Oakland's continuing role as the county's seat of government and the principal market town for southern Garrett County. Oakland annexed the South Third Street area into its corporate limits in 1989.

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Western Maryland

Chronological/Developmental Period(s): Modern Period, A.D. 1930 - Present

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

Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Suburban

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

Known Design Source: None

9. Major Bibliographical References

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(See Continuation Sheet)

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property 0.29 acres
Acreage surveyed 0.29 acres
Quadrangle name Oakland, MD-WVA Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Parcel 207, Map 112, Grid 7

11. Form Prepared By

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city or town	Hunt Valley	state and zip code	MD 21030-1888

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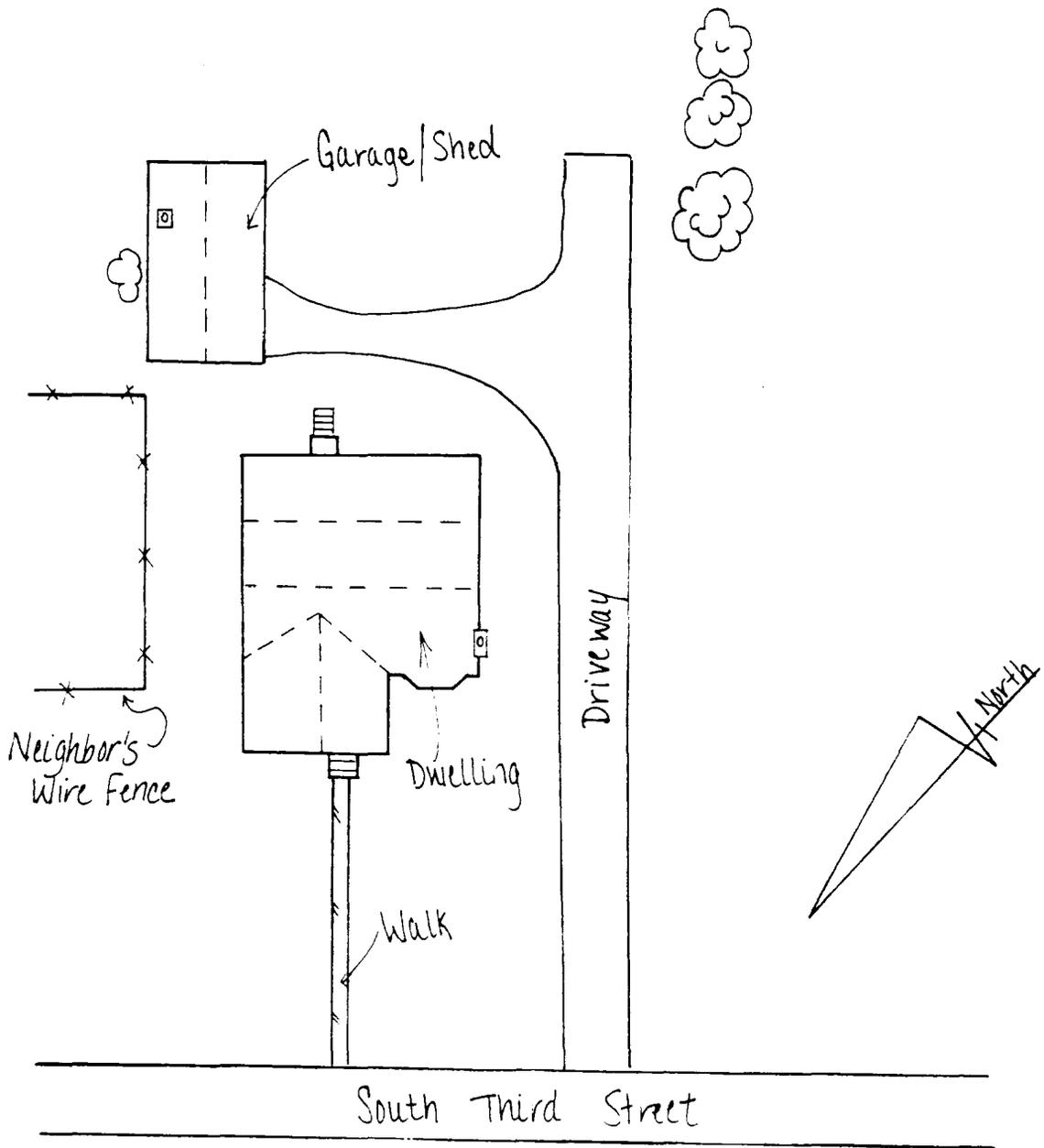
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Resource Sketch Map
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 Mary Jane Dewitt House
 648 South Third Street
 Oakland, Garrett County



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