

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

Property/District Name: Aberdeen School Survey Number: HA- 1780

Project: Aberdeen Community Services Bldg/Access Modific Agency: SC-CDBG

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 Aberdeen Community Services Building is significant for its association with educational development and community growth in Aberdeen and as a representation of the work of two well-known regional architects: Otto E. Simonson and John B. Hamme. Built as a high school in 1908, the building was expanded to accommodate elementary students in 1924. The building served as the principal educational facility until a new high school was built in 1953. A final expansion in 1935 provided additional classroom space, a gymnasium, and an auditorium. The Aberdeen Community Services Building retains architectural integrity in its configuration, materials, setting, ornamentation and interior plan. The original windows have all been replaced insensitively, the sash configuration has been downsized and the remaining opening sealed and aluminum siding applied. The original block was designed by Simonson, while both additions were developed by Hamme. Simonson and Hamme had profitable individual careers including a variety of commissions for public buildings. Like the Aberdeen School, each architect had his hand in the design of the Slate Ridge school in Harford County, a National Register listed building.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: compliance project file

"Aberdeen Community Services Building"

Prepared by: Harford County Dept. of Community Services

L. L. Bowlin 21 June 1994
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: yes no not applicable
L. L. Bowlin 6-27-94
Reviewer, NR program Date

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

- Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
- Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
- Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
- Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

- Paleo-Indian 10000-7500 B.C.
- Early Archaic 7500-6000 B.C.
- Middle Archaic 6000-4000 B.C.
- Late Archaic 4000-2000 B.C.
- Early Woodland 2000-500 B.C.
- Middle Woodland 500 B.C. - A.D. 900
- Late Woodland/Archaic A.D. 900-1600
- Contact and Settlement A.D. 1570-1750
- Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
- Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
- Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
- Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present
- Unknown Period (prehistoric historic)

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

- Subsistence
- Settlement
- Political
- Demographic
- Religion
- Technology
- Environmental Adaption

IV. Historic Period Themes:

- Agriculture
- Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
- Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
- Government/Law
- Military
- Religion
- Social/Educational/Cultural
- Transportation

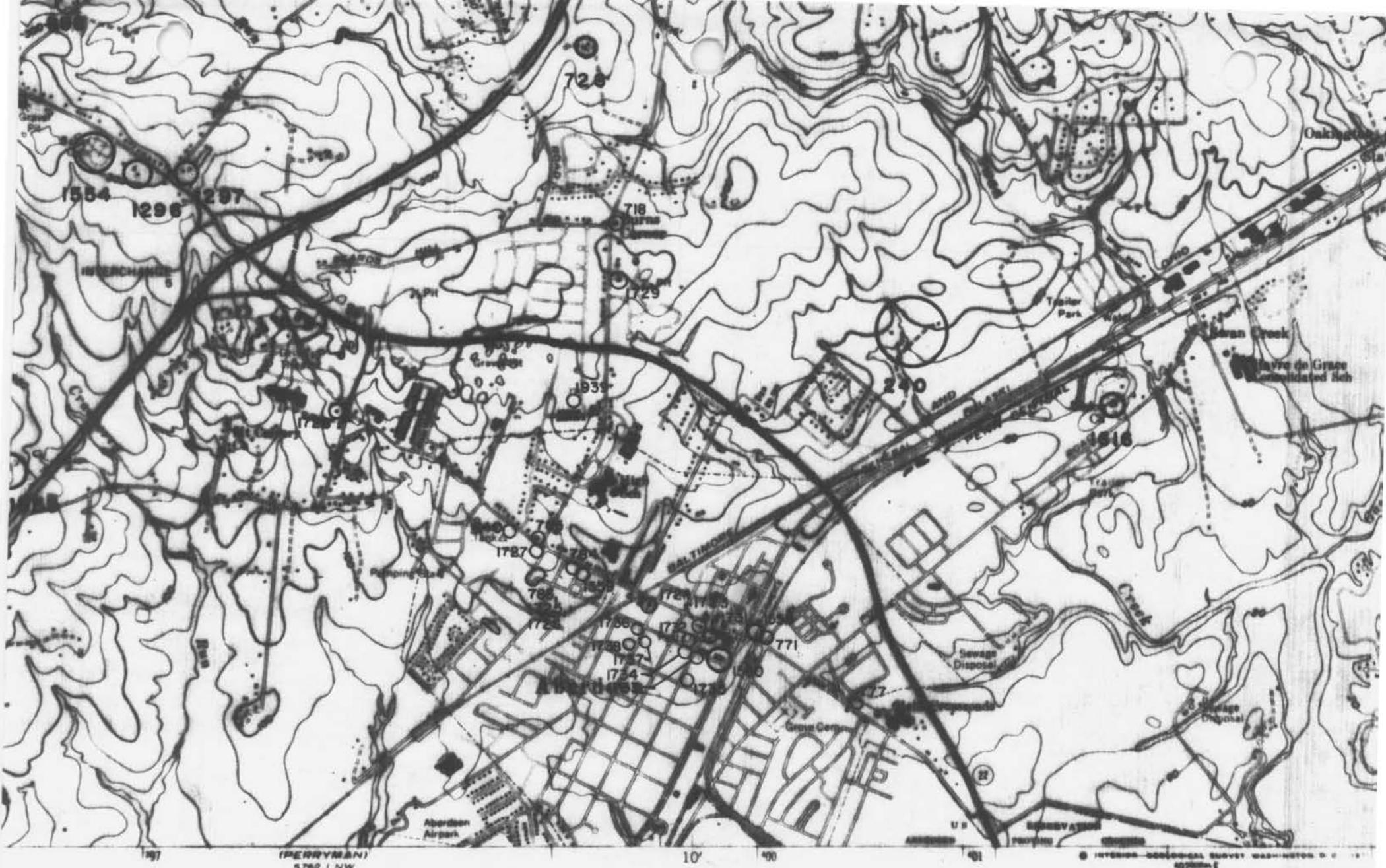
V. Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: village

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Educational, high school and elementary school

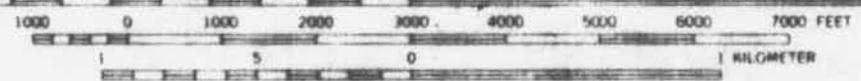
Known Design Source: 1908= Otto E. Simonson, 1924, 1935 = John B. Hamme



SCALE 1:24,000

ABERDEEN QUAD

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CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

- Heavy-duty Light-duty
- Medium-duty Unimproved dirt
- U. S. Route State Route

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