

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

Property/District Name: 4 Park Ave., Gaithersburg, MD Survey Number: M:21-64

Project: CDBG Rehabilitation Agency: MCDHCD

Site visit by MHT Staff:  no  yes Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Eligibility recommended \_\_\_\_\_ Eligibility not recommended XX

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 residence at 4 Park Ave., Gaithersburg, Montgomery County, MD is located within the Old Gaithersburg Survey District, which is not eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

The house is a 2-1/2 Four Square with Queen Anne elements, such as the canted wall and bay window on the northeast side of the front facade and the two-story bay-window tower on the southeast side of the front facade. The foundation is brick and the house has a balloon frame, originally covered with weatherboard, but now sheathed in asbestos siding. All of the windows are 1 over 1 double hung sashes. The attic dormer has been converted from a window to a vent. Lending credence to the identification of the house as a four-square is the fact that the roof is hipped and covered with asphalt shingles. The shed roof porch is presently supported by iron posts.

The dwelling was converted into apartments and the present owners plan to convert the entire building into office space. While the house appears to retain sufficient integrity to be a contributing resource, because the district does not have overall integrity, but isolated historic sites, eligibility for the Register under Criterion C is not recommended. Also, the property is not known to have any associations with persons or events significant to our past and thus is not eligible under Criteria A or B. Nor is it likely to yield any archeological information, thus making it ineligible under Criteria D.

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

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Anne E. Bruder 1/20/98  
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence:  yes  no  not applicable  
Peter J. Geiling 2/5/98  
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: Suburban

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic/Single Family Dwelling/Multi-Family Dwelling

Known Design Source: \_\_\_\_\_

GAITHERSBURG HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET  
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ADDRESS 4 PARK AVENUE  
County: Montgomery  
Gaithersburg

MHT # M-21-64

SURVEY # 086  
LOT -, BLOCK -

LIBER -, FOLIO -

OWNER: Heritage Builders  
ADDRESS: same  
CITY: same

PRESENT USE: office  
ORIGINAL USE: residence  
BUILDER: unknown

STYLE: Late Victorian

DATE BUILT: c.1920

PHYS. COND: good

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION

STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:

FOUNDATION: brick  
WALL STRUCTURE: Balloon  
WALL COVERING: asbestos over wood siding

ROOF CONSTRUCTION:

ROOF STRUCTURE: Wood Truss  
ROOF COVERING: asphalt shingle  
ROOF STYLE: hip  
EAVES: boxed cornice  
CHIMNEYS: -

APPENDAGES:

ADDITIONS: left  
ELLS: -  
PORCHES: front  
SUPPORTS: modern  
OUTBUILDINGS: -

STORIES: 2

BAYS: 8

APPROX DIMENSION: -

WINDOWS:

TYPE: d.h.s.  
LIGHTS: 1/1  
BAY WINDOWS: front  
SIDE BY SIDES: -  
GABLE TYPES: vent

ENTRANCES:

LOCATION: 6th  
DESCRIPTION: horizontal panel

THREAT: none

SURROUNDINGS: commercial/buffer

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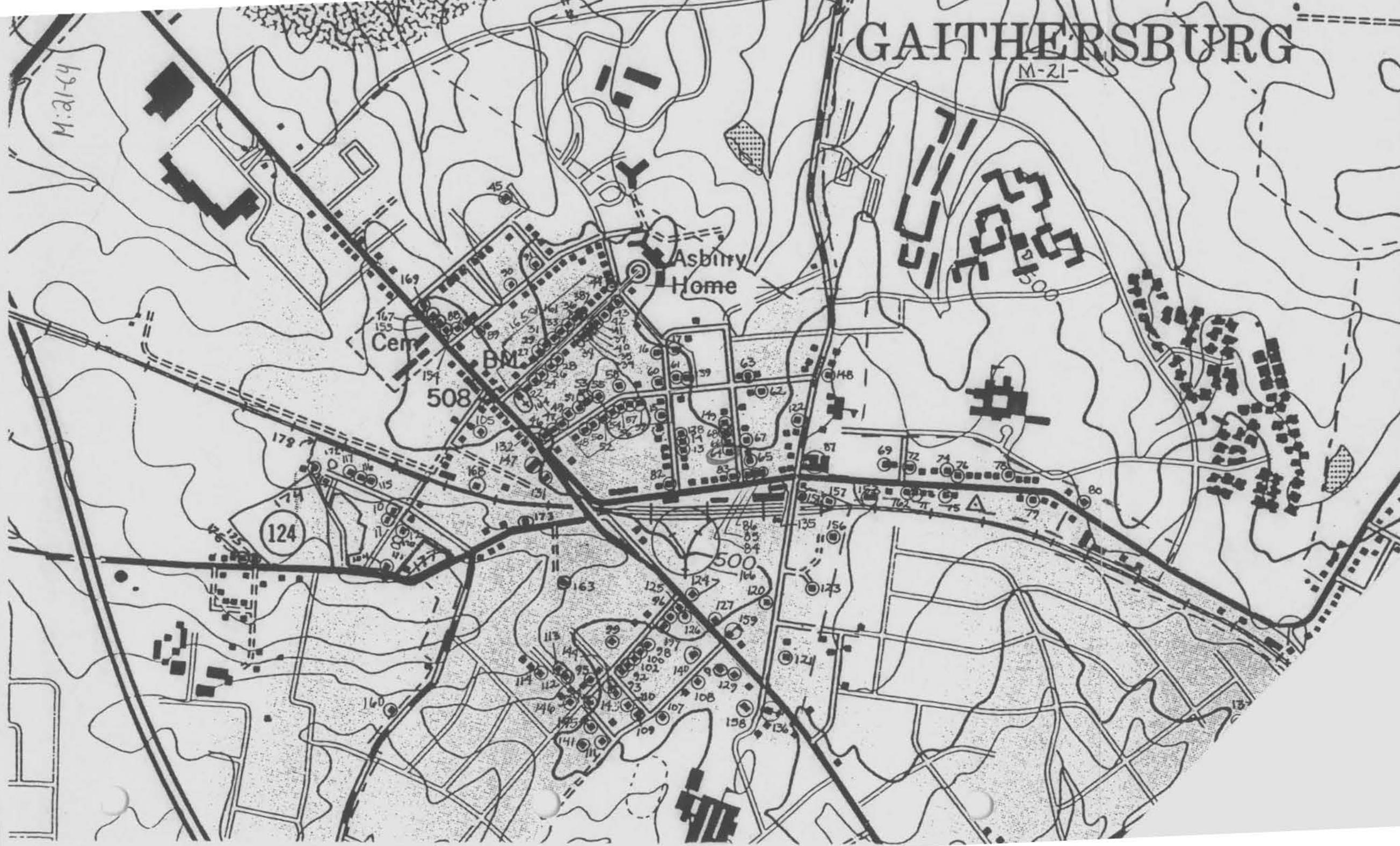
DESCRIPTION: A once-attractive residence which has undergone extensive changes when converted to apartments. The front of the building is dominated by two bays with three-sided two-storey bays in the southeast corner and a rectangular bay in the northeast corner. All windows are 1/1 d.h.s. with plain wood surrounds. There is a small hip-roof dormer over center entrance with lowered opening. Porch is now supported by modern wrought iron railings. A frame stair runs along the north(right) side to second story apartment. There is a boxed wood cornice. There is a one-storey enclosed porch on the left elevation. According to resident, this house was built in 1922 and was the residence of a former mayor.

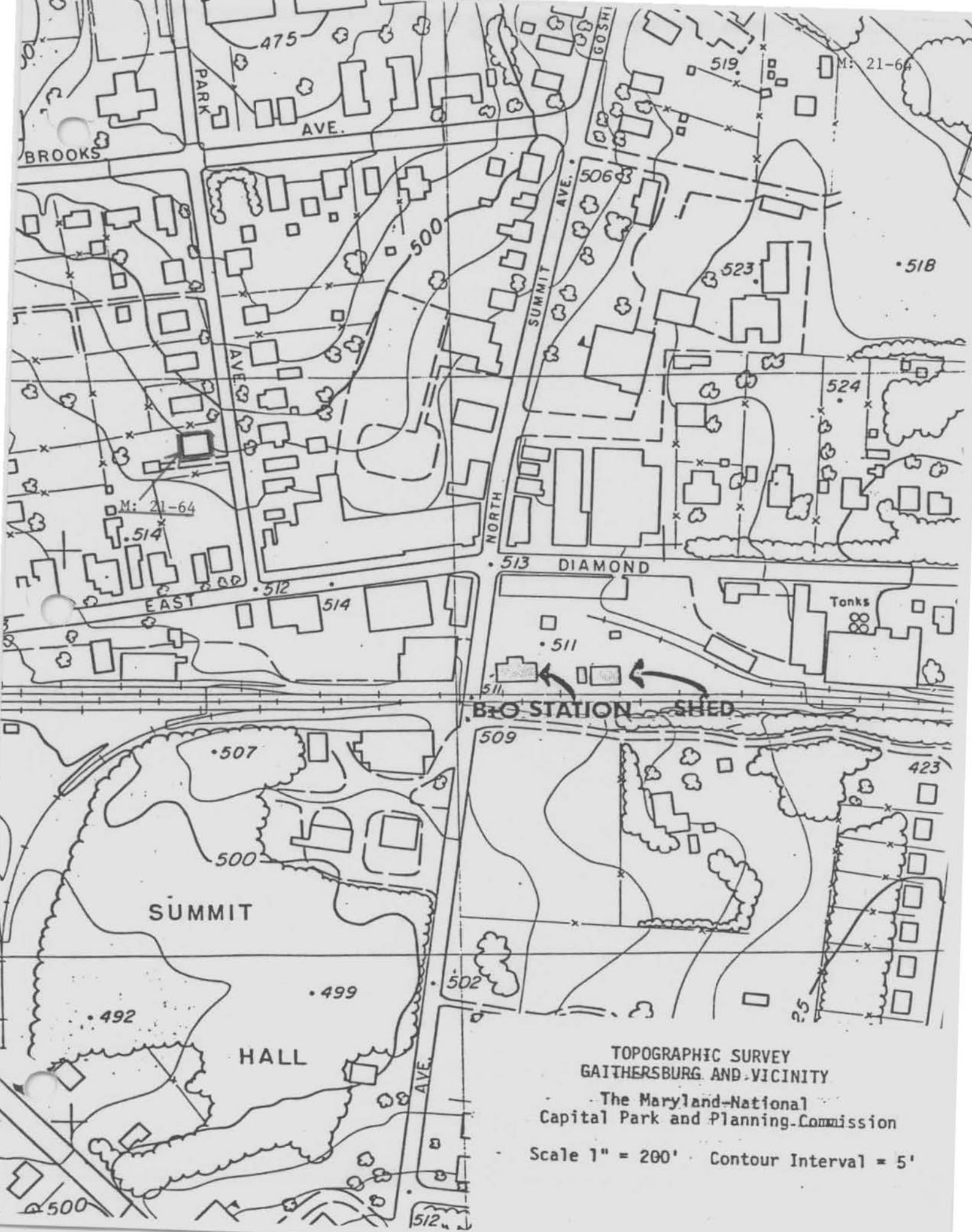
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TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY  
GAITHERSBURG AND VICINITY  
The Maryland-National  
Capital Park and Planning Commission  
Scale 1" = 200' Contour Interval = 5'



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