

Iowa Site Inventory Form

State Historic Preservation Office

(July 2014)

State Inventory Number: 92-00730 New Supplemental

9-Digit SHPO Review & Compliance (R&C) Number _____

Non-extant Year: _____

Read the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions carefully, to ensure accuracy and completeness before completing this form. The instructions are available on our website: <http://www.iowahistory.org/historic-preservation/statewide-inventory-and-collections/iowa-site-inventory-form.html>

• Property Name

A) Historic name Howard and Elizabeth Wittrig House

B) Other names: West side survey map #WS-004

• Location

A) Street address: 215 S Avenue B

B) City or town: Washington (Vicinity) County Washington

C) Legal Description:

Rural: Township Name: _____ Township No.: _____ Range No.: _____ Section: _____ Quarter: _____ of Quarter: _____

Urban: Subdivision: Original Plat Block(s): 16 Lot(s): N 67 feet of Lot 8

• Classification

A) Property category: *Check only one*

- Building(s)
- District
- Site
- Structure
- Object

B) Number of Resources (within property)

If eligible property, enter number of:		If non-eligible property, enter number of:	
Contributing	Noncontributing		
<u>1</u>	Buildings	—	Buildings
—	Sites	—	Sites
—	Structures	—	Structures
—	Objects	—	Objects
<u>1</u>	Total	—	Total

C) For properties listed in the National Register:

National Register status: Listed De-listed NHL NPS DOE

D) For properties within a historic district:

- Property contributes to a National Register or local certified historic district.
- Property contributes to a potential historic district, based on professional historic/architectural survey and evaluation.
- Property *does not* contribute to the historic district in which it is located.

Historic district name: West side residential historic district Historic district site inventory number: 92-00350

Name of related project report or multiple property study, if applicable:

MPD Title

Historical Architectural Data Base #

Architectural and Historical Survey of the "west side" residential neighborhood in Washington 92-013

• **Function or Use** *Enter categories (codes and terms) from the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions*

A) Historic functions

01A01: Domestic / residence

B) Current functions

01A01: Domestic / residence

• **Description** *Enter categories (codes and terms) from the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions*

A) Architectural Classification

10C: Ranch

B) Materials

Foundation (visible exterior): 10B: Poured Concrete

walls (visible exterior): 05E: Aluminum

Roof: 08A: Asphalt shingles

Other: _____

C) Narrative Description *SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED*

• **Statement of Significance**

A) Applicable National Register Criteria: *Mark your opinion of eligibility after applying relevant National Register criteria*

- Criterion A: Property is associated with significant events. Yes No More research recommended
Criterion B: Property is associated with the lives of significant persons. Yes No More Research Recommended
Criterion C: Property has distinctive architectural characteristics. Yes No More Research Recommended
Criterion D: Property yields significant information in archeology/history. Yes No More Research Recommended

B) Special criteria considerations: *Mark any special considerations; leave blank if none*

- A Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes. E A reconstructed building, object, or structure.
 B Removed from its original location. F A commemorative property.
 C A birthplace or grave. G Less than 50 years of age or
 D A cemetery achieved significance within the past 50 years.

C) Areas of Significance

Enter categories from instructions

Community planning and development

D) Period(s) of significance

E) Significant dates

Construction date

1957 *check if circa or estimated date*

Other dates, including renovations

F) Significant person

Complete if Criterion B is marked above

G) Cultural affiliation

Complete if Criterion D is marked above

H) Architect/Builder

Architect

Builder/contractor

I) Narrative statement of significance **SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED**

• **Bibliography** *See continuation sheet for the list of research sources used in preparing this form*

• **Geographic Data** *Optional UTM references* *See continuation sheet for additional UTM references or comments*

UTM References (OPTIONAL)

Zone	Easting	Northing	NAD	Zone	Easting	Northing	NAD
1				2			
3				4			

• **Form Preparation**

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Street address: City Hall, 215 E. Washington St Telephone: 319-653-6584

City or Town: Washington State: Iowa Zip code: 52353

• **ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION** *Submit the following items with the completed form*

A) For all properties, attach the following, as specified in the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions:

- 1. Map** of property's location within the community.
- 2. Glossy color 4x6 photos labeled** on back with property/building name, address, date taken, view shown, and unique photo number.
- 3. Photo key showing each photo number on a map and/or floor plan, using arrows next to each photo number to indicate the location and directional view of each photograph.**
- 4. Site plan** of buildings/structures on site, identifying boundaries, public roads, and building/structure footprints.

B) For State Historic Tax Credit Part 1 Applications, historic districts and farmsteads, and barns:

See lists of special requirements and attachments in the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions.

State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Use Only Below This Line

The SHPO has reviewed the Site Inventory and concurs with above survey opinion on National Register eligibility:

- Yes No More Research Recommended
 This is a locally designated property or part of a locally designated district.

Comments: _____

SHPO authorized signature: _____ Date: _____

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Narrative Description

This is a one story frame ranch house with an attached car port in front of an attached one car garage. The foundation and carport floor are poured concrete. The walls are clad in aluminum siding. There are vinyl shutters flanking the windows on all sides except the rear of the house. The hip roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Most of the windows on the house retain original two-over-two-light double-hung windows with the two lights horizontally oriented. The house also retains paired corner windows, which is typical of this period.

The façade (east elevation) is divided into three bays, plus the carport/garage section to the north. A concrete walk with a metal railing extends across the front of the house from the driveway to the centered front entry. The entry door is wood with three individual horizontal windows, and it has an aluminum storm / screen door. To the left/south of the entry, there is a picture window consisting of a large fixed single-light window flanked by a horizontal two-over-two-light double-hung windows. At the right/northeast corner of the house, there is a pair of horizontal two-over-two-light double-hung windows, with a shutter on the left side only. All windows have aluminum storm / screens. The carport is located at the northeast corner of the house, extending west along the north side with a garage setback on the west half of the north side. The east side of the garage has a garage door with four windows across the top of the door, and a wood entry door with an aluminum storm / screen door to the south/left.

The north elevation then includes the side of the house within the carport and the side of the garage. At the front/northeast corner of the house, there is a pair of horizontal two-over-two-light double-hung windows, with a shutter to the right. The windows complement the windows on the east side of this corner. To the right, there is a smaller horizontal two-over-two-light double-hung window. The sill of this window is higher than the windows to the left. On the north side of the garage, there a horizontal two-over-two-light double-hung window. All the windows on this side of the house have aluminum storm / screens and black vinyl shutters.

The south elevation is divided into three bays. On the left/west, there is a double-hung window with aluminum storm / screens and black vinyl shutters. Approximately in the center of the wall, there is a smaller double-hung window with aluminum storm / screens and black vinyl shutters whose sill is higher than most of the windows in the house. On the right/east, there is a pair of horizontal two-over-two-light double-hung windows with aluminum storm / screens and black vinyl shutters.

The west elevation, the rear of the house, has no windows or doors on the rear of the garage on the east end. Roughly at the center of the rear wall, there is a pair of horizontal two-over-two-light double-hung windows with aluminum storm / screens. On the right/south side of the wall, there is a horizontal two-over-two-light double-hung window with aluminum storm / screens. None of these windows have shutters.

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Narrative Statement of Significance

The Howard and Elizabeth Wittrig House appears to contribute historically and architecturally to the potential "west side" residential historic district in Washington. The ranch house was built during the period of development in the early 1950s that subdivided earlier larger lots, and it is significant within this period of later development of the neighborhood. The house retains a number of features characteristic of homes of this period, including horizontal two-over-two-light double-hung wood windows, windows around a corner, and picture windows. The period of significance for the historic district is anticipated to extend through 1969, so it would fall within this period.

This house does not appear eligible for individual listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criteria A, B, or C. The house does not appear to have particular historical or architectural significance individually.

History / research summary of property (chronological order, by owner/period):

This parcel (north 67' of Lot 8) was historically owned as part of the larger Lot 8 with the house at 302 W. Jefferson on the south portion of the lot. On June 1, 1956, Tina M. Holt Bain and her husband, owners of Lot 8, sold the north 67 feet of lot 8 to contractor Donald S. Foss. The assessor then lists a construction date of 1957. On January 14, 1958, Foss transferred the property to Howard L. Wittrig. Howard and Elizabeth Wittrig, retired, are first listed at this address in the 1958 telephone directory, and appear consistently in all city and telephone directories through 1976. They were previously listed on a farm in Marion Township in the 1940 census.

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Location map



2009 aerial photograph (Washington County) – line indicates survey/research area boundary

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Building plan (from assessor's website)

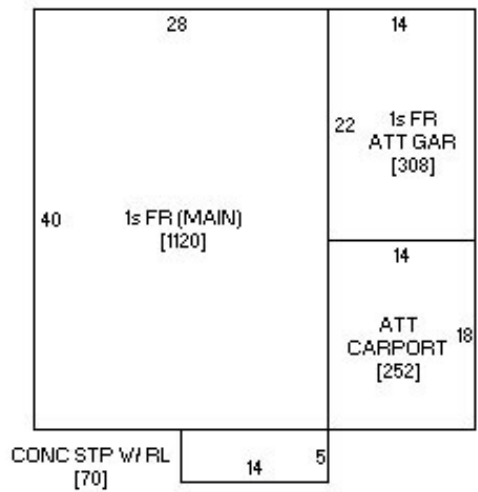


Photo from assessor's website



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Digital photographs



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Photograph 92-00730-002 - House, looking southwest (December 2014)

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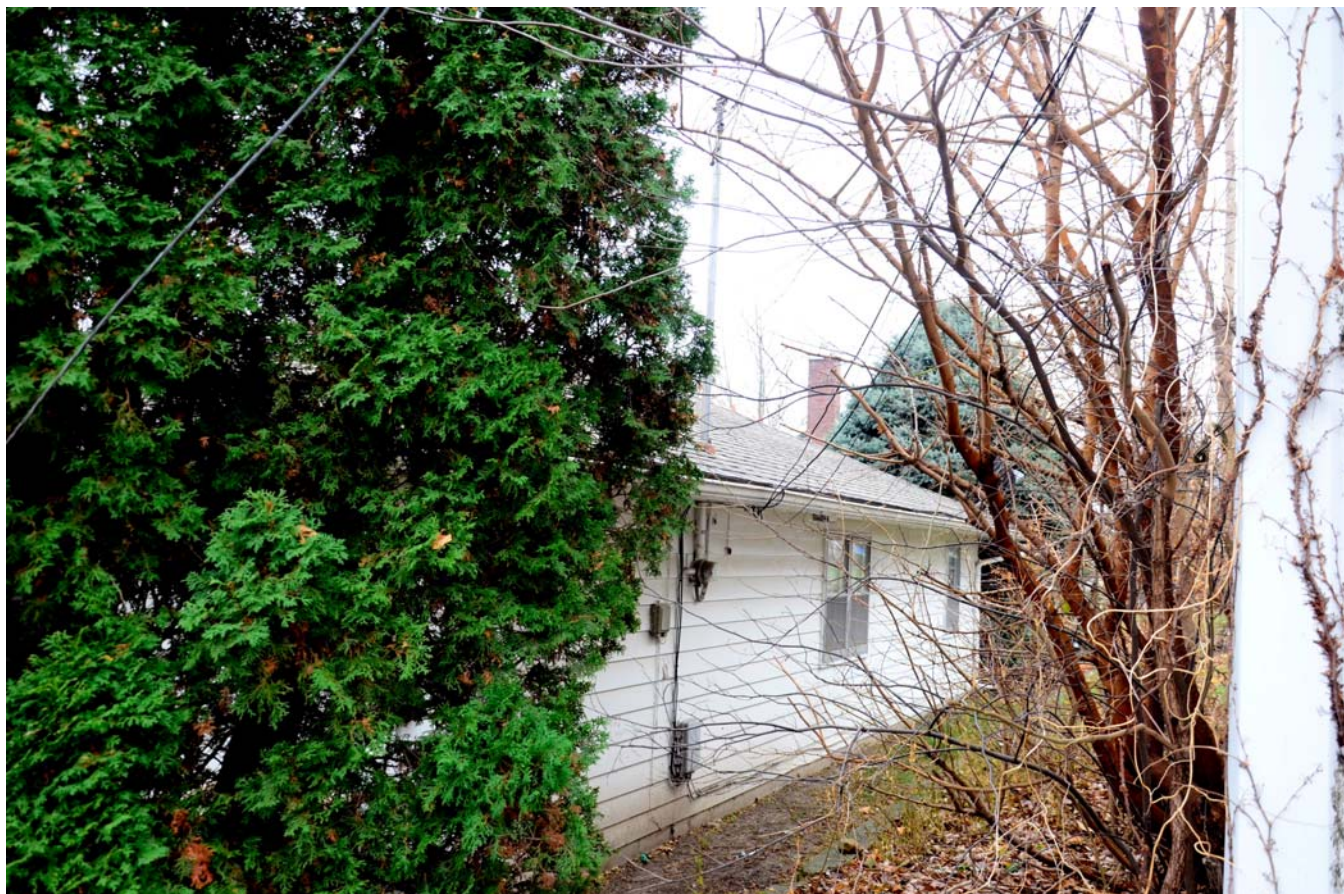
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Photograph 92-00730-003 - House, looking southeast (December 2014)