

# Iowa Site Inventory Form

State Historic Preservation Office

(July 2014)

State Inventory Number: 92-00801  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 Ella C. Warren House

B) Other names: West side survey map #WS-141

## • Location

A) Street address: 904 W Main Street

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

C) Legal Description:

Rural: Township Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Township No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Range No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Section: \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter: \_\_\_\_\_ of Quarter: \_\_\_\_\_

Urban: Subdivision: Northwest Addition Block(s): 22 Lot(s): Lot 1 of Parcel H

## • 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>2</u>	Buildings	—	Buildings
	Sites	—	Sites
—	Structures	—	Structures
	Objects	—	Objects
<u>2</u>	<b>Total</b>	—	<b>Total</b>

**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

01C05: Domestic / garage

**B) Current functions**

01A01: Domestic / residence

01C05: Domestic / garage

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

**A) Architectural Classification**

06B: Dutch Colonial Revival

**B) Materials**

Foundation (visible exterior): 10A: Concrete block

walls (visible exterior): 15B: vinyl

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*

1928  *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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Organization/firm: Washington Historic Preservation Commission E-mail: -

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 two-story frame Dutch Colonial Revival house built on the north side of W. Main Street around 1928. The house sits on a rusticated stone foundation, and it is clad with vinyl siding. The gambrel roof is covered with asphalt shingles. There are two large shed-roof dormers, one on the front of the house and the other on the back of the house. The windows are vinyl replacements with vinyl surrounds, and the house retains a historic brick chimney toward the west side of the house. There is a one car garage off the northeast corner of the house, and a small non-historic metal garden shed directly behind the house.

The façade, the south elevation, faces W. Main Street and Sunset Park to the south. The main entry is located at the left/west end. The entry retains a wood door with four small windows at the top, and it has an aluminum storm / screen door. A small wood deck with wood steps and railings, floor and grating below the floor has been built in place of earlier steps. Above the entry, there is a front gable roof with a semicircular ceiling in the gable. The gable is supported by two vinyl clad triangular braces. To the right of the entry, there is a pair of one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl windows. Farther to the right, there is another pair of one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl windows. On the second story there is a wide shed-roof dormer that extends nearly the width of the facade. It has a one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window located to the left, and another one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window located to the right. There is a two-light wood basement window with wood storm window below the right windows on the façade.

The west elevation is roughly divided into three sections. The center section has a ground level wood entry door with a single-light window in the upper half of the door, and an aluminum storm / screen door. Between the first and second stories, above the entry door, there is a one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window. The front/south section has a one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window on the first story, and a one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window the same size above it on the second story. The left/north section has a one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window with a sill somewhat higher than typical for this house on the first story. Above it, on the second story, there is a one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window of typical size. There are two two-light wood basement windows with wood storm windows on the west elevation, one centered under the first story windows.

The east elevation has an attached, enclosed porch covering the first story. The porch has an aluminum storm / screen door on the west end of the south/front elevation. To the right of the door, there is a pair of one-over-one-light double-hung windows. The east elevation of the porch has a continuous line of seven one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl windows of various widths. The north elevation of the porch has a set of four one-over-one-light double-hung windows. On the second story, there are two equally distributed one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window within the side of the gambrel roof.

On the first story of the rear/north elevation, there is a pair of one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl windows in the left/east half and a one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window with a sill somewhat higher than typical for this house in the right/west half. On the second story, there is a large shed-roof

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dormer that extends nearly the width of the house. Toward the left side of the dormer, there is a one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window.

The one-car frame garage is located just northeast of the northeast corner of the house. The assessor notes a construction date It has a poured concrete foundation, and it is clad with vinyl siding to match the house. The pyramidal roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Facing south is a single-car aluminum garage door located slightly to the right of center, with a concrete driveway providing access to W. Main Street. A concrete walk leads from the front entry to the driveway, with a short spur leading north to the side porch entry door. The east elevation has a wood window centered in the wall. The west elevation has a wood entry door and a wood window. The north elevation has no fenestration. The garage is counted as a contributing building in the potential historic district.

At the rear of the house is a small, metal garden shed facing north. It has double doors, also facing north, and backs up to the foundation of the house between the windows. It is not counted within the potential historic district

**Narrative Statement of Significance**

The Ella C. Warren House appears to contribute historically and architecturally to the potential “west side” residential historic district in Washington. The house was built around 1928 during the period of 1920s development of the neighborhood. The Dutch Colonial style is the only one noted in the potential historic district, and it is significant for this architecture. The house and garage are counted as contributing buildings within the potential historic district.

The Ella C. Warren House does not appear to be individually eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criteria A, B, or C. The alterations to the house have affected the integrity under Criterion C for architecture for individual listing. The house does not appear to have historic significance under Criteria A or B.

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

The property was part of a farm owned by James Bailey, as shown on the 1894 Atlas of Washington, and platted as Lot 22 in the Northwest Addition. This lot/property was later divided into five parcels, with the original home on the east parcel at 800 W. Main (later demolished/replaced). A portion of the property was sold by Samuel and Ida M. (Bailey) Bateman (living at 800 W. Main) to Ella G. Warren on April 5, 1928. The 1926 telephone directory lists Miss Ella Warren at 221 S. Iowa. She apparently then built this larger home in 1928. The 1930 census lists the occupants as Ella G. Warren, head of the household, widow, and home owner, age 53, her daughter Rhea Hoover, age 31, and son-in-law Leo Hoover, age 31, an embalmer, and their 4 year old daughter Kathryn A. Hoover living at 904 W. Main Street. The 1920 census listed Ella (43) as the wife of J.H. Warren (47), grocery store merchant, and daughter Rea (21, teacher) and son Lewis (15). The *Evening Journal*, April 26, 1913, lists the Klein & Warren Department store on the south side of the square, with partners Lewis Klein and J.H. Warren

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(page 1). The 1925 census lists Joseph H. and Ella C. Warren and son Lewis. The Hooevers are not listed in Washington in the 1926 directory. Thus, it appears that Ella built this larger house after Joseph died and for the extended family. By this time, the property to the south across W. Main Street had been incorporated into Sunset Park, so this house overlooks the park. The house was valued at \$6,000 per the 1930 census.

On February 27, 1935, the property was transferred from Lewis A. Warren, son of Ella Warren, to Jesse and Elizabeth Klein, and Klein then sold the property to Leo Hoover on September 8, 1937. The 1935 city directory lists Leo Hoover, an embalmer with Sherman's Funeral Home, and his wife Rhea living at 904 W. Main. The 1940 census lists the Hoover family at this address as Leo, the head of the household and home owner, age 41, his wife Rhea, age 41, daughter Kathryn A., age 14, and son Thomas W., age 7. Hoover is a licensed mortuary embalmer, and Rhea is a substitute teacher in the public school.

The property was transferred from Leo Hoover to R.D. Arnold on August 22, 1940. The 1941 city directory lists the Arnold family as Rodney Arnold, barber with Hampshire and See, his wife Jessie, and their son Billy, age 15.

The property was then sold to Theresa and Albert Adam on November 4, 1943. It appears that they lived on a farm in Keokuk County in the 1940 census. The 1954 city directory lists Mrs. Theresa Adam living at 904 W. Main Street, with additional residents Mrs. Matilda Brauenhausen, Mrs. Lucy Peck, and Mrs. Margaret Logan. Theresa Adam continues to be listed in telephone directories from 1954 through 1962. City directory listings in 1964 and 1969 note it as the Adam Rest Home, with Mrs. Theresa Adam (widow Albert) as manager and owner. The 1969 city directory also lists a daughter Debra Nelson '53 living at 904 W. Main. In the 1972 and 1976 city directories, Mrs. Theresa Adam continues to be listed, but the rest home is no longer mentioned.

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**Location map**



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

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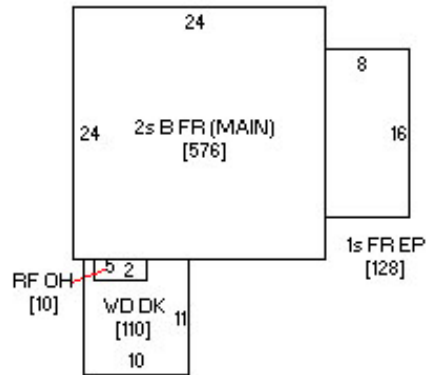
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**Building plan (from assessor's website)**



**Photo from assessor's website**





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**Digital photographs**



Photograph 92-00801-001 - House, looking northwest (December 2014)

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**Photograph 92-00801-002 - House, looking southeast (December 2014)**

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**Photograph 92-00801-003 - Garage, looking north (December 2014)**