

Iowa Site Inventory Form

State Historic Preservation Office

(July 2014)

State Inventory Number: 92-00768 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 Mildred J. Whitehead House

B) Other names: West side survey map #WS-085

• Location

A) Street address: 712 W Washington Blvd

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

C) Legal Description:

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

Urban: Subdivision: Western Addition Block(s): 7 Lot(s): W 45.5' Lot 8 and E 27' Lot 7

• 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

B) Current functions

01A01: Domestic / residence

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01C05: Domestic / garage

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

A) Architectural Classification

B) Materials

10C Rambler/Ranch

Foundation (visible exterior): 10B: Concrete / poured

walls (visible exterior): 15E: Wood fiberboard

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

1953 *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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● **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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712 W. Washington Blvd	Washington
Address	City

Narrative Description

This is a one-story frame ranch house on the north side of W. Washington. This block is west of the main boulevard, on the extension of W. Washington at the northeast corner of Sunset Park. The house sits on a poured concrete foundation, and is clad with wide wood siding. The hip roof is covered with asphalt shingles. There is an attached single car garage at the west end of the house with a carport in front of the garage, and a small shed is attached to the rear of the garage.

The façade is has two sections, plus the carport/garage at the left/west. The left/west half of the main section of the house is inset under the main eave. A square wood column supports the roof near the center. On the east side of the carport, concrete steps rise to a concrete stoop and small concrete patio within this section. On the house, there is an wood entry door with a semi circle of four windows at the top of the door with four wood panels on the lower portion, and an aluminum storm / screen door. The entry has two sidelights with nine lights. To the right of the entry, the remainder of this section is filled with a set of nine single-light windows (3 by 3), the lower left and right ones being awing windows. The east/right half of the facade has a centrally located one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window with vinyl shutters.

The west elevation consists of the west side of the garage and car port. The garage has a poured concrete foundation, is clad with wide wood siding, and has a hip roof covered with asphalt shingles. There is a garage door on the south side, and an entry door to its right/east. There is a one-by-one-light sliding window centered in the west wall of the garage. The carport is located directly in front of the garage and has a shed roof. There is a open wall on the west side made of wood slats, and two square wood columns with angled braces support the roof on the south end.

The east elevation has two evenly spaced one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl windows.

The north elevation consists of the main section of the house and the rear of the garage at the west/right end. On the east/left half of the house, there are two evenly spaced one-over-one-light double-hung windows. On the west/right half of the house, there is a picture window and rear entry. The picture window is composed of a wide four-light window with a narrow one-over-one-light double-hung window on each side. The rear entry door has 15 small windows. To the right of the door, on the east side of the garage wall where it extends past the northwest corner of the house, there is a one-over-one-light double-hung window. The small shed attached to the rear of the garage has a shed roof covered with asphalt shingles, and is sided with vertical wood siding.

Narrative Statement of Significance

The Mildred J. Whitehead House appears to contribute historically to the potential “west side” residential historic district in Washington. The ranch house was built during the period of development of the former Patterson estate in the early 1950s, and it is significant within this period of later development of the neighborhood. The period of significance for the historic district is anticipated to extend through 1969, so it would fall within this period.

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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

This house is one of five houses built in the early 1950s from 704 to 730 W. Washington. Lots 6-10 in Block 7 of the Western Addition extend along the north side of Sunset Park designated in the early 1900s, along a continuation of Washington Blvd. Benjamin and Sue Warfel acquired these five lots, as well as Lots 1-5 to the north along W. Main Street, through two purchases in 1880 and 1881. They sold Lots 1-10 to John Watson on December 27, 1890. The 1894 map shows only a house on Lot 3 (currently 717 W. Main). Watson then sold smaller parcels, including parts of Lots 5-6 to Mary L. Stewart in 1898 (built house at 735 W. Main) and his house on Lot 3 with Lot 7 to his daughter Florence E. Patterson on March 29, 1901. Watson transferred Lots 9-10 and Lots 1-2 to the north on W. Main to Florence E. Patterson on August 3, 1914 as well. Lewis and Florence Patterson sold off the lots along W. Main, retaining the house on Lot 3 at 717 W. Main with Lots 8-10 to the south along the extension of W. Washington into the northeast corner of Sunset Park. A sheriff's deed related to the Patterson estate transferred their remaining property, including Lots 8-10 and east 27' of Lot 7 to the Home Owners Loan Corporation on February 17, 1942. On July 8, 1943, the Home Owners Loan Corporation sold this set of lots to Earl O. Wood, a local contractor. They retained the lots, but apparently did not construct houses. Earl O. Wood and wife transferred the E 27 ft. of Lot 7 and all of Lots 8, 9, and 10 to Marquerite Sowden and husband on June 30, 1951. Then in February 1952, Earl O. Wood transfer the land associated with the south half of the alley along the north side of these lots to the Sowdens. The property was then split into three parcels over the next few years and developed with new houses at the northeast corner of Sunset Park.

The house at 704 W. Washington Blvd sits on Lot 10 and the east 14' of Lot 9. On December 3, 1952, the Sowdens sold the east 27' of Lot 7 and the west 45.5' of Lot 8 to Mildred J. Whitehead. This house was then likely built in 1953. Mrs. R.M. Whitehead is listed at 712 W. Washington Street in the 1954 city directory. In the 1954 telephone book, she is listed as Mrs. Ray Whitehead at the same address. She continues to appear in the directories in 1956 and 1958. Mildred then married Charles C. Snyder. The 1960 telephone directory lists Charles C. Snyder at this address. A listing in the 1964 city directory says Charles C. Snyder is Sheriff of Washington City, and Mildred Z. is a clerk at Seifert's Store for Women. The listings in the 1967 and 1969 city directories are identical, but in 1972, Charles Snyder is an assistant vice president at Ainsworth State Bank, while Mildred remains a clerk at Seifert's.

Mildred Snyder (formerly Whitehead) transferred the property to Paul and Alice M. Ryan on August 14, 1985. The Alice Ryan estate transferred it to Paul Ryan on September 28, 1989.

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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)

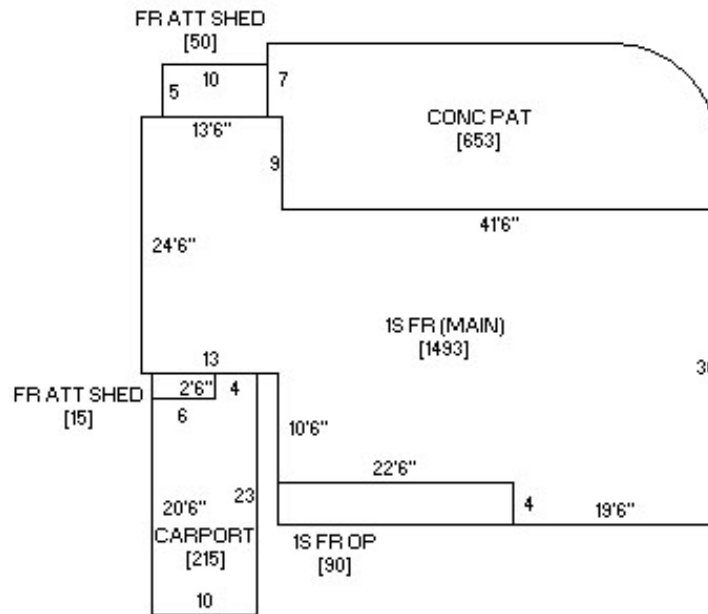


Photo from assessor's website



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Digital photographs



Photograph 92-00768-001 - House, looking northeast (December 2014)

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Photograph 92-00768-002 - House, looking northwest (December 2014)

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Photograph 92-00768-003 - House, looking south (December 2014)