

District Overview and Location

District/Complex Historic Name	Ford-Inkster				
Current/Common Name	Dancy-Ford Residential Historic District				
Roughly bounded by streets	Michigan Central Railroad, Inkster, Henry, Pine, Hickory, Annapolis, Irene				
City, State, Zip Code(s)	Inkster, Michigan, 48141				
County	Wayne				
Total Acres in the District	434.95				
Ownership Private	Public-Local Public-State Public-Federal				

District/Complex Type

Commercial	Rural/Farm Complex 🗌
Residential 🛛	Other 🗌
Industrial	

District/Complex Information

205			
185			
20			
1920-1941			
Significant Dates 1920-1941 For complexes provide a list of resources: See district inventory on page 3.			



National Register Eligibility

Is the district listed in	Yes 🗌 N	No 🛛	If yes,	Date Listed:	NRIS #:
the National Register?			provide:		
If not already listed, complete the information below:					
Eligible Under: Crit	erion A 🛚	Criterio	on B	Criterion C	Criterion D
Criteria Considerations:		a. 🗌	b. 🔲 c. 🔲	d. 🗌 e. 🔲 f.	□ g. □
Not Eligible					
Area(s) of Significance	Community	y Planning	and Develop	ment; Ethnic Histor	y; Architecture
Period(s) Significance	1920-1941				
Integrity - Does the distr	ict/complex p	ossess int	egrity in all or	some of the 7 aspe	ects?
General Integrity: Int	act 🛛	Altere	ed 🗌	Moved	Date(s):
Location 🛛 Design 🖸	Materials	S 🛛 Wor	kmanship⊠	Setting 🛛 Fe	eling ⊠ Association⊠
Condition of District?	Good 🛚		Fair		Poor
Threats to Resource? Inappropriate modifications; Deferred maintenance/demolition; Lack of local historic					
districts and preservation planning; Recognition					
Survey Date May – S	eptember 202	22 R	ecorded By	Katie Cook	
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For SHPO Use Only	SHPO Concurrence?: Y / N	Date:

Provide a detailed description of the district/complex, including general character of the district/complex, types of buildings and structures including outbuildings and bridges, and the qualities distinguishing the district/complex from its surroundings. This is required for all districts/complexes.

The proposed district is composed of multiple subdivisions, platted between 1916 and 1929, by various parties. Housing within the district dates from 1920 to 2001 with the majority of housing dating to the late 1920s through the 1930s, displaying modest interpretations of popular architectural styles of the day. Small and modest single-family homes dominate the district, with a handful of multi-family dwellings scattered throughout the neighborhood.

Around 185 houses remain from the period of 1920 to 1941, dating from the initial Black settlement in the area through the Ford-Inkster Project. Further survey and research is warranted to discern the number of houses associated with the Ford-Inkster Project and those associated with development pre-Ford-Inkster Project. The contributing resources are scattered throughout the bounds of the proposed district—there is no "core" area of housing related to Dancy or Ford—highlighting the thoroughness with which Dancy and Ford impacted the entire district.

History of the District/Complex

Provide information on previous owners, land use, construction and alteration dates in a narrative format. <u>This is required</u> for all intensive level surveys and recommended for other identification efforts.

Prior to the area's subdivision into multiple plats, the area was owned by a handful of families and was likely used as farmland. New housing was construction shortly after subdivision in the late 1910s and 1920s, and housing was overwhelmingly occupied by Black families. Research seems to indicate that John Dancy, Executive Director of the Detroit Urban League, helped facilitate the development of this land in to housing marketed to African American families. Further research that is beyond the scope of this project is needed to confirm the role of Dancy in this particular neighborhood's development. Multiple sources, including Dancy's own memoir *Sand in the Wind*, make mention of his involvement in the development of a Black housing settlement in Inkster but sources do not provide detail on what exactly Dancy's involvement in the settlement was.

In 1931 Ford Motor Company's Sociological Department became involved in what was known as the Ford-Inkster Project and facilitated development in the neighborhood. The area was likely sparsely populated in 1931 and significant new construction occurred post-1931. It is unclear how many houses were altered or constructed as a part of the Ford-Inkster Project. The Benson Collection at The Henry Ford provided a list of over 400 houses which were a part of the project but it is not confirmed how comprehensive this archive is. Of those 400 houses, only approximately 150 are still extant. The Ford-Inkster Project was based on an I.O.U. system which indebted the residents to the Ford Motor Company and turned portions of Southwest Inkster in to what amounts to a company town. Other efforts were village wide including a cleanup effort, financial assistance to the Village, and repairs to roads and other infrastructure. The Sociological Department had paternalistic and racist undertones to the entire program which ended at the same time that unionization efforts at Ford's automotive plants reached a tipping point.

Collectively, 205 extant resources were identified as being a part of Black housing development efforts between 1920 and 1941, either as a part of the Ford-Inkster project or prior, of which 185 were deemed contributing to the proposed district.

Statement of Significance/Recommendation of Eligibility

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Based on this reconnaissance level survey, this district is recommended as significant under Criterion A for its association with Community Planning and Development and Ethnic Heritage. Secondary sources seem to indicate that in 1920, John Dancy, Executive Director of the Detroit Urban League, facilitated the development of a parcel of land south of Michigan Avenue, west of Harrison Street, and east of Middlebelt Road. These lots were subsequently marketed to African American families. As one of the few places in southeast Michigan where African Americans could buy property, this available land kickstarted a migration of Black residents to Inkster. Further intensive level research is warranted to clarify Dancy's specific involvement in the development of this land.

Additionally, prior to World War II, the Ford Motor Company supported the construction and improvement of houses for Black families within the bounds of the proposed historic district through their Sociological Department. The Ford-Inkster project concluded in 1941 as unionization efforts expanded in Ford's plants.

Based on this history, the proposed period of significance is 1920-1941. Additional intensive level research will be necessary to confirm Dancy's involvement and to fully document the district's eligibility to determine the appropriate criterion and areas of significance for a proposed historic district. The district's integrity remains intact as housing illustrating the design, materials, and workmanship from the period of significance is still intact, the street plan and neighborhood remain as they did when the district achieved significance.

References

List references used to research and evaluate the district/complex.

"Burns-Van Alstine Sub." Subdivision Plat. 1926. Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA).

"Dearborn Acres Subdivision No 2." Subdivision Plat. 1916. Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA).

"Inkster Gardens Subdivision." Subdivision Plat. 1924. Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA).

Southeast Michigan Council of Governments. "Building Points, 2020." SEMCOG's Open Data Portal. Data updated October 10, 2022. https://maps-semcog.opendata.arcgis.com/datasets/SEMCOG::building-points-2020/about.

"Van Alstine Blvd. Sub." Subdivision Plat. 1925. Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA).

Wayne County Register of Deeds. "Burns-Van Alstine Sub' of S ½ of NE ¼ of NE ¼ and the N ½ of SE ¼ of NE ¼ of Sec 36, T2S R9E., Nankin Twp." Tract Index for Burns-Van Alstine Subdivision, liber 60 page 70.

Wayne County Register of Deeds. "Dearborn Acres Sub #2, part of Sections 25 & 36 T2S R9E. Nankin Twp. Wayne Co. Mich." Tract Index for Dearborn Acres Subdivision No. 2, liber 33 page 79.

Wayne County Register of Deeds. "Inkster Gardens Subdivision of the W ½ of NE ¼ of Sec. 36 T2S R9E Nankin Twp. W.C. Mich." Tract Index for Inkster Gardens Subdivision, liber 48 page 73.

Wayne County Register of Deeds. "Van Alstine Blvd Sub of part of the NE ¼ of NE ¼ of Section 36, T2S R93., Nankin Twp." Tract Index for Van Alstine Boulevard Subdivision, liber 55 page 4.

Wayne County Register of Deeds. "Westwood Heights Sub. being a part of the SW ¼ of the SE ¼ Sec. 25 T2S R9E Village of Inkster, Wayne County Michigan." Tract Index for Westwood Heights Subdivision, liber 63 page 2.

Wayne County Register of Deeds. "Westwood Heights Sub #1 being a part of the SW ¼ of the SE ¼ Sec. 25 T2S R9E Village of Inkster, Wayne County, Michigan. Tract Index for Westwood Heights Subdivision No. 1, liber 64 page 18.

Wayne County Register of Deeds. "Wolverine Tractor Sub of part of E ½ of Sec. 25 lying S of Mich Central R.R. Nankin Twp. T.2S R9E. Wayne County, Michigan." Tract Index for Wolverine Tractor Subdivision, liber 38 page 34.

"Westwood Heights Sub. No. 1." Subdivision Plat. 1929. Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA).

"Westwood Heights Sub." Subdivision Plat. 1928. Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA).

"Wolverine Tractor Subdivision." Subdivision Plat. 1917. Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA).

District Inventory: Dancy-Ford Residential Historic District

STREET ADDRESS	CITY/TOWNSHIP	COUNTY	YEAR BUILT	CONTRIBUTING (YES OR NO)
3135 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
3342 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1935	Yes
3511 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1922	No
3561 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
3620 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1926	Yes
3634 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1936	Yes
3647 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
3656 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1970	No
3661 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1922	Yes
3668 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1922	Yes
3742 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1934	Yes
3800 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
4030 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
4036 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
4044 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
4066 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
4135 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
4346 Allen	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
28242 Annapolis	Inkster	Wayne	1929	No
3138 Ash	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
3148 Ash	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
3160 Ash	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
3225 Ash	Inkster		1927	Yes
		Wayne		
3232 Ash	Inkster	Wayne	1929	Yes
3435 Ash	Inkster	Wayne	1936	Yes
3536 Ash	Inkster	Wayne	1937	Yes
3605 Ash	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
3739 Ash	Inkster	Wayne	1938	Yes
3817 Ash	Inkster	Wayne	1928	No
3844 Ash	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
3907 Ash	Inkster	Wayne	1926	Yes
4005 Ash	Inkster	Wayne	1938	Yes
4129 Ash	Inkster	Wayne	1928	Yes
27836 Carlysle	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
27842 Carlysle	Inkster	Wayne	1938	Yes
28142 Carlysle	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
27809 Cherry	Inkster	Wayne	1935	Yes
28116-28122 Cherry	Inkster	Wayne	1953	Yes
28315 Cherry	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
28442 Cherry	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
3217 Harriet	Inkster	Wayne	1937	Yes
3225 Harriet	Inkster	Wayne	1937	Yes
3406 Harriet	Inkster	Wayne	1928	Yes
3567 Harriet	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
3823 Harriet	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
3835 Harriet	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
4054 Harriet	Inkster	Wayne	1927	Yes
2943 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
3137 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
3257 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
3419 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1930	Yes
3575 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1944	No
3646 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1953	No
3752 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1928	Yes
3803 Harrison	Inkster		1920	Yes
3003 HalliSUH	IIIV2IGI	Wayne	1940	Yes

STREET ADDRESS	CITY/TOWNSHIP	COUNTY	YEAR BUILT	CONTRIBUTING (YES OR NO)
3935 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1924	Yes
4064 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
4083 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1970	No
4110 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1929	Yes
4121 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1932	Yes
3026 Henry	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
3246 Henry	Inkster	Wayne	1928	Yes
3252 Henry	Inkster	Wayne	1935	Yes
3267 Henry	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
3336 Henry	Inkster	Wayne	1927	Yes
3525 Henry	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
3746 Henry	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
2914 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1924	Yes
3180 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1923	No
3208 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1933	Yes
3216 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1925	No
3287 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1946	No
3404 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
3421 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
		•	1940	Yes
3434 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne		
3512 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1930	Yes
3517 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1926	Yes
3590 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
3600 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
3617 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1938	No
3621 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1927	Yes
3811 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1930	Yes
3846 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
3935 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
4180 Hickory	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
3030 Inkster	Inkster	Wayne	1930	Yes
3054 Inkster	Inkster	Wayne	1938	Yes
3100 Inkster	Inkster	Wayne	1937	Yes
3218 Inkster	Inkster	Wayne	1928	Yes
3256 Inkster	Inkster	Wayne	1971	No
3288 Inkster	Inkster	Wayne	1926	Yes
3334 Inkster	Inkster	Wayne	1924	Yes
3402 Inkster	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
3618 Inkster	Inkster	Wayne	1936	Yes
3810 Inkster	Inkster	Wayne	1927	Yes
3220 Irene	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
3316 Irene	Inkster	Wayne	1929	No
3645 Irene	Inkster	Wayne	1929	Yes
3653 Irene	Inkster	Wayne	1932	Yes
3822 Irene	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
3829 Irene	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
3845 Irene	Inkster	Wayne	1930	Yes
4021 Irene	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
4133 Irene	Inkster	Wayne	1939	No
3214 Isabelle	Inkster	Wayne	1927	Yes
3252 Isabelle	Inkster	Wayne	1927	Yes
3526 Isabelle	Inkster	Wayne	1937	Yes
3561 Isabelle	Inkster	Wayne	1928	No
3712 Isabelle	Inkster	Wayne	1924	Yes
3746 Isabelle	Inkster	Wayne	1929	Yes
3767 Isabelle	Inkster	Wayne	1928	No
3768 Isabelle	Inkster	Wayne	1938	Yes
4147 Isabelle	Inkster	Wayne	1926	Yes
4167 Isabelle	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes

STREET ADDRESS	CITY/TOWNSHIP	COUNTY	YEAR BUILT	CONTRIBUTING' (YES OR NO)
4402 Isabelle	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
4430 Isabelle	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
3140 Moore	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
3202 Moore	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
3246 Moore	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
3355 Moore	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
3363 Moore	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
3517 Moore	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
3743 Moore	Inkster	Wayne	1958	Yes
3812 Moore	Inkster	Wayne	1928	Yes
3893 Moore	Inkster	Wayne	1935	Yes
3899 Moore	Inkster	Wayne	1937	Yes
4005 Moore	Inkster	Wayne	1936	Yes
4180 Moore	Inkster	Wayne	1928	Yes
3228 Springhill	Inkster	Wayne	1935	No
3267 Springhill	Inkster	Wayne	1927	Yes
3324 Springhill	Inkster	Wayne	1927	Yes
3412 Springhill	Inkster	Wayne	1930	Yes
3430 Springhill	Inkster	Wayne	1938	Yes
	Inkster	Wayne	1928	Yes
3532 Springhill		•	1924	Yes
3574 Springhill	Inkster	Wayne		
3586 Springhill	Inkster	Wayne	1929	Yes
3616 Springhill	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
3658 Springhill	Inkster	Wayne	1937	Yes
3725 Springhill	Inkster	Wayne	1927	Yes
4111 Springhill	Inkster	Wayne	1936	Yes
4179 Springhill	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
4331 Springhill	Inkster	Wayne	1921	Yes
3230 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1927	Yes
3291 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1936	Yes
3407 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1936	Yes
3411 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
3412 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
3421 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1936	Yes
3435 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1936	Yes
3505 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1935	Yes
3517 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1936	Yes
3541 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1935	Yes
3555 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
3567 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1935	Yes
3575 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1935	Yes
3579 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
3584 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1938	Yes
3616 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1927	Yes
3638 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1938	No
3732 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1936	Yes
3733 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1927	Yes
3740 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1938	Yes
3747 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
3753 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
3816 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1927	Yes
3920 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
		_	1939	
3948 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne		Yes
4061 Spruce	Inkster	Wayne	1929	Yes
2912 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1921	Yes
3105 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
3130 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
3139 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
3140 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes

STREET ADDRESS	CITY/TOWNSHIP	COUNTY	YEAR BUILT	CONTRIBUTING? (YES OR NO)
3146 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
3155 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1924	Yes
3236 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1926	Yes
3239 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
3245 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1923	Yes
3270 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1937	Yes
3505 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	c.1936-1949; c.1968-1973	No
3583 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
3803 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1940	Yes
3810 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1928	Yes
3818 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1932	Yes
3857 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
3902 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1930	Yes
3903 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
4059 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1939	Yes
4158 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1926	Yes
4352 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1928	Yes
4562 Walnut	Inkster	Wayne	1938	Yes
3108 Williams	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
3111 Williams	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
3120 Williams	Inkster	Wayne	1941	Yes
3121 Williams	Inkster	Wayne	1932	Yes
3232 Williams	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
3244 Williams	Inkster	Wayne	1927	Yes
3300 Williams	Inkster	Wayne	1946	Yes
3309 Williams	Inkster	Wayne	1926	Yes
3330 Williams	Inkster	Wayne	1969	No
3403 Williams	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
3415 Williams	Inkster	Wayne	1925	Yes
3639 Williams	Inkster	Wayne	1928	Yes
3735 Williams	Inkster	Wayne	1932	Yes



District Overview and Location

District/Complex Historic Name	Carver Homes				
Current/Common Name	George Washington Carver Homes Residential Historic District				
Roughly bounded by streets	Michigan Central Railroad, Irene, Durand Court, Northland				
City, State, Zip Code(s)	Inkster, Michigan, 48141				
County	Wayne				
Total Acres in the District	51.66				
Ownership Private	Public-I ocal Public-State Public-Federal				

District/Complex Type

Commercial	Rural/Farm Complex 🗌
Residential 🛚	Other 🗌
Industrial 🗌	

District/Complex Information

Total Number of Resources	37		
Contributing Resources	34		
Non-Contributing Resources	3		
Significant Dates	1943-1949		
For complexes provide a list of resources: See district inventory on page 3.			



National Register Eligibility

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the National Registe	r?				provide:		
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Eligible Under:	Criter	rion A		Criterio	on B	Criterion C	Criterion D
Criteria Consideration	ns:			а. 🗌	b. 🗌 c. 🔲	d. 🗌 e. 🔲 f.	. 🔲 g. 🔲
Not Eligible							
Area(s) of Significan	се	Politics/	Gove	ernment;	; Architecture;	Ethnic Heritage: B	lack
Period(s) Significand	се	1943-19	49			-	
Integrity - Does the	distric	ct/complex	k pos	sess int	egrity in all or	some of the 7 asp	ects?
General Integrity:	Intac	t 🛛		Alter	ed 🗌	Moved	Date(s):
Location Desig	n 🛚	Materi	als [Woı	rkmanship⊠	Setting X Fe	eling 🛛 Association 🖂
Condition of District	?	Good		-	Fair		Poor
Threats to Resource	?	Inappropr	iate	modifica	ations; Deferre	ed maintenance/dei	molition; Lack of local historic
districts and preservation planning; Recognition							
Survey Date May	/ – Se	ptember 2	2022	R	ecorded By	Katie Cook	
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Provide a detailed description of the district/complex, including general character of the district/complex, types of buildings and structures including outbuildings and bridges, and the qualities distinguishing the district/complex from its surroundings. This is required for all districts/complexes.

The proposed George Washington Carver Homes Residential Historic District was platted in 1953 by the United States Public Housing Administration. The district's housing was constructed in 1943, prior to the area's subdivision. The area was subdivided to facilitate the transfer of land ownership from the federal government to private ownership. Although many of the single and multi-family housing units once present in the district have been lost, units that remain embody a distinctive form, massing, and fenestration. Ranch and Colonial Revival styles are prevalent throughout the district, with one-story single- and multi-family units displaying the Ranch style and two-story multi-family units displaying the Colonial Revival style. The plan of the district is also distinct from the surrounding neighborhood due to the presence of undulating and horseshoe shaped streets. The boundary for the district includes the areas in which dense clusters of extant Carver Homes buildings exist. The streets which lack a density of buildings related to housing complex or lack sufficient integrity were not included in the proposed district.

History of the District/Complex

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Developed by the United States Public Housing Authority, Carver Homes was constructed as defense worker housing for Black families during World War II. Following the end of the war, the federal government transferred ownership of the properties to the private sector. Over time, many of the residences were demolished and some of the sites have been infilled with new housing. Nonetheless, the undulating and horseshoe shaped street patterns remain, as do multiple examples of the original Carver single- and multi-family dwellings.

Statement of Significance/Recommendation of Eligibility

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Based on the information available during this reconnaissance level survey, this proposed district is recommended as eligible for listing on the National Register under Criterion A for its association with Politics/Government and Ethnic Heritage due to its origin as defense worker housing for Black employees of the Willow Run Bomber Plant during World War II. The proposed district is also eligible under Criterion C for Architecture as the buildings are illustrative of defense worker housing built during World War II. The proposed George Washington Carver Homes Historic District was built for Black employees who were denied housing at nearby white-only defense housing complexes. Relatively few buildings remain from the original George Washington Carver development, but many of the extant buildings retain a high degree of integrity, exist in dense clusters, and are still readily identifiable by their unaltered form and massing. Another defense worker housing complex, Parkridge Homes, built around the same time for Black workers at Willow Run was demolished in 2017, this is one of the few remaining defense worker housing complexes in the area. Further, the proposed district retains integrity of design and setting with the extant horseshoe shaped drives at the southern end of the district and the undulating streets at the northern end of the district. Due to a loss of integrity in portions of the historic housing complex, the boundary is proposed to include the most intact and dense areas of extant buildings related to the complex. This includes the undulating northsouth oriented streets and a single horseshoe street. Additional research will be necessary to fully understand the district's eligibility, confirm the proposed boundary, and to determine the appropriate criterion and areas of significance for the proposed historic district. Although the proposed district no longer retains integrity in all seven aspects, it is recommended as eligible because of its vital significance to the history of Black housing in Inkster.

References

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dividual address.				CONTRIBUTING ?
STREET ADDRESS	CITY/TOWNSHIP	COUNTY	YEAR BUILT	(YES OR NO)
28862-28864 Beech	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
28805 Carlysle	Inkster	Wayne	1946	No
29150 Carlysle	Inkster	Wayne	c.1945	No
28839-28843 Cherry	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
4005 Durand Court	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
4006-4008 Durand Court	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
4013-4019 Durand Court	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
4050-4052 Durand Court	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
4054 Durand Court	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
4056 Durand Court	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
4057 Durand Court	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
4058-4060 Durand Court	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
4066-4068 Durand Court	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
4076-4078 Durand Court	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
4086 Durand Court	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
4090-4092 Durand Court	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
4093 Durand Court	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3269 Kewadin	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3285 Kewadin	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3294 Kewadin	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3297 Kewadin	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3306 Kewadin	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3316 Kewadin	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3358-3362 Kewadin	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3227-3233 Ludington	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3234-3240 Ludington	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3247 Ludington	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3265 Ludington	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3280 Ludington	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3209-3213 Manning	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3227-3231 Manning	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3260 Manning	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3300 Manning	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3310 Manning	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3337-3345 Manning	Inkster	Wayne	1943	No
3363 Manning	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes
3364 Manning	Inkster	Wayne	1943	Yes



District Overview and Location

District/Complex Historic Name	Harrison Street						
Current/Common Name	Harrison Street Commercial Historic District						
Roughly bounded by streets	Harrison Street between the Michigan Central Railroad and Andover Street						
City, State, Zip Code(s)	Inkster, Michigan, 48141						
County	Wayne						
Total Acres in the District	25.06						
Ownership Private	Public-Local Public-State Public-Federal						

District/Complex Type

Commercial 🛛	Rural/Farm Complex 🗌
Residential	Other
Industrial	

District/Complex Information

Total Number of Resources	37
Contributing Resources	20
Non-Contributing Resources	17
Significant Dates	1930-1970
For complexes provide a list of reso See district inventory on page 3.	urces:



National Register Eligibility

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Is the district lis	sted in	Yes 🗌 No	\boxtimes If yes,	Date Listed:	NRIS #:			
the National Re	egister?		provide:					
If not already listed, complete the information below:								
Eligible Under:	Cri	terion A 🛛	Criterion B	Criterion C				
Criteria Consid	erations:		a. 📗 b. 📗 c	. 🔲 d. 🔲 e. 🖸] f. □ g. □			
Not Eligible [
Area(s) of Sign	ificance	Commerce,	Ethnic Heritage, A	rchitecture				
Period(s) Signi	ficance	1930-1970						
Integrity - Does	s the dist	trict/complex pos	sess integrity in a	ll or some of the 7	aspects?			
General Integri	ty: In	tact 🛛	Altered	Moved	Date(s):			
Location 🛛 🏻 [Design [🛚 Materials 🛭	Workmanship	Setting Setting	Feeling ⊠ Association ⊠			
Condition of Di	strict?	Good 🗌		air 🛛	Poor			
Threats to Resource? Inappropriate modifications; Deferred maintenance/demolition; Lack of local historic								
districts and preservation planning; Recognition								
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Survey Date	May – S	September 2022	Recorded E	y Katie Cook				

For SHPO Use Only	SHPO Concurrence?: Y / N	Date:

Provide a detailed description of the district/complex, including general character of the district/complex, types of buildings and structures including outbuildings and bridges, and the qualities distinguishing the district/complex from its surroundings. This is required for all districts/complexes.

The recommended Harrison Street Commercial Historic District comprises approximately three blocks along Harrison south of the Michigan Central Railroad. The proposed district includes Harrison Street between the Michigan Central Railroad and Andover Street and the churches facing Cherry Street west of Harrison. Commercial buildings dating to the 1940s-1950s and neighborhood churches dating to the 1960s are located on both sides of the street. Commercial buildings are largely constructed of concrete block clad in brick veneer, with flat roofs surrounded by a parapet. Modern Movement religious buildings are concentrated near Harrison and Cherry. This boundary was devised to include historic commercial and religious buildings which supported those living in this area of the southwest Inkster in the mid-twentieth century. Beyond the district, buildings transition from commercial to residential structures.

History of the District/Complex

Provide information on previous owners, land use, construction and alteration dates in a narrative format. <u>This is required</u> for all intensive level surveys and recommended for other identification efforts.

The impetus for the development of the Harrison Street Commercial District likely stems from the location of Ford's Commissary on Harrison during the Ford-Inkster Project of the 1930s. The majority of commercial buildings along Harrison were constructed in the 1940s through the 1950s to house Black-owned businesses and in some instances came to replace single-family homes that had once been present on the lots. Businesses once present include clubs, bars, restaurants, a hotel, and a candy store. In addition to commercial buildings, Harrison is likewise home to a number of neighborhood churches which were largely constructed in the 1960s. The district has seen a significant amount of demolition, but the remaining buildings still signify the area's commercial history.

Statement of Significance/Recommendation of Eligibility

Provide a detailed explanation of the district/complex's eligibility for the National Register, including an evaluation under the four criteria, discussion of the seven aspects of integrity, and recommendations about eligibility. This is required for all districts/complexes.

Based on the information available in this reconnaissance level survey, this district is eligible for listing on the National Register under Criterion A for its association with Commerce and Ethnic Heritage and Criterion C for Architecture. Harrison Street, south of the Michigan Central Railroad and north of Andover Street, was a commercial thoroughfare of Black-owned businesses and churches within the proposed Dancy-Ford Residential Historic District. Business owners were oftentimes residents of the surrounding neighborhood. The placement of Ford's Depression-era commissary on Harrison near Andover Street likely provided the impetus for the development of a commercial district along Harrison in the mid-twentieth century. Restaurants, clubs, markets, barber shops, and a hotel are just some of the Black-owned businesses that were once present along Harrison. There were also several prominent Black churches on Harrison, most of which are still active and conducting services today. Additional research will be necessary to fully understand the district's eligibility and to determine the appropriate criterion and areas of significance for the proposed historic district. Although the proposed district no longer retains integrity in all seven aspects, it is recommended as eligible because of its vital significance to the history of commerce within Inkster's African American community and the intact examples of small-scale commercial and religious architecture still extant in the proposed district.

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District Inventory Harrison Street Commercial Historic District
Complete this form for the district as well as individual Michigan SHPO Architectural Resource Identification Form for each individual address.

Street address	City/Township	County	Year Built	Contributing? (Yes or No)
28430 Cherry	Inkster	Wayne	c.1947	Yes
28445 Cherry	Inkster	Wayne	c.1945-1949	Yes
28537 Cherry	Inkster	Wayne	c.1967-1973	Yes
2930 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1943	No
2943 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1940	No
3090 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1957	No
3100 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	c.1970	Yes
3103-3105 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1944	No
3117-3119 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1944	No
3135 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1930	No
3137 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1940	No
3235 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1946	Yes
3240 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1928	No
3257 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1940	No
3283 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1944	Yes
3289 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1970	No
3419 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1930	Yes
3508 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1945	Yes
3509 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1967	Yes
3565 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1944	Yes
3575 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1944	Yes
3621 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1951	Yes
3625 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	c.1949	Yes
3635 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	c.1949	Yes
3646 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1953	Yes
3683 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1947	Yes
3710 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1957	No
3718 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1952	Yes
3752 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1928	No
3764 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1970	No
3803 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1920	No
3808 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1940	No
3811 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1944	No
3829 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1945	Yes
3844 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	c.1970	Yes
3934 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1945	Yes
3935 Harrison	Inkster	Wayne	1924	No



District Overview and Location

District/Complex Historic Name	LeMoyne Gardens						
Current/Common Name	LeMoyne Gardens Residential Historic District						
Roughly bounded by streets	Michigan Central Railroad, Inkster, Henry, Pine, Hickory, Annapolis, Irene						
City, State, Zip Code(s)	Inkster, Michigan, 48141						
County	Wayne						
Total Acres in the District	48.21						
Ownership Private	Public-Local ⊠ Public-State □ Public-Federal □						

District/Complex Type

(Insert map or aerial photo with boundaries below.)

District/Complex Type			(11136)	t map or aena	i prioto with be	unuane	S DEIOV	v.)		
Commercial Rural/Farm Complex Other Other Industrial			- Charles	100000	Andover St					Middlebi
District/Complex Informat	ion			Pierce St	Pierce St					elt Rd
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Non-Contributing Resources		0				-		ابد الله		
Significant Dates		1941-1963		655 ft	Pine St					1
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National Register Eligibility

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Is the district listed		Yes 📙	No	\boxtimes	If yes,	Date Listed:	NR	IS #:
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If not already listed, complete the information below:								
Eligible Under:	Crite	erion A		riterio	on B	Criterion C		Criterion D
Criteria Considera	tions:		а	. 🔲	b. 🔲 c. 🗀	d. 🗌 e. 🗌	f. 🗌	g. 🗌
Not Eligible								
Area(s) of Signification	ance	Commun	nity Pla	nning	and Develop	ment, Architectu	ure	
Period(s) Significa	nce	1941-19	63					
Integrity - Does th	e distri	ct/complex	posse	ss int	tegrity in all or	some of the 7 a	aspects?	?
General Integrity:	Inta	ıct 🛛		Alter	ed 🗌	Moved		Date(s):
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Condition of Distric	ct?	Good 🛚			Fair	. 🛛	Po	oor 🗌
Threats to Resour	ce?	Inappropr	iate mo	difica	ations; Deferre	ed maintenance/	demoliti	ion; Lack of local historic
districts and preservation planning; Recognition								
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Provide a detailed description of the district/complex, including general character of the district/complex, types of buildings and structures including outbuildings and bridges, and the qualities distinguishing the district/complex from its surroundings. This is required for all districts/complexes.

The proposed district is composed of the LeMoyne Gardens housing complex and LeMoyne Park. Single-story four-unit buildings were intended to house seniors. Two-story single-family, two-story duplexes, and two-story four-family units are intended for families. All housing units are topped with side gable roofs, except for the four-unit buildings which have a shallow hipped roof. Single story units are clad in brick veneer and two-story units are clad in brick veneer and vinyl siding. Greenspace is present between and behind the units. The materials and form of the units, and the slightly undulating streets of the district, characterize and distinguish the district from the surrounding areas. LeMoyne Park, located east of the housing units, is a large park with pavilions and the only remaining building of the original LeMoyne Gardens complex, known as Cardboard City. The remaining Cardboard City building is a small, single-story building clad with a side gable roof.

History of the District/Complex

Provide information on previous owners, land use, construction and alteration dates in a narrative format. <u>This is required</u> for all intensive level surveys and recommended for other identification efforts.

There have been two housing complexes formally named LeMoyne Gardens. The first development, known locally as Cardboard City, was developed in the early 1940s as temporary defense worker housing during World War II. Following the demolition of the initial complex during the Inkster Housing Commission's urban renewal efforts in the 1950s, the present iteration of LeMoyne Gardens was constructed. The northern section, platted as the LeMoyne Gardens Subdivision in 1959, contains housing units north of Pine Street and along the south side of Pine Street. The southern section, platted as LeMoyne Gardens Subdivision No. 2 in 1963, contains units south of Pine Street and along Meadow Circle. A small number of housing units have been demolished, and some are vacant with boarded windows, but overall, alteration to the district is minimal.

Statement of Significance/Recommendation of Eligibility

Provide a detailed explanation of the district/complex's eligibility for the National Register, including an evaluation under the four criteria, discussion of the seven aspects of integrity, and recommendations about eligibility. This is required for all districts/complexes.

Based on the information available in this reconnaissance level survey, this district is recommended as eligible for listing on the National Register under Criterion A for its association with Community Planning and Development and Criterion C for Architecture. There have been two housing complexes formally named LeMoyne Gardens. The first LeMoyne Gardens was built in the early 1940s as a temporary defense worker housing development for African Americans. Local residents referred to the complex as Cardboard City due to the low-quality construction of the buildings. During urban renewal efforts in the 1950s all but one of the original LeMoyne Gardens buildings were demolished and the present-day complex was constructed in two sections, the first in 1959 and the second in 1963, both in the Modern style. One original building from the first LeMovne Gardens complex is still extant and is located at the southwest corner of Pine Street and Middlebelt Road. The 1959-1963 complex is still extant and is irregularly shaped but roughly bounded by Andover Street to the north, Burton Street to the east, Annapolis Road to the south, and Henry Ruff Road to the west. The boundary of the proposed district as a whole includes LeMoyne Park—the location of the original LeMoyne Gardens buildings—and the 1959 and 1963 development. The district's significance stems from its initial use as defense worker housing for Black residents and, later, as a public housing complex for displaced residents of Inkster's urban renewal efforts. Additional research will be necessary to fully understand the district's eligibility and to determine the appropriate criterion and areas of significance for the proposed historic district.

References

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District Inventory: LeMoyne Gardens Residential Historic District

Street address	City/Township	County	Year Built	Contributing? (Yes or No)
30155 Andover	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30165-30175 Andover	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30201-30231 Andover	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30241-30251 Andover	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30261-30271 Andover	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30281 Andover	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4120 Burton	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4144 Burton	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4156 Burton	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4176 Burton	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4322 Burton	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4342 Burton	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4356 Burton	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4509 Burton	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4525-4531 Burton	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4543-4549 Burton	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4563 Burton	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4107 Henry Ruff	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4117-4137 Henry Ruff	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4143-4159 Henry Ruff	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4165-4171 Henry Ruff	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4177-4185 Henry Ruff	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4201 Henry Ruff	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4249 Henry Ruff	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4263 Henry Ruff	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4277 Henry Ruff	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4291 Henry Ruff	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4305 Henry Ruff	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4319-4337 Henry Ruff	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4349 Henry Ruff	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4027-4045 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4055-4071 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4074 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4086-4096 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4100-4110 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4120 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4123 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4130 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4140-4150 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4141 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4151-4155 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4160 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4161 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4169-4175 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4176 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4184 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4185 Kenwood	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4085-30090 Kenwood-Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4105 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4106 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4115-4125 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes

Street address	City/Township	County	Year Built	Contributing? (Yes or No)
4142-4162 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4155 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4170-4180 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4181-4187 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4188-4194 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4195 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4200-4210 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4215 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4225 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4235 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4240 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4254 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4266 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4308 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4322 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4334-4352 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4343-4351 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4364 Klink	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
29914-29932 Liberty	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
29964-29946 Liberty	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
29978-29996 Liberty	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
30110-30128 Liberty	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
30150 Liberty	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
30168 Liberty	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
30218-30236 Liberty	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
30252-30270 Liberty	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
30006-30018 Liberty Court	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
30042-30054 Liberty Court	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
30078-30090 Liberty Court	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4110-4120 Lovett	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4125 Lovett	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4130 Lovett	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4140-4150 Lovett	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4155 Lovett	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4160 Lovett	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4165 Lovett	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4170-4180 Lovett	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
4433 Meadow Circle	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4445-4451 Meadow Circle	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4463-4469 Meadow Circle	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4481-4487 Meadow Circle	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4503-4509 Meadow Circle	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4518 Meadow Circle	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4521-4527 Meadow Circle	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4536-4542 Meadow Circle	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4539-4545 Meadow Circle	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4554-4560 Meadow Circle	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4557-4563 Meadow Circle	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4575 Meadow Circle	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
4576 Meadow Circle	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
29909-29937 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
29942-29950 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
29945-29971 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
29966-29980 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30000-30118 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
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Street address	City/Township	County	Year Built	Contributing? (Yes or No)
30022-30038 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30027-30035 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30043-30051 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30044-30060 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30057-30065 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30064-30084 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30071-30081 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30110 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30120-30130 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30140-30170 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30180-30190 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30200-30210 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30220 Pierce	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
29910-29944 Pine	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
29911-29941 Pine	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
29950-29980 Pine	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30001 Pine	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30015-30027 Pine	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30085-30091 Pine	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30093-30099 Pine	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30101-30131 Pine	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30141-30171 Pine	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30030-30034 Pine Court	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30036-30040 Pine Court	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30044-30048 Pine Court	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30052-30056 Pine Court	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30068-30072 Pine Court	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
30076-30080 Pine Court	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
Southwest corner of Pine and Middlebelt	Inkster	Wayne	1942	Yes



District Overview and Location

District Overview and Loc	ation			PRESERVATION OF		
District/Complex Historic Na	ame W	atsonia Park				
Current/Common Name		Watsonia Park Subdivision No. 2 Residential Historic District				
Roughly bounded by streets		Stanford, John Daly, Annapolis, Inkster				
City, State, Zip Code(s)		Inkster, Michigan, 48141				
County		ayne 3				
Total Acres in the District		0.08				
Ownership Private		ublic-Local	Public-State	Public-Federal		
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District/Complex Type			(Insert map or aerial photo v	vith boundaries below.)		
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Provide a detailed description of the district/complex, including general character of the district/complex, types of buildings and structures including outbuildings and bridges, and the qualities distinguishing the district/complex from its surroundings. This is required for all districts/complexes.

The area in the proposed Watsonia Park Subdivision No. 2 Residential Historic District was platted in 1925 by Herman and Kizzie Schultz, Charles and Mettie Schultz, and Glover Watson. The earliest house was constructed in 1914, prior to the area's subdivision, and construction continued until 2006 with the bulk of housing being constructed from 1950 to 1970. The district is highly intact and includes varying architectural styles from the midtwentieth century including Minimal Traditional, Colonial Revival, Ranch, and Contemporary. Earlier houses built in the early 1950s are primarily one-and-a-half-story Minimal Traditional homes, with later houses exhibiting expanded footprints over multiple parcels in the Ranch and Contemporary styles. The boundary for the Watsonia Park Residential Historic District includes the core area of mid-twentieth century housing in the neighborhood.

History of the District/Complex

Provide information on previous owners, land use, construction and alteration dates in a narrative format. <u>This is required</u> for all intensive level surveys and recommended for other identification efforts.

The proposed district encompasses a portion of Watsonia Park Subdivision No. 2 which was initially platted in 1925, but widespread home construction did not begin until the early 1950s. Developers during this period include the Perlmans, a Jewish family from Detroit that owned and operated multiple building companies based in Inkster. It appears the Perlmans worked in tandem with David Baum, another Jewish real estate developer from Detroit. Inkster road, just west of the proposed district, was a longstanding color line demarcating the Black and white community. Research suggests the Perlmans and Baum had a hand in the Black community moving east of the color line, into the proposed district. A later period of development began around 1960, when Black developers facilitated the construction of middle class, modern homes. Companies such as Hi-Fashion Homes, headed by Black architect John Bingham, and Edward M. Burke Homes, headed by Black builder Edward Burke, constructed many of the Modern Movement homes present in the district today.

Statement of Significance/Recommendation of Eligibility

Provide a detailed explanation of the district/complex's eligibility for the National Register, including an evaluation under the four criteria, discussion of the seven aspects of integrity, and recommendations about eligibility. This is required for all districts/complexes.

Based on this intensive level survey, the proposed Watsonia Park Subdivision No. 2 Residential Historic District is eligible for listing on the National Register under Criterion C for its large collection of Modern style houses. The district's significance stems from the intact fabric of post-World War II residences. Additionally, the Inkster Housing Commission (IHC) may have been involved in the subdivision's development. The Watsonia Park Subdivision No. 2 was platted in 1925 and following integration of the IHC in 1950, was intended to house a middle-class, racially integrated neighborhood.

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District Inventory: Watsonia Park Subdivision No. 2 Residential Historic District

STREET ADDRESS	CITY/TOWNSHIP	COUNTY	YEAR BUILT	CONTRIBUTING? (YES OR NO)
26736 Annapolis	Inkster	Wayne	1970	Yes
26746 Annapolis	Inkster	Wayne	1957	Yes
26762 Annapolis	Inkster	Wayne	1953	Yes
26906 Annapolis	Inkster	Wayne	1971	Yes
27058 Annapolis	Inkster	Wayne	1970	Yes
27090 Annapolis	Inkster	Wayne	1972	Yes
27104 Annapolis	Inkster	Wayne	1971	Yes
26629 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1956	Yes
26640 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
26700 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1952	Yes
26701 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
26737 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1960	Yes
26742 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1965	Yes
26818 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1962	Yes
26825 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1969	Yes
26842 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1964	Yes
26855 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1966	Yes
26866 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1955	Yes
26897 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1962	Yes
26900 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1973	Yes
26929 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1975	Yes
26932 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1949	Yes
26950 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
26957 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1942	Yes
26974 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1970	Yes
27017 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	c.1970	Yes
27039 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1972	Yes
27071 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
27076 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1965	Yes
27106 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1974	Yes
27142 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1967	Yes
27155 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1971	Yes
27172 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1966	Yes
27173 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1964	Yes
27213 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
27225 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
27234 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1973	Yes
27237 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
27272 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1966	Yes
27273 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1949	Yes
27309 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
27321 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
27333 Hopkins	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
4135 Inkster	Inkster	Wayne	1955	Yes
4409 Inkster	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
4413 Inkster	Inkster	Wayne	1950	No
4427 Inkster	Inkster	Wayne	1964	No
4431-4437 Inkster	Inkster	Wayne	1973	No
4519 Inkster	Inkster	Wayne	1914	No
4140 John Daly	Inkster	Wayne	1949	Yes
4152 John Daly	Inkster	Wayne	1957	Yes
4212 John Daly	Inkster	Wayne	1951	Yes
4224 John Daly	Inkster	Wayne	1961	Yes
4410 John Daly	Inkster	Wayne	1955	Yes
4434 John Daly	Inkster	Wayne	1970	Yes
26640 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1955	Yes
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26645 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
26666 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1970	Yes
26671 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1967	Yes
26695 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1960	Yes
26719 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1966	Yes
26726 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1962	Yes
26739 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1953	Yes
26742 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1966	Yes
26824 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1960	Yes
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26853 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1968	Yes
26885 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1962	Yes
26916 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1964	Yes
26921 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
26944 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1971	Yes
26975 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1965	Yes
27011 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
27022 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1965	Yes
27023 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
27039 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1968	Yes
27049 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
27054 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1969	Yes
27034 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1967	Yes
27079 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1966	Yes
27115 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1962	Yes
2713 Lenigh	Inkster	Wayne	1967	Yes
27120 Lenigh	Inkster	Wayne	1964	Yes
27139 Lenigh	Inkster	Wayne	1965	Yes
			1950	Yes
27157 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne		
27174 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1965	Yes
27175 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1968	Yes
27218 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1970	Yes
27219 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1964	Yes
27248 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1967	Yes
27267 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1966	Yes
27279 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1967	Yes
27304 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
27313 Lehigh	Inkster	Wayne	1966	Yes
4554 Princess	Inkster	Wayne	1969	Yes
26640 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1942	No
26641 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1955	Yes
26715 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1962	Yes
26718 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1939	No
26743 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
26766 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
26775 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1959	Yes
26778 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
26790 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
26824 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1962	Yes
26831 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1960	Yes
26854 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	c.1970	Yes
26861 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1967	Yes
26870 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1965	Yes
26908 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1965	Yes
26945 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1966	Yes
26950 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1965	Yes
26974 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1951	Yes
27023 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
27036 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1964	Yes

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27061 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1965	Yes
27087 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1973	Yes
27102 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1964	Yes
27107 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1967	Yes
27126 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1963	Yes
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27148 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1960	Yes
27153 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1965	Yes
27224 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1960	Yes
27225 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1962	Yes
27236 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1964	Yes
27260 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1961	Yes
27267 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1966	Yes
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27309 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
27320 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1961	Yes
27321 Stanford	Inkster	Wayne	1950	Yes
4515 Sylvia	Inkster	Wayne	1972	Yes