Michigan SHPO Architectural Properties Identification Form

Property Overview and Location

Street Address	29 East Washington Street				
City/Township, State, Zip Code	Clarkston, Michigan 48346				
County	Oakland				
Assessor's Parcel #	14-08-20-403-001				
Latitude/Longitude (to the 6th decimal point)	Lat: 42.736220	Long: -83.417510			
Ownership	Private ☒	Public-Local ☐	Public-State ☐	Public-Federal ☐	Multiple ☐

Property Type

(Insert primary photograph below.)

Building ☒ select sub-type below Commercial ☐ Residential ☒ Industrial ☐ Other ☐	Structure ☐ Object ☐



Architectural Information

Construction Date	c 1925	
Architectural Style	Craftsman/Bangalow	
Building Form	Irregular	
Roof Form	Side Gable	
Roof Materials	Asphalt Shingles	
Exterior Wall Materials	Aluminum Siding	
Foundation Materials	Block	
Window Materials	Aluminum	
Window Type	Double Hung	
Outbuildings	Yes ☐	No ☒
Number/Type:		

Eligibility

Individually Eligible	Criterion A ☐	Criterion B ☐	Criterion C ☐	Criterion D ☐
Criteria Considerations:	a. ☐ b. ☐ c. ☐ d. ☐ e. ☐ f. ☐ g. ☐			
Component of a Historic District	Contributing to a district ☒	Non-contributing to a district ☐	Historic District Name:	Clarkston Historic District
Not Eligible ☐				

Area(s) of Significance	Architecture Significance					
Period(s) of Significance	1832-1970					
Integrity – Does the property possess integrity in all or some of the 7 aspects?						
Location ☒	Design ☒	Materials ☐	Workmanship ☒	Setting ☒	Feeling ☐	Association ☐
General Integrity:	Intact ☒	Altered ☐	Moved ☐	Date(s):		
Historic Name	None					
Current/Common Name	Gilman Trust, Patricia Diane					
Historic/Original Owner	Nelsey, George and Lena					
Historic Building Use	Single Family					
Current Building Use	Single Family					
Architect/Engineer/Designer	Unknown					
Builder/Contractor	Unknown					

Survey Date	December 15, 2022	Recorded By	Nancy Moon	Agency Report #	

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

Narrative Architectural Description

Provide a detailed description of the property, including all character defining features and any accessory resources.

This craftsman style one and one-half story structure sits on the north side of East Washington Street and backs up onto Parke Lake. The south elevation has a shed dormer with two six over one double hung windows. The nearly full-wide one-story porch along the south elevation has a low-pitched extended roof with two Doric columns on each side of an entrance. One step from the front brick walk leads to a porch floor and a wooden door with a decorative large glass pane. One the west side of the doorway is a pair of six over one double hung windows and a single similar window on the west side of the entrance.



(south elevation)



(porch on south elevation)



(east elevation)

The high-pitched gable roof on the east elevation displays a multi-story brick chimney with a small single pane

window within the gable near the south side of the chimney. On the first floor are two six over one double hung windows. Another chimney is visible on the north elevation above the one-story extended roof.



(west elevation)

The west elevation high-pitched gable roof has a six over one double hung window in the gable just above the low-pitched roofline of the attached garage. On the first floor is a pair of six over one double hung windows next to the intersection of the garage. The two-car garage has a low-pitched roof and intersects the house in the middle of the west elevation.


(west elevation of the garage)

The west elevation of the garage has a small single pane window at the west end. At the intersection of the garage and a one-story addition on the north elevation of the garage is a door with a window with three-by-three glass panes in the top one-half. Continuing north along the west side of the addition are two one over one double hung windows, then an entrance followed by a pair of sliding windows. There is a balustrade on the deck along the west elevation of the garage and additional with an opening of stairs going down toward the lawn leading to Parke Lake. There is a wooden railing identical to the balustrade on each side of the steps.

History of the Resource

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

The property the structure sits on was an integral part in the development of the Village of Clarkston. As early as 1846 tax records indicate a tax value sufficient enough to support commercial activity and a building. Research indicates the existence of a foundry that used water from Parke Lake (connecting to the north side of the property) for power. The Village of Clarkston 1872 map has a footprint of a building labeled stable.

George (1865-1940) and Lena (1868-1939) owned the property at the time the house was built. George was in the produce business for many years, President of the Lakeview Cemetery Association for twenty-five years, and served on the Clarkston Station School Board for many years. Lena was a member of the Clarkston Baptist Church and the Order of the Eastern Star and the Royal Neighbors.



(date unknown – southeast elevation)



(date unknown – southwest elevation)



(date unknown – wrought iron columns – southwest elevation)



(1989 southeast elevation)

The attached garage was added c.1970 and an addition was added to the north elevation c.1985. Bruce Rodgers owned the structure at the time the Village of Clarkston was certified as a historic district in 1980. The wrought iron porch supports were replaced with wood after 1989 (the original columns were wood) and the shutters were removed from the windows.



(1991 south elevation)

The current owner, Patricia Gilman, replaced the two block glass basement windows on the east elevation in 2015 and installed a bead-board ceiling on the front porch in 2016.

Statement of Significance/Recommendation of Eligibility

Provide a detailed explanation of the property's eligibility for the National Register, including an evaluation under at least one of the four criteria, discussion of the seven aspects of integrity, and recommendations about eligibility. <u>This is required for all properties</u>.

The structure has had some additions (primarily to the north and west elevations). However, the house retains its original characteristics and continues to be a contributing resource to the Clarkston Historic District.

References

List references used to research and evaluate the individual property.

(1) Research done using the grant funding obtained by Mollie Lynch, Library Director 1991 – 2005 and researched by Susan K. Basinger;

(2) Village of Clarkston 1872 Map;
(3) Old photos from Cara Catallo;
(4) *Clarkston News 1939 April 28* article “Mrs. Lena M. Nelsey Passed Away Monday”;
(5) *Clarkston News 1940 June 28* article “Death Claims George H. Nelsey”;
(6) Clarkston Historic District Certificate of Appropriateness dated January 13, 2015 for 29 East Washington Street;
(7) Clarkston Historic District Certificate of Appropriateness dated August 11, 2016 for 29 East Washington Street.