Michigan SHPO Architectural Properties Identification Form

Property Overview and Location

Street Address	61 Buffalo Street				
City/Township, State, Zip Code	Clarkston, Michigan 48346				
County	Oakland				
Assessor's Parcel #	14-08-20-454-004				
Latitude/Longitude (to the 6th decimal point)	Lat: 42.733970	Long: -83.417430			
Ownership	Private ☒	Public-Local ☐	Public-State ☐	Public-Federal ☐	Multiple ☐

Property Type

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

(Insert primary photograph below.)



Architectural Information

Construction Date	c 1950
Architectural Style	Ranch
Building Form	Rectangular
Roof Form	Side Gable
Roof Materials	Asphalt Shingles
Exterior Wall Materials	Cedar Shake
Foundation Materials	Cement Block
Window Materials	Vinyl
Window Type	Double Hung
Outbuildings	Yes ☒ No ☐
Number/Type:	Small outbuilding

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	Architectural Significance of a Modern House					
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	Hetherington, Randall					
Historic/Original Owner	Andrews, Floyd					
Historic Building Use	Single Family					
Current Building Use	Single Family					
Architect/Engineer/Designer	Unknown					
Builder/Contractor	Andrews, Floyd					

Survey Date	June 1, 2022	Recorded By	C. Catallo	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 one-story ranch style house sits on the east side of Buffalo Street with a low-pitched roof without dormers and a wide overhang. A chimney is visible on the east rear side of the roofline. The front (west elevation) entrance is slightly off-center toward the south with a high-pitched gabled front-facade roof with a wide overhang and a broken pediment. Five steps lead to a concrete block landing. No balustrade is present around the landing; no hand railing exists along the steps.



(west elevation)

On the south side of the entrance is a one over one double hung window. There are two similar windows on the north side of the entrance.



(north elevation)

The north elevation has two one over one double hung windows. The window just west of the center is larger. The smaller is near the easterly end. The driveway is along this north elevation.



(south elevation)

The south elevation has two one over one double hung windows, one toward the east end and the other toward the west end.

History of the Resource

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

The ranch style house is believed to have been built by Floyd Andrews when Floyd Andrews owned the property in the 1950s . Floyd Andrews (1886 – 1960) lived in Clarkston for 50 years during which he was the Independence Township Supervisor for 24 years and the Clarkston postmaster for 22 years (1924-1936). He belonged to the Cedar Lodge 60, F. & A. M. of which he was secretary for 25 years.



(c 1978)

The front-façade overhang on the west elevation was added after 1978. At the time the Village of Clarkston was certified as a Historic District the owner was Thomas Doty.

In 2011, the owner, Jorja Hetherington, replaced the windows that were rotted with vinyl windows with wood trim stained to match the color of the cedar shakes.

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. This is required for all properties.

The 1872 Map of the Village of Clarkston reports this property with the label J. Peter. The lot most likely remained empty until circa 1950.

The design and feeling of this post WW II structure exemplifies the style and period with minimal representations within the district. Its association as the likely final home of Floyd Andrews (1886 – 1960), a former postmaster and longtime township supervisor, also makes it a meaningful resource. It is exemplary of houses built to fill the need for housing in the post war era of the 1950s which was clearly felt in Clarkston as in many other small communities across the United States. The structure exhibits integrity in at least six aspects (particularly association) and deserves to be included as a contributing resource.

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) Old photos from Cara Catallo;
(3) Clarkston Historic District Certificate of Appropriateness dated February 2, 2011, for 61 Buffalo Street;
(4) *Clarkston News 1960 October 20* article "Floyd Andrews 50 Year Resident - PAST SUPERVISOR TAKEN BY DEATH";
(5) 1872 Map of the Village of Clarkston.