Michigan SHPO Architectural Properties Identification Form

Property Overview and Location

Street Address	69 East Washington Street				
City/Township, State, Zip Code	Clarkston, Michigan 48346				
County	Oakland				
Assessor's Parcel #	14-08-20-403-006				
Latitude/Longitude (to the 6th decimal point)	Lat: 42.736240	Long: -83.415950			
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 1858	
Architectural Style	Greek Revival	
Building Form	Irregular	
Roof Form	Front Gable	
Roof Materials	Asphalt Shingles	
Exterior Wall Materials	Asbestos Shingle Siding	
Foundation Materials	Stone	
Window Materials	Wood	
Window Type	Double Hung	
Outbuildings	Yes ☒	No ☐
Number/Type:	1/Shed	

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					
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	Casey, Gary S.and Cynthia					
Historic/Original Owner	O. C. Bettis					
Historic Building Use	Single Residence					
Current Building Use	Single Residence					
Architect/Engineer/Designer	Unknown					
Builder/Contractor	Unknown					

Survey Date	February 10, 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 Greek Revival structure sits on the north side of East Washington Street and backs up onto Parke Lake. The east end of the south elevation two-story portion of the house has a low-pitched roof with a louvered vent in the front gable and an open pediment with wide a band of trim. There are two six over six double hung windows with white shutters on both the first and second floors, vertically aligned.



(south elevation)

The one and one-half story floor wing on the west end of the south elevation has a full width porch with a separate low-pitched shed roof with three square columns attached to landing two steps from the front sidewalk. The porch is inset slightly from the two-story portion of the house. The east end of the porch area is enclosed with a front door with three by four glass panes in the top half of the door. On the west end of the enclosure is a small window that faces west overlooking the remainder of the porch. Toward the west end of the remainder of the porch is a pair of six over six double hung windows.



(south elevation – west end)



(south elevation – east end)

The east elevation of the two-story (original) portion of the house has two six over six double hung windows with white shutters on the second floor and a similar window directly below the south end of the first floor. An enclosed breezeway or hyphen with a wide roof overhang connects the north end of the first floor of the east elevation to the attached garage. At the intersection of the overhang with the first floor is an entrance to the first floor that faces east. There is a four-pane window in the breezeway next to the house and an entrance with a door that faces south with three by two glass panes in the top one half. At the east end of the breezeway is the one car garage with carriage house doors.



(west elevation)

The west elevation has a prominent brick chimney rising above the one and one-half story west wing with a collection of small windows on the north side of the chimney.

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>.

This Greek Revival structure was most likely built c 1858 for O. C. Bettis, a shoemaker, who moved from New York, married and settled in the Village of Clarkston. The 1872 Village of Clarkston map footprint of a structure is consistent with the current two story structure with a one and one-half story wing. By 1904 Mary Old (1836-1908) owned the house. In 1953 Dean Smith purchased the home and still owned the house at the time the Village of Clarkston was certified as a historic district in 1980.

Over the years, asbestos shingle siding covered the original wood clapboard. On the east elevation a garage was attached via a one-story breezeway. A portion of the original front porch on the south elevation was enclosed to create a foyer rather than entering the room directly. A porch was added to the north elevation as well as a family room. All these modifications were before Dean Smith purchased the home.



(1989 south elevation)



(1989 southwest elevation)

One of the current owners, Gary Casey, appears to have purchased the home in 1986. Gary was a Labor and Employment attorney. In 2012 Gary replaced various wooden window sashes with new sashes and reglazed the windows. The two doors on the north elevation (Parke Lake lakefront) were repaired or replaced. Then in 2015, Gary and Cynthia Casey added a concrete slab patio along the north elevation overlooking Parke Lake.



(2012 south elevation)

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>.

This Greek Revival structure has had a few changes over the years but it still retains its original details as a Greek Revival style house. Hence, this home 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) Old photos from the Cara Catallo;
(3) Village of Clarkston 1872 Map;
(4) USGS Map Title Clarkston Historic District 69 East Washington Street March 1979;
(5) Clarkston Historic District Certificate of Appropriateness dated May 17, 2012 for 69 East Washington Street;
(6) Clarkston Historic District Certificate of Appropriateness dated April 14, 2015 for 69 East Washington Street.