Michigan SHPO Architectural Properties Identification Form

Property Overview and Location

Street Address	74 East Washington Street				
City/Township, State, Zip Code	Clarkston, Michigan 49346				
County	Oakland				
Assessor's Parcel #	14-08-20-452-007				
Latitude/Longitude (to the 6th decimal point)	Lat: 42.73720	Long: -83.415850			
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 1859	
Architectural Style	Greek Revival	
Building Form	Irregular	
Roof Form	Front Gable	
Roof Materials	Asphalt Shingle	
Exterior Wall Materials	Aluminum Siding	
Foundation Materials	Fieldstone, Block	
Window Materials	Wood, Aluminum	
Window Type	Double Hung	
Outbuildings	Yes ☒	No ☐
Number/Type:	1/Garage	

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	Domestic Architecture					
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	Burnette, Edward Franklin Living Trust					
Historic/Original Owner	Vantine, Sarah B.					
Historic Building Use	Single Family					
Current Building Use	Multiple Family					
Architect/Engineer/Designer	Unknown					
Builder/Contractor	Unknown					

Survey Date	May 18, 2022	Recorded By	Kevin Knapp	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 Structure sits on the south side of East Washington Street.



(north elevation)

This two-story house was built circa 1859 in the Greek Revival style. As noted by Susan K. Basinger in her 2000 survey of houses in the Village, “Originally the house had a one & 1/2 (or two story) section on the east with a single-story wing to the west. Subsequently, a second story was added to the wing. The broken pediment of the entablature typical of the style may still be seen on the street facing facade. Aluminum siding covers the original wood clapboard.”

The street-facing (or north elevation) of the main house has two double-hung (six-over-six) windows on each level, set symmetrically. These have aluminum storm windows and each is flanked by black plastic shutters. Near the peak of the gable and centered is a small, understated attic vent. Moldings (presumably ornate) that might have been featured along the wide entablature have since been sheathed in aluminum.

The addition to the west of the main house has a single double-hung window (six-over-six) on the second story, flanked by black plastic shutters. The first floor of the addition appears to have once been simply a front porch but, at some point, was fully enclosed and made part of the house. It has a wooden entry door with an aluminum storm door, located off-center in the addition. This entry way is flanked by four-pane sidelights with a solid raised panel on the bottom. These are also flanked by door-length black shutters. Two black metal coach-style lamps are located on either side of the doorway for illuminating the porch. The poured concrete porch with cement steps is rimmed with a wrought iron railing and bannisters that run alongside the stairs.

The west elevation faces the driveway. The northwest corner (which is the side of the one-story fully enclosed porch) has two double-hung windows (six-over-six) set next to each other. These are flanked by black plastic shutters. The two-story addition shows two double-hung windows (six-over-six) with black shutters on the upper floor. The first floor has two sets of double-hung windows (six-over-six) set in pairs. The southwest corner has a one-story extension or “bump out” in the wall with a short shed-style roof.

The east elevation features a chimney cement block construction, which presumably would be a latter-day replacement for a previous brick or stone chimney. Flanking the chimney on both first and second floors are double-hung windows (six-over-six). The southern end of this façade has two more double-hung windows (six-over-six) in the upper floor. Below, another extension or “bump out” is evident, with two double-hung windows (six-over-six) and a shed-style roof. Unlike the original house with its fieldstone foundation, the foundation supporting the extension is made of block.

Along the south-facing or rear of the house, a one-story addition with shed-style roof spans the full length of the house. It is adjoined by an outdoor patio. A rear entry door is located at the southwest corner, nearest to the detached two-and-a-half car garage. The garage is of relatively recent construction and is set back from the street and the house.



(east elevation)



(west elevation)

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.

According to the historical notes compiled by Susan K. Basinger in 2000*, "The original section of this house was built circa 1859, owner Sarah B. Vantine. According to 1860 Clarkston census records, Sarah was born in New Jersey. In 1860 she was a 50-year-old woman running a 'boardinghouse'. Also listed in the household at the time were David A. Chipman, 6, born in Michigan; Mary M., a 27-year-old milliner born in N.Y.; Julian Williams, a 20 year old student born in Michigan; John Hadley, a 15 year old student born in Michigan and Huldah R. Ogden, 40, born in New Jersey."*



(west north elevation – 1989)

Kelly Burnette (1930 – 2006) and wife Lawrie owned the property in 1980 when the Clarkston Historic District was certified. Mr. Burnette was a teacher in the Clarkston Community Schools district for 30 years. He served in the United States Army during the Korean War. It appears the house is still in the possession of the Burnette family today. In 2003, Burnette's replaced the front porch. At some point in its history, the house was converted from a single-family residence into a duplex, the only dwelling of that type on the street.



(northwest elevation – 1989)



(north elevation – 2017)

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.

This structure is an example of a Greek Revival home built in the late 1850s. Overall the house retains its historic architectural details and holds sufficient integrity to remain as 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 provided by Cara Catallo;
(3) *Clarkston News 2006 September 13* article "Mr. Burnette was a dedicated teacher" by Paul Kampe.