

**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Elizabeth Boulevard Historic District

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 1001 through 1616 Elizabeth Boulevard not for publication

city, town Fort Worth vicinity of congressional district 12th

state Texas code 048 county Tarrant code 439

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Multiple ownership - see continuation sheet.

street & number

city, town vicinity of state

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Tarrant County Courthouse

street & number 100 W. Weatherford Street

city, town Fort Worth, Texas 76102 state

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Survey of Elizabeth Boulevard has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1978 federal state county local

depository for survey records Texas Historical Commission

city, town Austin, Texas state

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Three miles southwest of the Tarrant County Courthouse and downtown Fort Worth is the city's oldest restricted residential subdivision, Elizabeth Boulevard. The seven linear block area was the earliest portion of the Ryan Place Addition platted in 1911. Locally prominent architects and builders produced the city's most exuberant examples of the various eclectic and revival styles in this select portion of Ryan Place. Elizabeth Boulevard Historic District remains intact as one of the highest concentrations of early 20th century residential buildings of this caliber in the city.

The 26 acre district contains 44 single family dwellings on lots measuring a minimum of 60' x 140', proportionally larger than tracts in the surrounding Ryan Place and Fairmount Additions. Thirty-five of the structures on the Boulevard are significant to the historic district, nine are non-contributing. Both sides of the elm and hackberry shaded street are included in the district, which originally contained 56 lots for residences. Of the 56, all but three remain residential, with the exception being an elementary school playground. Alleys behind both residential rows act as the north and south boundaries while Elizabeth Boulevard in name terminates at College Avenue to the east and Eight Avenue to the west. Two sets of stone entry gates designate the east and west limits of Elizabeth Boulevard and were at one time much grander in scale prior to traffic induced removals in the 1950's.

Restrictions imposed on Elizabeth Boulevard property included several firsts in the city. In addition to minimum lot size, standard setbacks were observed, and all utilities were placed in the alleys to the rear. Minimum cost restrictions insured the exclusiveness of the Boulevard during the major building period through the 1920's.

Elizabeth Boulevard contains structures exemplary of the eclectic and revival styles popular during the second and third decades of this century. A wide variety of house types were executed, many as conspicuous expressions of the fortunes made from cattle and oil. Common elements of the district's expansive two story structures are brick construction, tile roofs, one story porches, and entrance detailing exhibiting stylistic influences of Classical Revival, Spanish Colonial Revival, Mission Revival, Georgian Revival, and vernacularized Prairie School styles. Standard 60' setbacks from the street, the absence of utility lines, and the landscaping established a regular pattern along the streetscape, further reinforcing the cohesiveness of the district.

Houses in the Elizabeth Boulevard Historic District are predominantly eclectic with variations of revival, period, and Prairie School themes. Most common in the district are the box-shaped localized adaptations of Prairie School architecture. The houses at 1215 (31)*, 1306 (25), 1309 (26), 1418 (17), 1500 (15), and 1506 (13) best illustrate this style. The source is evident in the emphasis on horizontality in the low pitched roofs, generally uninterrupted eave lines, multiple window groupings, and widely spaced stout piers supporting generous one-story porches.

Several interpretations of classically inspired house types are included in the district. Examples 1411 (20), 1416 (19), and 1505 (14), with their symmetrical front facades and pedimented classically detailed entrances suggest the Georgian Revival. Similarly detailed houses with variations of entrance detailing are 1405 (22), 1415 (18), and 1501 (16). The largest houses on Elizabeth incorporate classical detailing in a typical 20th century manner, with little adherence to standardized classical configurations. "Mediterranean villas" are replicated by the rambling structures at 1216 (29), 1302 (27), and 1315 (24). Palladian motifs, classically ordered porch columns, tile roofs, and the siting on oversized well landscaped lots contribute to the image of these period houses. Even more romantic in its design is the Dulany house

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at 1001 Elizabeth (44), an eclecticized example with an array of textural surface treatments. Extensive use of terra cotta for exterior embellishment in the bracketing beneath the eaves, the balconies, the voussoirs of the entrance porch arches as well as the engaged and freestanding columns are a fanciful departure from more traditional application of details on comparable revival or eclectic houses.

Spanish influence is visible in the fine example of Spanish Colonial Revival at 1400 (21) and the Mission Revival house at 1021 (43). Stylistic elements such as the carved projecting portal and the stuccoed walls of 1400 and the "mission" parapet wall dormer on 1021 are obvious expressions of the imagery attempted in the district. A subtler example of the Spanish Colonial Revival can be seen in 1221 (30) and a somewhat symbolic attempt at Mission Revival was executed in 1030 (42).

Numerous houses on Elizabeth Boulevard cannot be categorized according to a dominant stylistic influence, though their eclecticism cannot be considered undistinguished. Many of these structures are embellished with combinations of architectural details that demonstrate either a naive effort or a purposefully playful attitude by their designers. Some focal points of this eclectic tendency are the unusual field stone treatment on the entrance of 1604 (5), the odd relation of porch to house mass at 1301 (28), the eyebrow hood over the front entrance on 1521 (10), the exposed stick rafters of 1316 (23), the half timbering on 1111 (37), and the unusual combination of elements on 1030 (42).

Nine of the houses were constructed following a 20 year period of inactivity and neighborhood decline paralleling the Depression and World War II. These houses, 1116 (36), 1201 (35), 1512 (9), 1601 (8), 1605 (6), 1609 (4), 1612 (3), 1613 (2), and 1616 (1) are one-story masonry structures with low pitched roofs that differ in scale and texture from the 1910's and 1920's houses. As typical examples of residential construction of the 1950's, they are not considered contributing to the historical or architectural significance of the district. But because of their unobtrusive character, the continuous street landscaping, and the maintenance of earlier established setbacks and lot sizes, the post 1950 houses do not detract considerably from the ambience of historic Elizabeth Boulevard.

With few exceptions, the houses on Elizabeth Boulevard are unaltered, or only slightly altered and in good physical condition. Several structures have recently undergone renovation or are undergoing rehabilitation, including the two most in need of stabilization work, 1030 and 1500. The Ryan Place Improvement Association, founded in 1969, has encouraged neighborhood preservation, sponsored landscaping improvements, and sought lighting and utilities improvements from the city, helping to insure the stability of the Elizabeth Boulevard Historic District and the larger Ryan Place Addition.

*Numbers in parentheses correspond to locations on the district map and inventory.

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Numbers in parentheses correspond to numbers on the district map and in the architectural description. Unless noted otherwise, the owner (listed last) resides at the address given for the structure location. All the houses have Elizabeth Blvd. addresses; therefore the house number only is given. All zip codes are 76110.

- (1) 1616 - blt. 1952, one story red brick cottage, non-contributing. W. H. Mar.
- (2) 1613 - blt. 1953, one story tan cottage, non-contributing. Mollie Bynum.
- (3) 1612 - blt. 1956, one story pink brick cottage, non-contributing. Mrs. Louise Bowman.
- (4) 1609 - blt. 1952, one story pink brick cottage, non-contributing. Carl Strickland.
- (5) 1604 - blt. 1931, two story tan plaster with red tile roof and fieldstone detail on arched doorway. Contributing. House supposedly was designed to resemble Japanese Embassy in Washington. Built for R.A. Stuart, a lawyer and state senator. Mrs. Donald Peacock.
- (6) 1605 - blt. 1951, one story brick cottage, non-contributing. Joseph V. Orlando.
- (7) 1600 - blt. 1921, two story red brick with hip roof and grouped windows. Contributing. Built for Bruce R. Young, judge of the 48th Judicial District. Thomas M. Trice.
- (8) 1601 - blt. 1951, one story fieldstone house, non-contributing. Thomas Zeloski.
- (9) 1512 - blt. 1951, one story fieldstone cottage, non-contributing. W. W. Ward.
- (10) 1521 - blt. c.1926, two story tan brick with pink/beige trim, radiating arch with keystone over door, Palladian window. Contributing. F.P. Geyer, President of Marland Oil Co., was first resident. Bruce L. McDaniel.
- (11) 1508 - blt. c.1920, two story brick with white and green trim, second story set back, "colonial" trim including boxed cornice with brackets and green shutters. Contributing. James E. Hammons.
- (12) 1515 - blt. c.1926, two story red brick, hip roof, rounded portico with Roman Doric columns, porte cochere on west side. Contributing. Tini Miles.
- (13) 1506 - blt. c.1921, two story dark red brick with yellow trim, wrap around porch supported by square brick columns with slab capitals. Contributing. Built by John C. Ryan, Jr. J. E. McCorkle.
- (14) 1505 - blt. c.1926, two story red brick with white trim, pedimented portico

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- with Roman Doric columns. Contributing. Judge and Mrs. Jesse C. Duvall.
- (15) 1500 - blt. 1916, tan brick with red tile roof, strong horizontal facade emphasis. Contributing. Built for W.G. Gholson, a principal developer of the oil fields of Ranger, Texas. Later bought by physician Alden Coffey. Dr. Stephen Cole, Clark Hall, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, TX 76129.
- (16) 1501 - blt. 1920, two story red brick with tile roof, eclectic colonial motifs, complex roofline of intersecting gables. Contributing. Built for Ben H. Martin, President of Farmer & Mechanic National Bank and treasurer of Retail Merchants Assn. Mr. and Mrs. Yates E. Brown.
- (17) 1418 - blt. 1919, two story painted brick with white trim and green tile roof, porch across western end supported by massive square brick columns. Contributing. William R. Henry.
- (18) 1415 - blt. 1922, two story red brick Georgian Revival with green tile roof, portico has flat roof with entablature and Roman Doric columns. Contributing. Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Huston.
- (19) 1416 - blt. 1917, two story white brick with pedimented portico supported by Roman Doric columns, windows have radiating brick lintels and green shutters, sunporch has French doors. Contributing. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pounds.
- (20) 1411 - blt. c.1917, two story white plaster with green trim, symmetrical facade, boxed cornice with brackets, pedimented portico with full entablature. Contributing. Built for Graham Stewart's, president of Security Finance Co. Mrs. Bonnie Hyson.
- (21) 1400 - blt. 1923, two story tan plaster Spanish Colonial Revival with low pitch tile roof, bracketed cornice. Contributing. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pounds.
- (22) 1405 - blt. 1920, two story red brick with white trim Georgian Revival. Contributing. Mrs. L.L. Lindsay.
- (23) 1316 - blt. 1917, two story red brick with white trim, porte-cochere, porch across front facade has square brick columns, bracketed cornice, door with transom and side lights, hip and pyramidal roof forms intersect. Contributing. Built for C.H. Steele, vice-president of American National Bank. Mr. and Mrs. Pieter van der Vliet.
- (24) 1315 - blt. 1918, two story, hip roof, projecting roof sections on either end, two shed dormers flanking central pediment, lunette beneath pediment. Contributing. Built by Jules Smith of Smith Bros. Grain Co. Occupied for 67 years by Florence

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- Smith Randle. Mr. and Mrs. Gary T. Brown.
- (25) 1306 - blt. c.1915, two story brick and plaster with colored tile inlays, elements of moderne style. Contributing. Mr. and Mrs. Donald L. Box.
- (26) 1309 - blt. 1913-14, two story L shaped red brick, ornamental brick work between second story windows. Contributing. Joseph L. Wynne.
- (27) 1302 - blt. 1915, two story tan brick with green tile hip roof, three gable dormers in central section of roof, boxed cornice with brackets, strong horizontal emphasis. Contributing. Built for John C. Ryan, Sr., developer of Ryan Place. Dr. and Mrs. John Jeffers.
- (28) 1301 - blt. 1920, two story tan brick, porte-cochere on west side, flat front facade with pedimented portico. Contributing. Mrs. Winnifred B. Jeffers.
- (29) 1216 - blt. c.1918, two story red brick with white trim Georgian Revival, Palladian windows flank entrance porch. Contributing. Built for W.E. Connell, President of First National Bank, also cattleman and merchant. Christian Education for the Blind, c/o Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Wilson.
- (30) 1221 - blt. 1922, two story Second Renaissance Revival, door on right has hood supported by brackets with decorative balustrade on top, porch on left projects from main section. Contributing. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh F. King.
- (31) 1215 - blt. 1912, two and one half story, hip roof with flared eaves, hip dormers, asymmetrical facade. Contributing. Built for John Sparks, president of Stockyards National Bank. Second house built on the Boulevard, and the only one of frame construction. Ryan stipulated masonry for all structures, but made exception for his friend Sparks. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur F. Kline.
- (32) 1208 - blt. 1912, simple two story red brick, porch on left balanced by enclosed sun porch. Contributing. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Williams.
- (33) 1209 - blt. c.1912, two story tan brick, simple lines. Contributing. Built for Howard W. Peak, who supposedly had been the first white child born in Tarrant County. Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. South, Jr.
- (34) 1200 - blt. 1920, two story tan brick with green tile roof, porch across front has square brick columns, Mediterranean influence. Contributing. J.E. Gilbert.
- (35) 1201 - blt. 1960, one story pink brick, non-contributing. Miss Mary E. Parker.
- (36) 1116 - blt. 1952, one story tan brick, non-contributing. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Meyers.

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- (37) 1111 - blt. c.1916, two story half-timber style construction, two sets of mullion windows on center section, cross gable roof supported by brackets, pendant drops from top center. Contributing. Mr. and Mrs. Larry J. Hoskins.
- (38) 1112 - blt. 1911, two story tan brick, with wood shingles, simple lines. Contributing. First house built on Elizabeth Boulevard. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert P. Rawls.
- (39) 1107 - blt. c.1928, two story tan brick with tile hip roof, porte cochere, mullion window in center, sun porch and door section project from rectangle. Contributing. Owned by Willing Ryan, son of John C. Ryan, the developer. Mr. and Mrs. James Brown.
- (40) 1100 - blt. 1912, two story white brick with green tile hip roof, porch with Ionic columns full length of south elevation, second floor has French doors opening onto porch roof. Contributing. Built for Ira Chase, M.D., Dean of Ft. Worth Medical College and 53rd president of State Medical Assn. Dr. and Mrs. James Newcomer.
- (41) 1101 - blt. c.1913, two story red brick with gable roof, simple lines. Contributing. Built for Mrs. Elizabeth Ross, widow of Zeno C. Ross, one of Ryan's attorneys. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gudgen.
- (42) 1030 - blt. 1916, two story red brick with tile roof, porch supported by square brick columns across front facade, Mission Revival dormer. Contributing. Built by Andrew Jackson Long, cattleman and banker. Estie Eugene Shipley.
- (43) 1021 - blt. 1914-15, two story red brick, Mission Revival dormer over projecting pediment. Contributing. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rose.
- (44) 1001 - blt. 1923, two and one half story cream brick with tile roof, shed dormer in center, projecting arcaded portico with columns of glazed tile. Contributing. Home of R.O. Dulaney, President of Planet Petroleum Co. Very expensive Second Renaissance Revival style home at a time of construction; many materials came from Italy. Designed by Wyatt Hedrick, known across the state. Dr. and Mrs. E. Richard Halden, Jr.

The playground at the northeastern corner of the district is owned by the Fort Worth Independent School District, 3210 W. Lancaster, Fort Worth, TX 76107. It is classifiable as compatible with the district.

There is a complete survey card for each structure on file at the Texas Historical Commission.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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Specific dates 1911–1929

Builder/Architect John C. Ryan, Developer

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Elizabeth Boulevard was the first restricted residential development in Fort Worth and one of the earliest residential areas that is today intact and free from demolition or commercial development. John C. Ryan, Sr., the developer, envisioned Fort Worth as "the oil center of the southwest" and sought to make Elizabeth Boulevard "the residence section of oil men located here". Several oil men did build residences beside those of important Fort Worth businessmen, lawyers, and physicians. The homes on Elizabeth comprise a concentration of impressive examples of eclectic and revival architectural styles and are among the best homes built in these styles in the city. Revival styles represented are Classical, Spanish Colonial, Mission, and Georgian. Localized versions of the Prairie School are also found. The area was the first development in Fort Worth to employ landscape architects, place utilities in the alleys, and include plantings, entrance gates, and facade lines in the master plan.

The land Elizabeth Boulevard occupies was once a part of the McCoy Trail, a branch of the Chisholm Trail. There are remains of a marker noting that fact at the east end of Elizabeth. The field upon which the Boulevard was built was also the site where the first airplane to visit Fort Worth landed. Cal Rogers, a barnstorming pilot, landed on the field during the summer of 1909.

The district is part of the Joshua N. Ellis land grant of 1846. From Ellis, the land passed through several of his children's hands, was sold to members of the Thomas Leach family, and in 1909 was purchased by John C. Ryan, Sr. Construction on the first house, the W. T. Fry home at 1112 Elizabeth, began during May, 1911. The entrance gates were erected at this time and the street paved by Texas Bulithic Co. By July 1912, two houses were completed and a third was under construction. A majority of the homes were built between 1911 and 1929, but construction reached a peak about 1919–1920, shortly after oil was discovered in West Texas. Fine homes costing more than \$40,000 continued to be built until the stock market crash in 1929, when all construction stopped. The vacant lots were not developed until after 1950, when the area was no longer fashionable and construction costs discouraged large homes. Although the one story homes are different from the remainder of the neighborhood, they do not detract from it. They reflect the economic conditions that affected both Fort Worth and the nation during the Depression.

Many of the early residents of Elizabeth Boulevard were business partners or close friends as well as neighbors. Zeno C. Ross served as John C. Ryan's lawyer. Bankers Sparks and Connell were close friends. Brothers Bert and Jules Smith worked together in the grain business and knew well Will Harrison, who ran Star Refining and Producing. Both A.J. Long and C.H. Steele were vice-presidents of American National Bank. E.P. Geyer and W.A. Moncrief of Marland Oil lived for a time on Elizabeth. Summit Avenue was Fort Worth's "silk stocking row" at the turn of the century when the cattle industry was the city's prominent industry. Elizabeth Boulevard served much the same purpose for the leading oilmen, bankers, and businessmen as these concerns brought prosperity to Fort Worth during the teens and twenties. The people who lived there had a great effect on Fort Worth's business and political activities, and dominated the social scene.

Although several of the homes have been renovated, the majority have not been altered and appear today much as they did when they were first constructed. Elizabeth Boulevard remains a popular residential section and has recently become the focus of active preservation efforts.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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 Fort Worth Record, 1911-1918. Arlington, Texas.
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 Paddock, B.B. (ed), History of Texas, Fort Worth, and the Texas Northwest Edition. Chicago and
 New York, Lewis Publishing Company, 1922.

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property approx. 26
 Quadrangle name Fort Worth, Texas UTM NOT VERIFIED Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UMT References

A	1 4	6 5 5 2 4 5	3 6 2 0 9 2 5	B	1 4	6 5 5 9 2 0	3 6 2 0 9 4 0
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C	1 4	6 5 5 9 2 0	3 6 2 0 9 6 0	D	1 4	6 5 6 0 6 5	3 6 2 0 9 6 0
E	1 4	6 5 6 0 6 5	3 6 2 0 8 0 5	F	1 4	6 5 5 9 2 0	3 6 2 0 8 0 5
G	1 4	6 5 5 9 2 0	3 6 2 0 8 2 5	H	1 4	6 5 5 2 4 5	3 6 2 0 8 2 0

Verbal boundary description and justification

The district is bounded on the east by College Avenue and on the west by Eighth Avenue. North and south boundaries coincide with the rear property lines of the lots facing Elizabeth Blvd. On the eastern end of the district, the northern line cuts across a playground, being an extension

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

Carol Roark and other residents of Elizabeth Blvd.; Danny Hardy, Survey Coordinator
 name/title
 organization ; Texas Historical Commission date
 street & number 2516 Rogers Ave.; P.O. Box 12276 telephone 817-926-4212; 512-475-3094
 city or town Fort Worth; Austin state Texas

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature *[Signature]* date August 29, 1979
 State Historic Preservation Officer title

For HCRS use only
 I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register
[Signature] Carol D. Shue date 11-16-79
 Keeper of the National Register
 Attest: *[Signature]* Beth Crovona date 1/15/79
 Chief of Registration

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of the rear property line of lot A-7, and parallel to the Boulevard. The boundaries are the same as those laid out by John C. Ryan, Sr. in his 1911 plat. There has been no road construction, commercial intrusion, or demolition that would suggest altering these lines. The lot orientation and grand scale of the Elizabeth Boulevard houses provide visual delineation between the Boulevard District and the surrounding Ryan Place Addition.

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Property Elizabeth Boulevard Historic District

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TECHNICAL

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Well-defined, architecturally cohesive, ^{historically fashionable} residential district. City's oldest residential subdivision and the first development to use landscape architecture and other conscious design features. Many intact Revival styles represented. Home of many ^{prominent} early 20th C. businessmen. Justification for the inclusion of the 9 non-contributing houses

accept
Beth Grosvenor
11/15/79

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

is excellent. I would consider the playground intrusive, but I think the nature of the district's significance and the overall integrity make retention of the present boundaries more important than exclusion of the playground.

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REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

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BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

National Register Write-up _____
Federal Register Entry 2-5-80

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ELIZABETH BOULVARD RYAN PLACE,
LOOKING WEST FROM COLLEGE AVE. July 1912.

Gates at east end of

~~Elizabeth Blvd Historic District~~
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

photographer unknown

July, 1912
east, looking west.

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Photo #1730

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NO
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Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District
Fort Worth, Texas 76110
from west gates, looking East

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978

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negative: Texas Historical
Commission

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Photo #2 ^{4/30}
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E-8



Gates on Southeast end of
~~Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District~~
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978
east, looking west

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1215

Sparks-Kline Home (12/5)

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Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer

July, 1978

oblique, looking southeast

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Map reference (31)

B-10



Spears-Stone-Wynne Home(1309)
Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978 looking
slightly oblique, to southwest

-negative: Texas Historical
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Map reference (26)

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Gumm-Henry Home (1418)
Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District
Fort Worth, Texas 76109

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978
slightly oblique, to northwest

negative: Texas Historical
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Map reference (17)



Coffey-Gholson-Cole Home (1500)
Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978
oblique, looking northwest

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-negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #712 SEP 1979
Map reference (15)

D-6



1506

John C. Ryan, Jr.-McCorkle Home
~~Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District~~
Fort Worth, Texas 76110 (1506)

Tony Record, photographer
-July, 1978
-oblique, looking northwest

DOE
NOV 16 1979

-negative: Texas Historical
Commission.

Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #8¹³⁰ 12 SEP 1979
Map reference (13)

A-5



Stewart Home (1411)
~~Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District~~
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978
front view, looking south

-negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #9 *930*
12 SEP 1979
Map reference (20)

DOE
NOV 16 1979

C-12



Jackson-Pounds Home (1416)
Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978
front view, looking north

negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Tarrant County, Texas

DOE
NOV 16 1979

Photo #10/30

Map reference (19)

12 SEP 1979

CR



Teas-Duvall Home
~~Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District~~
Fort Worth, Texas 76110 (1505)

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978
slightly oblique, looking south

DOE
NOV 16 1979

negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #11930 12 SEP 1979
Map reference (14)

D-8

1505



J. S. Todd Home (1405)

Tony Record, photographer

~~Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District~~

July, 1978

looking

Fort Worth, Texas 76110

slightly oblique, to southeast

photo # C-11

negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Tarrant County, Texas

DOE
NOV 16 1979

Photo #12 ~~to~~ 12 SEP 1979

Map reference (22)

C-11



Hart-Huston Home (1415)

~~Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District~~

Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer

July, 1978

front view, looking south

DOE
NOV 16 1979

negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #13 ^{12 SEP 1979}
130
Map reference (18)

D-1



Martin-Brown Home (1501)

Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer

July, 1978

oblique, looking southwest

DOE
NOV 16 1979

- negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #140 ~~90~~ 12 SEP 1979

Map reference (16)

D-7



Connell Home 1216
Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978
oblique, looking northeast

negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #15/30 12 SEP 1979

Map reference (29)

B- EAST

DOE
NOV 16 1979



Bert K. Smith House (1302)

~~Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District~~

Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer

July, 1978

looking

slightly oblique, to northeast

negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #16^{1/30} 12 SEP 1979

Map reference (27)

E-7



Jules G. Smith Home (1315)
Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978
oblique, looking southeast

DOE
NOV 16 1979

negative: Texas Historical
Commission

- Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #17/30

12 SEP 1979

Map reference (24)

C-4



Dulaney-Halden Home (1001)

Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District
Ft. Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer

July, 1978

oblique view, looking southwest

DOE
NOV 16 1979

negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #18

930
12 SEP 1979

Map reference (44)

A-2



Fuller-Pounds Home (1400)
~~Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District~~
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978
Front view, looking north

DOE
NOV 16 1979

negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #191/30 12 SEP 1979

Map reference (21)

01-2



Couch-Rose Home (1021)

~~Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District~~
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July 1978
front view, looking south

DOE

NOV 16 1979

negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #20/30 12 SEP 1979

Map reference (43)

2-06
A-9



Hulen-King Home (1221)

Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978
front view, looking south

DOE
NOV 16 1979

-negative: Texas Historical
Commission

- Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #219³⁰ 12 SEP 1979

Map reference (30)

B-12



Long-Shipley Home (1030)

Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July 1978
oblique, looking northeast

DOE

NOV 16 1979

-negative: Texas Historical
Commission

- Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #229/30 12 SEP 1979

Map reference (42)

A-7



Stuart-Peacock home (1604)

~~Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District~~
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978
front view, looking north

DOE
NOV 16 1979

negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #23 of 30

Map reference (5)

12 SEP 1979

E-1



McLean-Jeffers Home (1301)
~~Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District~~
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978
slightly oblique, looking south

DOE
NOV 16 1979

-negative: Texas Historical
Commission

- Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #24/30 12 SEP 1979

Map reference (28)

C-1



Geyer-McDaniel Home (152)
~~Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District~~
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978
oblique, looking southwest

negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #25430 12 SEP 1979

Map reference (12)

D-10

DOE
NOV 16 1979



Steele-van der Vliet Home 1316
~~Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District-~~
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
- July, 1978
oblique, looking northeast

DOE
NOV 16 1979

- negative: Texas Historical
Commission

- Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #26 130

Map reference (23)

12 SEP 1979

C-5



Anderson-Hoskins Home (111)

~~Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District~~
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978
front view, looking south

DOE
NOV 16 1979

-negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #27 430

Map reference (37)

12 SEP 1979

B-1



Parker Home (1201)
~~Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District~~
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
-July, 1978
slightly oblique, looking south

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NOV 16 1979

Tarrant County

negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Photo #28 *130*

Map reference (35)

12 SEP 1979

B-7



Zeloski Home (1601)
~~Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District~~
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978
oblique, looking southwest

DOE
NOV 16 1979

photo # E-4
negative: Texas Historical
Commission

Tarrant County, Texas

Photo #29 *730*
Map reference (8)
12 SEP 1979

4-2



1306

Harrison-Box Home 1306
Elizabeth Blvd. Historic District
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Tony Record, photographer
July, 1978
front view, looking north

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Tarrant County, Texas

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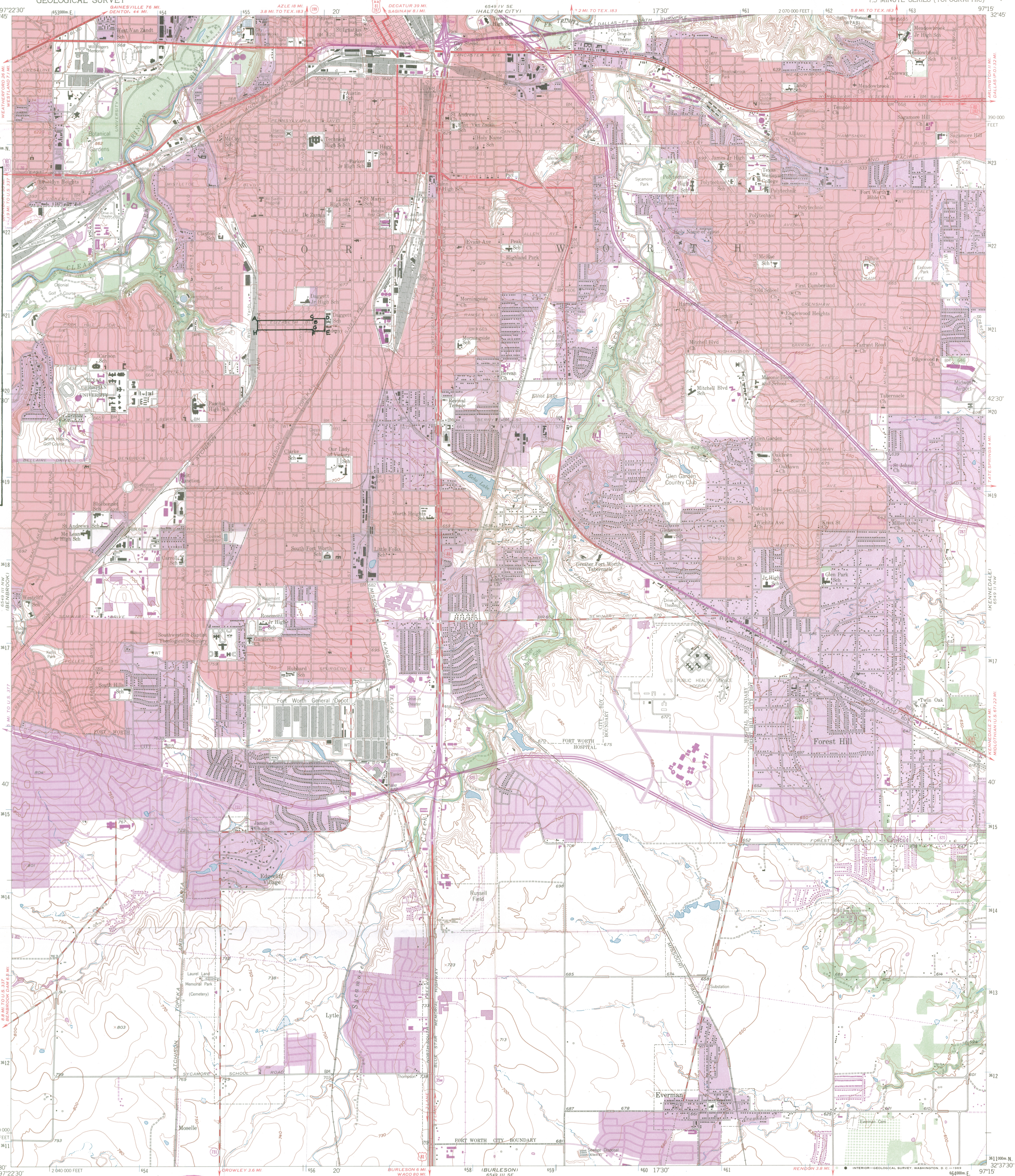
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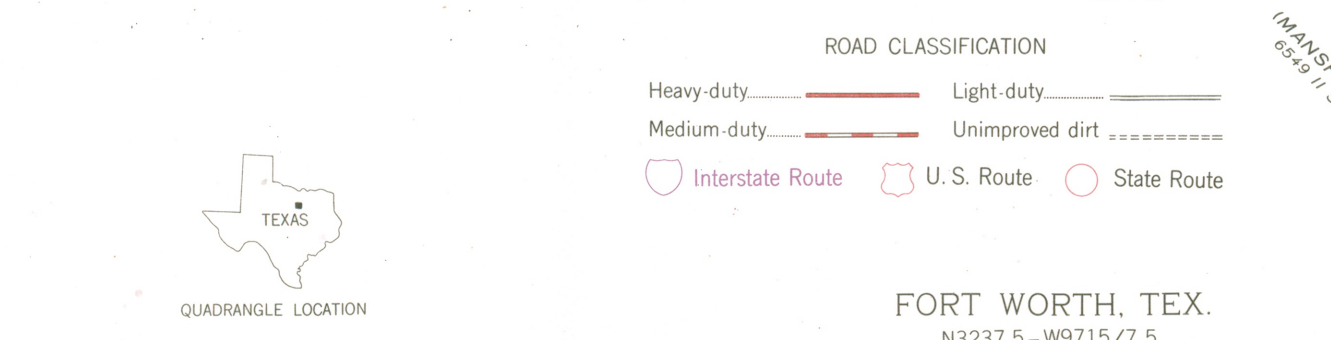
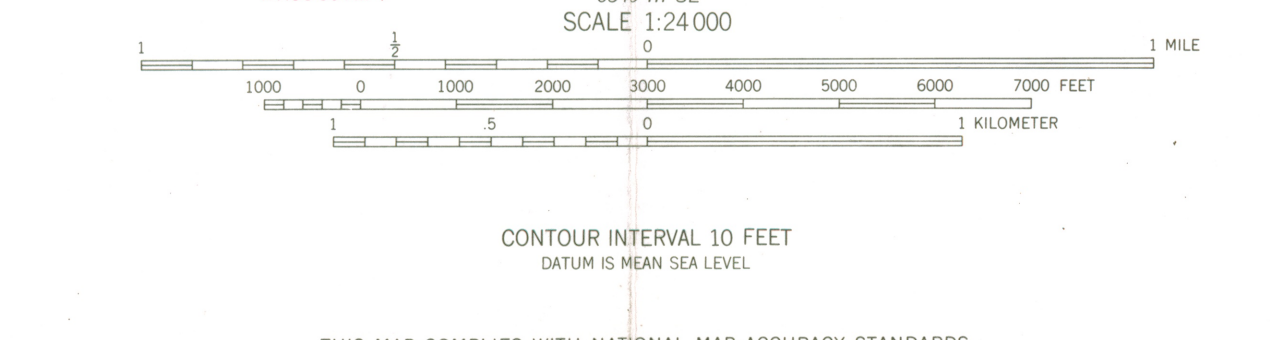
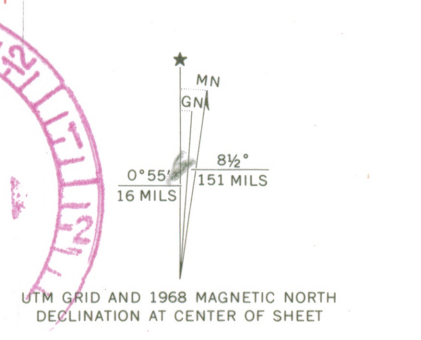
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ELIZABETH BOULEVARD HISTORIC DISTRICT
FORT WORTH, TARRANT CO., TEXAS
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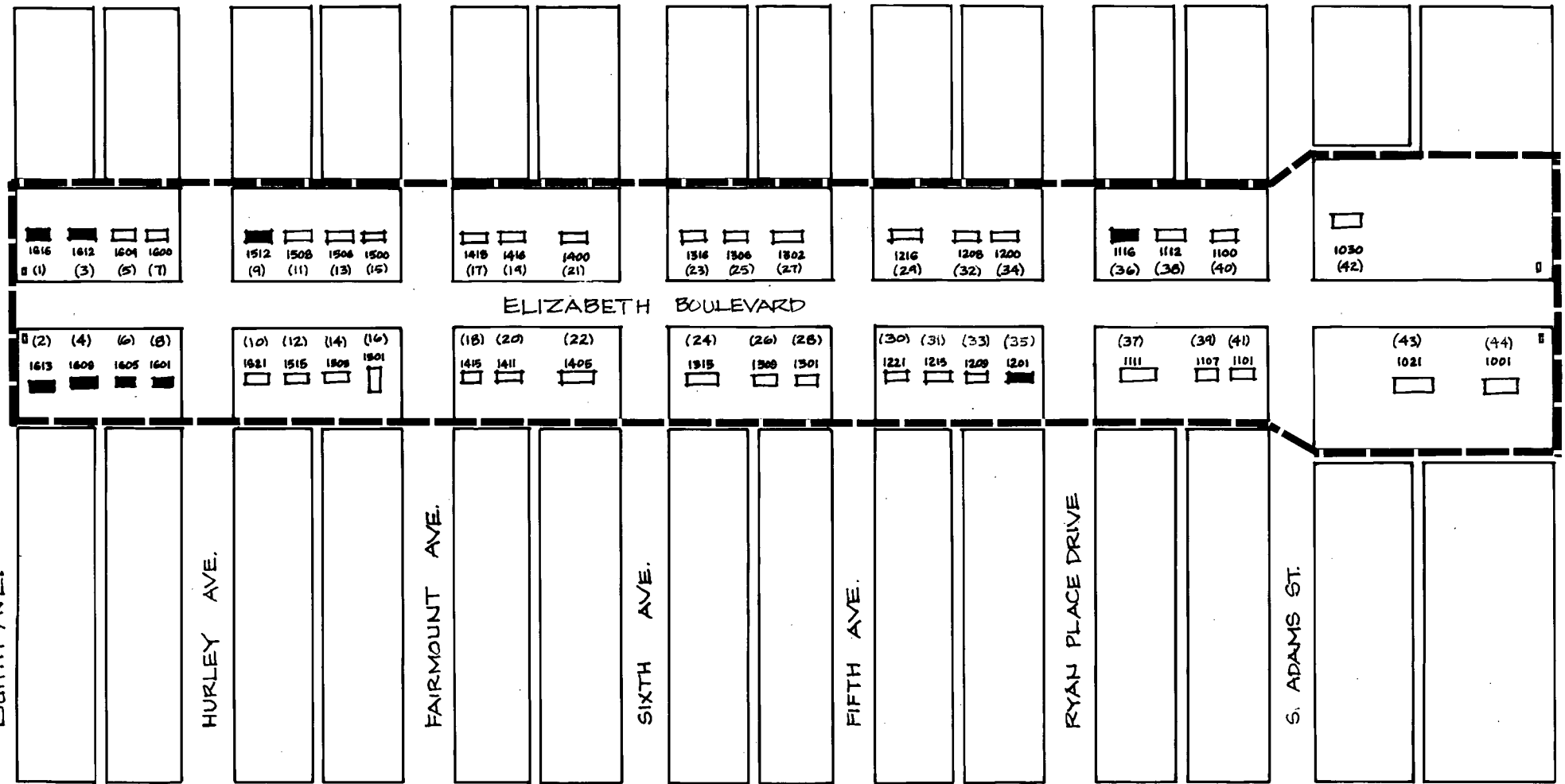
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ELIZABETH BOULEVARD HISTORIC DISTRICT, Fort Worth

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



ELIZABETH BOULEVARD

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KEY TO MAP

-  DISTRICT BOUNDARY
-  CONTRIBUTING STRUCTURES
-  NONCONTRIBUTING STRUCTURES

NOV 16 1979





United States Department of the Interior

HERITAGE CONSERVATION AND RECREATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO:

663

SEP 21 1979

Dear Property Owner:

The property you own is located in a historic district that has been nominated for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The National Register is the government's official list of historic buildings and other cultural resources worthy of preservation. This nomination is pending in our office.

If your property is depreciable and the district is listed in the National Register, there are certain benefits and provisions of the Tax Reform Act of 1976 that may apply to you. We are enclosing information about this law and a general description of the National Register program.

Soon we will be considering whether the district should be listed, using as our guidelines the "Criteria for Evaluation" shown in the enclosed material. If you wish to comment on whether the district should be listed, we would be pleased to hear from you. Send your comments within 30 days of the date of this letter to me, Charles A. Herrington, Acting Keeper of the National Register, Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, Department of the Interior, Pension Building, 440 G Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20243 (Attn: NOM). Please include the name of the district (as shown on the address label on this letter) and property address. If you have questions about the National Register program or the enclosed material, you should also address them to me.

In the enclosed material you will note references to standards for rehabilitating old buildings. These standards are a list of do's and don't's for people who are fixing up old buildings. If the owner of a building listed in the National Register, either individually or as part of a district, wishes to take advantage of the Tax Reform Act benefits, these standards must be followed. A copy of these standards is available from Technical Preservation Services, Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, Department of the Interior, Pension Building, 440 G Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20243. Questions about the standards should also be addressed to that same office.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Herrington
Acting Keeper of the National Register

Mr. & Mrs. Donald L. Box
1306 Elizabeth Blvd.

Fort Worth, TX 76110

RE: Elizabeth Boulevard Historic District

Elizabeth Boulevard Historic District
9-25-79



BROWN RENTAL EQUIPMENT CO., INC.

715 E. HATTIE STREET
FORT WORTH, TEXAS 76104
A.C. 817 332-4191

Contractors Equipment
October 9, 1979

yp
Charles A. Herrington
Department of the Interior
Pension Building
440 G Street, N.W.
Washington D.C. 20243



Reply Ref: 663 Elizabeth Blvd.
Historic District

Dear Mr. Herrington:

I heartily solicit your support for the listing of the Elizabeth Boulevard Historic District in the National Register of Historic Places. Most of the residences within this district are associated with the lives of persons significant to the past development of the city of Fort Worth.

These persons of the past were responsible for the socio-economic development of the city of Fort Worth. These persons were bankers, merchants, cattlemen, oilmen, architects and engineers, who made significant contributions to attract and support the social economic development of Fort Worth.

There was considerable nepotism among these early families with many "social" or "political" marriages, as well as the natural marriage of one young man to "the girl next door". The result was that these early residents became directly or indirectly associated with mayors, governors, senators, lawyers, doctors - in short, the makeup of the early social and economic power center of an emerging city of Fort Worth, first as a cattle center, then an oil center, and today a broad based industrial/commercial center that is proud of its western (cattle & oil) heritage.

It is for these reasons I feel that there would be justification for the listing of Elizabeth Boulevard Historical District in the National Register of Historic Places.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gary Brown", written in a cursive style.

Gary Brown
1315 Elizabeth Boulevard
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

OCT 15 1979

PERSONAL NOTICE (ATTACHED)

ALTERNATIVE NOTICE SENT

TELEPHONE CALL (ATTACHED)

DATE ACTION TAKEN

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10/16/79

LOUISIANA STATE ARCHIVES
1772 HUNTER ST. BOWLING
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Enclosed
Enclosed Director for the National Register of Historic
Instructions for the District of Elizabeth Bowls
is for you to be located in the area of the...

Elizabeth Boulevard Historic
District
9-25-79

1215 Elizabeth Boulevard
Fort Worth, Texas 76110
October 10, 1979

Mr. Charles A. Herrington
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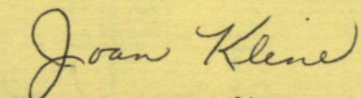
Dear Mr. Herrington:

Thank you for your letter of September 21, 1979, advising our neighborhood of our nomination for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

Please find attached a petition signed by almost all the residents of Elizabeth Boulevard (which only extends from the 1000 block through the 1600 block) supporting this nomination.

If there is any other information we can supply, please advise. We are very excited that our designation is in the final stages of acceptance, and are looking forward to the completion.

Yours truly,



(Mrs.) Joan Kline
Historical Committee

Encl.

THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

DATE REC'D **OCT 16 1979**

INDIVIDUAL RESPONSE (ATTACHED) _____

INFORMATIVE MATERIAL SENT _____

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Dear Mr. Herrington:

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NAME

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Beth Peacock 1604 Elizabeth Blvd.

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Trice 1600 Elizabeth Blvd.

Larry M. M. 1616 Elizabeth Blvd.

Joel Orlando 1605 Elizabeth

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Bruce L. McDaniel 1521 Elizabeth Blvd.

Susan Mayhew 1416 Elizabeth Blvd.

David C. [Signature] 1416 Elizabeth Blvd.

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William B Henry 1418 Elizabeth Blvd

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Samuel P. Judgen

1101 ELIZABETH BLVD

Jim Meyer

1116 ELIZABETH BLVD.

Yate E. Brown

1501 ELIZABETH BLVD.

Janis Brown

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Jean Kline - 1215 ELIZABETH BLVD -

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Dr. Steven Cole	1500 Elizabeth Blvd
Elizabeth A Cole	1500 Elizabeth Blvd
Tom Hammons	1508 Elizabeth Blvd.
Jim Hammons	1508 Elizabeth Blvd.
John + Carol McCarbles	1506 Elizabeth Blvd.

Joan Klien 1215 Elizabeth

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Mr. & Mrs. Ken Pounds 1400 Elizabeth Blvd

JOHN KLINE
1215 ELIZABETH

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Mrs Maryanne Gilbert 1200 Elizabeth Blvd.

Herbert Raely 1112 Elizabeth Blvd

Edward V. Furber 1021 Elizabeth Blvd

Eugenia B. Furber 1021 Elizabeth Blvd

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Mrs. E.R. Halden 1001 Elizabeth Blvd.

Patricia R. Robinson Rose 1031 Elizabeth Blvd.

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John R. Jeffers, M.D. 1302 Elizabeth Blvd

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Marjorie C. King 1221 Elizabeth Blvd.

Winnifred B. Jeffers 1301 Elizabeth Blvd.

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David J. Kline 1215 Elizabeth Blvd

Jean Kline 1215 Elizabeth Blvd

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B. J. Hopkins 1111 ELIZABETH BLVD

Rita Brown 1107 Elizabeth Blvd.

James R Brown 1107 Elizabeth Blvd

James Newcomer 1100 Elizabeth Blvd.

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Jonathan Shipley - 1030 Elizabeth

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RE: ELIZABETH BOULEVARD HISTORIC DISTRICT

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We, the undersigned, are property owners/residents of Elizabeth Boulevard, Fort Worth, Texas.

We wish to advise you of our total support of the application to designate our street as the Elizabeth Boulevard Historic District. This is the culmination of many years of effort for the residents of the district. This is the first residential area so designated in Fort Worth and we know you share our pride in this accomplishment.

NAME

ADDRESS

Noise D Cline 1208 ELIZABETH

Conrad M. Cline 1208 Elizabeth

a Frank South Jr. 1209 Elizabeth Blvd.

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October 19, 1979

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Charles A. Herrington
Acting Keeper of the National Register
U.S. Dept. of Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service
Washington, D. C. 20240

Reply #663

Dear Mr. Herrington:

I received your letter of September 21, 1979 concerning the Elizabeth Boulevard Historic District and am writing to let you know that I agree that the district should be listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Elizabeth Boulevard was at one time "the street" in Fort Worth. In recent years a major effort has been made to restore the atmosphere and in my opinion it has been successful. I feel that, as I understand the National Register program, if the nomination is approved it will insure the preservation of a part of Fort Worth that has had a major impact on it's growth as well as preserving properties that embody a distinctive type of construction and architecture.

If you need any additional information, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Steven G. Cole'.

Steven G. Cole, Ph.D.
Chairman

me

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Charles A. Herrington
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440 G. Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20243

Reply Ref: 663 Elizabeth Blvd.
Historic Dist.

Dear Mr. Herrington:

As a resident of the Elizabeth Boulevard Historic District of Fort Worth, I am writing to urge acceptance of this district in the National Register of Historic Places.

Our street is the only remaining intact neighborhood in Fort Worth dating back to the early 1900's. The architecture, construction and workmanship exemplified by several of these homes is unique to our area of the country. The materials and skills required to reproduce them today are almost non-existent.

There is an obvious resurgence of interest in restoration in our area. Many improvements have occurred since the survey was made for the application for the listing of our district. Last fall, Mr. Leopold Adler spoke in Fort Worth of the preservation done in Savannah. Recently the Junior League of Fort Worth established the Historical Preservation Council for Tarrant County, representing eighteen historical societies and neighborhood associations.

The Ryan Place Addition (of which Elizabeth Boulevard is the main street) was developed by John C. Ryan, the first owner of the home we now occupy. The street was named in honor of his wife, Elizabeth. It was the first prestigious neighborhood in the city with the homeowners being oil, grain, and cattle barons.

These grand old homes stand today as a stately reminder of an elegant era of our history. They have survived the typical decline of an inner city neighborhood and "suburban flight". It would be an injustice not to preserve this part of our past for posterity. With such help as yours this preservation will be made possible.

With great appreciation of the past and anticipation for the future, we are

1302 Elizabeth Boulevard
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Sincerely yours,
John R. Jeffers
John R. Jeffers
Sarah M. Jeffers
Sarah M. Jeffers

THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
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Fort Worth
Tarrant County

Also Notified

Honorable Lloyd Bentsen

Honorable John G. Tower
Honorable J. J. (Jake) Pickle
Honorable James C. Wright, Jr.

State Historic Preservation Officer
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For further information, please call the National Register at (202)343-6401.