

COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_ BLOCK \_\_\_\_\_ 231  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ QUAD \_\_\_\_\_ LOT \_\_\_\_\_ S 1/2 of 7, 8

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY: Harris  
ADDRESS: 917 Heights Blvd. CITY: Houston

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: \_\_\_\_\_ UTM: \_\_\_\_\_  
OWNER: Wm. H. Cook, Jr. DATE: c.1903 PERIOD: \_\_\_\_\_  
917 Heights Blvd. Houston, TX 77008 STYLE: \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION: Victorian, frame, 2 1/2-story house, combination, wood-shingled roof (some detail in gables with shingling), attached porch did wrap to side, but side has been enclosed, 2-story portico, simple Doric columns, flatcut balusters, 2 single front doors with transoms. THEME: \_\_\_\_\_

BUILDING MATERIAL: wall: \_\_\_\_\_ roof: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYSICAL CONDITION: good-qualified significant SITE: original \_\_\_\_\_ or moved \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_  
ALTERATIONS: side of porch enclosed

SIGNIFICANCE: Good example of the large, elaborate houses built on the Boulevard in the early years of the Heights by typical white-collar residents.

AREA OF SIGNIFICANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: \_\_\_\_\_  
DESIGNATION: NR NHL RTHL HABS HAER HESI HSI OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

ORIGINAL USE: residence PRESENT USE: residence  
RELATIONSHIP TO SURROUNDINGS: in middle of the block

ACREAGE/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

BIBLIOGRAPHIC DATA: \_\_\_\_\_  
SEE INFO/CORRESPONDENCE FILES: \_\_\_\_\_

RECORDED BY: KLL INFORMANT: \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE: 4-1-80 PHOTO DATA: 1 - 35mm

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National Park Service**

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Site No. 47

NAME House at 917 Heights Boulevard COUNTY Harris BLOCK 231  
 ADDRESS 917 Heights Boulevard CITY Houston LOT 1/2 of 7, 8  
 UTM Zone 15 E 268,190 N 3,297,430  
 ARCHITECT/BUILDER \_\_\_\_\_ DATE ca. 1903 PERIOD 1900--  
 OWNER William H. Cook, Jr. STYLE Colonial Revival influence  
917 Heights, Houston, Texas 77008 THEME \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION Two-and-a-half-story frame house; gabled roof with many lateral gables, wooden shingles (some details in gables also with shingling); attached front porch did wrap to side, but side area has been enclosed; two-story portico, simple Doric columns, flatcut balusters; two single front doors with transoms.

Building material: wall frame/clapboard roof wooden shingles  
 Physical condition good-significant site: original X or moved \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Alterations Side of porch enclosed; recently renovated throughout.

SIGNIFICANCE Good example of the large, elaborate houses built on Heights Boulevard in the early years of the development of the area; built for fairly prosperous residents.

Area of significance architecture Level of significance local  
 DESIGNATION: NR NHL RTHL HABS HAER HESI HSI OTHER \_\_\_\_\_  
 ORIGINAL USE residence PRESENT USE residence  
 RELATIONSHIP TO SURROUNDINGS Sited in middle of the block in residential section of the Heights.  
 ACREAGE/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION less than one acre  
 BIBLIOGRAPHY \_\_\_\_\_  
 RECORDED BY K. L. London INFORMANT \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE April 1, 1980 PHOTO DATA 1 - 35 mm., Tex. Hist. Commission

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

House at 917 Heights Boulevard (Houston  
Heights MRA)  
Harris County  
TEXAS

Working No. MAY 9 1983

Fed. Reg. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Due: 6/9/83 - 6/23/83

Action:  ACCEPT  
 RETURN 6/22/83  
 REJECT

Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_  
Discipline \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
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Nomination returned for:  technical corrections cited below  
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

7. Description

Condition:		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input 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

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

## 8. Significance

Period \_\_\_\_\_ Area of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates \_\_\_\_\_

Builder/Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Please provide, if unknown mark  
"unknown"

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource -
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

## 10. Geographical Data

Acres of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UMT References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification

Please provide what section, NE. 1/4, of Lat 1/2 of T. 8" that is being nominated.

## 11. Form Prepared By

## 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national  state  local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

## 13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed *Deborah Boyer* Date 6/22/83 Phone: 202 272-3504  
343-9573

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet

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National Park Service

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Site No. 47

NAME <u>House at 917 Heights Blvd.</u>	COUNTY <u>Harris</u>	BLOCK <u>231</u>
ADDRESS <u>917 Heights Blvd.</u>	CITY <u>Houston</u>	LOT <u>S 1/2 of 7, 8</u>
ARCHITECT/BUILDER <u>unknown</u>	UTM <u>Zone 15 E 268,190</u>	<u>N 3,297,430</u>
OWNER <u>William J. Cook, Jr.</u>	DATE <u>ca. 1903</u>	PERIOD <u>1900--</u>
<u>917 Heights, Houston, Texas 77008</u>	STYLE <u>Colonial Revival influence</u>	THEME

DESCRIPTION Two-and-a-half-story frame house; gabled roof with many lateral gables, wooden shingles (some details in gables also with shingling); attached front porch did wrap to side, but side area has been enclosed; two-story portico, simple Doric columns, flatcut balusters; two single front doors with transoms.

Building material: wall frame roof wooden shingles  
Physical condition good-significant site: original  or moved  date       
Alterations side of porch enclosed; recently renovated throughout.

SIGNIFICANCE Good example of the large, elaborate houses built on Heights Boulevard in the early years of the development of the area; built for fairly prosperous residents. Recent sympathetic rehabilitation. Prominently sited, and a visual neighborhood landmark.

Area of significance architecture Level of significance local

DESIGNATION: NR NHL RTHL HABS HAER HESI HSI OTHER

ORIGINAL USE residence PRESENT USE residence

RELATIONSHIP TO SURROUNDINGS Sited in middle of the block in residential section of the Heights.

ACREAGE/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION less than one acre

BIBLIOGRAPHY

RECORDED BY K.L. London INFORMANT

DATE April 1, 1980 PHOTO DATA 1 - 35 mm., Texas Hist. Comm.

CONTINUATIONS:

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Houston Heights Multiple Resource Area  
State Texas

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- 51. House at 402 E. 11th Street  
**Entered in the National Register**  
Keeper *for* Delores Byers 6/22/83  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- Results* 52. House at 505 W. 18th Street  
**Substantive Review**  
Keeper Beth Grovona 5/14/83  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 53. House at 532 Harvard Street  
**Entered in the National Register** *for* Keeper Delores Byers 6/22/83  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 54. House at 828 Heights Boulevard  
**Entered in the National Register** *for* Keeper Delores Byers 6/22/83  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 55. House at 844 Columbia Street  
**Entered in the National Register** *for* Keeper Delores Byers 6/22/83  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 56. House at 844 Cortlandt  
**Entered in the National Register** *for* Keeper Delores Byers 6/22/83  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- Results* 57. House at 917 Heights Boulevard  
**Entered in the National Register** *for* Keeper Delores Byers 5/14/83  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- Results* 58. House at 943 1/2 Cortlandt St.  
**Substantive Review**  
**DJE/OWNER OBJECTION**  
Keeper *Eligible* **Determined Eligible**  
Beth Grovona 5/14/83  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 59. Houston Heights Fire Station  
**Entered in the National Register** *for* Keeper Delores Byers 6/22/83  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 60. Houston Heights Waterworks Reservoir  
**Entered in the National Register** *for* Keeper Delores Byers 6/22/83  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

House at 917 Heights Boulevard  
(Houston Heights MRA)  
Harris County  
TEXAS

Working No. 5/9/83  
Fed. Reg. Date: 2.5.85  
Date Due: 5-24-84  
Action:  ACCEPT 5-14-84  
 RETURN  
 REJECT  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Entered in the  
National Register

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_  
Discipline \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

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**8. Significance**

Period      Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates                      Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
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- context
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- justification of exception
- other

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

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**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

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Verbal boundary description and justification

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**11. Form Prepared By**

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**12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_ national      \_\_\_\_ state      \_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title

date

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**13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_





917 Heights Blvd.

Houston Heights

Site No. 47, 917 Heights Boulevard  
Houston, Texas 77008

Photo: K.L. London, April 1, 1980  
On file, Texas Historical Commission  
Front facade, looking west

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Houston Heights

Site No. 47, 917 Heights Boulevard  
Houston, Texas 77008

Photo: Peter Flagg Maxson, January 1983

On file, Texas Historical Commission

Front facade, looking west

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Houston Heights

Site No. 47, 917 Heights Boulevard  
Houston, Texas 77008

Photo: Peter F. Maxson, 1982

On file, Texas Historical Commission  
Front facade, looking west

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917 Heights Blvd.  
Houston Heights

Site No. 47, 917 Heights Boulevard

Houston, Texas 77008

Photo: Paul Carr, 1982

Negative on file, Houston Heights Assn.

Front facade, looking west



Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000847