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National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

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1. NAME OF PROPERTY

Historic name: House at 401 North Richmond

Other name/site number: Site No. 657

2. LOCATION

Street & number: 401 North Richmond

Not for publication: N/A

City/town: Wharton

State: TX *County:* Wharton

Code: 481 *Zip Code:* 77488

3. CLASSIFICATION

Ownership of Property: Private

Category of Property: Building

Number of Resources within Property: *Contributing* *Noncontributing*

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| <u> 2 </u> | <u> 0 </u> | <i>buildings</i> |
| <u> 0 </u> | <u> 0 </u> | <i>sites</i> |
| <u> 0 </u> | <u> 0 </u> | <i>structures</i> |
| <u> 0 </u> | <u> 0 </u> | <i>objects</i> |

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| <u> 2 </u> | <u> 0 </u> | <i>Total</i> |
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Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: N/A

Name of related multiple property listing: Historic and Architectural Resources of Wharton,
Wharton County, Texas

4. STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this x nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property x meets does not meet the National Register criteria.

 See continuation sheet.

Charles Tunnell
Signature of certifying official

27 Jan. 1993
Date

State Historic Preservation Officer, Texas Historical Commission

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria.

 See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. NATIONAL PARK SERVICE CERTIFICATION

I, hereby certify that this property is:

Entered in the
National Register

 entered in the National Register
 See continuation sheet.

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3/15/93

 determined eligible for the
National Register
 See continuation sheet.

 determined not eligible for the
National Register

 removed from the National Register

 other (explain):

for
Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

6. FUNCTION OR USE

Historic: DOMESTIC: Single Dwelling

Current: DOMESTIC: Single Dwelling

7. DESCRIPTION

Architectural Classification: LATE 19TH AND 20TH CENTURY REVIVALS: Tudor Revival

Materials: foundation Concrete
walls Brick
roof Asphalt
other Stone; Wood

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

 x See continuation sheet.

8. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: locally

Applicable National Register Criteria: C

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) : N/A

Areas of Significance: Architecture

Period(s) of Significance: ca. 1935

Significant Dates: ca. 1935

Significant Person(s): N/A

Cultural Affiliation: N/A

Architect/Builder: Unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

 x See continuation sheet.

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House at 401 N. Richmond
Wharton, Wharton County, Texas

Description:

The House at 401 North Richmond is a 1-story brick veneer dwelling facing east. It exhibits a Tudor Revival style influence and thus follows an asymmetrical plan common to the architectural style. It has an imposing asphalt-shingle cross-gabled hipped roof which forms an interesting array of angles. A large inset porch wraps around the east and south elevations. A brick chimney with tile flues rises above the front gable on the north side of the principal facade.

The House at 401 North Richmond is a 1-story brick veneer dwelling in a transition zone between one of the oldest residential areas of the town and a more recent commercial area. It is set back generously from the street and surrounded by mature vegetation.

The Tudor Revival style house is covered by a cross-gabled hipped roof with asphalt shingles and rests on a concrete foundation. The principal facade is noted by two front gables of unequal height. The southern front gable covers a large inset porch accessed by arched entries, similar entries are located on the south elevation. Above the arches on the principal facade is a small wooden balcony with balustrade and cut-out balusters below a wooden casement window with multi-diamond-shaped lights. The second front gable is broken by a brick chimney with tile flues. At the intersection of the cross-gable roof is a recessed entry located under a rounded arch formed by rusticated stone voussoirs. A distinctive eyebrow arch covers the entrance way.

Casement windows with wood sashes and multiple lights are located on the principal facade. Windows on the side (north) elevation are multi-light casement windows with wood sashes and fixed transoms.

A frame garage with gabled-roof located southwest of the dwelling is contemporaneous with the house and is Contributing.

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House at 401 N. Richmond
Wharton, Wharton County, Texas

Statement of Significance:

The House at 401 North Richmond (ca. 1935) is one of the best examples of the Tudor Revival style popular in the community during the late 1920s and 1930s. It is eligible under Criterion C for architecture and associated with the context: *Community Development In Wharton, Texas, 1875-1942*.

Sanborn maps reveal the house was built after 1929 when a 2-story frame dwelling stood on the property. This previous house was replaced by the extant 1-story Tudor Revival style dwelling during the 1930s when this architectural form became popular. The original owner and builder of this house is unknown.

The Tudor Revival style gained popularity among the middle class in Wharton during the late 1920s and 1930s. Various interpretations of this architectural expression exist in the Community. The House on 401 North Richmond is one of the community's best examples of this architectural expression. Its distinctive cross-gabled roof, rounded arched inset porch, and casement windows are characteristic of this architectural expression. It retains a high degree of integrity and is significant to the domestic architecture of the community.

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

See bibliography of historic context statement.

 x See continuation sheet.

Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A

 preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.

 previously listed in the National Register

 previously determined eligible by the National Register

 designated a National Historic Landmark

 recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #

 recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #

Primary Location of Additional Data:

 x State historic preservation office (Texas Historical Commission)

 Other state agency

 Federal agency

 Local government

 University

 Other -- Specify Repository:

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Acreage of Property: Less than one acre

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing

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C D

 See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description: Original Town Site, Block 32, Lot 2

Boundary Justification: The property includes all areas historically associated with the building.

11. FORM PREPARED BY (assisted by Dwayne Jones, Preservation Planner, Alan Carey, Preservation Planner Intern, THC staff)

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Organization: Hardy-Heck-Moore

Date: July 1989

January 1992

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City or Town: Austin

State: TX *Zip:* 78705

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Wharton MPS

Wharton County, TEXAS

Date Listed

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| 21. House at 401 North Richmond | Entered in the National Register | 3/18/93 |
| 22. House at 512 North Resident | Entered in the National Register | 3/18/93 |
| 23. Linn Street Historic District | Substantive Review | 3/18/93 |
| 24. Merrill--Roten House | Entered in the National Register | 3/18/93 |
| 25. Moran--Moore House | Entered in the National Register | 3/18/93 |
| 26. Speaker, J. H., House | Entered in the National Register | 3/18/93 |
| 27. St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church | Entered in the National Register | 3/18/93 |
| 28. Texas and New Orleans Railroad Depot | Entered in the National Register | 3/18/93 |
| 29. Texas and New Orleans Railroad Bridge | Entered in the National Register | 3/18/93 |
| 30. West Milam Street Mercantile Historic District | Entered in the National Register | 3/18/93 |
| 31. Worthing, Louis F., House | Entered in the National Register | 3/18/93 |

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: House at 401 North Richmond

MULTIPLE NAME: Wharton MPS

STATE & COUNTY: TEXAS, Wharton

DATE RECEIVED: 2/01/93
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 3/04/93
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

DATE OF PENDING LIST: 2/16/93
DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/18/93

REFERENCE NUMBER: 93000107

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 3/18/93 DATE

Entered in the
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

___count ___resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

___historic ___current

DESCRIPTION

___architectural classification
___materials
___descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

___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

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

___acreage ___verbal boundary description
___UTMs ___boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

___sketch maps ___USGS maps ___photographs ___presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



HOUSE AT 401 NORTH RICHMOND
SITE No. 657
WHARTON CO., TEXAS
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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500657