

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

Michigan History Division
Michigan Department of State
Lansing, Michigan 48918

Site # 105

For Office Use

Theme _____

IDENTIFICATION

1. Building name Sherman Lowery Residence
2. County Oakland ~~Town~~ City Village Clarkston
3. Street Location 40 Buffalo Street
4. Ownership: a. Public ☐ b. Private ☒
5. Present Owner Mr. & Mrs. S. Lowery Address 40 Buffalo Street
6. Use: Original Home Present Home
7. Accessibility to Public: Exterior visible from public road: Yes ☒ No ☐
Interior accessible: Explain Private

DESCRIPTION

- original
8. Building Material a. clapboard ☒ b. stone ☐ c. brick ☐ d. board and batten ☐
e. cobblestone ☐ f. shingles ☐ g. stucco ☐ h. other _____
9. Structural Material a. wood frame with interlocking joints ☒ b. wood frame with light members (balloon frame) ☐
c. masonry load-bearing walls ☐ d. iron frame ☐ e. steel frame with curtain walls ☐
f. reinforced concrete ☐ g. other _____
10. Condition a. excellent ☐ b. good ☐ c. fair ☒ d. deteriorated ☐
11. Integrity a. original site ☒ b. moved ☐ if so, when? _____
Notes on alterations and additions, with dates and architect.

12. Related Outbuildings and Property Original barn timber used for garage
a. barn ☐ b. carriage house ☐ c. garage ☒ d. privy ☐ e. shed ☐
f. shop ☐ g. greenhouse ☐ h. landscape features ☐ i. other _____
13. Surroundings of the Building
a. open land ☐ b. woodland ☐ c. scattered outbuildings ☐ d. densely built-up ☐
e. commercial ☐ f. industrial ☐ g. residential ☒ h. other _____
14. Photo
15. Map

16. Interrelationship of Building and Surroundings Located in a quiet residential section, among homes of same era.

17. Other Notable Features of Building and Site The two front windows of this home are of plate glass and the back kitchen wall is 2' x 4's stacked together for the outside wall. Front entrance door is hand carved. Logs are visible in attic as well as square nails.

18. Threats to Building

a. none known ☐ b. zoning ☐ c. roads ☒ d. developers ☐ e. deterioration
f. other _____

SIGNIFICANCE (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

19. Architectural Significance

Date of Construction c 1856 Architect _____

Builders, suppliers, etc. _____

Notes on original plan and specifications:

20. Historical Significance: Jacob Walter owned this lot in 1852 and 1856 Wilson Vliet is taxpayer on \$300.00 value. It is known that he was a cabinet maker and in 1860 the tax assessment book values property at \$500.00 and lists a house and shop.

21. Sources (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date):

Tax Assessment Books, Village Hall, 25 S. Main Street.
Verbal - Mr. Sherman Lowery

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