

HO - 826
The (Edwin D. and Margie P.) Fleming Property
8205 Washington Boulevard
Jessup, vicinity

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7. Description

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Condition

excellent deteriorated
 good ruins
 fair altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

SUMMARY DESCRIPTION

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COMPREHENSIVE DESCRIPTION

The Fleming Property is sloped eastward away from Washington Boulevard. The adjacent portions of the property, surrounding the structures to the east and north contain a series of trailer sites. These sites are all accessed off of Fleming Street along the northern boundary of the subject property. A drive and parking area extends southward from the entrance and provides parking for the motel as well as access to the residence. There is limited landscaping throughout the site. The house is located on a grassy knoll and a border of grass (approximately 20 feet wide) exists between the parking area and the front (west face) of the motel.

There are two (2) major buildings on the property:

The original four-square **residential structure**, probably built circa 1920, is located to the south of the property, but adjacent to Washington Boulevard. The building has been sided with asbestos siding and it is unclear as to what the original siding material may have been. The roof is hipped and presently finished in asphalt shingles. There is a single central dormer on the front (west) facade with a hipped roof (asphalt shingles) and asbestos siding. It contains a pair of 1/1 (double hung) wood windows. The front facade faces Washington Boulevard and has two bays with the door located to the left of the building. This door provides access to the first floor level from an open wood frame porch (hipped roof with asphalt shingles). There are three square wood posts supporting the porch roof. There are no railings around the porch. A paired wood double hung sash window (1/1) is located adjacent to the door. The second floor contains two wood double hung windows (3/1). The south side elevation has an irregular fenestration pattern including a paired wood double hung sash window (3/1) on the first level and a single wood double hung sash (3/1) at the upper level. Due to the sloping grade along this side of the residence, approximately four feet of the basement wall is exposed above grade. The wall has a stucco finish and contains two small windows (1/1). It was not possible to gain access to the interior, rear or the other side of the residence.

The historic **motel complex**, constructed circa 1938, is a one-story building. There appears to be approximately 8 rooms in the building. The building is set back from Washington Boulevard behind the parking area and small lawn space. The major wing of the building runs north/south and has a gable roof finished with asphalt shingles. The roof extends out to create a covered walkway of approximately five feet in width, along the front (west) facade. The overhand is supported by a series of square wood posts (painted white). Between these posts (except a several entrance points) there is a low open wood railing with two horizontal railings. The front facade faces Washington Boulevard and has been covered with form-stone. Each motel room has a flush (non-original) wood door and a single (1/1) wood window with an exterior aluminum storm window. Some windows have air conditioners placed in them. There are non-operable wood shutters affixed to each side of the windows. The south side elevation is covered in form-stone and does not have any window or door openings. There is a small horizontal gable roof vent located at the peak of the gable end wall. The north side facade has a stucco finish and a single double hung (1/1) wood window with an exterior aluminum storm window. The window

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
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	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> transportation
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Specific dates N/A **Architect/Builder** unknown

Construction dates Residence circa 1920; Motel circa 1938

Evaluation for:

National Register Maryland Register not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANCE

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NARRATIVE HISTORY

The Fleming property, today referred to as the Maple Park Trailer Park, is historically associated with events making contributions to the broad patterns of our history by virtue of its association with the development and use of US 1 (also known as: Washington Blvd., the Washington Road and following the Baltimore Washington Turnpike.) Historically the route between Baltimore and Washington dates back two centuries. The road that would become the Baltimore Washington Turnpike predated the "Residence Bill" of July 16, 1790, that established the national capital, "The Territory of Columbia."

Originally constructed under the 1704 Act requiring 24 foot cart paths, the first section of the road was constructed in 1741 connecting Baltimore and Elkridge. By 1749 the road continued to Georgetown and the banks of what is now referred to as the Potomac River. According to many period accounts, maintenance was always a concern. During the turnpike movement of the late-eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries, several different turnpike companies tried to construct a successful turnpike. Only one company succeeded in 1820. Their success was short lived, as the State of Maryland condemned the road in 1865.

In 1906 the State responded to the public's request for rebuilding the roadway and State Route 1 was officially born. The military used the road heavily during WWI and in 1918 and 1919 the road was laid in concrete and expanded by twenty feet in width. In 1925, State Route I became part of US 1, the so-called "Main Street" of the East Coast, from Fort Kent, Maine to Key West, Florida.

The development of US 1, as well as many other roadways during the early twentieth century, occurred in response to the culture's acceptance and increased use of the automobile. Few inventions have had as great and as widespread an impact as the automobile. The National Park Service (NPS) reports:

"By 1920, more than 300 cities had roadside camping facilities for motorists and more than one million people used them. Streets and highways were quickly built or modernized and a uniform numbering system for highways was introduced in 1925. In 1930 nearly 27 million cars were registered. The production, sale, repair, and servicing of cars provided work for millions."

With the Great Depression the tourist industry and related businesses were nearly cut in half between 1929 and 1932. The businesses that were successful during these difficult times were often ones that appealed to the smaller number of tourists on the road and maintained a smaller scale operation. As economic times improved later in the 1930's and onward, roadside advertising became commonplace. Fanciful buildings, grand colorful signs (often humorous in language), and huge, over-sized sculptures of trademark characters and animals offered highly visible attractions for the passing motorist. All aimed to incline the traveler to stop, pass some

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property approximately 7.38 Acres

Acreage of historical setting approximately 10 Acres

Quadrangle name Savage Quadrangle

Quadrangle scale: 1: 24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Map 43, Grid 14, Parcel 219

See map with parcel identified.

11. Form Prepared by

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has shutters on each side. Along the north side there is a one-story addition placed perpendicular to and attached to the motel building. It is of stucco finish and has a wood paneled door to the east and a boarded up window opening. The roof is a slightly pitched gable form and finished in the same asphalt shingle as the main motel roof. The rear (east) elevation of the addition is finished in stucco and contains a single boarded up window opening on the southern end. The rear (east) east elevation of the motel is finished in stucco and contains a series of small window openings located just below the gutter line. These likely provide light and ventilation to the bathroom areas within the motel rooms. It was not possible to gain access to the interior spaces.

While the property is currently affiliated with the form-stone clad building to the north side of Fleming Street, historically they were developed under different ownership and remain a separate property and parcel from the subject property. This adjacent parcel, parcel 495 on the associated Tax Map, was also historically associated with the Tall Pines Motel further down US. Route 1. (Please note: The two buildings shown in photo number 5 of 5 are located on this adjacent property, to the north of the subject property. The photo is included only to illustrate that parcel's association with the subject property, illustrating aspects of the common history and the development of the site's immediate proximity. Research was not conducted on this adjacent parcel.)

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time, and of course spend some money. These distinctive architectural and landscape features created a roadside or highway culture that, in part, gives context for understanding the history of many commercial and residential properties along Route US 1, including its run through Howard County.

The development of the subject property during several different periods in its history, and by various owners, from the 1920's to circa 1950, illustrates the owner's entrepreneurial spirits to capitalize on the development of the roadway.

Deed research confirms the parcel was, during the early 1920's, owned by Mr. Charles E. Green (also an owner of HO-824/ the Log Cabin Restaurant; Liber 111/ folio 43). Mr. Green is likely the owner that built the residential structure on the parcel. In July of 1932 Edwin D. and Margie P. (his wife) Fleming purchase the parcel (Liber 135/ folio 598), and developed the motel structure. Later during the 1940's the property changed hands several times. In 1947 Otway B. Zantzing and Mary D. Zantzing (his wife), owned the parcel, and submitted the subdivision plat known as the "Waterloo Addition" to Howard County in June of that year, planning for a community of trailer sites. Each owner in turn had vision to make a fair living providing lodging for travelers along the highway, and the Zantzingers saw indicators of the burgeoning growth and the related service needs that would be forthcoming along this roadway.

By the late 1970's the property became owned by the Rental Tools Corporation, who in turn sold it to the current owners Jessup Rock LLC in 1999 (Liber 4788/ folio 696).

The continued use of the property to service travelers along US 1 contributes to the significance of the site. The property speaks to the nature of "mom and pop" businesses that were common in the first half of the twentieth centuries across the country and especially along such historic roadways.

While in fair condition, the modest complex is stylistically contributing to the significance of roadside architecture along this historic corridor.

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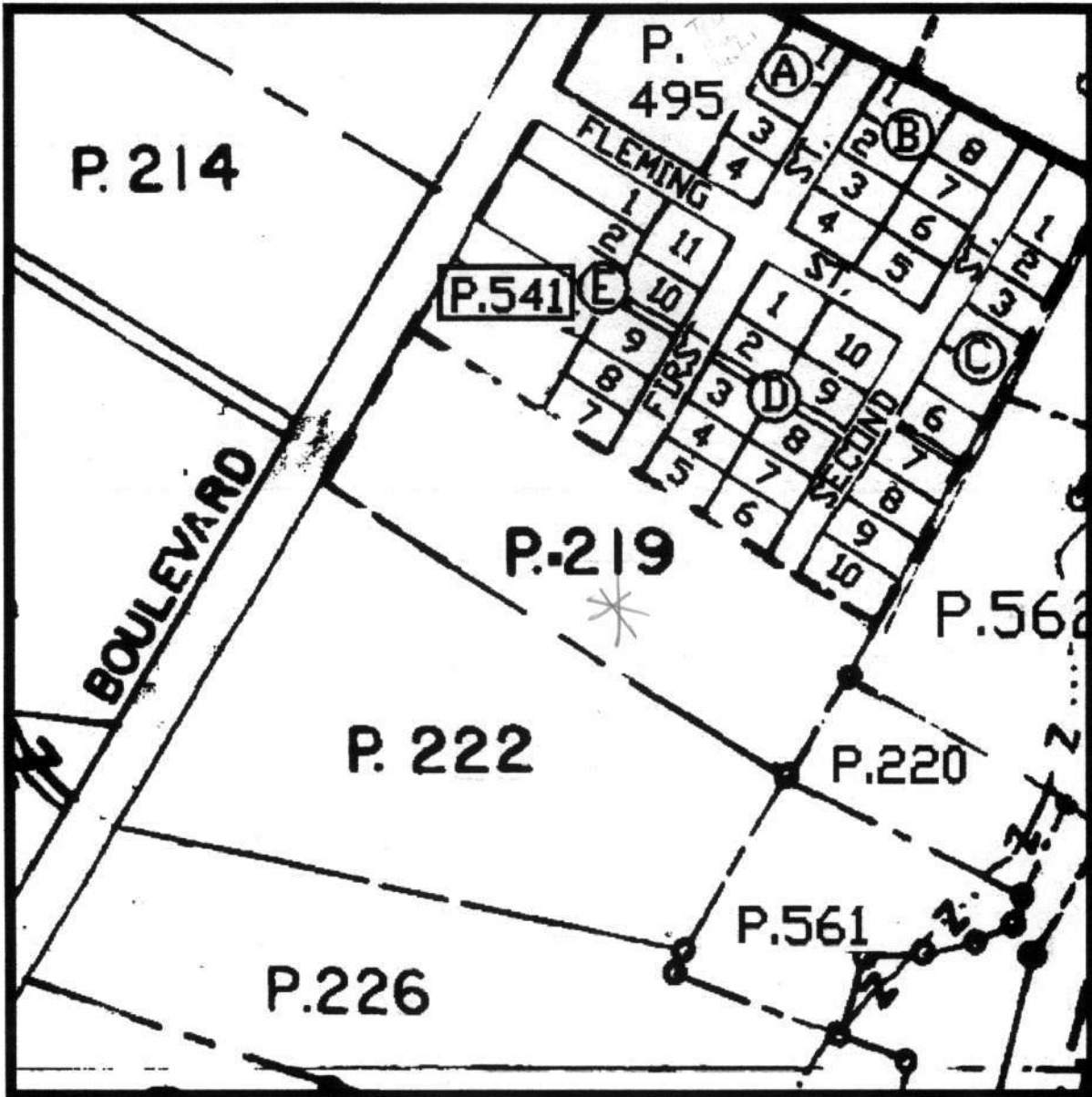
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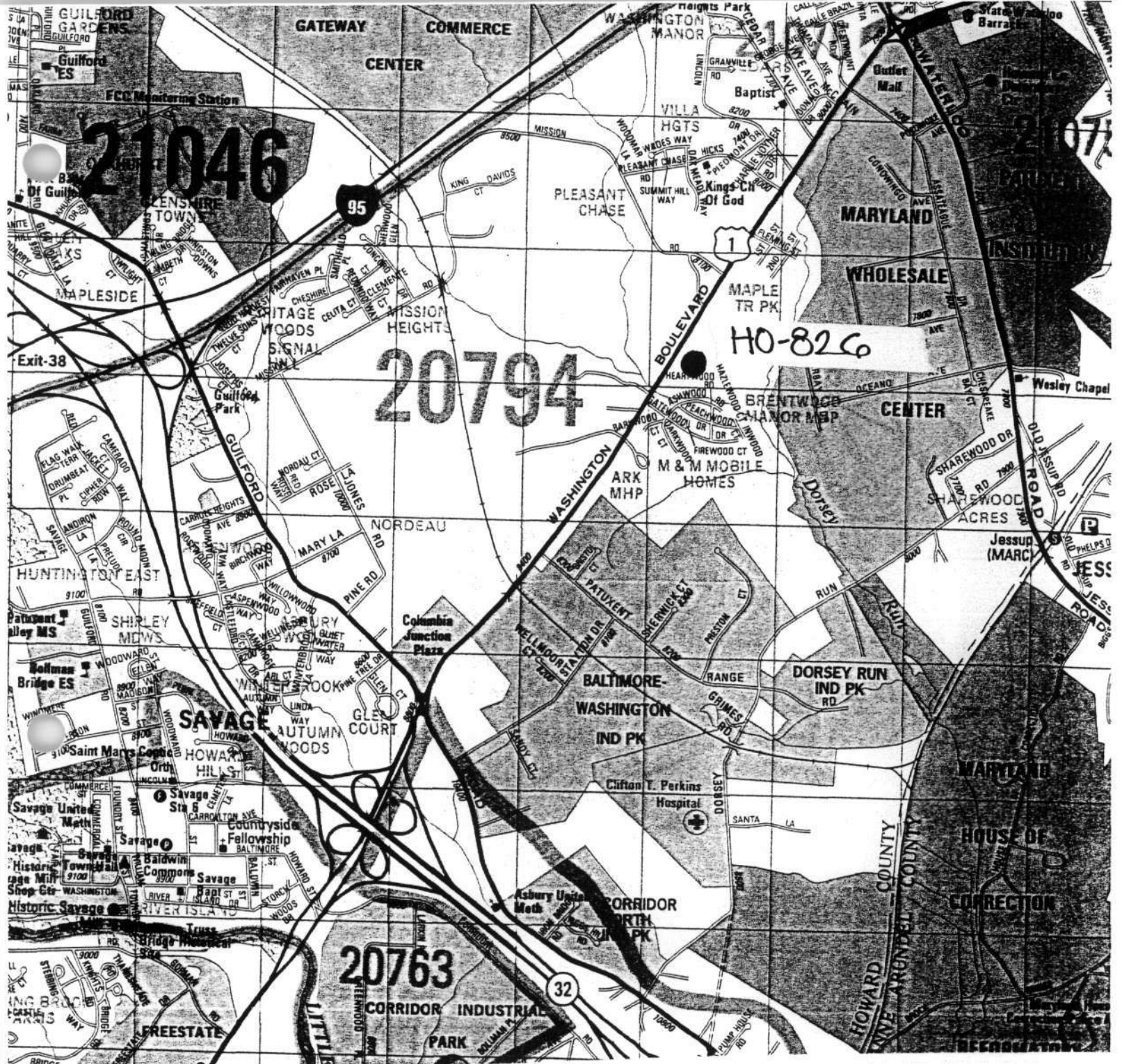
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PROPERTY ADDRESS: 8205 WASHINGTON BOULEVARD, JESSUP, MD

PROPERTY INVENTORY NUMBER: HO - 826

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SCALE: 1" = 2,000 FT.



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COUNTY

EXPLANATIONS
 Dist. & Co. Lines
 County Roads
 Private
 Turnpike
 Rail Roads
 Streams
 The Figures along the Roads show the distance in Rods. From junction to junction thereof.

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Laurel City Factory

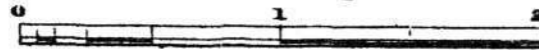
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Savage Factory
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USGS - SAVAGE QUADRANGLE MAP

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HOWARD COUNTY

VIEW LOOKING NORTH EAST

NEGATIVE W/ MDSHPO

KATE WAHON

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NEGATIVE W/ MDSAPO
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VIEW LOOKING SOUTH EAST

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MAPLE PARK



HO-826 LOCATED TO NORTH OF
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