



United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES REGISTRATION FORM

INTERAGENCY RESOURCES DIVISION

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Elder/Moffitt, House

other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 1336 W. Taylor Street not for publication _____
city or town Phoenix vicinity _____
state Arizona code AZ county Maricopa code AZ 013 zip code 85007

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this 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 meets _____ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant _____ nationally _____ statewide locally. (____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

James Gorman ASHPD 3/15/94
Signature of certifying official Date

ARIZONA STATE PARKS
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property _____ meets _____ does not meet the National Register criteria. (____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register
 ___ See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register
 ___ See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register

Edson H. Beall

Entered in the
National Register

___ other (explain): _____

None
Signature of Keeper

1.30.95
Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u> 1 </u>	___ buildings
___	___ sites
___	___ structures
___	___ objects
<u> 1 </u>	<u> 0 </u> Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

Nineteenth Century Residential Buildings in Phoenix

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single Dwelling

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single Dwelling

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Queen Anne

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation STONE

roof ASPHALT

walls WOOD; Weatherboard

other _____

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A. Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B. Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C. Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D. Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A. owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B. removed from its original location.
- C. a birthplace or a grave.
- D. a cemetery.
- E. a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F. a commemorative property.
- G. less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance 1880-1901

Significant Dates 1894

Significant Person (Complete only if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS)

- 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:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other
- Name of repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one acre

UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

Zone Easting	Northing	Zone Easting	Northing
1 <u>12</u>	<u>398790</u>	<u>3702610</u>	3 _____
2 _____	_____	4 _____	_____

____ See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

- A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- A **sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name _____

street & number _____ telephone _____

city or town _____ state _____ zip code _____

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Elder/Moffitt, House

name of property

Maricopa/Arizona

county and State

Nineteenth Century Residential Buildings in Phoenix

name of multiple property listing

Description

The Elder/Moffitt House was constructed in 1894. The builder is unknown. The building is constructed with Queen Anne Cottage architectural style influences and represents the Mass Vernacular property type. It retains integrity of design, materials and workmanship. The Elder/Moffitt House is presently utilized as a single family dwelling.

The Elder/Moffitt House is located in Block M, Lot 7 of the University Addition. The University Addition was originally platted in 1887. The building faces south onto West Taylor Street. The streetscape along West Taylor Street is characterized by modest, working class residences of both historic and contemporary construction. No outbuildings exist on the site. A chain link fence extends across the front of the property line.

The Elder/Moffitt House is a L-shaped, one-story building of wood frame construction. The building measures 25 x 25 feet. The hip roof is intersected by a gable roof covering an off-set ell at the facade. The roof is covered with asphalt shingles. The building features clapboard siding and has a stone foundation.

Exterior features include a recessed entry veranda with wood posts supported on a wood porch deck. Windows, located discretely along the walls, are wood, double hung with one over one lite sash. Two off-center entries contain original wood panel glazed doors. Important architectural elements include a boxed cornice eave treatment, jig-cut brackets at the porch posts, cantons with crown molding, and diamond shaped shingles at the gable head.

Alterations are limited to a sensitive wood frame addition along the west facade.

Statement of Significance

The Elder/Moffitt House is significant under Criteria C under the area of significance of Architecture. It is representative of the historic context "Residential Architecture in Phoenix Prior to 1901." Built in 1894 and constructed with Queen Anne Cottage architectural style influences, the Elder/Moffitt House is representative of the Mass Vernacular property type. The Elder/Moffitt House is also important in the area of Community Planning. As one of only nine nineteenth century buildings remaining in the University Addition which was originally platted in 1887, the Elder/Moffitt House represents a rare example of its period and the historic context "Nineteenth Century Community Development in Phoenix."

A common design format for residences built in Phoenix during the nineteenth century was the Mass Vernacular house. Those building efforts were based, not on architectural design, but on the shared cultural experiences and abilities of their builders. Built of machine made and commercial materials, the houses often took into account past or contemporary trends in architectural style, although manifested in very simplified or provincialized elements. The Elder/Moffitt House exemplifies that type of residential architecture and illustrates a traditional design based on a simple Queen Anne style form and details. The common characteristics of the mass vernacular, Queen Anne inspired house type are well represented in the Elder/Moffitt House and include a square plan with hipped roof, intersected by an off-set ell with gable roof, recessed entry veranda, and

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Statement of Significance (Continued)

the use of dimensioned lumber, milled weatherboard, and wood shingles. Queen Anne style influences include the gable head distinguished by diamond shaped shingles and articulated by a wood frieze board band, boxed eaves with cornice molding, jig-cut brackets and turned wood posts at the porch, and cantons with classical trim.

Bibliography

Arizona Republic. Phoenix, Arizona, 1890-1910, Various Issues.

Maricopa County Assessment Rolls, Phoenix, Arizona, 1889-1900.

Maricopa County Deed Books, Phoenix, Arizona, 1885-1900.

Phoenix City Directories, Phoenix, Arizona, 1889-1916.

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, Phoenix, Arizona. 1889 and 1901.

Whiffen, Marcus. American Architecture Since 1780: A Guide to the Styles. Cambridge: MIT Press, 1976.

Verbal Boundary Description

The nominated property is located in Block M, Lot 7 of the University Addition.

Boundary Justification

The boundary includes the entire city lot that has historically been associated with the property.