

**United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service**

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**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic East End Historic District

and or common

2. Location

*Roughly bounded by Metcalf, Loomis, Colton,
and Blackshear Sts.*

street & number See Continuation Sheet *N/A* not for publication

city, town Thomasville *N/A* vicinity of

state Georgia code 013 county Thomas code 275

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<i>N/A</i> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Multiple owners

street & number

city, town _____ vicinity of _____ state _____

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Superior Court

street & number Thomas County Courthouse

city, town Thomasville state Georgia

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Historic Structures Field Survey:

title Thomas County has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1976 federal state county local

depository for survey records Historic Preservation Section, Georgia Dept. of Natural Resources

city, town Atlanta state Georgia

7. Description

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

The East End Historic District is comprised of a two-block residential area along the railroad tracks east of Paradise Park. It is laid out in a gridiron street pattern with relatively small, uniformly sized lots. The houses are sited on level terrain with informal landscaping and are arranged in rows along the streets. Most of the houses are single-family detached wood-framed structures representing late Victorian and Craftsman/Bungalow styles.

The district consists of approximately two dozen houses, all of which are modest, wood-framed, one- or two-story structures. Some of the notable structures include: the Crosby House, at 203 Colton Avenue in the Second Empire style; 215 Colton Avenue, a late example of the Plantation Plain style; 212 and 216 Metcalf Avenue, which have late Victorian decorative details; and 323 Colton Avenue, which has classical details. Most of the houses have a front porch or central entrance portico.

The lots in the East End Historic District are small, narrow, and rectangular in shape and are landscaped with flowering trees, shrubs, and large oak and tall pine trees. Some of the properties are divided by fences and hedges. The streets are paved and have sidewalks, with the exception of Metcalf Avenue, which is unpaved.

Boundary Description

The district boundaries circumscribe the intact portion of a late-nineteenth-century planned subdivision, consisting of approximately ten acres. The district is bounded on the north by the south side of Metcalf Avenue, on the east by the west side of Blackshear Street, on the south by the historic properties on the south side of Colton Avenue, and on the west by the east side of East Loomis Street. The district also includes a small lot on the southwest corner of the intersection of Metcalf Avenue and East Loomis Street.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify) local history
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1885, 1894–1920s **Builder/Architect** several unknown

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The East End Historic District is historically significant in the areas of architecture, community planning and development, and local history. In terms of architecture, the district is important for its intact collection of generally modest late Victorian and Craftsman/Bungalow style residential architecture. In the area of community planning and development, East End is significant as Thomasville's earliest documented planned residential subdivision. It contributes to local history for the collective historic accomplishments of its middle- and lower-class residents. These areas of significance support eligibility under National Register criteria A, B, and C.

Architecturally, the East End Historic District is significant for its good examples of late Victorian and Craftsman/Bungalow style houses that were built for modest- and lower-income families in the late-nineteenth and early-twentieth centuries. The houses are representative of the type of historic residential architecture found in many of Georgia's small towns and communities. Included in the district are good examples of the late Plantation Plain style, Second Empire style, and simple Craftsman style structures. Almost all of the houses in the district are wood-framed and have front porches, typical of residential architecture in south Georgia at the turn of the century. The structures are representative of local interpretations of historic residential architecture found in other regions throughout the state and the country at the turn of the century.

In the area of community planning and development, the East End Historic District is important because it is the earliest documented planned residential subdivision in Thomasville. Although initially developed by Young's Female College after 1885, development took place in earnest after 1894 when the property was sold to H.W. Hopkins, a local realtor and former mayor, who subdivided the land and promoted its improvement. The area was named East End and was laid out in a characteristic gridiron street configuration, in keeping with the original older areas of the city.

Regarding local history, East End represents the collective historic achievements of its middle- and lower-class residents. These people were mainly lower-level managers, clerks, skilled tradespeople, and skilled laborers who made their living in and around Thomasville. Some of the early residents of the East End district were J.S. Salmon, a carpenter and builder; W.A. Faucett, a city policeman; John Deckle, a bookkeeper at the Thomasville Commercial Bank and a later sheriff; James Drake, a railroad storeroom keeper, and Amos Taylor, a house painter.

9. Major Bibliographical References

See Continuation Sheet.

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property 13 acres approximately

Quadrangle name Thomasville, Georgia

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM References

A

1	7	2	1	6	1	0	0	3	4	1	4	8	3	0
Zone	Easting				Northing									

B

1	7	2	1	6	1	0	0	3	4	1	4	6	0	0
Zone	Easting				Northing									

C

1	7	2	1	5	8	2	0	3	4	1	4	5	4	0
Zone	Easting				Northing									

D

1	7	2	1	5	7	5	0	3	4	1	4	8	0	0
Zone	Easting				Northing									

E

Zone	Easting				Northing									

F

Zone	Easting				Northing									

G

Zone	Easting				Northing									

H

Zone	Easting				Northing									

Verbal boundary description and justification

See boundary description and justification in Section 7.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state N/A code county code

state code county code

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12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

Elizabeth A. Lyon
Elizabeth A. Lyon

title State Historic Preservation Officer

date 7/19/84

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Entered in the
National Register

date 9/7/84

Keeper of the National Register

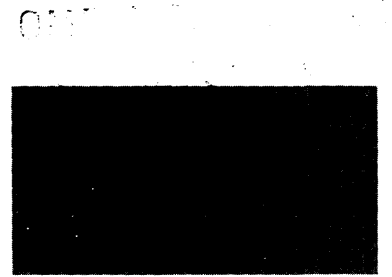
Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

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2. Location

An area bounded approximately by East Loomis Street on the west, Colton Avenue on the south, Blackshear Street on the east, and Metcalf Avenue on the north.

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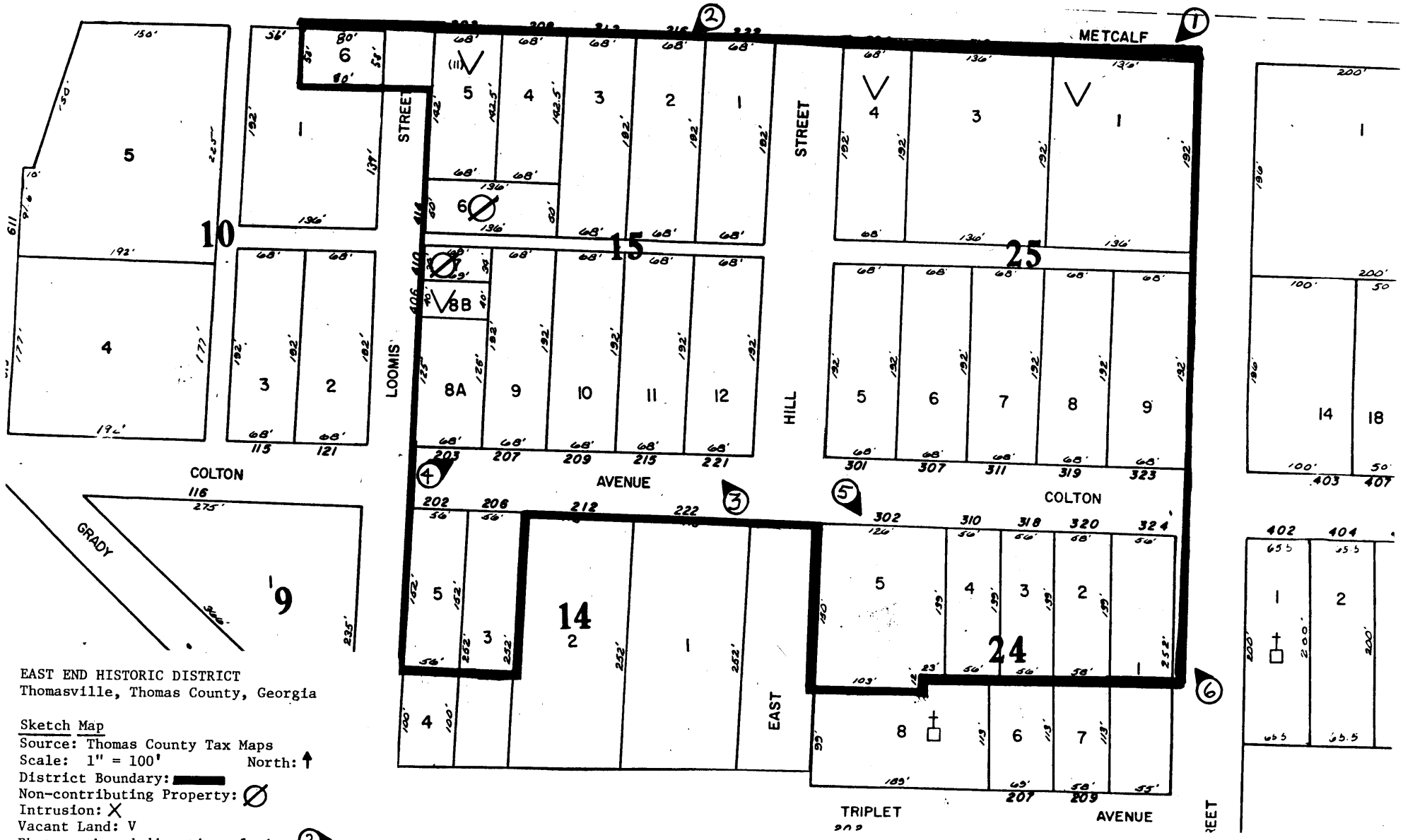
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EAST END HISTORIC DISTRICT
 Thomasville, Thomas County, Georgia

Sketch Map
 Source: Thomas County Tax Maps
 Scale: 1" = 100' North: ↑
 District Boundary: **_____**
 Non-contributing Property: **⊙**
 Intrusion: **X**
 Vacant Land: **V**
 Photograph and direction of view: **(2)**