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#### NAME HISTORIC Lower Market Street Historic District AND/OR COMMON **2 LOCATION** Market St. STREET & NUMBER NOT FOR PUBLICATION CITY, TOWN CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT One Wilmington VICINITY OF STATE CODE COUNTY CODE Delaware 10 New Castle 003 CLASSIFICATION CATEGORY OWNERSHIP STATUS PRESENT USE X\_DISTRICT \_\_\_PUBLIC XOCCUPIED \_\_AGRICULTURE \_\_\_MUSEUM \_\_\_BUILDING(S) X\_PRIVATE \_\_\_UNOCCUPIED \_PARK \_\_\_STRUCTURE \_\_\_ВОТН \_\_\_PRIVATE RESIDENCE \_\_\_EDUCATIONAL \_\_\_SITE PUBLIC ACQUISITION ACCESSIBLE \_\_ENTERTAINMENT \_\_RELIGIOUS \_\_\_OBJECT IN PROCESS \_\_\_YES: RESTRICTED \_\_\_GOVERNMENT \_\_SCIENTIFIC \_\_\_BEING CONSIDERED X YES: UNRESTRICTED INDUSTRIAL \_\_\_TRANSPORTATION \_\_NO .....MILITARY \_\_OTHER: **4 OWNER OF PROPERTY** NAME Multiple Ownership STREET & NUMBER CITY, TOWN STATE VICINITY OF LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION COURTHOUSE. **REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.** New Castle County Recorder of Deeds STREET & NUMBER 800 French Street 4th Floor CITY, TOWN STATE Delaware 19801 Wilmington **6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS** TITLE Delaware Cultural Resource Survey DATE August, 1979 \_\_FEDERAL X\_STATE \_\_COUNTY \_\_LOCAL DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Hall of Records CITY, TOWN STATE

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#### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Set about two blocks north of Wilmington's waterfront on the Christina River, the lower Market Street Historic District consists of 100 attached commercial and commercial/residential structures dating from the mid-18th to the early-20th century.

The streetscapes which form the district present a cohesive architectural picture of the southernmost segment of Wilmington's turn-of-the-century commercial area. The street level alterations on many of the buildings typify the merchandising efforts of urban entrepreneurs to attract potential customers. With the exception of these inevitable store front changes, most of the buildings maintain a high level of their original architectural integrity.

The district bounds encompass an area that includes the majority of surviving buildings which collectively document a sizable portion of Wilmington's nineteenth-century commercial history.

From about the middle of the 100-block of Market Street, where buildings were demolished for the proposed Wilmington Boulevard, the district extends north to Fourth Street; west along Fourth Street to Shipley; south along the east side of Shipley to about the middle of the 100 block; east to King Street along Section Street; and north to Fourth Street.

Beginning at the southern end of the district at the 100 block of Market Street, the eastern side of the block is occupied by a row of late-19th and early-20th-century commercial buildings with flat roofs and decorative cornices. Across the street, the southern half of the block cleared, stands a row of early- and mid-19th-century brick buildings, one of which dates about 1870 and maintains its original cast-stone store front. Completing the block are a few early-19th-century residences with gable roofs and dormers. Their first floors have been converted for modern commercial use.

Continuing north on Market Street, the western side begins with the former Wilmington and Brandywine Bank, a substantial, Flemish-bond brick building with brownstone trim. The remainder of the block, on both sides, consists of late-18th and 19th-century brick buildings, most of which have been altered at street level. The small earlier buildings retain their gable roofs and pedimented dormers, while many, later, flatroofed commercial buildings display bracketed cornices and extend back to Shipley and King Streets. A late-19th-century commercial building at 212 Market Street has a castiron facade made by Royer Brothers of Philadelphia. A few of the facades were refaced during the 1920's, some with Art-Deco motifs. The Rialto, at 220, is an Art-Decostyled theatre, which replaced an early theatre, the Lyric. One 19th-century shop remains virtually intact, the former J. T. Montgomery Jewelry Store at 229. The shop's interior still has its original wooden wall-display **g**abinets. The structure at 230 Market Street, although severely altered in the mid-20th century, stands on the former site of the "Sign of the Ship" Tavern, famous during the 18th century. A plaque on the side of the building states that officers of the Continental Army lodged here and Washington, Lafayette, Aaron Burr and Commodore Perry were listed as distinguished guests.



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#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Lower Market Street Historic District represents three centuries of Wilmington's commercial and residential architecture, most of which is evidence of Wilmington's status as a thriving industrial center in the late 19th-century. Ranging from the 18th to the 20th centuries, the architectural styles of the buildings serve to document the growth and change which occurred during this period. The district includes part of the original site of Wilmington, and later, the commercial center of the City - particularly Market Street, which has served as Wilmington's main street since the origin of the City.

During the 18th-century Wilmington was composed of houses and shops arranged in a grid pattern around Market Street, facing the Christina river front. Marketplaces, built in 1727, were located at Second and Fourth Street, then called High Street.

Burgesses met in taverns or homes until 1774, when the first town hall or burough hall was built by Thomas Willing over the market on Second Street.

While predominately residential, Market Street was the location of most businesses in Wilmington until 1845. A horse-car line was added in 1863, requiring a relocation of the farmers street market, one block east, to King Street, and the removal of Fourth Street marketplace. About 1870, another marketplace was built at Third and King Streets, and with Second Street marketplace still in operation, King Street became a farmers street market as well as a busy commercial area where grocers, fish and meat markets were also located.

Wilmington's rapid growth during the mid-to-late-19th-century as a flourishing industrial center, brought great change to the area, as development spread north. Larger commercial operations were locating here in new buildings, some located on Market Street, extended back to meet Shipley and King Streets, replacing many older buildings. 18th-century structures still remained and smaller residentialcommercial structures were built.

By 1895, Fourth and Market Streets was Wilmington's retail business center. This activity eventually spread north, as larger supply businesses occupied the southern end of Market Street. By the early-to-mid-20th-century, larger new buildings or new facades updated parts of the district.

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	214 N. Market Street	.57
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		Diamond Leasing Co.
Marion Breslin etal	.51	4-6 E. 2nd Street
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		Diamond Leasing Co.
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.47	Wilmington, Delaware 19801	
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Beginning at the southwestern end of the 300 block of Market Street, a Neo-Classical Revival-style building, the Farmers Bank, built about 1912, replaces a Greek-Revivalstyle Farmers Bank of 1813. Low, gable-roofed, brick, commercial/residential buildings with scroll-bracketed cornices, and a few turn-of-the-century buildings occupy the remainder of the block. A few of these facades have been altered. One 19th-century store front is located on the gable end of an 18th-century residence situated on the southwest corner of the Fourth and Market Streets.

Across the street are three- and four-story, late-19th-century commercial buildings with decorative cornices. Most of the buildings are brick, one is faced with serpentine stone and another with stucco. All the facades were altered at street level during the mid-20th century. Heading west on Fourth Street on the southwest corner of Fourth and Market is a large, late-18th-century structure with an obliterated date in the gable. The structure was altered in the 19th and 20th centuries and now serves a commercial purpose at its ground level. Large commodious commercial buildings dating from the late-19th and the early-20th centuries, complete the block.

One building, located on the eastern side of the 300 block of Shipley Street, is set between the rear of tall commercial buildings which face Third and Fourth Streets. It is a tall commercial building dated 1914 on its three-story central bay window. A side entrance next to the store front facade once led to apartments in the upper stories. Continuing south on Shipley Street to the 200 block, are an early-19thcentury residence severely altered for modern commercial use, a few deteriorating garages and the rear of the buildings which front the 200 block of Market Street. Across the street, where Delaware Technical Community College is now located, is the former site of Thomas Garrett's house. During the mid-19th century, Garrett, a Quaker Abolitionist, helped nearly 3,000 runaway slaves make their way to freedom by the shelter of the Underground Railroad, from the slave-holding states of Maryland and Delaware to the non-slave states of Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

The east side of the 100 block of Shipley Street begins with a vacant lot, followed by the rear of a commercial building which faces Market Street, an 18th-century residence of a one-room plan, and a late-19th-century building with a bracketed cornice.

Heading east on West Second Street towards Market Street, passing the sides of buildings which front Market Street, and crossing Market Street to East Second Street, the street widens where Second Street Marketplace stood until 1928. Tall brick commercial buildings, sheathed with stucco on the first story, occupy the southern side of the block. Three buildings on the north side are refaced with brick; another late-19th-century building is vacant and deteriorating. Late-19th- and early-20thcentury brick commercial buildings with decorative cornices complete the block.

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Heading north on King Street, on the west side of the block are two early-19th-century residences later converted for commercial use. These are followed by a modern, one-story brick commercial structure, large late-19th-century, slightly altered, commercial buildings, and the former Third Street Marketplace, built about 1870. Now Jake's Market, it is located on the southwest corner of Third and King Streets.

Across King Street are a few 18th-century structures set in a row of 19th-century buildings, several of which are vacant and deteriorating. Although a few of the buildings retain their original shopfronts, most of the facades have been changed with modern materials.

Heading north, a large 19th-century brick commercial building, sheathed in stucco and altered for shops at street level, occupies the northwest corner of Third and King Streets. The remaining structures on the 300 block of King Street, facing a parking lot across the street, are low-story brick, 19th-century commercial buildings with modern store fronts.

The north side of East Third Street consists of a row of two- and three-story early-20th-century commercial/residential structures. A tall vacant turn-of-the-century building, which most recently served as a furniture store and warehouse, is located on the opposite side of the street.

Crossing Market Street to West Third Street, several 19th-century brick commercial buildings, one of which is vacant and deterioating, occupy the southern side of the block facing the southern elevation of the Farmers Bank.

There are no intrusions in the district. Modern additions, which include total facade changes, are few and conform with the scale and character of the area.

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- .1 316-319 N. Market Street 18th-century, 3-story brick structure; 19th and 20th-century modifications for commercial use, corbelled brick cornice.
- .2 313-315 Market Street Mid-19th-century, 3-story, white stucco-over-brick structure; first story modified for commercial use 1920; low gable roof with dentiled cornice with terminating brackets.
- .3 311 N. Market Street c. 1860, 3-story, white stucco-over-brick residential/ commercial structure; 20th-century modifications for commercial use; heavy elaborate cornice.

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- .4 309 N. Market Street Early- to mid-19th-century, residential/commercial brick structure; 20th-century modifications on first floor; 3-story Felmish bond, boxed and bracketed cornice with raised lozenges on cartouches.
- .5 307 N. Market Street Late-19th-century, 3-story brick structure, modified for commercial use c. 1950.
- .6 305 N. Market Street Turn-of-the-century, commercial structure; 3-story with metal-covered bay window on second and third stories; metal cornice with large urns at ends.
- .7 301-303 N. Market Street c. 1912-1915, 3-story, brick, Neo-Classical-Revival style bank; limestone marble portico, brick pilasters on corners, elaborate architrave over door.
- .8 239 N. Market Street 19th century, low, 4-story brick structure painted white; first-story, 20th-century modifications for commercial use; corbelled brick cornice.
- .9 233-235 N. Market Street Mid-19th-century, low, 4-story brick residential/ commercial structure; first-story, 20th-century modifications for commercial use; molded-brick cornice.
- .10 229-231 N. Market Street Mid-19th-century, 3-story brick residential/ commercial structure; 231 has 20th-century modifications but original roof remains; 229 has bracketed wooden cornice.
- .11 227 N. Market Street Mid-19th-century, 3-story brick residential/commercial structure; first-story, 20th-century modifications for commercial use; slate-shingled bay window.
- .12 225 N. Market Street Late-19th-century, 3-story brick, first-story, early-20th-century modifications for commercial use; decorative terra cotta tiles below cornice.
- .13 223 N. Market Street Early-19th-century, 3-story brick house; Flemish-bond facade; late-19th-century modifications on first story for commercial use, double belt course between second & third stories.

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- .14 221 N. Market Street 1887, Queen Anne-Revival-style, 4-story brick building; first-story 20th-century modifications for commercial use; decorative terra cotta tiles.
- .15 219 N. Market Street Late-19th-century, 4-story brick structure painted white; first-story 20th-century modifications for commercial use; brick quoins, bracketed cornice.
- .16 215-217 N. Market Street Mid-19th-century, 3-story brick residential structure; first-story mid-20th-century modifications for commercial use.
- .17 213 N. Market Street Late-19th-century, 3-støry brick residential structure; first-story modified for commercial use; high wooden cornice.
- .18 211 N. Market Street Late-19th-century, 4-story brick commercial structure; first-story, 20th-century modifications; large projecting decorative cornice.
- .19 209 N. Market Street c. 1890, 3-story brick structure painted white; bracketed cornice.
- .20 203-207 N. Market Street Late-19th- and early-20th-century, 4-story brick structure; first-floor, mid-20th century modifications.
- .21 201 N. Market Street Mid-19th-century, Queen Anne Revival-style bank; 3-story brick, heavy brownstone entablature; terra cotta trim.
- .22 125 N. Market Street Late-19th-century, tall, 3-story painted brick structure; first-story, 20th-century modifications for restaurant; molded metal cornice.
- .23 123 N. Market Street c. 1860, 3-story brick structure painted white; Flemish bond facade; first-story modifications for commercial use; dentiled brick cornice.
- .24 121 N. Market Street c. 1860, 3-story brick structure, painted red; Flemish bond facade; first-story, 20th-century modifications for commercial use; corbelled brick cornice.
- .25 119 N. Market Street Mid-19th-century, 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-story brick structure painted red; Flemish bond facade; first-story, 20th-century modifications, high+pitched gable roof; box cornice.

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.26	117 N. Market Street - Late-19th-century, tall, 4-story brick structure painted yellow; first-story modifications, quoins; metal box cornice.
.27	115 N. Market Street - Late-19th-century, 4-story structure sheathed with permastone; molded metal cornice; stone belt course between second and third stories.
.28	114 N. Shipley - Mid-to-late-18th-century, 2-story brick house; Flemish bond facade painted red; early-20th-century windows and front door.
.29	118 N. Shipley Street - Late-19th-century, 2-story brick residential structure converted for commercial use; bracketed cornice; pressed-brick facade.
. 30	224 N. Shipley Street - Early-20th-century, 1-story brick commercial structure; bracketed cornice, vacant.
.31	226 N. Shipley Street - Early-20th-century, 1-story brick commercial structure; original double doors with transom; box cornice.
.32	228-230 N. Shipley Street - Early-19th-century, 3-story, brick structure sheathed in stucco; Flemish bond facade; gable roof with gable-roofed dormer; severely altered on first story with addition of modern garage door.
.33	306-308 N. Shipley Street - 1914, 4estory brick commercial building; 3-story central bay sheathed in metal; modillion cornice.
.34	8 W. Fourth Street - Late-19th-century, 4-story commercial building sheathed in stucco; molded-metal cornice; modern storefront.
. 35	6 W. Fourth Street - Early-20th-century, 3-story, yellow brick commercial building; parapet roof with stone coping; metal cornice above third-story windows.
.36	4 W. Fourth Street - Early-20th-century, 3-story, yellow brick commercial building; false front with arched central section decorated with geometrical cast-stone panels.

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.37 2 W. Fourth Street - Mid-to-Late-18th-century, 3-story brick structure; Flemish bond facade painted red; turn-of-the-century storefront on first story.

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CONTINUATION SHEET PAGE 6 N-5264 .38 318 N. Market Street - Mid-20th-century, 2-story brick commercial structure; terra cotta tiles atop second-story windows. 316 N. Market Street - 1873, 3-story, white, black-and-indigo-glazed brick . 39 structure; first story modified for commercial use; wooden coved cornice with cut-out lily panel. .40 314 N. Market Street - Late-19th-century, Queen Anne Revival-style structure; golden-orange brick; 20th-century modifications on first story; high gable roof; sheet metal classical pediment on facade. .41 306-312 N. Market Street - Late-19th-century, 3-story brick commercial structure; first story modified with stucco; metal cornice with modillions. .42 302-304 N. Market Street - Late-19th-century, 3-story serpentine stone commercial building; horizontal row of stained glass windows above display windows. .43 300 N. Market Street - Late-19th-century, 4-story brick commercial structure; early-20th-century modifications on first story; stucco pilasters frame facade; tile ornament at upper corners of facade. .44 230 N. Market Street - Late-18th-century, 3-story stucco commercial structure; cove cornice; facade severely modified. .45 228 N. Market Street - Late-19th-century, 4-story, commercial building; beigepainted brick; first story altered; Classical entablature above second story. .46 224-226 N. Market Street - Early-20th-century, 3-story beige brick commercial building; cast-iron modillion cornice; first story altered. .47 220-222 N. Market Street - Early-to-mid-20th century, Art Deco-style theatre; faced with porcelain panels. .48 218 N. Market Street - Early-20th-century, 3-story brick, commercial building; 2-story copper-sheathed bay. .49 216 N. Market Street - Early-20th-century, 3-story brick commercial building, copper molded cornice; tin-sheathed second-story bay window.

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- .50 214 N. Market Street Early-19th-century residence, 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-story, Flemish bond brick, painted red; early-20th-century modifications for commercial use.
- .51 212 N. Market Street Late-19th-century commercial building; first-story 20th-century modifications; cast-iron cornice; windows deeply recessed.
- .52 210 N. Market Street Late-19th-century, 4-story, green-painted brick; early-20th-century modifications on first story; bracketed cornice.
- .53 206-208 N. Market Street Late-19th-century, 3-story Roman brick, 20thcentury modifications on first story, elaborate corbel brick below entablature.
- .54 204 N. Market Street Late-19th-century residence, 3-story brick commercial structure; 20th-century modifications for commercial use on first story; molded cornice.
- .55 202 N. Market Street Late-19th-century, 4-story stucco over brick; first story modified for commercial use, corbelled brick cornice.
- .56 200 N. Market Street Late-19th-century, low, 4-story, cream-colored painted brick; first-story 20th-century modifications; corbelled brick cornice.
- .57 128 Market Street Late-19th-century, 4-story brick commercial building; scroll-bracketed cornice on plain frieze; first floor altered for modern commercial use.
- .58 126 Market Street Mid-19th-century, 3-story, brick building; Flemish bond facade; gable roof with gable-roofed dormer; boxed cornice; first floor altered.
- .59 124 Market Street Early-20th-century, 3-story, commercial building; Roman brick and sandstone; pressed-metal cornice; first story altered for modern commercial use.
- .60 2 E. Second Street Late-19th-century, 4-story brick commercial structure; metal modillion cornice terminating with consoles; first story altered.

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- .61 4-6 E. Second Street Late-19th-century, 5-story brick commercial structure; first story altered.
- .62 8 E. Second Street Late-19th-century, 4-story brick commercial structure; metal modillion cornice terminating in consoles; decorative terra cotta tiles on facade.
- .63 10 E. Second Street Late-19th-century, 2-story commercial structure; modern metal framed windows.
- .64 1 E. Second Street Late-19th-century, tall, 3<sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub>-story brick structure; corbelled-brick cornice; first story converted for modern commercial use.
- .65 3 E. Second Street Late-19th-century, 3-story brick commercial structure; dentilled cornice; heavy scroll-bracketed cornice above first-story store front; original panelled door at entrance to upper floors.
- .66 5 E. Second Street Late-19th-century, 3-story commercial structure; facade with new brick and small windows.
- .67 7 E. Second Street Late-19th-century, 3-story commercial structure; facade refaced with brick; modern metal-paned casement windows.
- .68 9-11 E. Second Street Turn-of-the-century; 4-story, yellow-brick commercial structure; pressed-tin cornice with modillions; decorative frieze and corbelled brick below.
- .69 233-243 N. King Street c. 1872, tall, 2-story, brick commercial building; modern box cornice above corbelled-brick cornice; altered for modern commercial use.
- .70 223-231 N. King Street Late-19th-century, tall, 3-story brick structure; converted for commercial use c. 1925; large wooden bracketed cornice with low cross gable.
- .71 219-221 N. King Street Late-19th-century, 4-story brick commercial building, painted white; cast-iron modillion cornice; front cross gable; castiron pediments over lower story windows; severely altered on first story.

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- .72 215-217 N. King Street Mid-20th-century, 1-story brick commercial structure with large display windows.
- .73 123 N. King Street c. 1850, low, 3-story brick house; gable roof; corbelled brick cornice; first story converted for commercial use.
- .74 211 N. King Street c. 1850, low, 3-story brick residence; gable roof; corbelled-brick cornice; first story converted for commercial use.
- .75 202 N. King Street c. 1910, 3-story brick structure; facade sheathed in asphalt siding; metal concave cornice; 2-story bay window above modern store-front.
- .76 204 N. King Street Mid-to-late-19th-century, 3-story, brick structure converted to commercial use; corbelled-brick cornice; vacant.
- .77 206-208 N. King Street Mid-to-late-19th-century, 3-story, brick structure converted to modern commercial use; corbelled brick cornice.
- .78 210 N. King Street Mid-to-late-19th-century, 3-story, residential/commercial structure; pressed brick facade; bracketed cornice; heavy bracketed cornice over shopfront.
- .79 212 N. King Street Mid-to-late-19th-century, 3-story brick structure; facade severely altered for modern commerical use.
- .80 214 N. King Street Mid-to-late-19th-century, low, 3-story brick residential/ commercial structure; dentilled brick cornice; cornice damaged by fire; vacant.
- .81 216 N. King Street Mid-to-late-19th century, 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-story commercial/residential structure; pressed brick facade; high gable roof with gable-roofed dormer and scroll bracketed cornice.
- .82 218 N. King Street Mid-to-late-19th-century, brick residential structure converted on first story to commercial use; Flemish bond brick facade painted light green; gable roof with gable-roofed dormer.
- .83 220 N. King Street Late-19th-century, 3-story brick commercial/residential structure; facade painted light green; bracketed cornice.

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- .84 224 N. King Street Late-19th-century, 3-story brick structure; Flemish bond brick facade painted black; first story facade altered.
- .85 226 N. King Street Late-19th-century, low, 3-story brick structure united as one for commercial use; facade sheathed in pebble-dash stucco; first story glass display windows.
- .86 232 N. King Street Late-19th-century, 3-story structure; pressed-brick facade; first floor altered (c. 1960) for commercial use; bracketed cornice.
- .87 234 N. King Street Early-19th-century, 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-story, brick residence; Flemish bond facade, double belt course; recent extensive alteration to first floor for commerical use; pedimented dormers; pegged, wooden window architraves.
- .88 236 N. King Street Late-19th-century brick, 3-story commercial building, painted green and white; corbelled brick cornice; commercial first floor front added c. 1925.
- .89 6-8 E. Third Street Late-19th-century, 4-story brick structure; bricks and molded concrete panels block arched windows, one dated 1948; decorative corbelled brick at roofline; first story altered with large plateglass windows.
- .90 6 W. Third Street Late-19th-century; 4-story brick commercial building; vacant/deteriorating; first and second stories altered for commercial use c. 1950; vacant.
- .91 8-10 W. Third Street Mid-19th-century, 4-story brick structure; Flemish bond facade; corbelled brick cornice; first story altered for modern commercial use; vacant.
- .92 7 E. Third Street c. 1890's, 3-story brick commercial/residential structure, stucco facade; 2-story, panelled bay window; scroll bracketed cornice; first story storefront with decorative cornice.
- .93 9 E. Third Street Late-19th-century, 4-story brick structure; pressedbrick facade; slate-shingled false-mansard roof with two dormers; first floor altered for modern commercial use.

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- .94 11 E. Third Street c. 1890, 3-story brick commercial building; 2-story bay window sheathed in slate; first floor front altered for commercial use; scroll-bracketed cornice above first-story storefront.
- .95 13 E. Third Street Late-19th-century commercial/residential building, trimmed in brownstone; false-mansard roof with shed dormer; corbelled-brick cornice.
- .96 301-305 N. King Street Mid-to-late-19th-century, Italianate-style commercial building; stucco over brick; first-story shopfronts painted grey; wooden box cornice with large modillions.
- .97 307 N. King Street c. 1920, tall, 3-story brick commercial structure, partially painted green; molded copper cornice.
- .98 309 N. King Street c. 1910, 3-story brick structure with slate-shingled false-mansard roof painted white; bracketed cornice; first story serves commercial use.
- .99 311 N. King Street c. 1910, 2-story brick structure painted white; first story facade renovated for commercial use; wooden dentilled cornice on plain frieze with terminating consoles.
- .100 313-135 N. King Street c. 1910, 2-story brick structure, 20th-century modifications for commercial use; wooden dentilled cornice on plain frieze with terminating consoles.

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After World War II, the lower Market Street area began to decline. Businessmen who lived above their establishments began moving to other areas of the city by the 1950's and competition from suburban shopping centers led to further decline of the area in the 1960's. The Farmer's Market was later removed from King Street.

Many of the buildings in the district are architecturally significant. Although the majority of them have been altered at street level, the upper stories maintain their original styles, which include: Georgian, Victorian, Italianate, Neo-Classical, Art-Deco and early-20th-century eclecticism. The Farmers Bank building at Third and Market Street is a fine example of an early-20th century Neo-Classical-style building built about 1912. Another bank, the former Wilmington and Brandywine Bank, survives intact as a tribute to the Queen Anne Revival style. Joshua Conner and Sons established a business at 235 Market Street in 1848, and is still in operation at this site. Currently run by fifth-generation Conners, the business is perhaps the oldest family-run retail business in the city. The J.T. Montgomery Jewelry Store at 229 Market Street remains intact as an example of a 19th-century shop where the owner made his home above the store.

The 18th-century structures in the district are significant because so little of Wilmington's 18th-century architecture survives. One 18th-century residence at 114 Shipley Street is of particular note, as it survives virtually intact. Other 18th-century structures have been converted for commercial use in the district.

Third Street marketplace was built about 1872 and, although altered, the original lines of the arched entrances can be seen to give an impression of the original design of the structure. Although not the only marketplace to survive in the city, it remains the one least altered.

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Beginning at the point where the southern curb line of West Fourth Street meets the eastern curb line of North Shipley Street, thence southward along the eastern curb line of North Shipley Street until it meets the southern property line of 114 North Shipley Street, thence eastward along the southern property of 114 North Shipley Street and 115 North Market Street. Proceed east, across Market Street to the southern property line of 124 North Market Street, thence eastward along that line to meet the rear property lines of 10 East Second Street, thence northward along the eastern property line of 10 East Second Street to meet the curb line of the southern side of East Second Street, thence eastward along the southern curb line of East Second Street to meet the curb line of the west side of the 100 block of King Street. Proceed east to the northeastern curb line of Second and King Streets and proceed east about 50 feet along the northern curb of East Second Street and then north about 50 feet to meet the southern property line of 202 King Street, thence eastward about 50 feet along the southern property line of 202 King Street until it meets the rear line of that property. Proceed north along the rear property lines of the eastern side of the 200 block of King Street, until it meets the southern curb line of East Third Street, thence west until it meets the eastern curb line of the 200 block of King Street, and proceed northwest to meet the curb line of the northwest corner of the 300 block of King Street, and proceed north along that curb line to meet the northern property line of 313-315 North King Street, and proceed west along that line to meet the rear property line. Proceed south along the rear property lines of 307 to 311 King Street, thence westward to meet the rear property lines of 306 to 318 North Market Street, until it meets the southern curb of East Fourth Street. Proceed west along the southern curb of East Fourth Street across Market Street to the curb line of southwestern corner of West Fourth Street, and proceed west along the southern curb line of West Fourth Street until it meets the point of beginning.





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