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NOMINATION PROPOSAL - FLORIDA

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

DIVISION OF ARCHIVES, HISTORY AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT - FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS

1 NAME SJT 23

HISTORIC
3703 Via De La Reina

AND/OR COMMON
Swicegood House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
3703 Via De La Reina

CITY, TOWN
Jacksonville N/A VICINITY OF

STATE Florida COUNTY Duval

2 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Glenn M., Jr. and Vickie Swicegood

STREET & NUMBER
3703 Via De La Reina

CITY, TOWN Jacksonville N/A VICINITY OF STATE Florida ZIP CODE 32217

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Duval County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER
330 East Bay Street

CITY, TOWN Jacksonville STATE Florida ZIP CODE 32202

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
Thematic Survey, San Jose Estates Subdivision

DATE 1983 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS San Jose Estates Preservation, Inc.

CITY, TOWN Jacksonville STATE Florida

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT DETERIORATED
 GOOD RUINS
 FAIR UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

SUMMARY OF PRESENT AND ORIGINAL PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

3703 Via De La Reina is an L-shaped two-story building constructed of stucco over hollow tile. A one-story wing with a shed barrel tile roof projects to the northwest of the main block of the building. A tile capped wall slopes out from the southwest front edge of the house. The roof is flat with a barrel tile parapet. There are canalles, single and grouped, placed around the parapet. A hip-roofed tower is located on the southeast corner of the building. It has quoin margins, a barrel tile roof and arched openings on all four sides. All fenestration has been replaced with metal sash except for one pair of three-lite wood casement windows on the second story of the tower bay. The windows are randomly placed an of various sizes. There is a small terrace on the south from which there is access to the house. See photo #23.

TEXT SUPPORTING SUMMARY OF PRESENT AND ORIGINAL PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input 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 type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1925 BUILDER/ARCHITECT O. P. Woodcock/Marsh and Saxelbye

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

3703 Via De La Reina is significant as one of 25 remaining structures built as part of the San Jose Estates development, a planned, self-contained suburban community developed in 1925 by a group of Jacksonville businessmen at the height of the Florida Land Boom. As do the majority of the original San Jose structures, the building reflects the Spanish or Mediterranean style of architecture developed for the subdivision by the Jacksonville architects Marsh and Saxelbye. The building possesses sufficient architectural integrity and historic significance through association with the San Jose development to be individually eligible for nomination as part of the accompanying thematic nomination.

TEXT SUPPORTING SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

3703 Via De La Reina first appeared in public records in June 1926, with a mortgage held by the builder of the San Jose development, O. P. Woodcock. After a series of transfers between principals which included the San Jose Estates Company, the Florida National Bank and the Christopher Point Company, Woodcock gained clear title to the property in March of 1934. This was one of 18 properties held by the builder as payment for material and labor on the house when the San Jose Estates Corporation was unable to pay its mortgage notes or taxes. The first private owner of this house was A. E. Sardello, who bought it in 1949. They sold it to Roy Nearing who owned several of the residences for rental purposes. After more than 15 years of neglect, a fire gutted the interior of the building in the early 1970s. Reconstruction was done by the owners, with no knowledge of the original features of the house. They replaced the severely damaged exterior elements with the then-available building materials such as metal siding, glass doors and metal frame windows. The building retains its original stucco walls, tile roof, canals, tower and perimeter wall.

9 BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

See cover nomination bibliography.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Site Size (Approx. Acreage of Property):

Less than one acre.

UTM Coordinates:

1,7 4,4,0 5,0,0 3,3 4,5 6,2,0
ZONE EASTING NORTHING

Township	Range	Section
3 S	27 E	43

LOCATION SKETCH OR MAP **N**

See attached map.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Section C San Jose Lot 17 Bk. 111

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
N/A			
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
N/A			

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

San Jose Estates Preservation, Inc.

DATE

1984

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