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DAVENPORT

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SITE #82-10-7-W1402 **MAP NUMBER 7**
HISTORIC DISTRICT
NAME Werthman Grocery ✓
ADDRESS 1402 W. 7th St. ✓



LEGAL DESCRIPTION Mitchell's 3rd, Blk 18, Pt.
Lot 9 com at SE cor of sd lot 9-W 28'-N 100'-E
28'-S 100' to beg.

ACREAGE <1 **ZONE** C-2 **UTM** 15/700710 4599810
OWNER Darlene Ciesielski **TITLE** H
1402 W. 7th St.
Davenport, IA 52802

DESCRIPTION

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE Commercial **DATE** 1900
FORM 2 story commercial building, flat roof w/parapet, chamfered SE corner
MATERIALS brick, on stone foundation
FENESTRATION 1/1 aluminum sash, openings have segmented arches
FEATURES wood oriel east side; metal cornice with dentils and a floral motif in frieze
ALTERATIONS garage added north end; entrance and front windows remodeled; decorative brick and tile panel installed below south window of saloon
SITE corner lot at commercial intersection

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE The neighborhood saloon was and is a fixture of architecture and society in the once-predominantly German working class residential areas of Davenport. This turn-of-the-century example, originally built as a grocery, emphasizes and capitalizes on its location through placement of the main entrance in a chamfered corner. The east side oriel indicates the presence of living quarters above the tavern -- a common phenomenon in many of the city's small 19th and early 20th century business establishments. A metal cornice, with dentil molding, finials, and ornamental frieze, provides the chief decorative element.

HISTORICAL DATA

Henry Werthman operated a grocery store at this address beginning in 1900. Several other Werthmans lived within the one-block area at this time. By 1910, the building had been converted into a local tavern, operated by John J. Bryson who lived in the apartment on the second floor. It has seen continual use since that time, even during Prohibition, when it was listed in city directories as offering only "soft drinks".

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

SOURCES Davenport City Directories, 1898, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1933.

ARCHITECTURAL EVALUATION

DESIGN good STATURE incident
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE local

CONTEXT good FABRIC good
DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION

HISTORICAL EVALUATION

PRIMARY THEME
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE

SECONDARY THEME

NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBLE YES

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1 DATE RECEIVED _____

2 DATE OF STAFF EVALUATION _____

	A ARCHITECTURAL	B HISTORICAL
ELIGIBLE FOR NRHP	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NOT ELIGIBLE FOR NRHP	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3 NRHP ACTION

A STATE REVIEW COMM	APP <input type="checkbox"/>	DISAPP <input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED <input type="checkbox"/>	DATE _____
B FEDERAL REVIEW	APP <input type="checkbox"/>	DISAPP <input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED <input type="checkbox"/>	DATE _____

4 DHP SOURCES

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