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

DAVENPORT





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

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 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 EVALUATIONDESIGN goodSTATURE incidentLEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE local

CONTEXT good FABRIC good DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION

HISTORICAL EVALUATION PRIMARY THEME LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE

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NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBLE YES

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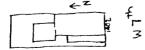


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Marlys Svendsen, Historian

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