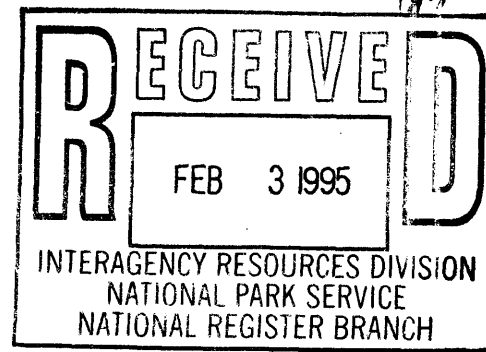


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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Sorenson House
other names/site number Local Inventory Site #41-408W; Sorenson-Murray House

2. Location

street & number 10011 W. Riverside Drive n/a not for publication
city or town Bothell n/a vicinity
state Washington code WA county King code 033 zip code 98011

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets does not meet the National Register criteria.

I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide X locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Mary M. Thompson 1/27/95
Signature of certifying official Date
Mary Thompson, State Historic Preservation Officer
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:
X entered in the National Register.

- See continuation sheet
- determined eligible for the National Register. See continuation sheet
- determined not eligible for the National Register.
- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain:)

Edson B. Beall 3/9/95

Entered in the
National Register
Beall Signature of Keeper Date of Action

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5. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	No. of Resources within Property	
		contributing	noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)		
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
		<u>2</u>	<u>1</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: _____ No. of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: n/a

Historic Resources of Bothell, Washington

6. Functions or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions.)

Cat: <u>Domestic</u>	Sub: <u>single-dwelling</u>
<u>Agriculture</u>	<u>agricultural outbuilding</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions.)

Cat: <u>Domestic</u>	Sub: <u>single-dwelling</u>
<u>Domestic</u>	<u>secondary structure</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions.)

Craftsman

Materials (Enter categories from instructions.)

foundation concrete
walls wood
roof asphalt shingle
other brick

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See continuation sheet.

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance
(Enter categories from instructions.)

Architecture

Period of Significance

1922

Significant Dates

1922

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Sorenson, James "Jim", builder

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See continuation sheet.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property .729 acre (31,764 square feet)

UTM References

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	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing

2	<u>///</u>	<u>///////</u>	<u>///////</u>	4	<u>///</u>	<u>///////</u>	<u>///////</u>
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See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.) See continuation sheet.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.) See continuation sheet.

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Barbara J. Grace, AICP, Associate Planner
 organization City of Bothell, Department of Community Development date August 24, 1994
 street & number 18305 101st Avenue NE telephone 206-486-8152
 city or town Bothell state WA zip code 98011

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

- A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items.)

Property Owner (Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Murray Family Account, Represented by William Murray
 street & number 10011 W. Riverside Drive telephone 206-488-8256
 city or town Bothell state WA zip code 98011

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Constructed in 1922, the Sorenson House is an elaborate, wood-framed version of a Craftsman bungalow with an irregular floor plan. This house is exceptionally well-maintained and remarkably intact. It has 1-1/2-stories with a basement; multiple roof planes with low-pitched front gables and decorative, triangular knee braces; wide, open eave overhangs with exposed rafter ends or decoratively-shaped bargeboards covering the rafter ends; and, a partial-width, cross-gabled, corner porch supported with tapered wood columns on battered brick bases which extend uninterrupted to the ground level. Steps rise from the ground leading directly to the front door (a Craftsman door with three, vertical beveled glass lights) on the west side of the house. The porch wraps around the corner from the west to the north side.

The kitchen area is contained under a gable roof extension on the west elevation. A bedroom is extended on the east side with a shed roof. Exterior walls are covered in horizontal wood siding. An exterior brick chimney is located on the east side to serve the fireplace in the living room. The roof is covered with asphalt shingles. The foundation is concrete.

Two gabled dormer windows are present, one each on the north and south sides of the roof. The windows of the house are multi-paned-over-one, double-hung, wooden cottage windows. Some have leaded glass. The small, divided-light panes in the kitchen windows have been replaced, but remain in the other windows of the house. The only appreciable change to the house involved window closures. Windows have been removed from the east and north sides of the house by a previous owner. The location of the removals, however, are such as to not detract from the overall design of the house. Their removal was executed so well that only upon close inspection are former window openings discernible.

The interior of the Sorenson Residence is a stunning reflection of the Arts and Crafts style with detailed fir woodwork throughout and intricate, inlaid flooring details, beamed ceilings and built-in cabinetry in the dining and living rooms -- all bespeak the fine craftsmanship of the time. Interior walls are finished with plaster or wood paneling. The upper level is a finished attic with coved ceilings in some rooms and picture moldings. The dormered room on the south side was Mr. Sorenson's home office; the walls and sloping ceiling are finished with wood paneling reminiscent of a ship's cabin. Many of the original glass door knobs, light fixtures and brass, push-button switch plates, and metal heating grills remain.

The dining room has a built-in sideboard with a mirrored backboard and leaded, beveled glass cabinet doors with glass knobs. Both rooms have inlaid wood flooring. There is an elaborate beamed ceiling in the dining area and built-in bookcases flanking the fireplace in the living room with leaded glass doors and glass knobs.

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The kitchen has been modified to accommodate Mrs. Murray who was under five feet tall. The kitchen and hall ceilings have been lowered, but the original cabinets and woodwork have been left extending above the current ceilings and could easily be restored.

The house is located on less than one remaining acre (.729 acre) of the original four-acre parcel given to the couple by Mrs. Sorenson's father, Alfred Pearson, a prominent Bothell citizen. It is located within the Downtown/190th/ Riverfront planning subarea of the City of Bothell. This subarea of the City is characterized by Bothell's downtown central business district, a majority of the riverfront properties in the City, and a variety of residential styles and densities on both the north and south sides of the Sammamish River.

The house sits at the top of a steep slope facing north to W. Riverside Drive and the Sammamish River. The house is currently approached down a long drive from the east, but may have originally been approached up the hillside from the west, since the front door is oriented in that direction. Alternatively, the approach may be original since it went by the front of the elder Pearson's residence; the front door may simply have been oriented to the best view of the countryside and river below. Heavy deciduous vegetation growth in the spring and summer months now screens the house from view from W. Riverside Drive, the only real vantage point from below, but it is likely this would not have been the case during the historic period, due to the logged-off condition of the hillsides at the time of construction. During fall and winter months, the house is now more visible to passers-by.

A gambrel roof, wood frame barn, located on the south side of the house, was built at the same time or soon after the house. It is in need of maintenance and is presently used for storage. The site cannot be characterized as a farm, however, but rather contained the needed accessory features of the time where citizens still employed horses, even though automobiles were becoming more common and fresh vegetables were best grown at home. Mr. Sorenson was a successful upper-middle-class businessman who did not farm the land, but rather lived on it in style.

There is a detached garage (east side of the house) which is of more recent construction and is considered non-contributing.

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Criterion C: Architecture

The Sorenson House (1922) is a very well-maintained and intact example of the Craftsman/bungalow style. The house embodies the distinctive characteristics of the style including: a low-pitched, front-gabled roof, elaborated with multiple roof planes and decorative, triangular knee braces; wide, open eave overhangs with exposed rafter ends or decoratively-shaped bargeboards covering the rafter ends; a partial-width, corner, cross-gabled porch supported with tapered wood columns on battered brick bases which extend uninterrupted to the ground level.

Statement of Significance

The home was built in 1922 by Mr. James "Jim" Sorenson on a gift of land from his father-in-law, Alfred Pearson. Mr. Sorenson began his partnership with William Schrotke in a woodworking, cabinet-making, and contracting business in 1910 (the year he married Mary Pearson). He became a well-respected builder of many Craftsman style homes in Bothell which were popularized in pattern books of the time. None of the others that remain, however, embodies the same level of style or scale as his own home. His talent and success at his trade are most evident in his beautifully executed home. The craftsmanship in the building reflects Mr. Sorenson's background as a carpenter (from Denmark where he learned his trade in the ship building industry). Mr. Sorenson remained a respected member of the community until his death from tuberculosis in 1938.

The Historic Resources of Bothell, Washington, Multiple Resources Property Documentation Form, states that in the early twentieth century, as logging declined in importance, Bothell's agricultural economy grew rapidly. Bothell increasingly functioned as a service center for the surrounding farmlands and did so until after World War II. Bothell's population growth, its role as a farm service center, and its position along the Pacific Highway led to a small building boom in the early twentieth century and increasingly these new houses were built in the Craftsman and bungalow modes: Craftsman style housing seemed appropriate in Bothell, a community located in an intermediate zone between the large Seattle-Everett urban area and the rich agricultural hinterlands.

The Sorenson house is most representative of the upper end of middle-class housing in Bothell during the 1920s and '30s in contrast to the more traditional style of the middle-range Kirk House or the smaller-scale farm house style of the Bates-Tanner property.

The interior of the Sorenson Residence is a stunning and most representative example of the Arts and Crafts style in the City of Bothell today. The detailed fir woodwork; intricate, inlaid flooring details; beamed ceilings; and built-in cabinetry all bespeak the fine craftsmanship of the time. Mr. Sorenson, the builder, seemingly used all his artistry in his own home to create a truly elegant setting. Interior walls are finished with plaster or wood paneling. The upper level is a finished attic

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ceilings in some rooms and picture molding. The dormered room on the south side was Mr. Sorenson's office at his home and the walls and sloping ceiling are finished with wood paneling reminiscent of a ship's cabin. Many of the original glass door knobs, light fixtures and brass, push-button switch plates, and metal heating grills remain.

The dining and living rooms best illustrate the exquisite finish carpentry skills of Mr. Sorenson. The dining room has a built-in sideboard with a mirrored backboard and leaded, beveled glass cabinet doors with glass knobs. Both rooms have inlaid wood flooring. There is an elaborate beamed ceiling in the dining area and built-in bookcases flanking the fireplace in the living room with leaded glass doors and glass knobs. The kitchen has been modified to accommodate Mrs. Murray who was under five feet tall. The kitchen and hall ceilings have been lowered, but the original cabinets and woodwork have been left extending above the current ceilings and could easily be restored.

The house is an excellent example of the residential architecture identified in Bothell's Multiple Property Documentation and meets the registration requirements for residential property types outlined in that document.

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Section 10:

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary of the nominated property includes all of tax parcel 082605-9224 located at 10011 W. Riverside Drive in the City of Bothell, Washington (King County).

Boundary Justification

The boundary of the nominated property represents the remaining .729 acres of an original four-acre parcel donated to the original owners by the bride's father.