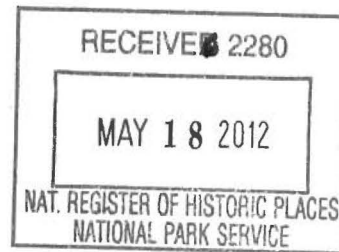


United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Registration Form



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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form*. 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 certification comments, entries, and narrative items on continuation sheets if needed (NPS Form 10-900a).**

1. Name of Property

historic name Gish, Amos H., Building

other names/site number KHRI #: 015-144

2. Location

street & number 317 South Main

☐ not for publication

city or town Eldorado

☐ vicinity

state Kansas code KS county Butler code 015 zip code 67042

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, 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 at the following level(s) of significance:

national statewide x local

Patricia J. Selmer
Signature of certifying official

5-16-12
Date

DSHPO
Title

State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria.

Signature of commenting official

Date

Title

State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

☒ entered in the National Register

☐ determined eligible for the National Register

☐ determined not eligible for the National Register

☐ removed from the National Register

☐ other (explain:)

For Edison N. Beall
Signature of the Keeper

7-3-12
Date of Action

Gish, Amos H., Building
Name of Property

Butler County, KS
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	private
<input type="checkbox"/>	public - Local
<input type="checkbox"/>	public - State
<input type="checkbox"/>	public - Federal

Category of Property
(Check only **one** box)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	building(s)
<input type="checkbox"/>	district
<input type="checkbox"/>	site
<input type="checkbox"/>	structure
<input type="checkbox"/>	object

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing
1	buildings
	district
	site
	structure
	object
1	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

N/A

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Commerce/Trade: Professional, specialty store

Domestic: multiple dwelling

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Vacant/Not In Use

Work In Progress

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

LATE 19TH & EARLY 20TH CENTURY AMERICAN
MOVEMENTS: Commercial Style

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation: Concrete

walls: Brick

roof: Composition

other:

Narrative Description

Summary

The Gish Building is located along US Highway 54 / South Main Street in downtown El Dorado, Butler, County, Kansas (population 13,201). The two-part commercial building faces east, occupies two city lots, and shares party walls with buildings to the north and south. A north-south alley bisects the block and passes behind the rear of the building. The Gish Building shares the west side of the 300 block of South Main Street with four early twentieth century commercial buildings. The fifth property at the north end of the block is a free-standing former gas station. Across the street, the east side of the 300 block of South Main Street is a continuous row of early twentieth century one-story commercial buildings. The northernmost corner property is three stories.

Elaboration

The two-story Gish Building features a dark red brick exterior and has a concrete foundation and rectangular form. The building has a traditional two-part commercial façade with first-story commercial storefront, six double-hung wood windows on the upper story, and a shaped parapet. The building is constructed of brick bearing walls with a built-up flat roof.

The storefront space reflects non-historic alterations, which includes infill that resulted in the removal of the original garage bays. The areas on the front elevation that were originally occupied by garage doors have been infilled with a low bulkhead wall and plate glass windows. The multi-light transom windows remain intact behind an exterior corrugated metal cover. There is a single aluminum-frame man door at each end of the storefront space. These doors are modern replacements, but their locations mirror those of historic wood-frame man doors noted in a circa 1925 photograph (figure 1). The south door leads to an interior staircase providing access to the second floor. This was the entrance to Gish's veterinary office.

The second story of the front elevation retains all of its original elements. There are six 1/1 double-hung wood windows. Two pairs of windows are flanked by single windows at each end. The windows are situated in a section of the façade that is inset or recessed, which gives the appearance that the east elevation is framed on each end with 25" piers. The top of the recessed area features a decorative brick pattern that includes three courses of brick laid in a corbel pattern. There is a brick belt course below the second story windows defined by bricks laid in a rowlock pattern. The parapet retains its original configuration with a central pediment design flanked by two wide notches. The top of the parapet wall is capped with a rowlock course of brick.

The south wall is almost entirely obscured by the adjacent building. Only a small portion of the parapet is exposed and it is coated with roofing material. There are no openings.

The north wall is partially obscured by the adjacent building. There are three second-story windows and a door with a transom look over the roof of the building to the north. The four openings are presently covered with tin, and the wall is covered with a fiberglass coating.

The west (rear) elevation is comprised of a one-story (flat-roof) section topped by a projecting loft with a slightly peaked roof. This alley-side elevation has a more unfinished appearance common to these secondary elevations. As noted from the interior, this rear section of the building is constructed of clay tile block, but the rear wall on the exterior. The rear elevation includes the original entrance to the stables, which were a part of the original veterinary clinic. The original wood stable doors hang from a track that allows the doors to slide to either side of the opening. One door has a man door cut into it, which is also part of the original design.

Interior

The first floor interior features two main spaces: an open showroom/storefront space at the east end and a stable/garage at the west end. There have been some changes to the first floor, particularly as commercial tenants' needs changed, but it retains much of its character and historic materials. The Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps document some of these changes over time.

The storefront space is one large open space and includes much of the historic pressed tin ceiling, a concrete floor and plaster walls. Over the life of the building, there have been some interior partitions added to accommodate the various businesses, but these partitions did not extend to the ceiling and have not significantly impacted the historic fabric of the building. The second floor can be accessed through an enclosed staircase at the southeast corner of the storefront area.

The rear one-third of the building has always served as a stable, garage, or auto-repair space. It has always been an unfinished space with exposed building elements including unfinished wood and masonry walls and a concrete floor. This space has a painted wood ceiling with a hay loft and monitor roof. There is an enclosed office at the southwest corner of this garage space.

An interior, straight-run staircase along the building's south wall provide access to the second floor, which houses five apartments – one of which included Gish's veterinary business and residence. The second floor has exceptional architectural integrity. The apartments are accessed through an interior central corridor spanning most of the length of the building. Original elements that remain throughout the second floor spaces include: room and apartment configurations, wood panel doors, wood windows, wood trim, wood flooring, built-in cabinetry, plaster walls, hardware and fixtures, and skylights. Some apartments feature triangular-shaped corner closets that were installed later. The veterinary surgery room, located in the southeast corner of the second floor, retains its original cabinetry. These cabinets all have wood doors with glass frames or pull out drawers. The second floor has gone unused for many years, so while it has not been altered from the original design, many areas show signs of deterioration such as wood finishes and areas of damaged plaster.

Gish, Amos H., Building
Name of Property

Butler County, KS
County and State

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)

Property is:

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

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

COMMERCE

Period of Significance

1917-1962

Significant Dates

1917

Significant Person

(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Reed, T. R. (builder)

Period of Significance (justification)

The period of significance begins with the construction of the Gish Building in 1917 and extends to 1962.

Criteria Considerations (justification)

N/A

Narrative Statement of Significance

Summary

The Amos H. Gish Building is nominated to the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A in the area of Commerce. The building was constructed in 1917 by T. R. Reed¹ for Amos Gish, who operated his veterinary practice out of a second-story office. He leased the first-story retail and rear garage space to various auto and storage business over the years. Gish and his family lived in an apartment on the second floor and rented the additional apartments.

Elaboration

El Dorado (population 13,201) was platted after the Civil war and incorporated as a city of the third class in 1871. It was situated along the banks of the Walnut River and by the time Amos Gish arrived in 1910, the city of 3,129 was serviced by two railroad lines, "four banks, an electric lighting plant, waterworks, a fire department, two daily and three weekly newspapers, good hotels, and well-kept streets."² The early twentieth century brought new interest in the area with the discovery of oil in Butler and Greenwood counties. By the mid-1920s, this area produced a million barrels each month, making it an attractive area for investment and development.³

With the community's proximity to Wichita and the increasing industrial development of the early twentieth century, the need for good roads was obvious. Associations formed throughout Kansas to promote good roads and connectivity as favorable for business and tourism. The period 1900-1917 was the pioneering automobile period during which Kansas roads were developed from primitive dirt paths to interconnected and paved "dustless highways." Car ownership grew exponentially from 220 automobiles in Kansas in 1900 to over 30,000 in 1912.⁴

US Highway 54 connected western Illinois with El Paso, passing right through El Dorado. An auto-related commercial district emerged along US Highway 54, which entered the city from the east on Central Avenue and turned south on Main Street/Highway 77. Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps of El Dorado from this period (figures 3, 6, 7) illustrate the emergence of roadside oil- and auto-related commerce, particularly along South Main. In 1912, the 300 and 400 blocks of South Main included three livery stables and a carriage house, but the 400 block was still primarily single-family dwellings. By 1917, the Gish building at 317 S. Main was one of two auto businesses in the area. That number had expanded to six by 1923 and fourteen by 1930, including at least five car dealerships on South Main.⁵

Built in 1917, the Gish Building was part of this boom of development in downtown El Dorado. While Gish ran his veterinary practice out of a second-floor office, various auto-related businesses operated out of the first floor. The Sanborn Fire Insurance Map published in 1917 illustrates this scenario with two "auto-sales" rooms operating out of the first floor commercial spaces (figure 2) and a veterinary stable at the rear. The 1923 and 1930 Sanborn maps note a furniture storage warehouse operating out of the first-floor commercial space and an auto-repair business in the rear (figure 4). A historic photograph (figure 1)

¹ *El Dorado Republican*, 6 April 1917, p. 1.

² Frank Blackmar, *Kansas: A Cyclopaedia of State History*, Vol. 1 (Chicago: Standard Publishing Co., 1912), 569-570.

³ Craig Miner, *Discovery! Cycles of Change in the Kansas Oil and Gas Industries, 1860-1987* (Wichita, KS: KIOGA, 1987), 160-164.

⁴ Elizabeth Rosin and Dale Nimz, "Roadside Kansas" National Register of Historic Places Multiple Property Documentation Form (Washington, DC: National Park Service, 2009), 8.

⁵ Brenda Spencer, "Yingling Brothers Auto Company" National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (Washington, DC: National Park Service, 2011), 8-5.

provides an illustration of what the storefront space looked like during the mid-1920s, with openings wide enough for vehicles to pass into and out of the building.

Later city directories list a succession of auto-related companies operating out of the first floor: the Wesley Moor Motor Company and El Dorado Standard Auto Pars (1941); Angle Motor Company and Lane Supply Inc. (1946).⁶

For nearly his entire professional career, Gish operated his veterinary practice out of the building at 317 & 319 South Main Street. The Gish family lived in an upstairs apartment and rented the remaining four apartments. The 1920 federal census lists tenants that included an auto mechanic, general laborer, oil company geologist, office receptionist, and railroad clerk. The 1930 federal census lists tenants with occupations such as a boiler maker at an oil refinery, a collector for a sewing machine company, and a bookkeeper at an ice factory. They paid monthly rents of \$25 and \$27. Amos Gish reported the value of his building as \$20,000 in 1930.

At the time of his death in November 1969, Amos Gish and his wife Merle still lived in that second-floor apartment. She lived there until her death in 1971.

Veterinary Medicine in Kansas & Amos Gish

During the mid- and late-nineteenth century in Kansas, veterinary services were largely performed by local, minimally trained men – often simply referred to as horse doctors. The development of the stock raising and herding industry in Kansas brought large numbers of animals in contact with one another. Stock raisers struggled with diseases in their herds, which led to many states implementing herd laws aimed at curbing the spread of disease. Concerned about epidemics and unqualified veterinarians, the few trained veterinarians throughout the country formed professional organizations and pushed for the professionalization of the field.⁷

The Kansas Veterinary Medical Association⁸ – one of the first such veterinary associations in the United States – was organized through the efforts of Dr. A. A. Holcombe in 1884.⁹ Holcombe, who had served as a professor of pathology and surgery at the American Veterinary College in New York City, was outspoken against unqualified and imposter veterinarians. The Kansas organization he founded was largely inactive after his departure from Kansas in 1886, but it was revived during the years 1889-1894 and again in 1904, just one year before Kansas State College established its veterinary program.¹⁰ The first reference to veterinary medicine at Kansas State University dates back to course catalogues of the mid-1860s (sources vary on specific dates), and animal health courses were offered to students studying agriculture at the school beginning in 1886.

The Kansas Veterinary Medical Association was key to the professionalization of the field of veterinary medicine in Kansas during the early 1900s. The organization lobbied for the proposal of a bill in the Kansas Legislature known as “An Act to protect livestock owners of the State of Kansas from incompetent treatment of sick and lame animals, to License Veterinarians, and punishment for persons violating the

⁶ *El Dorado City Directory* (Kansas City, MO: R. L. Polk & Co., 1941, 1944, 1949). Accessed online 21 March 2012, www.ancestry.com.

⁷ Earl W Hayter, “Livestock Doctors, 1850-1890: The Development of Veterinary Surgery,” In *The Wisconsin Magazine of History*, vol. 43, No. 3 (Spring, 1960), 159-160.

⁸ In 1939, Amos Gish served as the president of the Kansas Veterinary Medical Association, which remains active in Kansas with a membership of approximately 850. “About Us,” Kansas Veterinary Medical Association website, accessed 21 March 2012, <http://www.ksvma.org/displaycommon.cfm?an=3>

⁹ Hayter, 169.

¹⁰ R. R. Dykstra, *Veterinary Medicine in Kansas* (Manhattan, KS: n.p., 1952), 44-54. See also: “About the College,” College of Veterinary Medicine, Kansas State University website, accessed 21 March 2012, <http://www.vet.k-state.edu/about/index.htm>.

provisions thereof." They elected an executive board of Dr. O. O. Wolf of Holton, Dr. T. W. Hadley of Kansas City, and Dr. W. N. Hobbs of Holton. They paid Dr. Hugh Maxwell of Salina to represent the group at the statehouse in Topeka.¹¹ The Kansas Legislature passed the Veterinary Practice Act in 1907 and legitimized the practice of veterinary medicine through a license certification process by a board of veterinary examiners. The board issued its first register of licensed veterinarians in September 1909, and it contained 642 names, which included 166 "graduates" and 476 "existing practitioners."¹²

Dr. D. M. Campbell of Chicago, who had lived in Kansas during this period, later recalled that "very few veterinarians in the state were known beyond the locality in which they lived."¹³ Nonetheless, veterinary medicine had taken a big step toward professionalization, and this was the professional environment into which Amos Gish was thrust when he graduated from Kansas State College in 1910.

Amos H. Gish was born in October 17, 1886 near Abilene, Dickinson County, Kansas. He was the third child born to John and Fanny Gish, who in 1900 were recorded in the federal census as having ten children. The Gish family lived on a farm in Newbern Township,¹⁴ but moved to Manhattan sometime before 1910, when the federal census notes John working as a traveling salesman. Amos attended Kansas State College and graduated from the veterinary program in 1910.¹⁵

Upon graduation, Gish moved to El Dorado to practice veterinary medicine. There was an established veterinarian already practicing in the city – Charles G. Saunders – and Gish likely collaborated with Saunders during his career. Saunders was listed in the 1910 federal census as a 61-year-old English immigrant who worked as a veterinary surgeon. His obituary published in the *El Dorado Times* on November 6, 1925, said he was born in 1849, educated in the schools of London, served six years as an apprentice in the study of veterinary surgery. He graduated from the Kansas City Veterinary College in 1893, and was working in El Dorado when Gish arrived in 1910.¹⁶

According to the 1915-1916 city directory, Gish operated his new veterinary business out of a livery stable at 116-120 North Main. As was often the case with livery stables, the building was modified for automobile use at about the same time his new building was being constructed at 317 South Main.

Gish married Merle Gifford of El Dorado on November 12, 1914, and they had three children.¹⁷ His son John also graduated from the veterinary program at Kansas State College, and joined his father's practice in 1941.¹⁸ Their practice cared for all types of animals. Amos was an expert in bovine medicine, and John specialized in equine care. They would typically travel to farms to care for the animals, but small animals were often treated in their downtown second-floor office. John began his own practice when Amos retired in 1960, and it remains in business today as the El Dorado Animal Clinic.¹⁹

Amos Gish served as president of the Kansas Veterinary Medical Association in 1919 and on the Kansas State Board of Veterinary Examiners in 1939.²⁰ According to his obituary, he served one term on the city commission in the 1930s and was particularly active in the formation of the rural electrification association serving Butler County. He served as the president of that organization from 1939 to 1959.

¹¹ Dykstra, 5.

¹² *Ibid.*, 10.

¹³ *Ibid.*, 11.

¹⁴ *Standard Atlas, Dickinson County, Kansas* (Chicago: Geo. A. Ogle & Co., 1901), 36.

¹⁵ R. R. Dykstra, *Veterinary Medicine in Kansas* (Manhattan, KS: n.p., 1952), 77.

¹⁶ Later, Gish was instrumental in the donation of Saunders' "very fine collection of polished horse-shoes" to the Kansas State College of Veterinary Medicine. Dykstra, 77.

¹⁷ Amos H. Gish obituary, *El Dorado Times*, 19 November 1969, p. 1.

¹⁸ Dr. John G. Gish obituary, *El Dorado Times*, 14 April 1984, p. 3.

¹⁹ *Ibid.*; "About Our Business," El Dorado Animal Clinic website, accessed 21 March 2012,

<http://www.eacwecare.com/aboutus.html>.

²⁰ Dykstra, 7 & 56.

Summary

The Amos H. Gish Building is nominated to the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A in the area of Commerce. The building was constructed in 1917 by Amos H. Gish, who operated his veterinary practice out of a second-story office. He leased the first-story retail and rear garage space to various auto and storage business over the years. Gish and his family lived in an apartment on the second floor and rented the additional apartments. It is located in downtown El Dorado and has long contributed to the community's commercial history.

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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

Name of repository: **Kansas Historical Society**

Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned): N/A

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one acre
(Do not include previously listed resource acreage)

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

Lat/Long: 37.814922 /-96.850204 (see Figure 8)

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Verbal Boundary Description (describe the boundaries of the property)

The nominated property is described as follows (according to Butler County property records): El Dorado, Original Town, Block 10, Lot Block Info N22 1; S22 2 Section 02, Township 26, Range 05E

Boundary Justification (explain why the boundaries were selected)

The boundary includes the land historically and currently associated with the Gish Building.

11. Form Prepared Byname/title Bill Morris / Sarah Martinorganization William Morris Associates Architects / KSHSdate 3/20/2012street & number 112 East 5thtelephone 316-775-2590city or town Augusta, KSstate zip code 67010e-mail wmaarchitects@yahoo.com**Additional Documentation**

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **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. Key all photographs to this map.

- **Continuation Sheets**

- **Additional items:** (Historic images, maps, etc.)

Photographs:

Name of Property: Gish, Amos H., Building
City or Vicinity: El Dorado
County/State: Butler County, KS
Photographer: Photos 1 & 2: Bill Morris, Jr. / Photos 3-11: Sarah Martin
Date of Photos: Photos 1: March 28, 2012 / Photo 2: January 2, 2012 / Photos 3-11: December 21, 2011

Description of Photograph(s) and number:

- 1 of 11 Exterior, east (front) elevation, facing W
- 2 of 11 Exterior, west (rear) elevation, facing SE
- 3 of 11 Interior, showing front half of first story, facing W
- 4 of 11 Interior, north wall and north half of storefront (note tin ceiling and storefront transom), facing NE
- 5 of 11 Interior, close up of storefront transom on east elevation, facing NE
- 6 of 11 Interior, rear half of building showing swinging garage doors on back wall, facing W
- 7 of 11 Interior, rear half of building, facing E
- 8 of 11 Interior, office space at southwest corner in rear half of building, facing S
- 9 of 11 Interior, straight-run staircase at southeast corner of building leading up to second floor, facing W
- 10 of 11 Interior, second floor, veterinary office space, facing NW
- 11 of 11 Interior, typical second-floor apartment

Property Owner:

(complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO)

name Gish Apartments LLC (Attn: David Sundgren)

street & number 121 N Main Street telephone _____

city or town El Dorado state KS zip code 67042

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 460 et seq.).

Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18 hours per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Office of Planning and Performance Management, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, 1849 C. Street, NW, Washington, DC.

Figure 1: Historic Photograph – Gish Building (circa 1925, no later than 1930).



Figure 2: 1917 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map. El Dorado, page 11

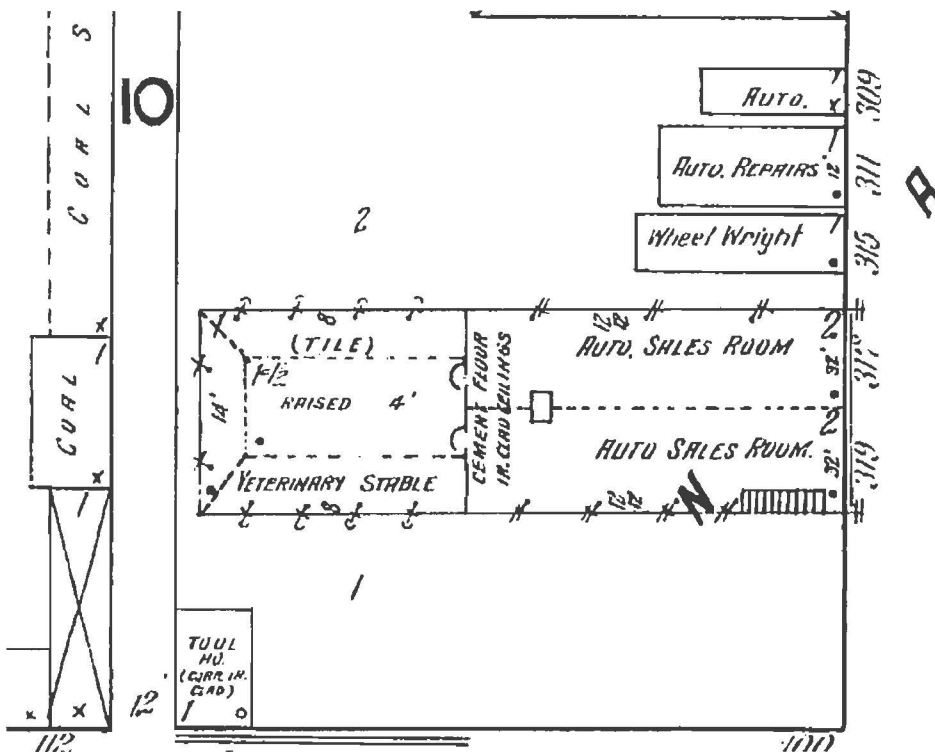


Figure 3: 1917 Sanborn Map – showing neighborhood context

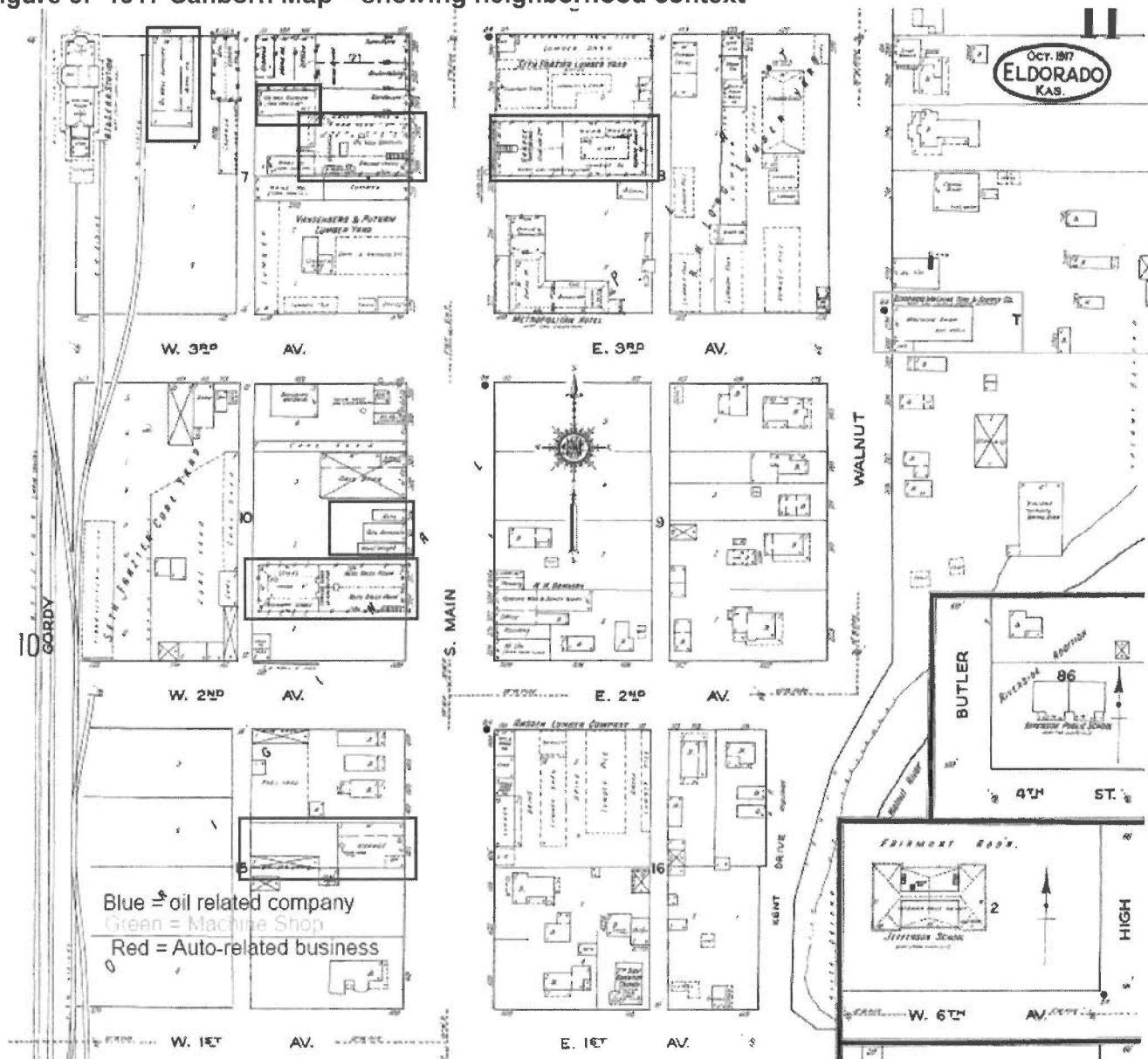


Figure 4: 1923 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map. El Dorado, page 5

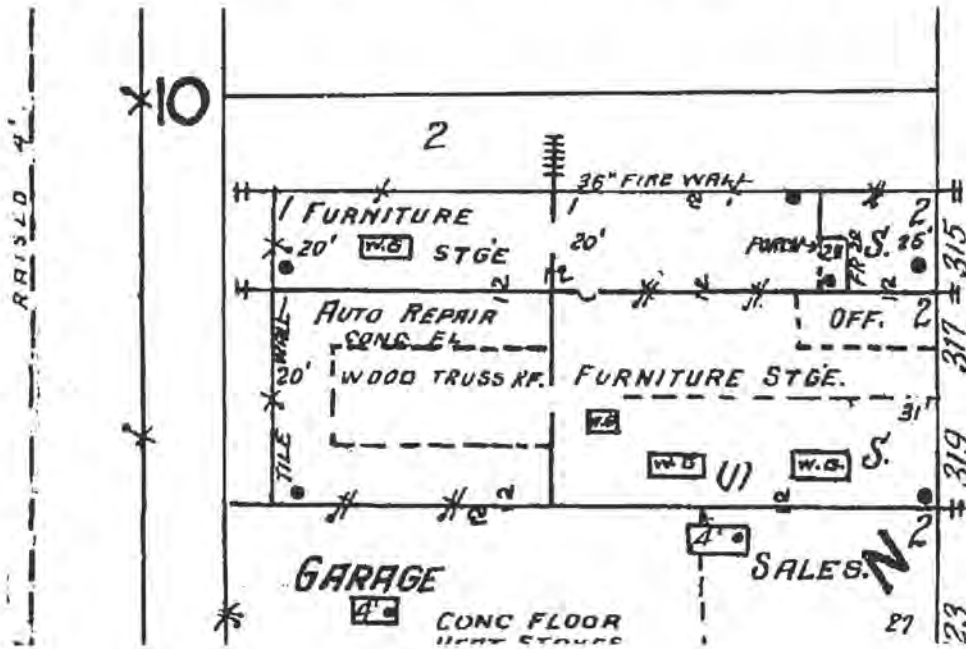


Figure 5: 1930 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map. El Dorado, page 5

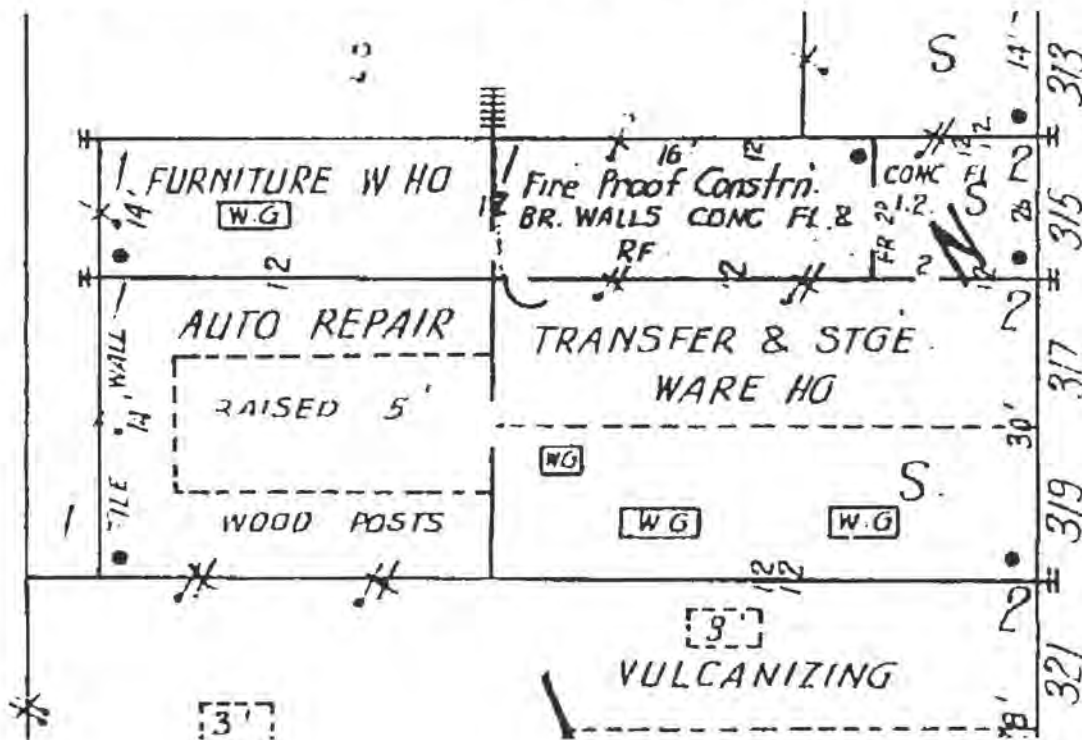


Figure 6: 1930 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map. El Dorado, page 5. Neighborhood Context

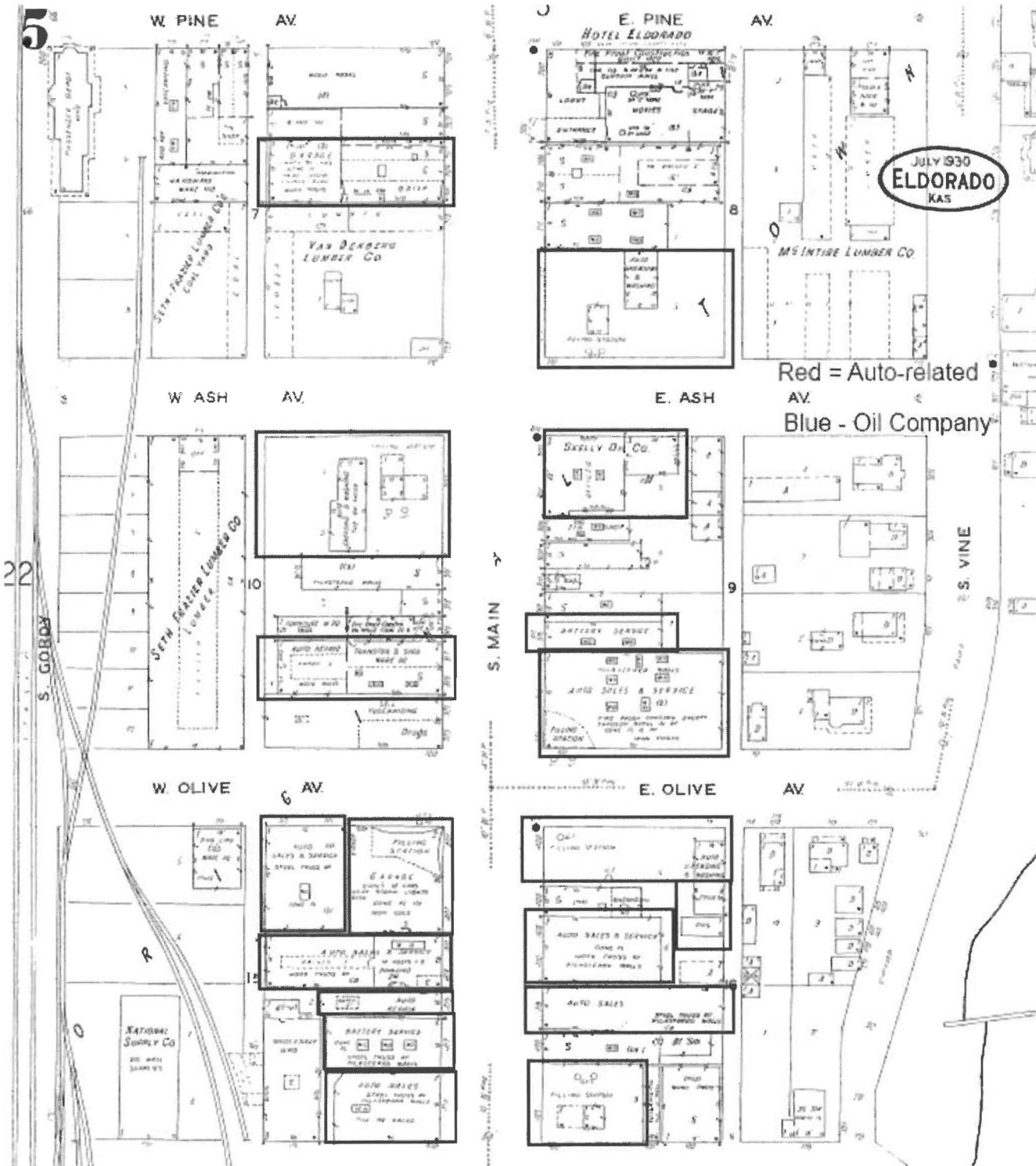


Figure 7: 1930 (updated 1944) Sanborn Fire Insurance Map. Neighborhood Context

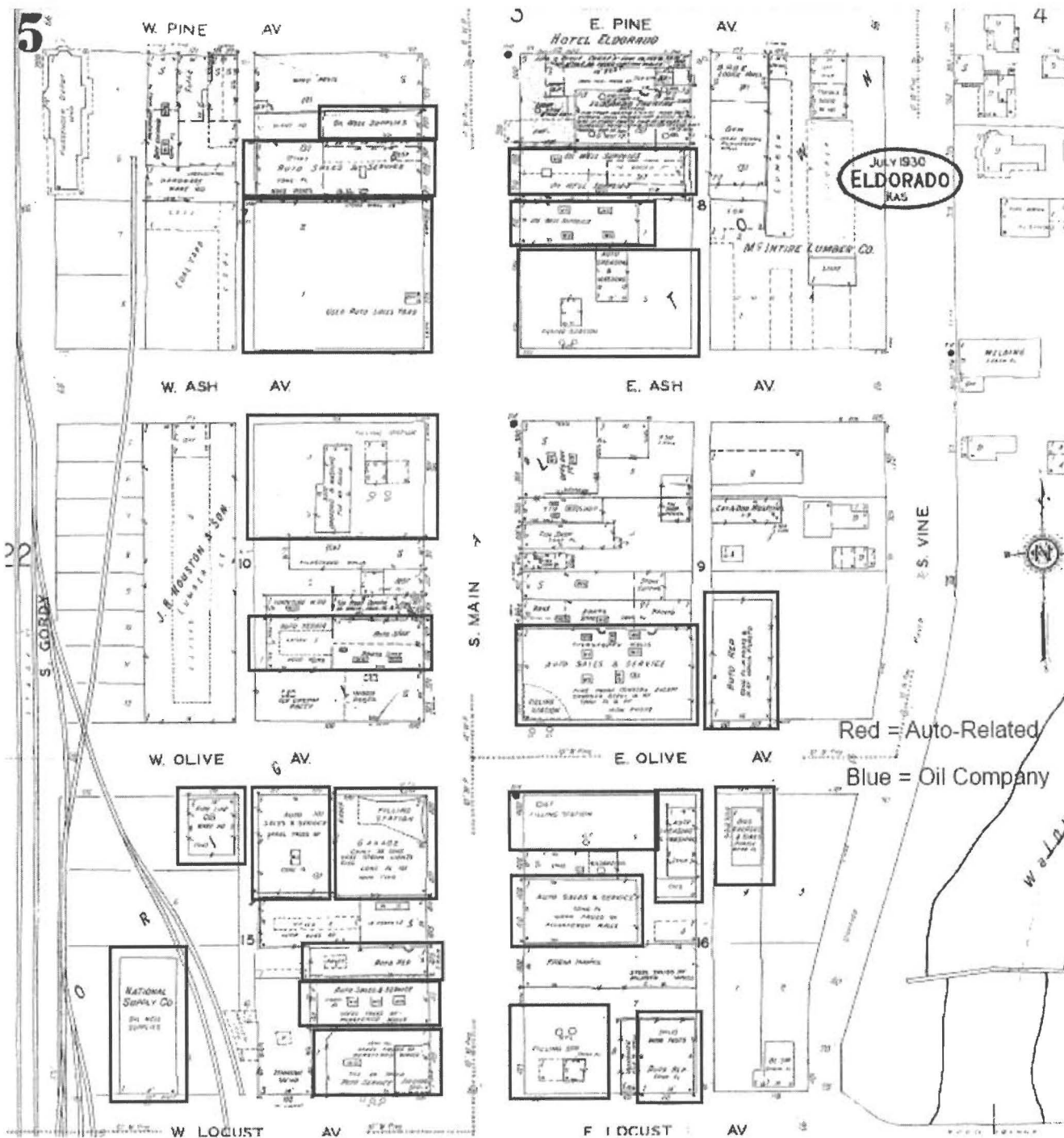


Figure 8: Google.com aerial map, 15 May 2012 - El Dorado, KS (property labeled "A")

Lat/Long: 37.814922 /-96.850204



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Gish, Amos H., Building
NAME:

MULTIPLE
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: KANSAS, Butler

DATE RECEIVED: 5/18/12 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 6/13/12
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 6/28/12 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 7/04/12
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 12000383

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 7.3.12 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Entered in
The National Register
of
Historic Places

RECOM./CRITERIA _____

REVIEWER _____ DISCIPLINE _____

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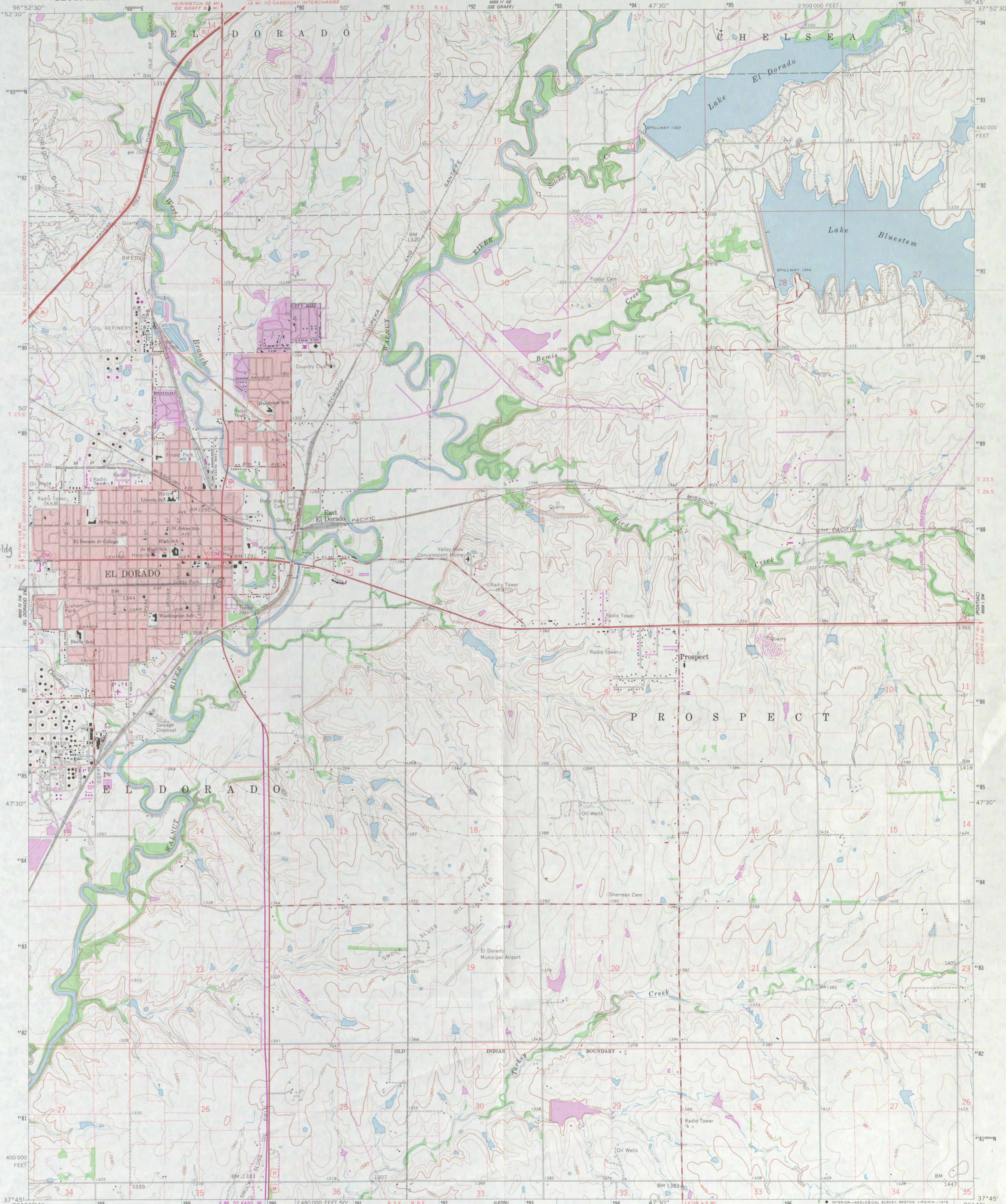






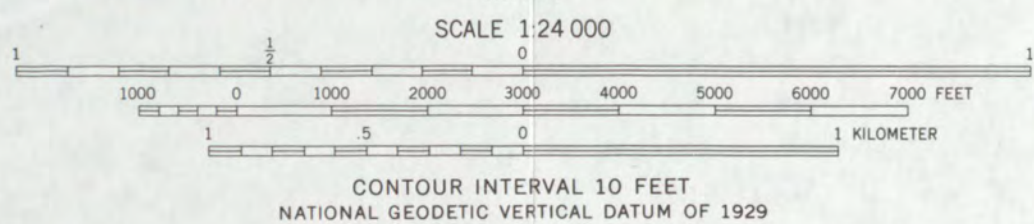
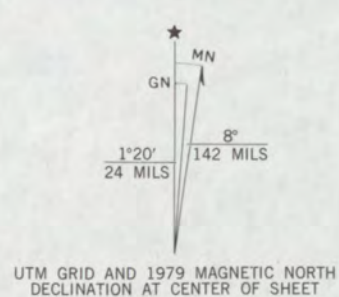






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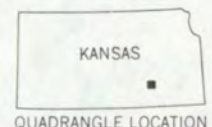
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Dear Ms. Shull:

Please find enclosed the following National Register documents:

- Battin Apartments Historic District - Wichita, KS (new nomination)
 - Preliminary DOE – FTC project #26964
- Cudahy Packing Plant – Wichita, Sedgwick County, KS (new nomination)
 - Preliminary DOE – FTC project #25446
- Arvon School – Arvon, Osage County, KS (new nomination)
- Calvinistic Methodist Church – Arvon, Osage County, KS (new nomination)
- Soldiers' Memorial – Osawatomie, Miami County, KS (new nomination)
- Congregational Church – Osawatomie, Miami County, KS (new nomination)
- ✓ Gish, Amos H., Building – El Dorado, Butler County, KS (new nomination)
- Gorden, David R., House – Abilene, Dickinson County, KS (new nomination)

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. I may be reached at 785-272-8681 ext. 216 or smartin@kshs.org.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosures