NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES REGISTRATION FORM

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1. Name of Property

historic name WILLIAMS HOUSE

other names/site number Dale, Shelby House; Gilda's Club of South Florida/BD02016

| 2. Location | |
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| citv or town Fort Lauderdale | <u>N/A</u> vicinitv |
| state <u>Florida</u> code <u>FL</u> county <u>Broward</u> | code11 zip code 33316-1043 |
| 3. State/Federal Agency Certification | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
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Signature of certifying official/Title

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

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

Signature of certifying official/Title

I hereby certify that the property is:

determined eligible for the National Register

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Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

entered in the National Register
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See continuation sheet. determined not eligible for the National Register See continuation sheet. removed from the National

Name of Property

County and State 5. Classification **Ownership of Property** Number of Resources within Property Category of Property (Check as many boxes as apply) (Check only one box) (Do not include any previously listed resources in the count) Contributing Noncontributing D private buildings public-local district public-State site 0 buildings 1 public-Federal structure Г object 0 0 sites 0 1 structures 0 0 objects 1 1 total Name of related multiple property listings Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) N/A 0 6. Function or Use **Historic Functions Current Functions** (Enter categories from instructions) (Enter categories from instructions) DOMESTIC/Single Family Dwelling SOCIAL/Clubhouse 7. Description **Architectural Classification Materials** (Enter categories from instructions) (Enter categories from instructions) LATE 19TH & 20TH CENTURY REVIVALS/ 1

Mediterranean Revival

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Narrative Description

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

Broward Co., FL

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| 8. Statement of Significance | Areas of Cimpificance |
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| Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.) | Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions) |
| A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history. | Architecture |
| 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 | Period of Significance |
| high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction. | <u>1926</u> |
| 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.) | Significant Dates 1926 |
| Property is: | |
| A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes. | Significant Person N/A |
| B removed from its original location. | Cultural Affiliation |
| C a birthplace or grave. | N/A |
| D a cemetery. | |
| E a reconstructed building, object, or structure. | |
| F a commemorative property. | Architect/Builder Arch: Unknown |
| ☐ G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years | Blder: Unknown |
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| previously listed in the National Register | Federal agency |
| previously determined eligible by the National | Local government |
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- designated a National Historic Landmark
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| name/title Susan Gillis & Wendy Shay, Consultants; Gary V. Goodwin, Historic F | Preservation Planner |
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| citv or town Tallahassee state Florid | a zip code <u>32399-0250</u> |
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| Maps A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's loc | ation |
| A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acre | |
| 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 SHPO or FPO.) | |
| name Gilda's Club of South Florida | |
| street & number 119 Rose Drive | telephone (954) 763-6776 |
| citv or town Fort Lauderdale state Florid | a zip code <u>33316-1043</u> |
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Summary

The Williams House, located at 119 Rose Drive, is an irregularly shaped, two-story masonry building constructed in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, ca.1926 in the Mediterranean Revival architectural style. The exterior features a smooth stucco finish over concrete block with cast concrete roof brackets, gable vents, and decorative cartouches. The multi plane roof is covered with barrel tile. It lies on a 3,212 sq. ft. property which includes the house, a noncontributing swimming pool, parking area, and associated landscaping, and lies adjacent to the Tarpon River. The subject property is described as the first unit 2-44 B, Lot 2, 3 and a strip of land lying between said lot 2 & 3, Tarpon River Block 3, Placidena Subdivision. The former residence of the pioneer Williams family and local attorney Shelby Dale, today the house serves as clubhouse for Gilda's Club South Florida, an organization dedicated to anyone touched by cancer. The house contributes to the sense of time, place, and historical development of Fort Lauderdale through its location, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association. It provides an important architectural link to the heritage of the city. The house has been recently restored through the support of grants from the State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Historical Resources, assisted by the Florida Historical Commission.

Setting

The Williams House is located in a rare enclave of properties known as Rose Drive, which follows a section of the Tarpon River, just south of New River and about a mile south of the heart of downtown Fort Lauderdale. Rose Drive has retained its almost rural setting with a meandering street, mature overhanging trees, estate-like lots and a large band of well entrenched peacocks. At the northern end of the boom-time Placidena (later Croissant Park) development, the Williams House is located next door to another period building, the ca. 1924 home of Placidena developer William Carmichael. Adjacent properties boast excellent examples of many architectural styles from throughout Fort Lauderdale's history. The Williams House property comprises two lots which back on Tarpon River. The front yard includes two parking areas for clubhouse patrons and staff and a number of trees, including a large ficus, palms, pitch apples, and foundation shrubbery. The large sloping backyard features a noncontributing swimming pool and patio area, with mature ficus and oaks creating a pleasant hammock like setting where the peacocks, opossums, and iguanas are a common site.

Physical Description

Exterior

Believed to have been constructed in 1926 during the heyday of the land boom in south Florida, the Williams House was designed by local architect Courtney Stewart as a private residence for the Williams Family (based upon research as described in the historical background). The masonry building displays an irregular footprint and asymmetrical façade. The exterior consists of a smooth stucco finish over concrete block. Barrel tile shed

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roofs shelter the entrances on the front (south) elevation (Photo 1). Fenestration varies throughout the building's facade and includes wood frame, divided light, single and paired casement windows with recessed, stucco relief arches, arched and rectilinear wood battened doors (Photo 2). The building recently underwent an extended restoration between 2000 and 2003 that included both exterior and interior restoration work in order to accommodate the conversion from residential to public use by the Gilda's Club organization. Exterior related improvements, such as the construction of a parking lot to the south of the building and associated landscaping, were completed prior to restoration of the building (Photo 3). Florida Accessibility Code requirements were also completed during this time, which included construction of a permanent ramp at the north entrance (Photo 4). French doors lead out onto the patio towards the pool at the rear (north elevation) of the building. The rectangular pool lies adjacent to the northwest corner of the building and can be accessed through the French doors at the rear of the building. Sidelights flank these patio doors with arched windows displayed above.

The multi-plane roof displays clay barrel tile, front-facing gable roofs on the north, south, and side-facing gables on the east elevations, flat decks with curvilinear parapets on the south elevation, as well as new copper gutters (Photos 5 & 6). Embellishments such as cast concrete roof brackets, gable vents, and decorative cartouches are displayed within the gable vents. A brick chimney is located adjacent to the westernmost gable near the center of the building (Photo 7). A two-story metal exterior staircase extends from the second floor on the west elevation in order to meet life-safety codes for a secondary means of ingress/egress (Photo 8).

Interior

The floor plan consists of an "H" pattern with entry into the building on the south elevation from the arched battened door (Photo 9). The main entrance leads to offices and an accessible restroom on the first floor within the southwestern portion of the building. Both the first and second floors are currently utilized as office space, though they were probably originally designed as bedrooms. Many of the interior doors and windows retain their original hardware such as door knobs, window cranks, and hinges.

Heading to the north and then east, once inside the entry door, a small foyer (Photo 10) leads to a central gathering room currently utilized for group and public meetings. Most probably, this room originally served as a living room (Photo 11). Decorative arches frame the entryway from the central meeting room to a corridor (heading north) leading to the outer first floor rooms as well as the patio towards the pool and backyard (Photo 12). The remainder of the first floor, including the northwest corner room and converted garage (easternmost room), accommodates additional meeting areas and a kitchen. The full basement has been converted into a children's recreational area with access from the interior through a door in the kitchen (first floor) and through an exterior entrance below grade.

The main meeting room (central within the floor plan) displays a cathedral ceiling with exposed pecky cypress beams, battered fireplace with smooth plaster exterior, and terra cotta colored ceramic tile floors in a random

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flagstone pattern (Photo 13). A staircase leading to the second floor offices on the east side of the building is located on the eastern wall of the central meeting room (Photo 14). The remaining rooms throughout the building have smooth plaster walls and Dade County pine floors (Photo 15). The original baseboards have also been retained throughout the building. Only the finished basement displays masonry walls and flooring.

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Summary

The Williams House fulfills Criterion C at the local level in the area of Architecture for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The Williams House is a property which embodies the distinctive characteristics of a specific period of construction. It is a significant and little altered example of the Mediterranean Revival style, characteristic of the 1920s South Florida land boom. Built in ca. 1926, the former residence is located at 119 Rose Drive at its original site beside the Tarpon River within blocks of the heart of downtown Fort Lauderdale. This building represents one of the finest and most original surviving examples of an architectural style once very common to the Fort Lauderdale area. The design of the dwelling is consistent with national and statewide trends in architecture.

Historic Context

Fort Lauderdale, Florida's earliest inhabitants were the ancestors of what the Spanish explorers called the Tequesta Indians, a resourceful people whose occupation of the area dates back thousands of years. By the eighteenth century A.D., the last of these original inhabitants had died or left the region. Soon afterwards, newer "pioneers" came to the area of New River, a short and deep waterway created by runoff from the Everglades. Concurrently Bahamian, American, and Seminole Indians began to occupy the wilderness that was southeast Florida. In 1838, the first Fort Lauderdale was established in honor of commanding officer Major William Lauderdale at the forks of the river after the onset of the Second Seminole War. In the ensuing years of the nineteenth century, the New River settlement remained sparsely populated.

The beginnings of the modern community date to 1893, with the establishment of a ferry and trading post on New River. By 1896, Flagler's Florida East Coast Railway began passenger service from West Palm Beach to Miami, opening the southeast coast of Florida for development. The hardy local pioneers welcomed, in 1906, the construction of the first of a series of canals intended to "drain the Everglades," for farming land. The North New River Canal was to join Fort Lauderdale to Lake Okeechobee and eventually, Fort Myers and the Gulf of Mexico. The canal quickly became a major transportation route for new farmers from the lake south and a downtown began to grow where New River and the F.E.C. Railway met. Citrus, vegetables, and the everpopular tomato were the staples of the local economy. By 1911, the area's first land boom forced the locals to incorporate, and a town—population 300, was born.

During the 1910s, Fort Lauderdale quickly established its reputation as a key vegetable shipping capital, earning it the description "Gateway to the Everglades." A variety of services like electricity, ice, and telephone were established and theaters, dry goods, groceries, newspapers and other amenities brought "civilization" to the young town. By 1915, the Dixie Highway was completed through what was now a new county, Broward, named in honor of Governor N.P. Broward, principal proponent of the Everglades drainage project. In January

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of 1917, the first causeway to the beach opened. These two transportation routes would be pivotal to the impending growth of the community.

As the decade progressed, Broward County citizens began to recognize a difficult truth: the Everglades drainage project was a failure. By 1921, the canals that had served as important transport routes silted to the point that steam travel ceased. But the end of World War I also brought the age of the automobile and new interests for local businessmen—real estate and tourism. The Florida Land Boom brought tremendous growth and unimagined prosperity to the now *city* of Fort Lauderdale. The population grew from 2000 in 1920 to 16,000 in 1925. New developments arose at the beach, on newly developed "isles" off Las Olas Boulevard, and along New River. Acute housing shortages resulted in "tent cities," tourist camps where prospective residents and investors awaited new construction. Almost every local resident prospered, as half the community dabbled in real estate or land development. Glamorous, modern homes (complete with indoor plumbing and electricity) arose throughout the city, many reflecting the overwhelmingly popular Mediterranean Revival architectural style.

By 1926, the land boom was on the wane, caused by a shortage of building supplies, bad publicity in northern papers, and the Internal Revenue Service—who began to take an interest in the taxes on large property sales. In September of 1926, the worst natural disaster ever to hit Fort Lauderdale finished off the boom. The Depression came early to South Floridians, but the city's beautiful waterways and beaches became the key to its economic survival. Fort Lauderdale hosted several military installations during World War II, and returning servicemen helped fuel a new land boom in the post war years. In the 1970s, as Broward County, one of the fastest growing areas in the country, grew to a population of 1.3 million people, Fort Lauderdale solidified its status as the county's principal economic, governmental, and cultural center.

Historic Significance

The Williams House property lies at the north end of the Croissant Park subdivision, one of Fort Lauderdale's most successful boom-time developments. The Florida land boom of the 1920s was a pivotal era in the history of Fort Lauderdale, bringing thousands of new residents to the area and forever altering the economic focus from agriculture and transportation routes to real estate and tourism. In the early 1920s, New Yorkers Ross Clark and J.L. Turner, in cooperation with Fort Lauderdale developer W.H. Carmichael, acquired a four hundred acre tract south of New River in Fort Lauderdale, naming their project Placidena. By 1922 the Placidena Corporation was improving the neighborhood, establishing electric streetlights and a bridge over the Tarpon River on Andrews Avenue.¹ In 1924 Placidena was acquired by successful Chicago developer Frank G. Croissant replatted the land, adding additional acreage and christening the area as "Croissant Park."

¹ Merrilyn Rathbun, "Placidena to Croissant Park," New River Inn-sider Spring 2002: 6 and Summer 2002: 6.

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"America's Greatest Salesman" brought ninety-six members of his Chicago salespeople to Fort Lauderdale in December, 1924, to kick off land sales in a big way. Croissant spent as much as \$215,000 for advertising in 1925, an outrageous sum at the time. Promotion for the new development included a beauty contest featuring "modern" young women with bobbed hair wearing the clingy, (relatively) brief bathing costumes of the day.

New construction was begun on a number of elaborate residences, constructed in the then popular "Spanish" style. Many were marketed as up-scale, winter retreats for wealthier investors.² Rose Drive was a particularly elite neighborhood. Sited on the Tarpon River and just off of the main north-south corridor of Fort Lauderdale, Andrews Avenue, the homes there had deep water access. The house of William Carmichael, one of the Placidena development's original owners, stands on the lot just to the east of 119 Rose Drive.³

The architect for 119 Rose Drive is uncertain; the dwelling first appears on the 1928 Sanborn Fire Insurance maps, the first to document the Croissant Park neighborhood.⁴ Most of the boom-time construction in Fort Lauderdale was begun in that year, before the decline of the economy and the devastating September hurricane. The house does share a number of design similarities to a house located in another boom-time Fort Lauderdale development, Rio Vista (located about a mile to the northeast) designed by Albert Courtney Stewart, Jr. for Edward Heimberger. Like the Williams House, the Heimberger house was cross gabled with varying, i.e. multi planed, roof levels. It also featured arched stucco relief above the fenestration outlined by raised stucco moldings as a major decorative element, similar to the house at 119 Rose Drive. (The Heimberger House was substantially altered in the 1980s.)⁵

Courtney Stewart, Sr. was a highly successful building contractor in Fort Lauderdale in the 1920s. His son Courtney, Jr., entered the University of Florida's College of Architecture in 1925. Due to his father's illness, young Stewart returned to Fort Lauderdale in 1926 and worked as a draftsman on the 1926 Schermerhorn Fort Lauderdale City Plan. He was in town at the time the house was likely constructed; it is possible that the house was a project of the elder Stewart and the younger employed the design schemes he later used in Rio Vista. There is no documentation for this, however. Courtney Stewart, Jr., graduated from University of Florida in 1930 and became the first Florida-trained architect to open an office in Fort Lauderdale. His work spanned forty years, one of his best known projects being the Coca Cola bottling plant (now Comcast Communications) located on South Andrews Avenue, north of 119 Rose Drive.⁶

² Eugene Wiley, "G. Frank Croissant, 'America's Greatest Salesman," New River News Summer 1982: 4-12.

³ Merrilyn Rathbun, Research Director, Fort Lauderdale Historical Society, interview by Susan Gillis, February 7, 2004.

^{4 1928} Fort Lauderdale Sanborn map, collection Fort Lauderdale Historical Society.

⁵ Rathbun interview and architectural drawings for Heimburger House, Courtney Stewart collection, Fort Lauderdale Historical Society.

^{6 &}quot;History Files," Fort Lauderdale Historical Society: Architects (notes from 1991 exhibition Romance in Stone) and C. Stewart collection.

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The earliest known owner of the house was Mrs. A.C. Williams, who occupied the house by the early 1930s. Later, her brother and sister-in-law, Edwin Gex and Helen Williams and their family lived in the house until ca. 1950. The Williams were a prominent local family, well known for the Williams-McWilliams Ice Cream Parlor, a popular long time Fort Lauderdale business. E. Gex Williams, Sr. was responsible for the construction of the first milk pasteurization plant to serve Broward County.⁷

Another long-time owner of the house was Charles Shelby Dale, Sr., a well known Fort Lauderdale attorney, who owned 119 Rose Drive from ca. 1956-1981. Shelby Dale, who arrived in Fort Lauderdale in 1946, served as a mentor to the young lawyers of the growing community. He acted as city attorney for many years and was active in state politics, serving as adviser to Governor Claude Kirk and as head of the Florida Development Commission.⁸

In the fall of 1999, 119 Rose Drive was acquired by Gilda's Club South Florida, a non profit organization which serves as a free activity center and support community for anyone touched by cancer. The organization likewise took on the responsibility of restoring the aging structure. An extensive restoration project was completed in 2003 in part through the support of grants from the State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Historical Resources, assisted by the Florida Historical Commission.

Today the neighborhood of Rose Drive remains an oasis in downtown Fort Lauderdale. The beautiful residence at 119 Rose Drive has been little changed since its construction, and several historic properties with the beautiful mature landscaping of an older neighborhood surround the house, where peacocks stroll the grounds. The large backyard looks out on the Tarpon River, originally a small natural stream enlarged into a canal during the early 1920s.

Architectural Context and Significance

The Williams House was constructed in or about the year 1926 in the Mediterranean Revival style so very popular in South Florida at the time. The Mediterranean Revival Style generally refers to a style derived from a combination of architectural elements borrowed from countries and cultures surrounding the Mediterranean Sea, particularly Spain and Italy. This practice became popular in the late 1910s as a part of the increased national interest in historical styles and architecture. Interest in such styles was especially fostered by the Panama-California Exposition in San Diego in 1915. The style, so suitable for Florida's Mediterranean-like

⁷ Fort Lauderdale city directories, 1926-1983; Rathbun interview; Gex Williams, Jr., Biographical outline in the files of the Fort Lauderdale Historical Society completed 1997.; and "Services Scheduled for E. Gex Williams," *Fort Lauderdale News*, August 19, 1974.

⁸ Clarence Jones, "Money Politics, a Time Honored Tradition," *Miami Herald*, December 19, 1969. and Mary C. Williams, "C. Dale, Attorney," *Sun Sentinel*, June 27, 1996.

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climate and Spanish history, became extremely popular in Florida and is closely associated with the Florida Land Boom of the 1920s.

General design characteristics include features taken from the Mission, Spanish Colonial Revival, and Italian Renaissance styles: Moorish columns; low-pitched, clay tile, gable and hip or flat parapet roofs; stucco exteriors with terra cotta decorative features with cartouches, tile, and terra cotta insets. Highly decorated door and window surrounds are common.

The Williams House is an outstanding and little-altered example of this architectural style. It is unusual in Fort Lauderdale in that it has a full basement, still intact and currently under restoration. Rumor suggests that the exterior doors, which face the river, once served as a convenient site for local bootleggers during the prohibition era—but this rumor cannot be verified.

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Hopkins Plat Map, Fort Lauderdale, 1953 compilation.

Sanborn Fire Insurance Map of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, 1928, (1937 update, 1956 update, 1967 update).

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Verbal Boundary Description

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Boundary Justification

The above boundaries encompass all of the resources historically associated with the Williams House.

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- 3. Susan Gillis
- 4. May 2004
- 5. Gilda's Club
- 6. Main facade, south elevation, facing northwest
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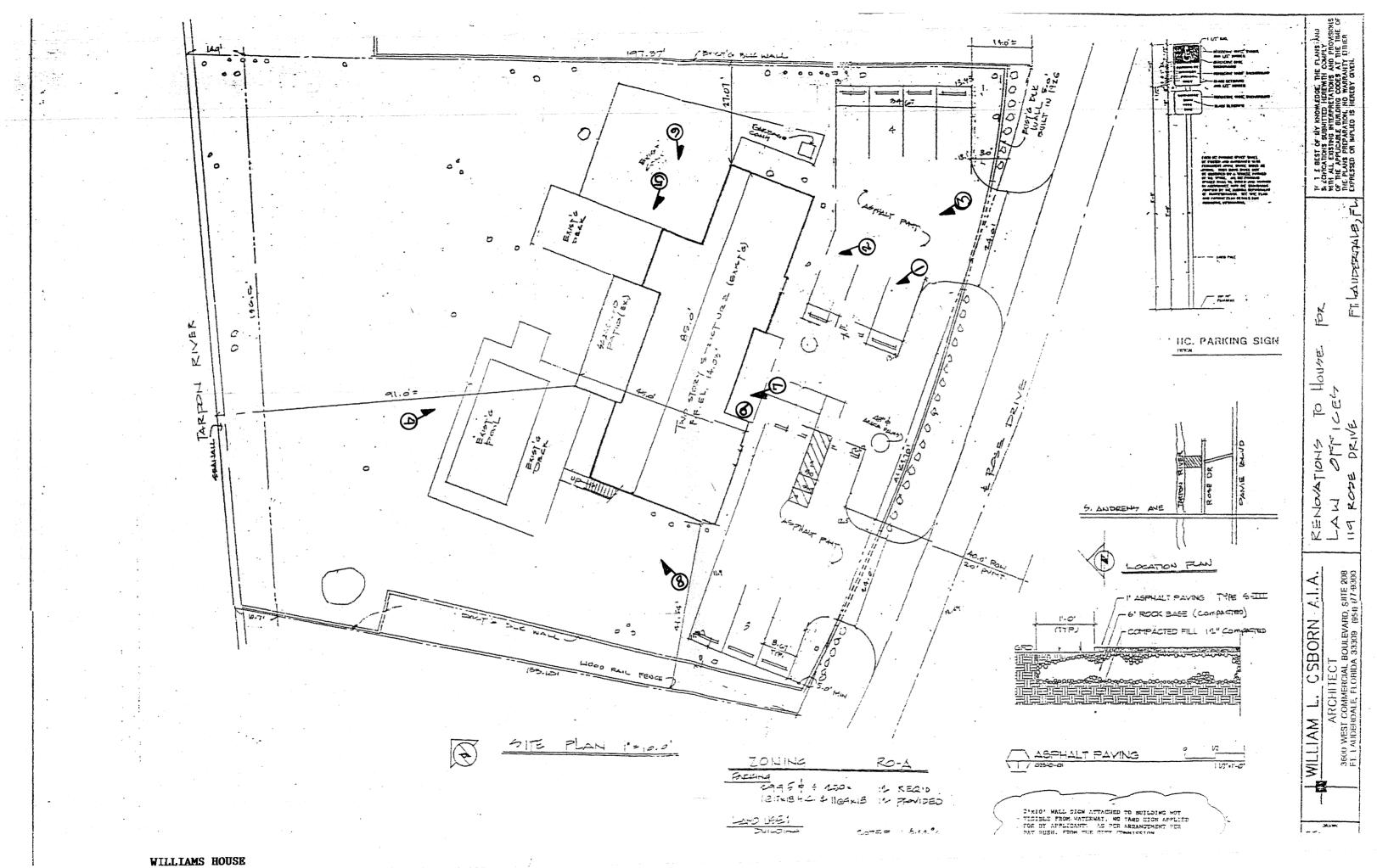
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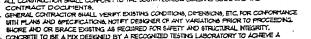


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- 2.) THE GENERAL CONTINUETOR STALL VISIT THE PROJECT LOCATION AND VERTEY ALL CONDITIONS OF THE WORK PRIOR TO SUDALITING A WRITTEN PROPOSAL.
- 3.) THE GEHERAL CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE ALL RENTRED INSUMANCE FOR PROTECTION ASAINST PUBLIC LIADILITY AND PHOPIRTY DAVAGE FOR THE DURATION OF THE WORK. PROOF OF HISTRANCE SHALL HE SHIFTILD TO THE ARCHITECT AND/OR OWNER PRIOR TO THE CONNENCENCINT OF THE HORK.
- 4.) THE GENERAL CONTINACION SHALL GUARANTIFE ALL ANLAS OF THE WORK UNDER THIS CONTRACT TO BE FREE OF DEFECTS IN MATERIALS AND DORRAMISHIP FOR A PENIOD OF 2 YEAR'S FROM THE DATE OF ACCEPTANCE OR CENTIFICATE OF DECUPARCY.
- 5.) THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR SHALL COORDINATE THE WORK OF ALL TRADES; ARCHITECTURAL, STRUCTURAL, LLICTRICAL, PLUMUTHS, AIR CONDITIONTHS, ETC., AT THE THEF THE HORK IS PERFORMED OF THIS STRUCTURE. BY ANALITOTAL PATHENTS SHALL BE MORE FOR THE CONTRACTOR'S AALUNE TO CONRECT COMPLETING FIELD COMPLETING AFER THE WORK HAS BEER COHPLETED.
- 6.) THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR SHALL VERTEY ALL DIMENSIONS ON THE JOB STIE. DISCREPANCIES AREA OF QUESTION. OF THE ARCHITECT PRICH TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE WORK IN THE AREA OF QUESTION.
- 7.) THE ARCHITECT AND/OR CHRITHLIR SHALL HOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR, HOR HAVE CONTROL OR CHARGE OF THE CONSTRUCTION HEARS, HEIROUS, SLQUENCES OR PROCCEDURES OR FOR THE SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AND PROGRAMS.
- .0.) HUMACT FEES, WATCH & SLULK CONDILCTION OR TAP FEES AND DEPOSITS FOR PERMANENT UTILITY SERVICES SHALL HE MAID BY THE OWNER. THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR SHALL HOFTFY THE AUCHTIECT AND/OR UNIT'S WHEN THESE FEES APPLY PRIOR TO THE START OF CONSTRUCTION ON THE PROJECT.
- 9.) ALL REQUIRED TESTS SHALL BE PERFINHED BY AN APPROVED TESTING LABORATORY AT THE CONTRACTOR'S EXPENSE. ILST RESULTS SHALL DE SUDHITTED TO THE ARCHITECT. ,
- 10.) THE GEHERAL CONTRACTOR STALL STARLET STAR DRAWINGS FOR ALL PRE-FAIRLEATED TTERS OF THE BORK INCLUMENT: THUSSES, ARE CONTRACTOR STARTERY, ETC. THE CONTRACTOR STALL OR TATH THE ARCHITECT'S THEFTER APPROVAL OF STOP DRAWINGS PRIOR TO THE FAURLEATION OR THEFTALLATION OF THESE TIENS. SAMPLES STALL BE SUMILITED TO THE ARCHITECT UPON REQUEST.
- 11.) THE CONTRACTOR SHALL CLEAN ALL AREAS OF THE WORK AFTER CONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETED. ALL TRASH AND DEDICTS SHALL BE REPOYED FROM THE JOU SITE AT THE CONTRACTOR'S CYPENSZ
- 12.) REQUESTS FOR PAYHEIIT SHALL HICLINE RELEASES OF LIEH FOR ALL HATERIAL SUPPLIERS AND SUB-CONTINATIONS WORK RELATING TO THE PAYMENT REQUEST.

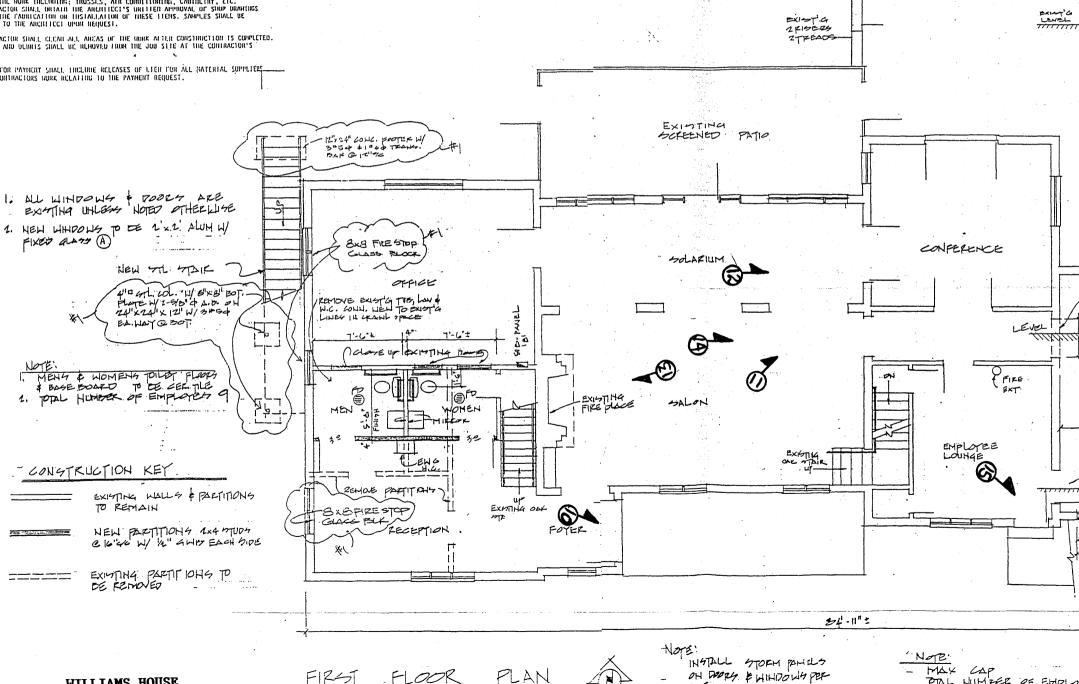
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