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FORM A - AREA SURVEY

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

Form numbers in this area	Area no.
	24-E

2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")  
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Photo number \_\_\_\_\_

1. Town Worcester

Name of area (if any) Indian Hill- North Village National Register District

3. General date or period ca. 1916-1918

4. Is area uniform (explain):  
in style? yes (astylistic cottages)

in condition? yes (good)

in type of ownership? yes (private)

in use? yes (residential)

5. Map. Use space below to draw a general map of the area involved. Indicate any historic properties for which individual reports are completed on Forms B thru F, using corresponding numbers. Show street names (including route numbers, if any) and indicate north. Indicate with an "x" existing houses not inventoried on Form B.

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE USGS Quadrant _____ MHC Photo no. _____
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6. Recorded by B. R. Pfeiffer

Organization Worc. Heritage Pres. Soc.

Date March 1978

UTM  
A 19|267980|4688250  
B 19|268420|4688320  
C 19|268380|4688100  
D 19|268060|4688000

(over)

7. Historical data. Explain the historical/architectural importance of this area.

30 { Indian Hill North Village is a planned community located on the north slope of Indian Hill. The area include in this nomination has been selected to include the entire village as it was planned during World War I. Boundaries are Ararat Street on the north, the rear lot lines of properties on the east side of Delaval Road (east), the rear lot lines of properties on the south side of Heroult Road (south), the rear lot lines of properties on the west side of Marconi Road (west) and Marconi Road, itself, between Watt Road and Ararat Street. Contained within the district are buildings of three different types:

Type #1 is a one and one-half storey cottage with a rectangular floor plan and steeply pitched, slate-covered roof. Cottages of this type have symmetrical, center entrance facades, the first storey of which is covered with clapboarding, while the second storey is shingled. Centered on the facades are one-bay entry porches, framed by lattice supports and gabled (or shed) roofs with exposed rafters. Windows consist of 6/6 sash (1st storey), 3/3 sash (beneath the eaves) and 6/6 sash (second storey of gable ends). Cottages of this type account for 89 buildings within the district. Although many have undergone minor alterations, (the enclosing of porches, etc.) the plan and scale of this type dominates the area. The following are Type I Cottages:

Ararat Street-- # 101, 109, 111, 113, 115, 117, 129, 131, 133, 135, 137, 139.

Delaval Road-- # 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 6, 8, 10, 14, 16, 18.

Heroult Road--# 5, 7, 9, 11, 23, 25, 29, 31, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 22, 24, 26, 30, 32.

Marconi Road-- # 1, 3, 5, 7, 13, 15, 23, 25, 27, 29, 12, 14, 16, 24, 26, 28, 30.

Watt Road--# 7, 9, 11, 15, 17, 21, 23, 25, 27, 31, 4, 6, 12, 22, 28, 30.

Westinghouse Road--# 1, 3, 5, 7, 13, 15, 2, 4, 6, 8, 14, 16. cont'd.

8. Bibliography and/or references such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.

May, Charles. "Indian Hill: An Industrial Village at Worcester, Mass." published in Architectural Record, Vol. 41, 1/17/1917/ pp. 21-35.

Tymeson, M. The Norton Story. Worcester: Norton Company, 1953, pp. 138-142, 148.

## INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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Type 2 consists of two buildings built on the north side of Watt Road, one east of, the other west of Westinghouse Road. Sited as mirror images to each other on the plan of North Village, #8-10 and #24-26 Watt Road are nearly identical structures. Each contains a one and one-half storey cottage (like other Type 1 cottages) with a long rear ell. The rear wing of #8-10 Watt Road originally contained a Community Store, while that of #24-26 Watt Road contained a Community Hall. Both wings are one-storey high with gabled end walls, groups of two and three windows with transoms and asymmetrically placed entries with hoods set on brackets.

Type 3 buildings are one-storey ranch houses built after 1960 and do not contribute to the Village's historical significance. Buildings of this type are located at # 13, 17, 19, & 21 Heroult Road.

Worcester's largest planned community of workers' housing, Indian Hill's North Village was built for the Norton Company (of Worcester) during World War I. The village is located on the north slope of Indian Hill, immediately south of Ararat Street, and has a nearly symmetrical, trapezoidally-shaped plan. A broad street with a tree-lined median (Westinghouse Parkway) forms the central axis of the plan. Crossing Westinghouse Parkway at right angles are Watt and Heroult Roads, while Marconi and Delaval Roads form the outer, angled sides of the plan. Cottages along Westinghouse Parkway are built at equal distances from the street, while those of other streets are irregularly staggered. Except for the Community Hall (24-26 Watt Road), the Community Store (8-10 Watt Road), and four modern houses (13-21 Heroult Road), all buildings in the district are simple cottages with steeply-pitched, slate-covered roofs; with few exceptions, most cottages remain substantially unaltered.

Plans for the North Village and for its buildings are likely to have been prepared for Grosvenor Atterbury of New York, who is known to have designed Indian Hill's South Village for the Norton Company in 1914 and also the home of Norton Company's president, Aldus Higgins, in 1921. The Norton Company, Worcester's largest employer in the early twentieth century, first became involved in workers' housing in 1914, when it established a subsidiary, the Indian Hill Company, to buy and develop land on Indian Hill, which borders the Norton Company's major plant at Greendale. With the goal of establishing an "industrial village," the Indian Hill Company began construction of the Indian Hill South Village (now severely altered by highway construction) during the summer of 1915, and, by 1916, had completed fifty-nine buildings, all of which were sold, at cost, to Norton Company employees. In a contemporary article describing the plan, one observer noted that the Norton Company sought to provide the benefits of home ownership to its employees and hoped "to make some contribution toward the solution

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of the wider problem of workingmen's houses in general and toward the suppression of that pest of Massachusetts--the wooden three-deckers." For reasons unknown, perhaps due to war-time shortages, the South Village was never developed to the full extent of its original plan.

Information regarding the construction of the North Village is scant, perhaps arising from the rapidity with which the village was built. According to a history of the Norton Company, "the acute housing problem" during World War I created such urgency for company housing that cellar holes were dynamited for speed and ninety-four houses were built in the North Village. During the war, the company apparently retained ownership of the houses, selling them to company employees in the early 1920s, when streets in this area are first listed in local directories. South and east of the North Village, newly planted woods were left undeveloped as a buffer between the North and South Villages, and to leave the hilltop open. Since completion of the North Village, the Norton Company has continued to be involved in housing its workers, although more through the sale of houselots on Indian Hill than by the construction of separate villages. Historically, the Norton Company's efforts are unique in Worcester, as company-owned workers' housing has been virtually non-existent throughout the city's development. The goals set out by the Norton Company of providing employees with the opportunity to own property and of providing a healthful environment mark the Indian Hill development as an important local effort in community planning.

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Property Address	Assessor's Data	Present Owner
<u>Ararat Street</u>		
109	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 13--5,997 sq. ft.	Patricia Locke
111	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 14--5,500 sq. ft.	Florence & Sherman Clark
113	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 15--5,480 sq. ft.	Ruth & Edward Sonta
115	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 16--5,390 sq. ft.	Francis & Ildi Kovago
117	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 17--5,500 sq. ft.	Robert & Rosemarie Canty
129	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 43--5,000 sq. ft.	David & Ruth Larson
131	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 44--5,000 sq. ft.	Bruce & Mary Jarvis
133	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 45--5,000 sq. ft.	Bertil & Helen Lindblad
135	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 46--5,000 sq. ft.	Steven & Christine Larson
137	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 47--5,000 sq. ft.	Donald & Ingrid Pearson
139	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 48--5,000 sq. ft.	Joseph & Louise McDonald

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Heroult Road

8	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 40--5,462 sq. ft.	Axel Anderson
10	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 39--5,695 sq. ft.	Bessie Langille
12	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 38--5,750 sq. ft.	Douglas & Alfred Daniels
16	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 37--5,000 sq. ft.	Percy & Margaret Severance
18	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 74--5,000 sq. ft.	Edward & Claudette Morley
22	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 72--5,000 sq. ft.	Geroge & Judith Paulin
24	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 71--5,000 sq. ft.	Peter & Margaret Rice
26	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 70--7,112 sq. ft.	Margaret Oickle
30	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 69--5,046 sq. ft.	David & Karen Short
32	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 95--5,035 sq. ft.	Charles & Ruth Kinney
5	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 85--5,000 sq. ft.	Algot Sandine, Jr.
7	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 86--5,000 sq. ft.	Harold & Mabel Wilson
9	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 87--5,000 sq. ft.	Roger & Elizabeth Davis
11	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 88--5,000 sq. ft.	John & Pamela O'Bryant
23	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 81--5,000 sq. ft.	Svea Dyberg
25	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 80--5,150 sq. ft.	Austin & Ruth Paull

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7. Heroult Road

29	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 75--5,785 sq. ft.	Peter & Margaret Kittredge
31	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 97--5,950 sq. ft.	Thomas & Margaret Vaughan

Marconi Road

1	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 49--6,250 sq. ft.	Leon & Cecile Laprade
3	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 50--4,537 sq. ft.	Mario & Rose Pucci
5	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 51--6,585 sq. ft.	Dagmar Carlsson
7	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 52--5,800 sq. ft.	Paul & Charlene Morgan
13	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 67--4,980 sq. ft.	Earl & Aurore Avery
15	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 68--5,000 sq. ft.	Amos & Doris Theriault
23	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 76--5,288 sq. ft.	Elsa Strom
25	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 77--7,375 sq. ft.	Ralph & Anna Allison
27	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 78--7,110 sq. ft.	Irene Lounsbury
29	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 79--6,439 sq. ft.	John & Mae Landers & Tekla Ekeroth
12	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 92--4,800 sq. ft.	Robert & Deborah Ricker
14	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 93--4,800 sq. ft.	John & Christine Gordon

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Marconi Road, cont'd.

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| 16 | Book 37, p. 17<br>Lot 94--4,800 sq. ft.  | George & Laura Sheeran      |
| 24 | Book 37, p. 17<br>Lot 98--4,800 sq. ft.  | Nicholas & Kathleen Renzoni |
| 26 | Book 37, p. 17<br>Lot 99--4,800 sq. ft.  | Isdory & June Carrin        |
| 28 | Book 37, p. 17<br>Lot 100--4,800 sq. ft. | Paul & Rosemary Horan       |
| 30 | Book 37, p. 17<br>Lot 101--4,800 sq. ft. | Roy & Edith Carlson         |

Watt Road

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|---------|---|----------------------------|
| 4       | Book 37, p. 8<br>Lot 26--5,027 sq. ft.                | Helen Goodness             |
| 6       | Book 37, p. 8<br>Lot 25--5,000 sq. ft.                | Knut & Gladys Roth         |
| 8 & 10  | Book 37, p. 8<br>Lots 23 & 24--<br>10,190 sq. ft.     | Wilfred & Edna Sawyer      |
| 12      | Book 37, p. 8<br>Lot 22--5,000 sq. ft.                | Myles & Rita Hayes         |
| 22      | Book 37, p. 17<br>Lot 57A--2,500 sq. ft.              | Paul & Leona Lonergan      |
| 24 & 26 | Book 37, p. 17<br>Lots 55, 56, 57--<br>12,500 sq. ft. | Greta Lindell              |
| 28      | Book 37, p. 17<br>Lot 54--5,000 sq. ft.               | Richard & Edith Nourse     |
| 30      | Book 37, p. 17<br>Lot 53--6,300 sq. ft.               | Ronald & Josephine Bonneau |
| 7       | Book 37, p. 8<br>Lot 31--5,736 sq. ft.                | Adella Anderson            |

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Maroni Road, cont'd.

George & Laura Sheeran	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 92-4,800 ad. ft.	26
Nicholas & Kathleen Ranzoni	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 98-4,800 ad. ft.	27
Isobry & Jane Garlin	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 99-4,800 ad. ft.	28
Paul & Rosemary Moran	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 100-4,800 ad. ft.	29
Ray & Edith Carlson	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 101-4,800 ad. ft.	30

Watt Road

Helene Goodness	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 50-2,051 ad. ft.	4
Kurt & Gladys Kohn	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 52-2,000 ad. ft.	6
Wilfred & Edna Sawyer	Book 37, p. 8 Lots 53 & 54- 10,190 ad. ft.	8 & 10
Myles & Rita Hayes	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 55-2,000 ad. ft.	12
Paul & Leone Loberger	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 57-2,500 ad. ft.	22
Greta Lindell	Book 37, p. 17 Lots 58, 59, 57- 15,200 ad. ft.	24 & 26
Richard & Edith Kouras	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 54-2,000 ad. ft.	28
Renald & Josephine Bonnan	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 53-6,300 ad. ft.	30

Adelle Anderson

Book 37, p. 8  
Lot 51-2,136 ad. ft.

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Watt Road

9	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 32--5,000 sq. ft.	Edith Hirtle
11	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 33-5,000 sq. ft.	James Frederickson & Marylee Montecalvo
15	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 34--5,000 sq. ft.	Andre & Ann Marie Lapointe
17	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 60--5,000 sq. ft.	Albert & Hilda Anderson
21	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 62--5,000 sq. ft.	George & Anne Johnson
23	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 63--5,000 sq. ft.	Russell & Mary Coe
25	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 64--5,000 sq. ft.	Nils & Lilly Ronnquist
27	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 65--5,763 sq. ft.	Joan & Susan Blank
31	Book 37, p. 17 Lot 66--5,340 sq. ft.	James & Marian Chenard

Westinghouse Parkway

1	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 18--5,000 sq. ft.	Winidred Morong
3	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 19--5,000 sq. ft.	Robert & Ann Lavigne
5	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 20--5,000 sq. ft.	Rocky & Dianna LaComfora
7	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 21--5,000 sq. ft.	James & Joan Greece
13	Book 37, p. 8 Lot 35--5,000 sq. ft.	Mark Murray & Diane Berggren

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Westinghouse Parkway

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|----|---|--------------------------|
| 15 | Book 37, p. 8<br>Lot 36--5,000 sq. ft.  | Conrad & Aileen Edman    |
| 2  | Book 37, p. 17<br>Lot 41--5,000 sq. ft. | Thomas & Deborah Boylan  |
| 4  | Book 37, p. 17<br>Lot 42--5,000 sq. ft. | Matthew & Doris Guminski |
| 6  | Book 37, p. 17<br>Lot 58--5,000 sq. ft. | Karl & Bertha Lundstrom  |
| 8  | Book 37, p. 17<br>Lot 59--5,000 sq. ft. | Emile & Lorna Belair     |
| 14 | Book 37, p. 17<br>Lot 61--5,000 sq. ft. | Gustav & Birgit Landgren |
| 16 | Book 37, p. 17<br>Lot 73--5,000 sq. ft. | Dennis & Gail Westerland |

Delaval Road

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|----|--|--------------------------|
| 2  | none                                   |                          |
| 6  | Book 37, p. 8<br>Lot 11--5,000 sq. ft. | James & Mary Richardson  |
| 8  | Book 37, p. 8<br>Lot 12--4,974 sq. ft. | Richard & Viola Carlson  |
| 10 | Book 37, p. 8<br>Lot 27--5,065 sq. ft. | Leon & Eileen Davis      |
| 14 | Book 37, p. 8<br>Lot 28--5,704 sq. ft. | Charles & Shirley Tucker |
| 16 | Book 37, p. 8<br>Lot 29--5,000 sq. ft. | Olive Foster             |
| 18 | Book 37, p. 8<br>Lot 30--5,000 sq. ft. | Peter & Mabel Zinkevich  |

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Delaval Road

3	Book 37, p. 7 Lot 2--5,000 sq. ft.	Olaf & Karin Peterson
5	Book 37, p. 7 Lot 3--5,000 sq. ft.	Lawrence & Joyce Newell
7	Book 37, p. 7 Lot 4--5,000 sq. ft.	Yngol & Olga Bjurnlund
9	Book 37, p. 7 Lot 5--5,000 sq. ft.	Ivor & Agnes A. Jacobson
11	Book 37, p. 7 Lot 6--5,000 sq. ft.	Raymon & Christine Kudron
13	Book 37, p. 7 Lot 7--5,000 sq. ft.	Peter & Elizabeth Bria
15	Book 37, p. 7 Lot 8--5,000 sq. ft.	Philip & Rosalie Thomas
17	Book 37, p. 7 Lot 9--6,074 sq. ft.	Patrick & Ann O'Connor

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Property Worcester Multiple Resource Area (Partial Inventory)

State MA (Worcester) Working Number 8.30.79.2060

**TECHNICAL**

**CONTROL**

Photos 383 + 13  
Maps 2, 63

Excellent multiple resource nomination for the entire city of Worcester. Both the general description & statement of significance & the individual inventory sheets are well done. Each type of property included is well justified & reasons are listed for not including others at this time (e.g. 3-deckers). Opposition is high. Minor problems with some properties are listed on attached sheets.

**HISTORIAN**  
Call/Accept  
Lightner  
10-30-79

Concur with Bruce's comments re 102-L-3, 116-CBD-11, 117-E, and 130-CBD-50 and 44. Integrity and/or boundaries need to be addressed specifically on individual forms.

**ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN**

116-CBD-11 - Destroyed, cannot be listed.  
130-CBD-44 - I am not convinced this has lost integrity. See attached.  
102-L-3 - Period of significance and categorization of bldgs need to be discussed with State.

**ARCHEOLOGIST**

With 3 exceptions all properties appear to me to meet the criteria and the forms are adequate. BOTH TECHNICALLY AND TO DETERMINE SIGNIFICANCE. ALTHOUGH SOME OF THE FORMS DID NOT CONTAIN STRONG STATEMENTS OF SIGNIFICANCE THE RESOURCE CATEGORIES WERE THOROUGHLY DISCUSSED IN THE BODY OF THE NOMINATION; THEREFORE SIGNIFICANCE WAS ESTABLISHED. VBD'S WERE NOT NECESSARY BECAUSE OF THE SCALE MAPS AND CLEARLY DELINEATED BOUNDARIES. RECORDS WERE MISSING ON SOME PROPERTIES BUT IS NOW INCLUDED AFTER THE 2/11/CORRECTIONS. THE ONLY PROPERTIES THAT I DO NOT RECOMMEND LISTING ARE

**OTHER**  
ACCEPT  
MCCOY  
2/28/80

✓ 116-CBD-13 - DESTROYED BY FIRE MD - 116-CBD-11  
130-CBD-44 - DOES NOT RETAIN INTEGRITY FOR INDIVIDUAL ELIGIBILITY

**HAER**

✓ 102-L-3 I ~~REJECT~~ <sup>now</sup> NOT CONVINCED ABOUT BOUNDARIES BUT BELIEVE THEY COULD BE OK. BASED ON ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED - I DEFER JUDGEMENT.

Inventory \_\_\_\_\_  
Review \_\_\_\_\_

Recommend Listing all properties <sup>now</sup> except these 3. Return 116-CBD-11 to State (not eligible); ~~to discuss further~~ w/NR staff + State. DUBIE  
Return 102-L-3 to state for correction;  
HOLD 130-CBD-44 for info from state

**REVIEW UNIT CHIEF**

Staff conference 3/5/80 - agreed to action as noted below:  
Accept with exception of 116-CBD-11 (official notification of fire & clean from State), 102-L-3 (returning to state for revision - also returning 116-CBD-11) and 130-CBD-44 (eligibility from state)

**BRANCH CHIEF**

**KEEPER**

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3/5/80

National Register Write-up \_\_\_\_\_ Send-back \_\_\_\_\_ Entered MAR 5 1980  
Federal Register Entry 2.3.81 Re-submit \_\_\_\_\_



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24-E <sup>Worcester MA</sup>  
<sub>MA</sub>  
Westinghouse Pkwy  
West side of street  
East + north elevation

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Green Hill - St. Village



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24-E  
Worcester, MA, Ma  
113-115-117  
Ararat St.  
East & North  
elevations

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Indian Hill - N. Villan



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24-E <sup>Worcester</sup>  
MRA/Ma

10-8 Watt Rd

South-east  
elevations

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Ludwin Hill-n-Village



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Indian Hill - N. Village

24-E  
Worcester MRA, MA  
6, 4 + 2 Westing-  
house Plug  
East: north elev



24-E  
3-5-7 <sup>Worcester</sup> MA MA MA  
Westinghouse Pkw.  
West & South  
elevations

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Indian Hill n Village



24E  
1 & 3 Mercone Rd  
West + South  
Worcester MRA/MA  
Elevations

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Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000304

*Worcester Multiple Resource Area  
Reserve Area  
(Jordan Hill Rd)  
read cc of  
that part of  
monographs  
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*Worcester Multiple Resource Area  
(Part. inv.)*

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JORDAN LEVY  
COUNCILLOR

CITY OF



**Worcester**  
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Telephone: 852-4024

**NP**

December 17, 1979

Mr. Charles A. Herrington  
Keeper of the National Register  
Heritage Conservation Service  
Dept. of the Interior - Pension Bldg.  
440 G Street N.W.  
Washington, D. C. 20243

Dear Mr. Herrington:

I am sure you have received a number of requests from the residents of the Indian Hill section of Worcester, regarding placing of some homes, and not others, on the National Register.

I have been trying to obtain more information on this and I have not been successful in doing so. The listings of homes seems not to make much sense, seeing that some homes are twenty years old, or less, and others are eliminated, that are seventy years old or older.

I would appreciate your contacting my office so that I may get clarification of the intent of your department.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

*Jordan Levy*  
Jordan Levy  
City Councillor

JL/mp

cc: John Monfredo  
90 Indian Hill Road  
  
Thomas J. Boylan  
2 Westinghouse Pkwy.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
OFFICE OF HISTORIC PLACES  
DEC 20 1979

24-E 617-852-2606

2 Westinghouse Parkway  
Worcester, MA. 01606

Charles A. Herrington  
Acting Keeper of the National Register

October 17, 1979

Dear Mr. Herrington,

I am writing regarding letter 663, which concerns the "Worcester Multiple Resource Area" and a listing in the National Register. I would like to receive more information and answers to some of the more obvious questions.

To be specific:

There seems to be no local involvement in this nomination. Could I find out who or what organization nominated our district?

What would be the boundaries of this district?

Why have some people received your literature and their neighbors heard nothing?

These are just a few of the questions I have. I would need at least these very basic answers before I could comment on whether our area should be listed.

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Thomas J. Boylan



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Westinghouse Factory  
Worcester, MA. 01001

Charles A. Harrington  
Acting Keeper of the National Register

October 17, 1979

Dear Mr. Harrington,

I am writing regarding letter 655, which concerns the "Worcester Multiple Resource Area" and a listing in the National Register. I would like to receive more information and answers to some of the more obvious questions.

To be specific:

There seems to be no local involvement in this nomination. Could I find out who or what organization nominated our district? What would be the boundaries of this district? Why have some people received your literature and their neighbors heard nothing? These are just a few of the questions I have. I would need at least these very basic answers before I could comment on whether our area should be listed.

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# Indian Hill Association

90 Indian Hill Road  
Worcester, MA 01606  
October 22, 1979

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Mr. Charles A. Herrington  
Acting Keeper of the National Register  
United States Department of the Interior  
Heritage Conservation & Recreation Service  
Washington, D. C. 20240

RE: WORCESTER MULTIPLE RESOURCE AREA - #663

Dear Mr. Herrington:

The Indian Hill Association of Worcester, Massachusetts, a chartered neighborhood Association with some 300 members, is interested in obtaining information about the U. S. Department of the Interior, Communication #663, sent out on September 27, 1979, to several families in this Association.

On behalf of many of the people in the area that you have designated as having been "nominated for listing in the National Register of Historic Places," the Indian Hill Association would like to ask some pertinent questions for which, in your kindness, we would like to receive answers.

1. What specifically is your definition of a MULTIPLE RESOURCE AREA? And, what is the link between a MULTIPLE RESOURCE AREA and Historical preservation?
2. Who determined, at both Local and Federal levels, that this area would possibly meet the requirements of a MULTIPLE RESOURCE AREA?
3. We understand that the area you are considering is a "part" of the original Norton Village. While many of the original homes still populate the area under consideration, there are several homes of very recent construction interspersed on these same streets. Why would newer homes be included in this listing program of the National Register of Historic Places? We are curious as to the criteria for listing new homes with no particular historic value.
4. It has been brought to our attention that not all of the occupants of the oldest homes have received your communication....while several persons in newer homes have. This seems strange and incongruous to us. Is there any reason for not including all the older homes in your communication?

Mr. Charles A. Herrington

United States Department of the Interior  
October 22, 1979

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5. The Indian Hill Association is aware that persons living in homes at the lower end of Indian Hill Road, the area first developed as an industrial village by the Norton Company of Worcester, Massachusetts, have not received any such notification that their homes might be included in this listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Yet, it is the lower Indian Hill area that was selected by former President Theodore Roosevelt as the model industrial village that he would visit and plant a small pin oak tree, some 60 years ago. The pin oak still stands in a small park....with an historical marker. Would not this area be worthy of inclusion as part of a whole project, if historic preservation is the aim of the Heritage Conservation & Recreation Service?

6. There appears to be no local unit or contact person to whom homeowners receiving your communication can turn for answers of questions that naturally arise with the receipt of your letter.....with one-month response time. Could you please give us (the Indian Hill Association) or individual persons to whom you have already written some idea of a local contact? In this way, persons with questions could easily call or personally visit anyone in a position to answer questions or share concerns.

Your response to this letter will be shared with the membership of the Indian Hill Association at its next meeting.... and also with anyone wishing the valuable information that we sincerely hope will be forthcoming from you.

Thank you for your kindness.

Sincerely yours,

*John F. Monfredo*

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Co-Chairman  
Indian Hill Association

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