

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Mutter Gottes Historic District, Boundary Change

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Roughly bounded by Madison Ave., 4th,  
Harvey and Johnson Sts.  
Multiple (see continuation sheet)

CITY, TOWN

Covington

VICINITY OF

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6

STATE

Kentucky

CODE

021

COUNTY

Kenton

CODE

117**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT  
☐ BUILDING(S)  
☐ STRUCTURE  
☐ SITE  
☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC  
☐ PRIVATE  
☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS  
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED  
☐ UNOCCUPIED  
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS  
**ACCESSIBLE**  
☐ YES: RESTRICTED  
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED  
☐ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM  
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK  
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS  
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC  
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION  
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Multiple (see continuation sheet)

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STATE

VICINITY OF

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

## CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT

☐ DETERIORATED

☐ GOOD

☐ RUINS

☐ FAIR

☐ UNEXPOSED

## CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED

☐ ALTERED

## CHECK ONE

☐ ORIGINAL SITE

☐ MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

See Continuation Sheet

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

## PERIOD

## AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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List of Owners:

202-08 Athey

Jim Parrott  
515A Kent-o-Boo Drive  
Florence, Kentucky 41042

210 Athey

Theresa Young  
19 W. Sixth Street  
Covington, Kentucky 41011

211-13 Athey

Sam Burns  
231 W. Robbins  
Covington, Kentucky 41011

215-17 Athey

Montgomery Area Renovation Corp.  
215-17 Athey  
Covington, Kentucky 41011

218 Athey

Mrs. Lucille P. Muse  
218 Athey  
Covington, Kentucky 41011

222-24 Athey

Ralph and Villa Tankersley  
84 Linet Place  
Highland Heights, Kentucky 41076

226-28 Athey

Montgomery Area Renovation Corp.  
226-28 Athey  
Covington, Kentucky 41011

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DESCRIPTION

The Athey Street addition to the Mutter Gottes Historic District, located in downtown Covington, Kentucky, abuts the rear property lines of the structures on the south side of the 200 block of Sixth Street. Athey is a short, brick-paved street running east to west between Russell and the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad line with access to Craig Street at the western end of the block.

Like those structures within the original Mutter Gottes district boundaries, the seven buildings on Athey are mid-to late-nineteenth century residences that housed the German immigrant population who settled this neighborhood and much of Covington in the latter half of the 1800s (see photo 1). Characteristic of the modest, middle-class domestic architecture of the neighborhood is the two-story brick duplex on the south side of Athey which displays plain stone lintels and a bracketed cornice (see photo 2). A similar structure is situated at the northwest end of the street. East of this are two one-story frame dwellings (see photo 3). On the northwest corner of Athey and Russell is a two-story brick structure displaying paired and triple windows, stone lintels, and a bracketed cornice (see photo 4).

The boundaries are being altered to incorporate these buildings which both historically and architecturally contribute to the overall fabric of the neighborhood. With the exception of a parking lot on the southwest corner of Athey and Russell Streets and a lot on the north side of Athey, there are no intrusions.

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SIGNIFICANCE

The boundaries of the Mutter Gottes Historic District are being amended to include the seven buildings on Athey Street, a one block street just south of Sixth Street in downtown Covington. Immediately south of Athey, the character of the neighborhood abruptly shifts to reflect the commercial nature of the buildings on Pike Street, an extension of the Madison Street commercial corridor to the east. Thus, this cluster of houses forms a buffer on the extreme southern edge of the residential neighborhood which centers around the Mother of God Church.

The residences on Athey reflect the same stylistic development and features as those within the present district boundaries, resembling the mid-to late-nineteenth century brick and frame structures on Craig and Kentucky streets as well as some of the brick buildings just to the north on Sixth Street.

Residents view Athey as a viable segment of the Mutter Gottes neighborhood. This is evidenced by the work of a local corporation which has purchased and is in the process of renovating some of the buildings on Athey. It is this same community spirit, reflected throughout the Mutter Gottes Historic District, that has brought about the revitalization of the entire neighborhood.

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Acreage of Nominated Property: Approximately 1 1/2 acres

Quadrangle Name: Covington Quadrangle Kentucky-Ohio

Quadrangle Scale: 1:24,000

UTM References: Change: E. 16/715090/4328760  
F. 16/715000/4328740

Boundary Change shown in red; original UTM References E & F  
have been shifted south to encompass boundary change. Other  
reference points remain as in original form.

Verbal Boundary Description: Following the Mutter Gottes Historic District  
Boundaries to the intersection of the rear property line of West Sixth &  
Russell Streets, thence south along the west side of Russell to the rear  
property line of Athey Street, west along said line to the east side of  
the C. & O. Railroad property line, northwest along said line to the south side  
of Athey, north across Athey to the east side of Craig, proceeding north until  
rejoining the original boundary.

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Montgomery, west to the east property line of 120 W. Sixth Street, south to West Sixth Street, west along the north side of West Sixth Street to the northwest corner of Sixth and Russell, south along the west side of Russell, west along rear property line of West Sixth Street to Craig, north on Craig to Sixth Street, west along Sixth to Johnson, north on Johnson to the rear property line of the gas station at Fifth and Johnson, east along said line to Craig, north along west side of Craig to West Fifth, west along the north side of West Fifth to the corner of Fifth and Johnson, north along east side of Johnson to West Fourth Street, east along south side of West Fourth to Russell Street, south along west side of Russell, east along the rear property lines of the 100 block of West Fifth, returning to the point of origin.

UTM REFERENCES

I/16/714880/4329100

J/16/715010/4329100

K/16/715030/4329040

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Mutter Gottes Historic District, Addendum

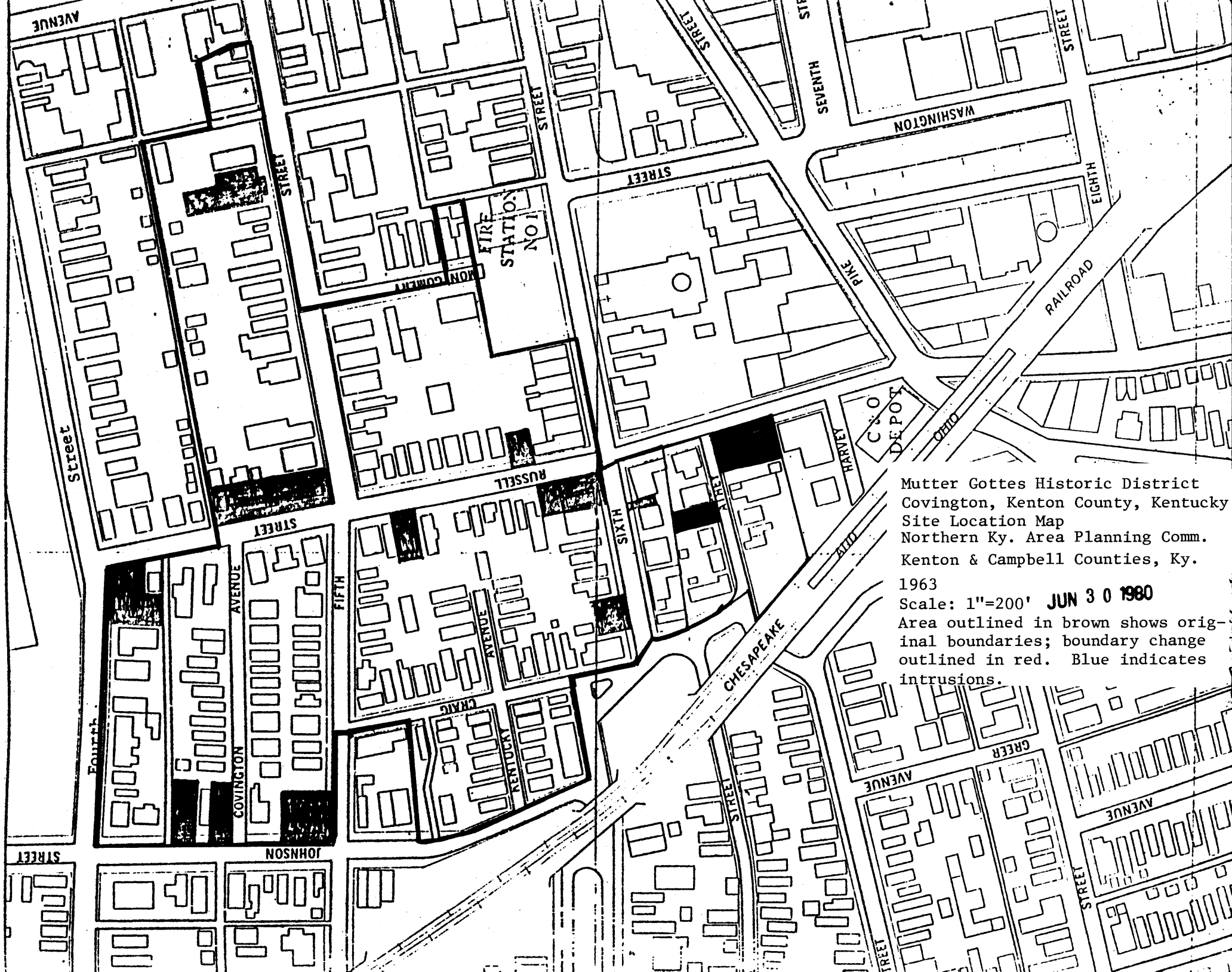
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Beginning at the northeast corner of First Christian Church <sup>property</sup> ~~building~~, south to West Fifth Street, west along the north side of West Fifth to Montgomery, south along the west side of Montgomery to a point opposite the north <sup>property</sup> line of 520-524 Montgomery, east crossing Montgomery and following said north property line, south along the rear of said property, west following the south line of the same property and continuing to the east property line of 120 West Sixth Street, south along the east property line of said property to the north side of West Sixth, west along the north side of West Sixth to the northwest corner of Sixth and Russell, south along the west side of Russell, west along rear property line of West Sixth to Craig, north along the east side <sup>east and</sup> ~~north and west~~ of Craig to Sixth Street, <sup>north and</sup> west along the <sup>property line</sup> ~~north side~~ of Sixth to Johnson, north along the east side of Johnson to the rear property line of the gas station at Fifth and Johnson, east along said line to Craig, north along east side of Craig to West Fifth Street, west along the north side of West Fifth to the corner of Fifth and Johnson, north along east side of Johnson to West Fourth Street, east along south side of West Fourth to Russell Street, south along west side of Russell to the point opposite the alley at the rear of the properties along the 100 block of West Fifth, east along the rear line of said properties to the alley west of the Christian Church, south along the west side of said alley to the point opposite the north <sup>property line</sup> ~~foundation~~ of the Christian Church, east along the ~~building foundation~~ <sup>property</sup> line to the point of origin.

1013 - changes made per telephone conversation with Charlotte Schuecker 5/28/80 -- K'O'Connell



Mutter Gottes Historic District  
Covington, Kenton County, Kentucky  
Site Location Map  
Northern Ky. Area Planning Comm.  
Kenton & Campbell Counties, Ky.

1963

Scale: 1"=200' JUN 30 1980

Area outlined in brown shows original boundaries; boundary change outlined in red. Blue indicates intrusions.