

State of California - The Resources Agency  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
**PRIMARY RECORD**

Primary #  
HRI #  
Trinomial  
NRHP Status Code

Other Listings  
Review Code

Reviewer

Date

Page 1 of 4 \*Resource Name or # (Assigned by recorder): Whaley House & Poultry Farm

P1. Other identifier: None

\*P2. Location: ☐ Not for Publication ☒ Unrestricted

\*a. County Santa Cruz County

and (P2b and P2c or P2d. Attach a location map as necessary.)

\*b. USGS 7.5' Quad Santa Cruz Date Revised 1994 T .11 S. ; R .2 W. ; Mount Diablo B.M.

c. Address: 226 Marnell Ave. City Santa Cruz Zip 95062

d. UTM:(give more than one for large and/or linear resources) Zone 10S ; 588854 mE/ 4093551 mN

e. Other Locational Data: (e.g., parcel #, directions to resource, elevation, etc., as appropriate)

east side of Marnell Avenue between Parnell Street & Melrose Avenue. APN# 009-351-20

\*P3a. Description: (Describe resource and its major elements, include design, material, condition, alterations, size, setting, and boundaries)

This one-and-one-half-story Craftsman style house has a steeply pitched roof with exposed rafter tails that flare at the eaves and above the side entry porch. At the front of the house are three permanent window awnings, also curving and with exposed rafter tails. The porch has typically Craftsman-style tapered wood posts and heavy beams. However, the bell-cast rooflines and curving shingled wall awnings of this house have Shingle style roots that have been integrated into a unique Craftsman design. Shingle style houses were products of the earlier Victorian era.

A large related but remodeled (or new) ancillary structure is located at the rear of the unusually large property for the neighborhood. The garage within this structure appears to be accessed off a small alley at the rear. Other small ancillary building(s) also exist on the site.

\*P3b. Resource Attributes: (List attributes and codes) HP2. Single family property

\*P4. Resources Present: ☒ Building ☐ Structure ☐ Object ☐ Site ☐ District ☐ Element of District ☐ Other (Isolates, etc.)



P5b. Description of Photo:  
(View, date, accession #)  
View facing east, 2009.

\*P6. Date Constructed/Age and Source:

☒ Historic ☐ Prehistoric ☐ Both

1920, city directories, 89 years old.

\*P7. Owner and Address:

\*P8. Recorded By: (Name, affiliation, and address)

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\*P9. Date Recorded: 5/6/09

\*P10. Survey Type: (Describe)

Intensive

\*P11. Report Citation: (Cite survey report and other sources, or enter "none".)

Santa Cruz Historic Building Survey - Vol. III, Department of Planning and Community Development, City of Santa Cruz, 2012.

\*Attachments:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> None                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuation Sheet                     | <input type="checkbox"/> District Record        | <input type="checkbox"/> Rock Art Record   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (List): |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Location Map | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building, Structure, and Object Record | <input type="checkbox"/> Linear Feature Record  | <input type="checkbox"/> Artifact Record   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sketch Map              | <input type="checkbox"/> Archaeological Record                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Milling Station Record | <input type="checkbox"/> Photograph Record |  |

DPR 523A (1/95)

\* Required Information

**BUILDING, STRUCTURE, AND OBJECT RECORD**

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\*NRHP/CRHR Status Code 5S3

Resource Name (Assigned by recorder) Whaley House &amp; Poultry Farm

B1. Historic Name: Whaley House

B2. Common Name: 226 Marnell Ave.

B3. Original Use: Single family residential

B4. Present Use: Single family residential

\*B5. Architectural Style: Craftsman with Shingle style influences

\*B6. Construction History: (Construction date, alterations, and date of alterations)

Constructed in 1920.

\*B7. Moved? ☒ No ☐ Yes ☐ Unknown Date: n/a

Original Location: n/a

## \*B8. Related Features:

Rear ancillary buildings added sometime in the mid-twentieth century. Remodel of exterior and interior in 1980s(SC BP#03-0168, SC BP# 4903). New garage added in 1994 (SC BP # 94-1316)

B9a. Architect: Unknown

b. Builder: Unknown

\*B10. Significance: Theme Architecture

Area: Branciforte

Period of Significance: 1920

Property Type: Residential

Applicable Criteria: None

(Discuss importance in terms of historical or architectural context as defined by theme, period and geographic scope. Also address integrity.)

The house located at 226 Marnell Ave. was built in 1920 on Lot 6 and part of Lot 7 of the Mesa Pacheco Subdivision, first recorded in 1911. The residence was initially built and occupied by Samuel Whaley. After construction, Whaley operated a small poultry farming on the property, which featured a large chicken coop located at the rear of the parcel. By the 1930s, the house was owned by Walter and Mabel Shirley. The Shirleys did not reside in the property however, and instead it was initially utilized as a rental. By the 1940s however, Mabel Shirley is listed as living at the residence. She worked as an office secretary at C. W. Taylor, a chiropractor. Taylor apparently was also a tenant of Shirley, as he also lived at 226 Marnell Ave. Following World War II, C. W. Taylor acquired the property. By the 1980s, the residence was owned by Darrell Jellison who completed an extensive exterior and interior remodel on the residence. In 1994, owners Susan and Mark Prather added a new garage to the residence, at the rear of the property in the location of the earlier chicken coops.

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B11. Additional Resource Attributes: (list attributes and codes) None

## \*B12. References:

City of Santa Cruz building permits.  
City of Santa Cruz Standard Map, 1929.  
King and Taylor. Map of the City of Santa Cruz. 1910.  
Lehmann, Susan. Historic Context Statement for City of Santa Cruz. 2000.  
Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, 1928 -1950.  
Polk. R. L., Santa Cruz City Directory. 1919-1989.  
U.S. Federal Census, 1930.

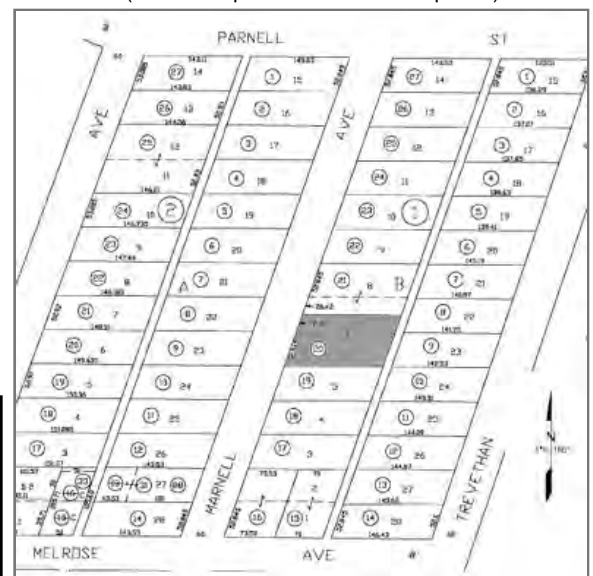
B13. Remarks: None

\*B14. Evaluator: Leslie Dill

\*Date of Evaluation: May 6, 2009

(This space reserved for official comments.)

(Sketch Map with north arrow required.)

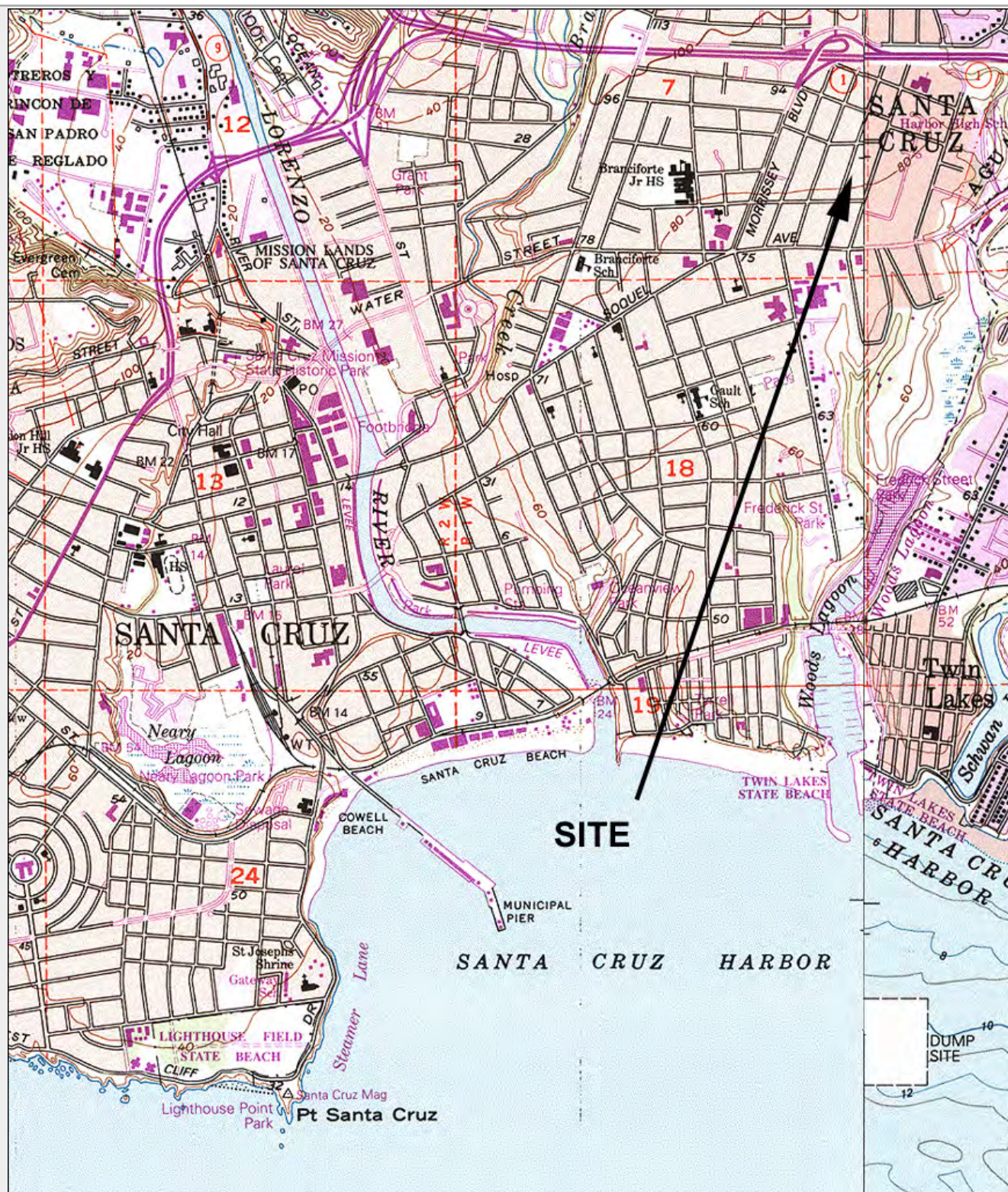


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**LOCATION MAP**

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\* Map Name: Santa Cruz, Calif. \* Scale: n.t.s. \* Date of Map: 1954 (revised 1994)



TN\* / MN  
14 1/2°

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**CONTINUATION SHEET**

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\* Recorded By F. Maggi/L. Dill/J. Kusz \* Date 5/6/2009 ☒ Continuation ☐ Update

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**SIGNIFICANCE**

The property was not found eligible for the California Register of Historical Resources. The building is not individually significant to the development of the Eastside neighborhoods, and thus would not appear to be eligible under Criterion (1). The early person associated with the building was Samuel Whaley, but he is not known for contributions that are important to the development of the local community, therefore the property would not appear to be eligible for the California Register under Criterion (2). The specific architect of the building has not yet been identified, and although the building has unique characteristics, it was not found eligible for listing under Criterion (3), as the building, although a very good representative of Craftsman architecture, is not individually distinctive as representative of that era.

When considered for listing within the Historic Building Survey of the City of Santa Cruz however, the property meets the following criteria:

1. The building is a significant example of the built environment heritage of the City as a representative of a 1920s building constructed to serve Santa Cruz's emerging population during the Interwar years; and
5. The building possesses special aesthetic merit and value due to its quality of Craftsman architecture, retaining sufficient features that show its architectural significance; and
7. The building retains sufficient integrity to accurately convey its significance.

**Integrity**

The property maintains its historical integrity as per the National Register's seven aspects of integrity. It maintains its original location on Marnell Avenue, in the neighborhood east of Morrissey Boulevard in Santa Cruz. The house is surrounded by a traditional residential setting with a mix of ages and sizes of houses. The area includes some adjacent houses of similar age and design; other single-family houses of a similar scale are nearby, and all the neighboring parcels have a similar scale and yard setback, as well as featuring mature street trees and other landscaping. Although slightly altered with a small rear addition, the house retains its early twentieth century residential scale and feeling and continues, through its unique form, massing and detailing, to illustrate its associations with Craftsman design in Santa Cruz. The exterior of the house retains historic materials and workmanship, including: the steeply pitched roof with exposed rafter tails that flare at the eaves and above the side entry porch, three permanent window awnings, also curving and with exposed rafter tails, and the porch's typically Craftsman-style tapered wood posts and heavy beams, exhibiting the property's Craftsman design with Shingle style detailing.