

National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

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.

1. Name of Property

Historic name: Mathews Downtown Historic District

Other names/site number: DHR No. 057-5415

Name of related multiple property listing:
NA

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

2. Location

Street & number: 0.7 mile of Main Street; intersecting with 0.6 mile of Buckley Hall Road; extending west 0.5 mile along Church Street

City or town: Mathews Court House State: VA County: Mathews

Not For Publication: Vicinity: N/A

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

Applicable National Register Criteria:

X A ___ B X C X D

<p>_____ Signature of certifying official/Title:</p>	<p>_____ Date</p>
<p>_____ State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government</p>	
<p>In my opinion, the property ___ meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria.</p>	
<p>_____ Signature of commenting official:</p>	<p>_____ Date</p>
<p>_____ Title :</p>	<p>_____ State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government</p>

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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:) _____

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply.)

Private:

Public – Local

Public – State

Public – Federal

Category of Property

(Check only **one** box.)

Building(s)

District

Site

Structure

Object

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Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>178</u>	<u>93</u>	buildings
<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>	sites
<u>4</u>	<u>14</u>	structures
<u>5</u>	<u>7</u>	objects
<u>195</u>	<u>114</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 13

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

DOMESTIC: Single Dwelling; Hotel

COMMERCE/TRADE: Financial Institution; Specialty Store; Department Store

GOVERNMENT: Correctional Facility; Courthouse; Government Office

EDUCATION: Library

RELIGION: Religious Facility

RECREATION AND CULTURE: Theater

LANDSCAPE: Plaza

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

DOMESTIC: Single Dwelling; Hotel

COMMERCE/TRADE: Financial Institution; Specialty Store

GOVERNMENT: Courthouse; Government Office

EDUCATION: Library

RELIGION: Religious Facility

LANDSCAPE: Plaza; Parking Lot

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7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions.)

EARLY REPUBLIC: Federal

LATE 19TH AND 20TH CENTURY REVIVALS: Colonial Revival

LATE 19TH AND 20TH CENTURY AMERICAN MOVEMENTS: Commercial Style;
Craftsman

Materials: (enter categories from instructions.)

Principal exterior materials of the property: BRICK; CONCRETE; WOOD/weatherboard,
shingle; STUCCO; SYNTHETICS/vinyl; METAL; STONE/sandstone

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable. Begin with a **summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

Summary Paragraph

Mathews County occupies the easternmost portion of Virginia's Middle Peninsula. When the Virginia General Assembly created the county in 1791, a small centrally-located village then known as Westville became the county seat. The certainty of business that accompanied court days helped the town develop, drawing in professionals, entrepreneurs, and investors. Much of the development took place in the area surrounding the courthouse green before spreading north and south along what is today Main Street (Route 14). This road serves as the spine of the Mathews Downtown Historic District. Distinct concentrations of small homes and businesses line Main Street, stretching north to Buckley Hall Road and west along Church Street. The landscape is distinguished by small lots and building density, a generally north/south-east/west town plan, and sidewalks, curbs, street lights, and straight roads that create a distinctive town atmosphere. The topography is flat, elevated slightly above the surrounding waterways, with most of the older buildings close to the courthouse and the intersection of Main and Church streets while a few, larger, predominantly 19th-century buildings exist slightly back from the primary roads, along the edges of the town. Mathews Downtown Historic District includes numerous architectural and archaeological resources which retain their historic integrity through confirmed evidence for stratified cultural archaeological deposits and in the visible historic fabric and character of the built landscape. These reveal the changing organization of the cultural landscape as it evolved from an Early Woodland encampment, to a colonial-era town, to a 19th-century administrative center, and to a 20th-century community. The district contains 195 contributing resources such as dwellings, domestic outbuildings, commercial buildings,

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government offices, restaurants, automobile-related enterprises, and cemeteries that are generally illustrative of the town's historical development since the last decade of the 18th century through the late 1960s. Non-contributing resources typically either postdate the district's period of significance or lack integrity to represent an association with the district's period and areas of significance. Archaeological sites within the historic district are associated with two periods of significance, the first being the Early to Middle Woodland period and the second with colonial era through late 19th century Euro-American occupation. Of the 13 resources previously listed within the historic district, 9 are associated with the Mathews County Courthouse Square (NRHP 1977; 057-0022), 2 are associated with the Sibley and James Store Historic District (NRHP 2010, 057-5049; this district includes the Old Thomas James Store [057-5027], which was individually listed in the NRHP in 2008), and 2 are associated with the Lane Hotel (NRHP 2011).

Narrative Description

The Mathews Downtown Historic District, located near the geographic center of Mathews County at the head of Put-in Creek, a tributary of the East River, extends along three major roadways as they converge at this relatively high point on the eastern tip of the Middle Peninsula. From the courthouse green, near the center of the district, Church Street (Rt. 611) extends to the west, Main Street (Rt. 14) extends to the north and south, and further to the north is the east-west-oriented Buckley Hall Road (Rt. 198). The district is distinguished from surrounding areas by its concentration of pre-1967 building stock, small lot sizes, curbs, sidewalks, street lighting, and village density, as well as the types of buildings, which includes a mix of government, commercial, recreational, and domestic functions and styles in greater variety and concentration than at any other location in Mathews County. Single family residences predominate along the extremities of the district, including several larger, predominantly 19th-century houses situated further back from the main roads, such as Palace Green (VDHR #057-0027) and the Windmill House (VDHR #057-5222). Commercial, government and recreational buildings are located primarily at the center of the district along Main Street, Church Street, and around the historic courthouse square. The gridded arrangement gives it an urban feel that noticeably contrasts with the rural character of nearby farms and the county's much smaller hamlets centered at steamboat wharves, country stores and post offices.

The first confirmed occupation of the Mathews Downtown Historic District was not by Europeans, but rather Virginia Indians. The William and Mary Center for Archaeological Research (WMCAR) conducted an archaeological assessment of Site 44MT0073 within the Mathews County Courthouse Square Historic District in 2006, which included the systematic excavation of 29 shovel tests as well as four 1-x-2-m and two 1-x-1-m test units. They identified multiple prehistoric and historic occupations, including a concentration of Early and Middle Woodland prehistoric material in the eastern portion of the site.¹ The prehistoric occupation is represented by grog/sand-tempered sherds of Croaker Landing Ware (1200–800 BC) and net-impressed shell-tempered sherds (AD 200–900). The archaeologists concluded that the area had multiple,

¹ David W. Lewes, Eric Gradoia, Courtney J. Birkett, Susan G. Horner, and William H. Moore, The William & Mary Center for Archaeological Research, "Integrated Management Plan, Mathews County Courthouse Square Historic District (VDHR #057-0022; 44MT0073), Mathews, Virginia. 2007." On file, DHR, Richmond, Virginia, 113.

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short-term occupations at different times during the Early Woodland (1200–500 BC) and Middle Woodland (500 BC–AD 900) periods.² The site retains sufficient integrity and research potential to address issues related to Early and Middle Woodland period occupation of the Upper Coastal Plain of Virginia. Early and Middle Woodland archaeological sites are rare along the Middle Peninsula as a whole and exceptionally so within Mathews County. Features and intact deposits identified within Site 44MT0073 provide important comparative data about site structure and function and can help refine our understanding of regional chronologies as well as subsistence and settlement patterns during the Early and Middle Woodland periods.³

Historically, two areas define the core of Mathews Court House: the courthouse square complex and the Main Street commercial corridor. The courthouse square includes the 1830s courthouse (VDHR #057-0022; VDHR #057-0022-0002), 1859 clerk's office (VDHR #057-0031; VDHR #057-0022-0003), and several support buildings surrounding an open green, and the commercial buildings along Main Street to the east. The old courthouse complex is bounded on the north by Church Street, east by Court Street (Route 1002), and on the south and west by Brick Bat Road. On the opposite sides of these roads from the courthouse complex are a combination of late 19th- and 20th-century businesses, a museum (early 19th-century Christopher Tompkins Cottage (VDHR #057-0002)), county support buildings, including the fire department (VDHR #057-5028) and, until recently, a sewage treatment plant that was recently demolished and replaced with a boat ramp and dock that allows recreational access to Put-in Creek.

Church Street and Brick Bat Road connect the historic courthouse square to Main Street, the primary north-south thoroughfare through both the district and the county. While the densest concentration of late 19th- to mid-20th-century buildings exist on either side of the Main Street around these two cross streets, there are several older buildings to the north, including Hyco (VDHR #057-0040) and the Windmill House, that visually connect the period of significance for the district to the intersection of Main Street and Buckley Hall Road.

No original plat for the town survives, nor are there any known extant buildings dating before the separation of Mathews County from Gloucester County in 1791, but the area sustained a tavern, post office, and a handful of small businesses. There is significant potential for archaeological resources from that period, though, as well as the preceding prehistoric period. An archaeological assessment conducted by the WMCAR identified 18th- through 20th-century deposits related to several of the extant buildings and past structures in their project area.⁴ Archaeological surveys in the open lot adjacent to Tompkins Cottage (44MT0074) recovered 18th-century artifacts. Recent archaeological testing at 548 Main Street and at Palace Green (site numbers pending) identified mid- to late 17th-century and late 18th/early 19th century sites. The former is likely one of the first historic settlements in the area, while the latter documents the changing nature of a plantation relative to an area of urban development. Both that site and the Hotel Site (44MT0126) indicate potential intact deposits related to the early history of the district.⁵

² Lewes et al., 114.

³ Lewes et al., 115

⁴ Lewes et al., 113-115.

⁵ Paciulli, Simmons & Assoc. conducted a Phase I archaeological survey in March 2007, which included the systematic excavation 13 shovel test pits on a 20 foot grid at the James Old Store New Site (44MT0074). Recovered artifacts included:

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After Mathews became an independent county in 1791, its development generated more documentation. Henry Respass, a local tavern keeper and entrepreneur, is the most frequently referenced name when discussing the founders of the Mathews Court House area, or Westville as it was commonly known in the 19th century. He was a Gloucester County native who owned property in the area and was politically active in Kingston Parish, which was largely divided off to form Mathews County (along with small portions of Petsworth and Ware Parishes) in 1791.⁶ He likely donated or sold the approximately 2 acres needed for the original courthouse complex, understanding that having the courthouse near his established businesses would drive up traffic and profits.⁷ At the confluence of water-borne and road-based travel, centrally placed within the geographic extent of Mathews County, and possessing the center of government for the newly designated county, the settlement was well suited for development and attracted those with entrepreneurial ambitions.

The earliest standing buildings exist within or near the courthouse green: the potentially early 19th-century jail (VDHR #057-0011; VDHR #057-0022-0005); the circa 1830s courthouse (VDHR #057-0022; VDHR #057-0022-0002); the early 19th-century Christopher Tompkins Cottage (VDHR #057-0002) across the street to the south; and to the east, the circa 1810 Old Thomas James Store (VDHR #057-5027; VDHR #057-5049-0001). The circa 1800 jail (VDHR #057-0011, VDHR #057-0022-0005) was constructed with a combination of Flemish bond on the front and three-course American bond on the sides and rear, which may capture changing methods of masonry construction as the courthouse village developed during the Early Republic era. The circa 1830 courthouse anchors the square, lending the space gravity appropriate to the functioning of government. This Flemish bond brick building exhibits the influence of both the Federal and Greek Revival periods. A large, pedimented, cross-gable dormer is centered over the main entrance on the façade. A tripartite, wood-frame, lunette window, with curvilinear tracery and a semicircular brick arch, adorns the tympanum of the pediment. A Federal style office (VDHR #057-0022-0003, VDHR #057-0031) was constructed in 1859, with a symmetrically-ordered, rectangular plan inside a one-story, three-by-one-bay brick building with five-course American bond. Approximately fifteen years after the Mathews County government expanded its office space, it opted to expand its jail as well. A second, two-story, Greek Revival jail (VDHR #057-0022-0006, VDHR #057-0005) was erected circa 1875. The 20th century saw the addition

Albany stoneware, bone fragments, Annular ware, aqua container glass, hand-painted whiteware, decal decorated porcelain, spatterware, transfer prints, a toy marble, a porcelain doll, a clam shell, clear glass, coal fragments, Coke bottle glass, creamware, cuprous metal handle, cut nails, wire, flow blue, flow black, kaolin pipes, Rockingham, olive green glass, whiteware, roofing slate, wire nails, yellowware, unidentified metal, and window glass (see VDHR, Archaeological Site Report, 44MT0074). DATA Investigations LLC undertook an archaeological survey and limited testing of the Palace Green property in 2016 (see VDHR Archaeological Site Report, 44MT0170). DATA Investigations, LLC, identified the Shackelford Hotel site through historic map projections (see VDHR Archaeological Site Report, 44MT0126). Limited testing in September 2016 identified late 18th- and 19th-century artifacts and intact features.

⁶ *History and Progress: Mathews County, Virginia, Reprints from 1949 and 1979 Special Editions Gloucester-Mathews Gazette-Journal* (Mathews, VA: Reprinted by the Mathews County Historical Society, Inc., 1982), 4; Catherine C. Brooks, *Walk with Me* (Infinity Publishing, West Conshohocken, Pennsylvania, 2005), 1.

⁷ *History and Progress*, 3, 85; Carl R. Lounsbury, *The Courthouses of Early Virginia: An Architectural History* (University of Virginia Press, Charlottesville, 2005), 315; Polly Cary Mason (compiler), *Records of Colonial Gloucester County, Virginia: A collection of abstracts from original documents concerning the lands and people of Colonial Gloucester County which includes Mathews County*, vol. II (Reprinted, 1966. Virginia Book Company, Berryville. Originally published in Williamsburg, Virginia, 1948), 81–82.

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of two administration buildings (VDHR #057-0022-0004 and VDHR #057-0022-0008), as well as a Colonial Revival bathroom (VDHR #057-0022-0007).

Built circa 1820, the Christopher Tompkins Cottage (VDHR #057-0002) sits just south of the Courthouse Square. This single-story, frame building, sheathed in weatherboard, has a wood shingle roof. Tompkins was a prolific real estate speculator in Mathews Court House, buying and selling property throughout the first decades of the 19th century, as well as investing in commercial partnerships. This resource was likely a rented property that brought Tompkins investment income. The Old James Store (VDHR #057-5049-001, VDHR #057-5027), to the east of Courthouse Square on Main Street, was built circa 1816. The one-story, frame building was built with continuous wood sills on the base of a joined box frame, and consists of only two rooms, one a retail space and the other a smaller counting room. While it is the oldest extant commercial resource in the Mathews Downtown Historic District, the building was moved from its location on Main Street to its current location in 1899 in order to accommodate construction of Sibley's new store (VDHR #057-5048). The dispersed nature of these remnants of the early 19th-century landscape, coupled with documentary references to taverns, businesses, and nearby houses, suggest a substantial community around the courthouse at that time, taking full advantage of the intersecting roads and the head of Put-in Creek, which remained navigable into the 20th century.

As with nearby Gloucester Court House, and several other courthouse-centered communities, the last decade of the 19th century marked a significant period of building and, in the case of Mathews Court House, rebuilding. A photograph looking east from Church Hill in 1894 shows the clearest image of the substantial antebellum building stock and the initial developments of the late 19th-century.⁸ Several buildings are labeled in the image, including the "Steeple Baptist Church," "Old store Building built By Bill Miller," "Old Lane Tavern," "Dr Luther Henleys' [Hunley's] office," "Building in which first drug store was located," and several barns, houses, and structures within the courthouse complex, including "Old debtors jail." The majority of these buildings do not survive, and the largest concentration of historically significant building stock that survives dates to the period that followed, ca. 1890 through ca. 1950, an era of substantial rebuilding and expansion which included replacing buildings lost during fires in 1921 and 1941, and accommodating shifting residential patterns during the mid-20th century.

The early years of the 20th century witnessed substantial growth of the town to the north, south, and west. Historic topographic maps confirm the early evolution of the courthouse area, with sustained growth in both residential construction and business investment in the early 19th century.⁹ While the 1877 U.S. Coast Chart is less detailed for areas removed from Put-in Creek, a comparison of the detailed portrayal of the courthouse area with the more complete coverage on the 1917 Mathews 15-minute U.S.G.S. Quadrangle suggests new construction, likely single family dwellings, to the north, extending towards and along Buckley Hall Road. There is also significant infill within the core of the district and a handful of houses to the west along Church

⁸ Mathews Memorial Library, 1894 Photograph of courthouse area, looking east from Church Hill. Archives, Mathews County Memorial Library, Mathews, Virginia.

⁹ 1877 U.S. Coast Chart No. 132; 1917 Mathews 15-minute U.S.G.S. Topographic Quadrangle.

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Street. The increase in social, economic and business activities, as well as the overall accessibility of the courthouse area, established this community as the center of government and commerce, attracting residents from other parts of Mathews as well as new business leaders. Improvements in road surfacing, the introduction of phones and electricity, the advent of automobile service stations, and new retail establishments spurred civic pride and subsequent investment in the outward appearance of houses and businesses. Several other buildings in the district date to the turn of the 20th century, including Faulkner & Sons (VDHR #057-5061), a typical two-story, commercial building with a general store on the first floor and living quarters above, and 10771 Buckley Hall Road (VDHR #057-5329), a one-and-a-half story, three bay, single dwelling in the Craftsman style.¹⁰

Growth continued as the 20th century progressed, resulting in an increase in single-family residences along the edges of the district, further east and west from the intersection of Main Street and Buckley Hall Road, and new construction to the south, within walking distance of the county's commercial and governmental center.¹¹ A distinctive example is the development of the Irvinville community in the 1940s and 1950s in the southern part of the district, off Main Street. This small, walkable community highlights the changing character of this predominantly rural county at mid-century. The dense 13-house development, built along a central road, included small, single-family houses or cottages symmetrically arranged opposite one another, each with its own unique treatment (dormers, porch, siding, etc.) but all with similar massing, height, and landscaping, terminating with the Colonial Revival-style Irvinville house (VDHR #057-5349). This dwelling is a one-and-a-half-story, five-bay, stretcher-bond, brick building on a solid brick foundation. It retains its 6/6 wood window sash, which are complemented by shed dormers set into the gambrel roof and two interior stretcher-bond brick end chimneys.

A 1923 photograph from the *Gloucester-Mathews Gazette-Journal* shows the "construction of a modern business district after several fires" that included an emphasis on longstanding community businesses, such as drug stores, tailors, garages, banks, and hotels. Built in 1922, Richardson's Drug Store (VDHR #057-5065) is a two-story building, with three bays fronting Church Street and five fronting Main Street. Constructed of 1:6 American bond, the building retains a cantilevered, wood, wrap-around awning that is original to the building. Sibley Brothers (VDHR #057-5048), a department store built in 1899, is a two-story, three-bay, frame edifice, which retains nearly all of its original fabric, including wood flooring, doors, hardware, trim, wainscoting, and plaster-over-wire lathe wall covering, and protruding wood-framed glass display windows/cases on each side of the front door. The Bank of Mathews (VDHR #057-5079) has undergone the most alteration since its construction in the 1920s. The building retains its narrow vault front, with two-story Ionic columns and a three-light arched window with bracket keystone above the entrance, though its roof and north and east elevations have been heavily modified as the building was repurposed for the Mathews Memorial Library.

¹⁰ Interview with Catherine C. Brooks, 15 May 2012, cited in Ellen Turco, Kristie Person, Susan Daniel, Sarah Lowry, and Christopher Espenshade, "Cultural Resources Survey Route 14 Drainage Improvements Mathews Courthouse, Mathews County, Virginia. October 2012." On file, DHR, Richmond, Virginia.

¹¹ 1937 U.S.D.A. Aerial Photograph; 1948 Mathews 7.5-minute U.S.G.S. Topographic Quadrangle.

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The town weathered devastating fires in 1921 and 1941 that destroyed several downtown commercial buildings and residences.¹² The cataclysmic hurricane of August 1933, a 100-year flood event, threatened to destroy the entire county. While the majority of the damage occurred in other sections of the county, the courthouse village did not escape unscathed. The storm resulted in a county effort to dredge Put-in (or “Pudding”) Creek and construct a boat basin (VDHR #057-5028).¹³ A canal extended under Church Street and paralleled Main Street, terminating just north of Buckley Hall Road. A Civil Works Administration (CWA) project, funded under a New Deal work-relief program, the canal channel extended six feet deep and 30 feet wide. This project represented a substantial investment in the area’s commerce, with an eye towards facilitating drainage for the courthouse area, but it proved difficult to keep clear and began silting in almost immediately. It is nearly unrecognizable as a canal today but remains as a wide, marsh-grass covered ditch north of Church Street.¹⁴

A photo taken in 1949 shows important changes to an evolving downtown, particularly its commercial components. While several buildings are in both photos, there is a marked shift in the range of business types to include automobile dealerships, a newspaper office, furniture retailers, and farm supply operations. Owners repurposed some of the surviving, older buildings for new uses, including the Farmers and Fishermen’s Bank Building (VDHR #057-0024) which became Hudgins Drug Store and “offices of physicians and professional men.”¹⁵ Whether as a bank or an office, this building brought clients into a sophisticated space. The Classical Revival gabled entrance includes white columns fronting Main Street, while the plastered walls of the interior were complemented by black and white tile flooring.

Another significant architectural development of the early 20th century was the addition of objects and monuments to the courthouse green commemorating local and national events. The addition of a Confederate memorial in 1912 (VDHR #057-0022-0001), as well as a set of flagpoles in front of the south end of the courthouse (VDHR #057-0022) and a Revolutionary War veterans’ monument (VDHR #057-0022) in 1928, created spaces for reflecting on the contributions of Mathews citizens to past military conflicts and national pride. These significant additions to the district’s cultural landscape also emphasized the historic nature of the community and the desire to remember and preserve the past for future generations.

The Mathews Court House area boasted a population over 500 by the end of the first quarter of the 20th century.¹⁶ While the slow decline of the local seafood industry, changes in the oil and gas industry beginning in the 1950s, and the increasing focus on road-based transportation and development severely impacted the small maritime communities spread across the county, the

¹² Mathews County Historical Society (MCHS), *Mathews County Panorama: A Pictorial History of Mathews County, 1791-1941* (Mathews, VA: Mathews County Historical Society, 1983; reprinted 2000), 93; Martha W. McCartney, *Mathews County, Virginia: Lost Landscapes, Untold Stories* (Mathews County Historical Society, printed by The Dietz Press, 2015), 471-475.

¹³ *Mathews County Panorama*, 106.

¹⁴ In the mold of Richard Billups and Francis White before him, local CWA Administrator and entrepreneur J. Eddie Callis balanced his many responsibilities and investments, including leadership in the effort to canalize Put-in Creek as it flowed behind the courthouse green and construction of a turning basin for recreational craft, re-establishing the connection between the navigable waters of Mathews County and its seat of government and commerce (Lewes et al, 31).

¹⁵ *History and Progress*, 56.

¹⁶ McCartney, 471.

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courthouse area largely benefitted from the continued presence of the county government, and its strategic location as the center for businesses of every type, commercial operations, and basic community needs. Despite this continued investment, there has been only moderate demolition or infill out of character with the courthouse area's established building stock. Most resources date before 1967 and there is a distinct visual consistency despite the addition of a large-scale grocery store development.

The buildings within the district represent a broad selection of architectural styles, including Craftsman bungalows and cottages (49 Maple Avenue, VDHR #057-5184), Classical and Colonial Revival (215 Church Street, VDHR #057-5164), and Commercial (Hyco Market, VDHR #057-5074; Moughon's ACE Hardware, VDHR #057-5076). Buildings constructed after 1967 are dispersed throughout the district, with the most significant impacts including the Food Lion and related strip mall development and a new housing development east of the Hyco house along the north side of Buckley Hall Road (east of the intersection with Main Street). Historic buildings of note within the district include the Westville Disciples Meeting House (VDHR #057-0012), a one-story, brick and frame, Greek Revival church built in 1859; Central Methodist Church (VDHR #057-5163), a one-story, frame, Federal Revival/Victorian-era church with a Victorian-era steeple, molded cornice, and original stained glass windows, built in 1873; the Lane Hotel (VDHR #057-0070), a two-and-a-half story building with Greek Revival stylistic elements, featuring a symmetrical facade with a central front door, decorative transom, and lunette window under the gable; and Edwards Hall (VDHR #057-0019), a late 18th-century, two-story, Greek Revival and Federal dwelling. The district contains a blend of late 19th- and 20th-century commercial buildings at its core, large 19th- and early 20th-century dwellings situated on expansive lots primarily near the edge of the town, and larger numbers of modest single-family homes, primarily from the early-to-mid-20th century, lining the primary roads into the district.

INVENTORY

The following is a list of resources located within the Mathews Downtown Historic District boundaries. The resources are listed alphabetically by street name and numerically by address number. VDHR ID numbers for resources previously surveyed also are listed. In the following inventory all resources, both primary and secondary, have been considered either contributing or non-contributing based upon the areas of significance identified under Criteria A, C or D; within the period of significance; and whether the resource retains integrity. All non-contributing resources have therefore been so noted for being less than fifty years old or as having no integrity left to represent the period and areas of significance, unless otherwise noted.

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Brickbat Road

29 Brickbat Road

057-5185

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0065

Primary Resource: **Store/Market (Building), Stories 1, Style: Commercial Style, Ca 1950**

Contributing Total: 1

This one-story, large, rectangular store building has a back shed addition, a stepped brick false front, with wide recessed bays. The building has one interior end brick chimney, a concrete foundation, a brick facade with block walls and vinyl siding on the back, a metal front gable roof, and large, multi-pane fixed wood windows.

43 Brickbat Road

057-5415-0149

Other DHR Id#:

Primary Resource: **Fire Station (Building), Stories 2, Style: No Discernible style, Ca 1990**

Non-contributing Total: 1

The fire station is a commercial style, two-story steel frame building has a continuous cinder block foundation, metal frame double hung windows, and a flat metal roof.

Secondary Resource : **Dock/Pier (Structure)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Gazebo (Structure)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

50 Brickbat Road

057-0022-0008

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0011

Primary Resource: **Administration Bldg. (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: Colonial Revival, 1957**

Contributing Total: 1

This Colonial Revival administration building is a one-and-a-half-story, nine-by-four-bay building, symmetrically-ordered, with a cross-gable-roof and H-plan. The common bond construction rests on a solid, brick foundation and is topped with a slate-shingle roof.

Brickbat Road

057-0002

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0001

Primary Resource: **Office/Office Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: No Discernible Style, Ca 1820**

Contributing Total: 1

This office building is frame with clapboarding, with one-and-one-half stories and a shingled gable roof.

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10771 Buckley Hall Road

057-5329

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0081

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: Craftsman, 1910**

Contributing Total: 1

This dwelling is a one-and-a-half story, three-bay, weatherboard-sided wood frame single dwelling on brick and concrete piers. The side-gable roof is covered in standing-seam metal. The resource was demolished shortly after survey.

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Well (Structure)**

Contributing Total: 1

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10791 Buckley Hall Road 057-5330 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0082

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Ranch, 1963

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, five-bay, vinyl-sided, concrete block single dwelling on a solid concrete block foundation. The side-gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. The windows are 1/1 and 2/2 double-hung sash with metal awnings above. There is one interior, stretcher brick chimney flue.

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Contributing Total: 1

10809 Buckley Hall Road 057-5331 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0083

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: No Discernible style, 1963

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, four-bay aluminum-sided, concrete block single dwelling on a solid concrete block foundation. The windows are 1/1 double-hung sash. There is one interior-slope, stretcher-bond, brick chimney flue. The side-gable roof with projecting front-gable is covered in asphalt shingles.

Secondary Resource : Garage (Building)

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Contributing Total: 1

10839 Buckley Hall Road 057-5382 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0124

Primary Resource: Bank (Building), Stories 1, Style: No Discernible style, Ca 2000

Non-contributing Total: 1

This commercial bank building has a vaguely Colonial Revival style. The two-story brick building has vinyl siding, a shed roof addition on the south facade, and a three-bay drive through on the north elevation. The foundation is continuous brick stretcher bond, vinyl double hung windows, and a side gable asphalt shingle roof.

Secondary Resource : Sign (Object)

Non-contributing Total: 1

10858 Buckley Hall Road 057-5332 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0084

Primary Resource: Store (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1960

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, three-bay, stretcher-bond, brick commercial building on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. There is one three-paned fixed window. There are two single entry glass doors to either side of the window. The front-gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. A wood frame drive-thru addition on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation has been placed on the west elevation. The drive-thru addition has a front-gable roof covered in asphalt shingles.

10874 Buckley Hall Road 057-5333 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0085

Primary Resource: Commercial Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1960

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, three-bay, vinyl-sided, wood frame commercial building on a solid concrete block foundation. The vinyl framed windows are 1/1 double-hung sash. The front-gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. There is a vinyl-sided wood frame addition with shed roof covered in asphalt shingles on the east elevation.

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10878 Buckley Hall Road

057-5415-0148

Other DHR Id#:

Primary Resource: **Multiple Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Ranch, Ca 1980**

Non-contributing Total: 1

This multiple dwelling is a modified one-story rancher, with a concrete block foundation, vinyl siding, and brick veneer. The windows are double hung vinyl and there is a side gable asphalt shingle roof.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

10893 Buckley Hall Road

057-5383

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0125**

Primary Resource: **Other (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1990**

Non-contributing Total: 1

This resource is a commercial car wash. The four-bay car wash has a one-bay office on the west side. The car wash is made of cinder block with a false brick facade, a concrete slab foundation, and a side gable asphalt shingle roof with a projecting front gable.

Secondary Resource : **Other (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

10896 Buckley Hall Road

057-5074

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0034**

Primary Resource: **Service Station (Building), Stories 2, Style: No Discernible Style, Ca 1950**

Contributing Total: 1

The foundation of this two-story, rectangular service station is not visible due to the application of brick veneer to the exterior walls of the building. Original first- and second-story window and door bays on the east and west elevations are enclosed in brick, but brick lintels above these bays remain visible. Remnants of a small gasoline island are present at ground-level at the north end of this elevation.

10941 Buckley Hall Road

057-0040

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0015**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 3.5, Style: Neo-Classical Revival, Ca 1830**

Contributing Total: 1

This Federal Revival/Neo-classical three-and-a-half-story dwelling includes an above-ground, full basement. The pedimented front gable has plain cornice and is covered in scalloped shingles, with a tall portico on four round columns and two lower porches on similar columns, with partial balustrade of turned balusters, molded rail, and tapered round posts with ball tops. The house has an original three-story rear ell with added two-story west addition.

Secondary Resource : **Gateposts/Entry (Object)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Gazebo (Structure)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Pergola (Structure)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

11018 Buckley Hall Road

057-5328

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0080**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Ranch, 1958**

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, four-bay vinyl-sided wood frame single dwelling with attached garage on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. The side-gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. The windows are 2/2 and 6/6 double-hung sash windows. There is one exterior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimney.

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11044 Buckley Hall Road 057-5222 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0067

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2.5, Style: Folk Victorian, 1880

Contributing Total: 1

This two-and-a-half-story, five-bay dwelling has a rear ell and a double cross gable asphalt shingle pediment roof. The frame dwelling has two interior end brick chimneys and one interior central brick chimney, an in-filled brick pier foundation, vinyl siding, and a wraparound one-story porch with shed roof (standing seam metal) on eleven Doric columns. The windows are predominantly double hung 2/2 wood windows.

Secondary Resource : Chicken House/Poultry House (Building) Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Gateposts/Entry (Object) Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Landscape Feature, Man-Made (Other) Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Pool House (Building) Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Pool/Swimming Pool (Structure) Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Secondary Dwelling (Building) Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building) Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Smoke/Meat House (Building) Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Well House (Building) Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Windmill (Structure) Contributing Total: 1

11097 Buckley Hall Road 057-5327 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0079

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Ranch, 1954

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, four-bay, stretcher-bond, brick single dwelling on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation with attached garage. The windows are 4/4 double-hung sash and one central fixed window with 1/1 double-hung sash to either side. There is one central-interior, stretcher-bond, brick chimney. The side-gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. An enclosed one-story porch has been placed on the east elevation.

Secondary Resource : Garage (Building) Contributing Total: 1

11110 Buckley Hall Road 057-5326 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0078

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2, Style: Split-Level/Split Foyer, 1963

Contributing Total: 1

This is a two-story, four-bay, split-level, stretcher-bond, brick single dwelling partially sided with aluminum on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. The windows are comprised of 2/2 double-hung sash and one twelve-light fixed window. The side-gable roof with projecting front gable is covered in asphalt shingles.

Secondary Resource : Garage (Building) Contributing Total: 1

11111 Buckley Hall Road 057-5325 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0077

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Ranch, 1954

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, five-bay, stretcher-bond, brick single dwelling on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation with attached garage and a side gable asphalt-shingle roof. The windows are 2/2 double hung sash. There are two chimneys: a central-interior, stretcher-bond, brick one and an

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interior-slope, stretcher-bond, brick flue. An enclosed one-story porch is on the north elevation, with louvered windows, a brick knee-wall and a front-gable roof covered in asphalt shingle.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

11126 Buckley Hall Road

057-5380

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0122**

Contributing Total: 1

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Ranch, Ca 1970**

Non-contributing Total: 1

This one-story brick rancher has a two-bay projecting room addition on the east elevation and a one-bay attached garage on the west elevation. The rancher has a continuous brick stretcher bond foundation, one interior central brick stretcher bond chimney, metal awning windows, and a side gable asphalt shingle roof. There is a screened porch addition on the south elevation with an asphalt shingle roof and brick foundation.

11139 Buckley Hall Road

057-5324

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0076**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2.5, Style: No discernible style, 1920**

Contributing Total: 1

This is a two-and-a-half story, three-bay, vinyl-sided, wood frame single dwelling on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. There are two interior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimneys. The side-gable roof is covered in standing-seam metal. There is an enclosed one-story, six-bay, vinyl-sided wood frame porch on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation on the north elevation. The porch has a hipped roof covered in standing-seam metal.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

11150 Buckley Hall Road

057-5323

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0075**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2.5, Style: No discernible style, 1932**

Contributing Total: 1

This is a two-and-a-half-story, three-bay, vinyl-sided, wood frame single dwelling on a solid, rusticated, concrete block foundation with an asphalt-shingle hipped roof. The wood windows include 6/1 double-hung sash and 3/3 hipped dormers. There are two interior stretcher-bond, brick chimneys. There is a one story, enclosed porch and two one-story wood frame additions on a solid concrete block foundations are on the east and the south elevations.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

11159 Buckley Hall Road

057-5322

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0074**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2.5, Style: No discernible style, 1928**

Contributing Total: 1

This is a two-and-a-half-story, four-bay, vinyl-sided, wood frame single dwelling on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. The wood windows are comprised of 1/1 double-hung sash and 1/1 gabled dormers covered in asphalt shingles. There are two interior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimneys. The hipped roof is covered in asphalt shingles. There is a one-story porch on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation.

Secondary Resource : **Outbuilding, Domestic (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Contributing Total: 2

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11172 Buckley Hall Road 057-5379 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0121

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Ranch, Ca 1970

Non-contributing Total: 1

This building is a one-story brick rancher with a one-bay attached garage on the west side that looks like it has been converted to an enclosed porch. There is a cinder block addition on the south elevation as well as a small shed addition. The rancher has a continuous brick stretcher bond foundation, metal awning windows as well as double hung vinyl windows, and a side gable asphalt shingle roof.

11179 Buckley Hall Road 057-5321 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0073

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Craftsman, 1932

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, two-bay, vinyl-sided, wood frame single dwelling on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. The vinyl replacement windows are comprised of 6/6 double-hung sash and fixed. There is one exterior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimney. The front gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. There is an enclosed one-story porch with fixed windows on the south facade.

Secondary Resource : Garage (Building)

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Contributing Total: 2

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

11194 Buckley Hall Road 057-5320 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0072

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, 1927

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, three-bay, vinyl-sided, wood frame single dwelling on a solid, parged masonry foundation. There is one exterior-end, stuccoed chimney and one interior-slope, stuccoed flue. The side gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. There are two one-story porches on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundations, with concrete block knee walls and tapered wood posts atop stretcher-bond brick piers supporting front gable roofs covered in asphalt shingles.

Secondary Resource : Garage (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Contributing Total: 2

11199 Buckley Hall Road 057-5378 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0120

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Ranch, Ca 1970

Non-contributing Total: 1

This one-story brick rancher has a small room addition on the east elevation. The brick building has a continuous brick stretcher bond foundation and one interior central brick stretcher bond chimney. The building has double hung vinyl windows and a side gable asphalt shingle roof.

Secondary Resource : Carport (Structure)

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Garage (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

11221 Buckley Hall Road 057-5319 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0071

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2, Style: Other, 1910

Contributing Total: 1

This is a two-story, three-bay, aluminum-sided wood frame single dwelling on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. The windows are comprised of 6/1 and 3/1 double-hung sash. There is

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one exterior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimney. The hipped roof is covered in asphalt shingles. There is a one-story, three-bay porch on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

11241 Buckley Hall Road

057-5318

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0070**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2, Style: Craftsman, 1932**

Contributing Total: 1

This is a two-story, three-bay, aluminum-sided, wood frame single dwelling on a solid stretcher-bond, brick foundation. The wood windows are 3/1 double-hung sash. There is one exterior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimney and one interior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimney flue. The side gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. There is an enclosed, one-story porch on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation.

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Contributing Total: 2

11242 Buckley Hall Road

057-5377

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0119**

Primary Resource: **Multiple Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1980**

Non-contributing Total: 1

This multiple dwelling is a one-story building with a one-room addition on the south elevation. The frame building has vinyl siding, a cinder block foundation, double hung vinyl windows, and a side gable asphalt shingle roof.

11260 Buckley Hall Road

057-5317

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0069**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2.5, Style: No discernible style, 1898**

Contributing Total: 1

This is a two-and-a-half-story, three-bay, stuccoed, wood frame single dwelling on a solid, parged, masonry foundation. The wood windows are comprised of 4/1 double-hung sash and 6/1 hipped dormers covered in asphalt shingles. The central-interior, masonry chimney is covered in stucco. The hipped roof is covered in asphalt shingles. There is a full-width, one-story porch on the north façade, with a hipped roof covered in asphalt shingles supported by square posts.

Secondary Resource : **Carport (Structure)**

Non-contributing Total: 2

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 2

11261 Buckley Hall Road

057-5376

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0118**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Ranch, Ca 1970**

Non-contributing Total: 1

This single dwelling is a one-story brick rancher with a one-bay attached garage on the west elevation. The dwelling has a continuous brick stretcher bond foundation, one interior end brick stretcher bond chimney, and a side gable asphalt shingle roof. There is a screened porch addition on the north elevation, with wood panel siding and a flat asphalt shingle roof.

11280 Buckley Hall Road

057-5375

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0117**

Primary Resource: **Commercial Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1960**

Non-contributing Total: 1

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This building is abandoned and deteriorated, but was likely a commercial shop or workshop for boat and/or automobile repair and maintenance. The one-story, three-bay commercial building is frame with wood siding and has a two-story rear addition. The building has a concrete slab foundation, a front awning/portico on two square wooden posts, a front gable asphalt shingle roof, and a 24-pane shop window on the north facade.

Secondary Resource : **Other (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 2

11293 Buckley Hall Road 057-5059 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0020
Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2, Style: Federal/Adamesque, Ca 1910**

Contributing Total: 1

Buckley Hall Inn is an early 20th century, two-story frame four-over-four plan Federal/Colonial Revival-style house with a mid-20th century one-story rear addition, frame well house, and late 20th century garage. It has a steeply pitched hipped roof and its two center chimneys are cement with arched tops. There is a full-length one-story porch with a hipped roof supported by four squared columns.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Well/Well House (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

11300 Buckley Hall Road 057-5374 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0116
Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Ranch, Ca 1980**

Non-contributing Total: 1

This single dwelling is a one-story rancher with two-bay garage addition on the north facade and a one-room screened porch addition on the south elevation. The frame building has vinyl siding and a brick facade on the north elevation, with one interior central brick stretcher bond chimney and a cinder block foundation. The windows are double hung vinyl and the roof is side gable asphalt shingle.

Secondary Resource : **Pool/Swimming Pool (Structure)**

Non-contributing Total: 2

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Workshop (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

11318 Buckley Hall Road 057-5373 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0115
Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Ranch, Ca 1960**

Non-contributing Total: 1

This one-story frame rancher has vinyl siding and a one-room addition on the south elevation, as well as an attached carport on the south elevation. The dwelling has a concrete slab foundation, one exterior end brick stretcher bond chimney, double hung vinyl windows, and a side gable asphalt shingle roof.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Outbuilding, Domestic (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

11325 Buckley Hall Road 057-5316 Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0068
Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, 1953**

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, five-bay, wood frame single dwelling on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. The wood frame is covered in vinyl siding and vinyl shingles. The vinyl replacement

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windows are 8/8 double-hung sash. The combination roof (gable and shed) is covered in asphalt shingles. An enclosed, one-story porch has been placed on the north elevation.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Gateposts/Entry (Object)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 2

11359 Buckley Hall Road

057-5372

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0114**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Ranch, Ca 1970**

Non-contributing Total: 1

This single dwelling is a one-story brick rancher, with a breezeway separating the house from a one-bay garage on the west elevation. The brick stretcher-bond building has one interior central brick stretcher bond chimney and a continuous brick stretcher bond foundation. The dwelling has metal awning windows and a side gable asphalt shingle roof.

11383 Buckley Hall Road

057-5396

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0138**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Ranch, Ca 1970**

Non-contributing Total: 1

This one-story brick rancher as an attached garage on the west, with one interior end stretcher bond brick chimney and a continuous brick stretcher bond foundation. The dwelling has double hung wood windows and a side gable asphalt shingle roof.

Secondary Resource : **Chicken House/Poultry House (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Gazebo (Structure)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

Church Street

119 Church Street

057-5081

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0040**

Primary Resource: **Parsonage/Glebe (Building), Stories 2, Style: Folk Victorian, Ca 1870**

Contributing Total: 1

The c. 1870 two-story frame farmhouse has a rear ell, a major (c. 1910) two-story front addition (with pyramid roof), as well as other 1990s and 2010s upgrades. The main house has a slate modified pyramid roof, with metal shed roofing on the porches and back additions. The frame house has vinyl siding but original gable fretwork and brackets, cornice bracket, and stained glass windows.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Well/Well House (Building)**

Contributing Total:

1

Secondary Resource : **Archaeological Site, 1200BCE-999CE, 1800-1899, 1900-1999 (44MT0043)**

Contributing Total: 1

12 Church Street

057-5065

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0025**

Primary Resource: **Commercial Building (Building), Stories 2, Style: No Discernible Style, 1922**

Contributing Total: 1

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This dwelling is a Federal-style two-and-a-half-story I-plan farmhouse, with a large modern rear addition. The house has four bays but the two east bays are the older part, and the two west bays are likely late 19th century. The frame house has exterior vinyl siding, and the foundation was originally brick piers that have since been filled in with brick. There is a standing seam metal side gable roof, all new windows, and a one-story, full-length frame front porch.

Secondary Resource : **Carriage House (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Smoke/Meat House (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

196 Church Street

057-5392

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0134**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Ranch, Ca 1960**

Contributing Total: 1

This one-story brick rancher has a one-room addition on the east elevation as well as an enclosed porch on the east, and another one-room addition on the north. The dwelling has two exterior end brick stretcher bond chimneys, double hung vinyl windows, and a side gable asphalt shingle roof.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

20 Church Street

057-5067

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0027**

Primary Resource: **Commercial Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: No Discernible Style, Ca 1945**

Contributing Total: 1

This one-and-a-half-story, three-bay, multi-tenant commercial building has a continuous brick foundation, and exterior wall laid in six-course American bond with decorative brickwork across the full facade of the building up to the roofline. The windows are all fixed-light windows, varying in size from small transom lights to large display windows, with some in original wood frames and some vinyl replacements.

206 Church Street

057-5403

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0145**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1980**

Non-contributing Total: 1

This one-story, L-shaped extended rancher dwelling has an attached garage on the west, and enclosed porch on the south facade, and a south facade projecting one-room addition. The frame dwelling has vinyl siding, a foundation covered with rusticated siding, double hung vinyl windows, and a side gable asphalt shingle roof.

Secondary Resource : **Chicken House/Poultry House (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 2

Secondary Resource : **Shed - Tool (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

214 Church Street

057-5163

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0046**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: Craftsman, Ca 1950**

Contributing Total: 1

This dwelling is a one-and-a-half-story Cape Cod style brick house, with a brick enclosed porch on the east side and a one-story frame addition on rear. The brick house has two exterior end brick corbeled chimneys on east side, a continuous brick foundation, double hung wood windows, an asphalt shingle side gable roof, and a frame front portico on two square columns.

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Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

215 Church Street

057-5164

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0047**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2.5, Style: Colonial Revival, Ca 1950**

Contributing Total: 1

This two-story Colonial Revival, gambrel roof, rectangular brick house has a porch on the east side, a one-story brick addition on the west, and a small enclosed porch on the back. The house has two exterior end brick corbeled chimneys, a continuous brick foundation, and a brick veneer covering a frame structure. The building also has double hung wood windows, an asphalt shingle gambrel roof, and a very wide dormer roof along the facade with three windows.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 2

228 Church Street

057-5162

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0045**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2.5, Style: Federal/Adamesque, Ca 1890**

Contributing Total: 1

This two-and-a-half-story, four-bay, Federal Revival farmhouse has an I plan, with an asphalt shingle clipped gable roof and a rear ell with enclosed porch, as well as a two-story modern garage addition. The windows are original double hung 2/2 wood, and there is one wide Craftsman style dormer on the facade with two fixed sash windows.

Secondary Resource : **Chicken House/Poultry House (Building)** **Contributing Total:** 2

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Gateposts/Entry (Object)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Outbuilding, Domestic (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Pole Barn (Structure)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Contributing Total: 2

232 Church Street

057-5393

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0135**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Ranch, Ca 1970**

Non-contributing Total: 1

This one-story brick rancher has vinyl siding and a large bay window on the south facade. There is one exterior side stretcher bond chimney, a continuous brick stretcher bond foundation, metal awning windows, and a side gable asphalt shingle roof.

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

24 Church Street

057-5068

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0028**

Primary Resource: **Commercial Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: No Discernible Style, Ca 1945**

Contributing Total: 1

This one-and-a-half-story, one-bay commercial building sits atop a continuous brick foundation with exterior brick walls laid in a six-course American bond and a decorative motif across the façade of the building up to the roofline.

241 Church Street

057-5165

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0048**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1950**

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Contributing Total: 1

This one-and-a-half-story brick rectangular Cape Cod style house has a rear wing and a glassed-in porch on the east side. The house has three exterior end brick corbeled chimneys, a continuous brick foundation, a frame building with brick siding, double hung wood windows, and an asphalt shingle side gable roof. There are two gabled dormers on the facade (with vinyl siding), as well as a gable front frame front porch with vinyl siding and three tapered square columns.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

254 Church Street

057-5404

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0146**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: No discernible style, 1989**

Non-contributing Total: 1

This modern dwelling is a one-and-a-half-story frame building with an attached garage on the east. The building has vinyl siding, an exterior end covered chimney, a parged foundation, and double hung vinyl windows. There is a full-width one-story porch on the south facade on square posts with an asphalt shingle shed roof. The main portion of the roof is a side gable asphalt shingle roof, and there are three front gable asphalt shingle dormers on the south facade.

Secondary Resource : **Chicken House/Poultry House (Building) Non-contributing Total: 2**

Secondary Resource : **Gateposts/Entry (Object)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

259 Church Street

057-5166

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0049**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: Vernacular, Ca 1940**

Contributing Total: 1

This one-and-a-half-story frame rectangular dwelling has a side gable metal roof with a protruding gable front with contemporary addition in back. The frame house with vinyl siding has two corbeled brick chimneys, one exterior and one interior, as well as double hung wood windows and a continuous brick foundation. The east side porch is on a brick foundation with two brick piers, now enclosed with louvered windows and vinyl siding.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

268 Church Street

057-5157

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0042**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: Craftsman, 1942**

Contributing Total: 1

This dwelling is a typical mid-century cottage, a one-and-a-half-story rectangular wood frame house with an enclosed east porch addition, a small shed addition on the west side, and a one room addition on rear. The house has two interior brick chimneys, a continuous brick foundation, vinyl siding, double hung wood sash windows, a side gable asphalt shingle roof, and a small frame portico on the facade with two square columns and an asphalt roof.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

281 Church Street

057-5394

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0136**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1960**

Contributing Total: 1

This one-and-a-half-story dwelling has a one-story room addition on the west elevation and an enclosed porch addition on the east elevation. The frame building has wood siding, two exterior end stretcher bond brick chimneys, continuous brick stretcher bond foundation, and double hung

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wood windows. The dwelling also has a side gable asphalt shingle roof and three front gable asphalt shingle dormers on the north facade.

Secondary Resource : Garage (Building)

Contributing Total: 1

284 Church Street

057-5359

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0111

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: Ranch, 1948

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-and-a-half-story, five-bay, stretcher-bond, brick single dwelling on a solid stretcher-bond brick foundation. The wood windows include 6/6 double-hung sash and 6/6 gabled dormers covered in asphalt shingles. There are two interior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimneys. The side gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles.

Secondary Resource : Garage (Building)

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

305 Church Street

057-5395

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0137

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Ranch, Ca 1970

Non-contributing Total: 1

This one-story brick rancher has a one-bay attached garage on the east, a one-room addition on the west, and an attached enclosed porch addition on the southeast corner, as well as a rear ell addition on the south. The dwelling has one interior central stretcher bond brick chimney, a continuous brick stretcher bond foundation, vinyl double hung windows, and a side gable asphalt shingle roof.

Secondary Resource : Carport (Structure)

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Garage (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 2

310 Church Street

057-5360

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0112

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 3, Style: No discernible style, 1900

Contributing Total: 1

This is a three-story, five-bay, aluminum-sided, wood frame single dwelling. The foundation is not visible. The wood windows are 2/2 double-hung sash. The cross-gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. There is an enclosed one-story porch. It has turned wood posts supporting a hipped roof covered in asphalt shingles.

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Contributing Total: 2

32 Church Street

057-5069

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0029

Primary Resource: Commercial Building (Building), Stories 2, Style: No Discernible Style, Ca 1913

Contributing Total: 1

This two-story, six-bay commercial building was constructed in two phases: the first (east) section in 1913 and the second (west) section in 1920. The foundation is continuous brick, while the masonry walls are laid in six-course American bond. A modern, one-story shed roof porch spans the full length of the façade and is clad in asphalt shingles. The first-story windows are has display windows in wood frames, while the second-story ones are 2/2 double hung vinyl sash.

332 Church Street

057-5361

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0113

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2, Style: No discernible style, 1942

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Contributing Total: 1

This is a two-story, three-bay, vinyl-sided, wood frame single dwelling on a solid, parged masonry foundation. There is one exterior-end, stretcher-brick chimney. The side gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. A two-story, vinyl-sided, wood frame addition has been placed on the north elevation. A one-story porch, located on the east elevation, has square wood posts supporting a side gable roof covered in asphalt shingles, with a solid parged masonry foundation.

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Contributing Total: 2

46 Church Street

057-5078

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0038**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: No Discernible Style, Ca 1900**

Contributing Total: 1

This one-and-a-half-story, two-bay frame residence sits on a brick pier foundation, is sheathed in aluminum siding, and has a side-gable standing seam metal roof. Brick piers support a full-façade standing seam metal shed roof porch with turned wood posts. The windows include 1/1 aluminum sash and 6/6 wood sash dormers. A single brick chimney is located along the original rear elevation.

48 Church Street

057-5070

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0030**

Primary Resource: **Commercial Building (Building), Stories 2, Style: No Discernible Style, Ca 1922**

Contributing Total: 1

This two-part, three-bay commercial building is currently operating as Southwind Cafe. The frame building sits atop a stucco-covered foundation and is sheathed in wood weatherboard. The first-story windows include fixed display windows in wood frames, while the second-story windows are 6/1 vinyl sash. The roof of the main massing is marked by a false front at the façade that is lined by decorative wood brackets. Behind the front is a front-facing gable roof covered in standing seam metal.

50 Church Street

057-5071

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0031**

Primary Resource: **Commercial Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: No Discernible Style, Ca 1900**

Contributing Total: 1

This one-story, two-bay frame commercial building sits atop a brick pier foundation and is clad in replacement vinyl siding. The windows are 2/2 wood sash windows, some with modern storm windows. Covering the full rear elevation is a shed addition with its own modern windows. The front-facing gable roof is clad in standing seam metal. Two corbeled brick interior chimneys are located within the roof surface.

63 Church Street

057-0022-0004

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0009**

Primary Resource: **Administration Bldg. (Building), Stories 1, Style: Colonial Revival, Ca 1930**

Contributing Total: 1

This Colonial Revival, one-story, five-by-two-bay, side-gable, building of brick, five-course American bond construction, with a Flemish bond marker course, rests on a solid, poured-concrete foundation and is topped with a slate-shingle roof. A large, one-bay portico shelters the

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center-bay entrance on the façade. Fenestration includes double-hung sash, 6/6, wood windows. Engaged, shouldered, brick chimneys are centered on the gable ends.

68 Church Street

057-0070

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0016

**Primary Resource: Tavern/Ordinary (Building), Stories 2.5, Style: Greek Revival, Pre 1900*

Contributing Total: 1

The Lane Hotel is a two-and-a-half story, seven-bay building with Greek Revival elements. The frame building sits on a continuous stretcher-bond brick foundation, is sheathed in weatherboard, and has a hipped slate-shingle roof with a front gable and two front gable dormers. Windows include a demi-lune window, 1/1 sash windows, diamond-pattern stained glass windows, and 4/4 wood sash. The rear ell once stood as an independent building, but additions to the main building have now joined the two.

Secondary Resource : Garage (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

**Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)*

Contributing Total: 1

Church Street

057-5028

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0018

Primary Resource: Canal (Structure), Stories , Style: No Discernible Style, Ca 1934

Contributing Total: 1

The canal is bounded to the north by Church Street, to the west by the property of the Central United Methodist Church, to the south by Put-in Creek, and to the east by the Mathews Volunteer Fire Department building. The canal extends approximately 650 feet in length and approximately 40 feet in width. Little to no maintenance has occurred on the canal and its turning basin. Natural vegetation has retaken much of the dredged portion of Put-in-Creek.

Court Street

17 Court Street

057-0031

*Other DHR Id#: 057-0022-0003,
057-5415-0014*

Primary Resource: Office/Office Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: Federal/Adamesque, 1859

Contributing Total: 1

This Federal style, one-story, three-by-one-bay, symmetrically-ordered, rectangular-plan, side-gable, five-course American bond brick building rests on a solid foundation and is topped with a slate-shingle roof. Fenestration consists of fixed, twelve-light, metal-framed casement windows. Engaged, shouldered, brick chimneys, with corbelled caps, are centered on the gable ends.

Secondary Resource : Other (Other)

Contributing Total: 1

27 Court Street

057-0022-0002

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0008

**Primary Resource: Courthouse (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: Other, Ca 1830*

Contributing Total: 1

This one-and-a-half-story, three-by-four-bay, T-plan, Flemish bond brick building, rests on a solid foundation and is topped with a roof of both composite shingles and standing seam metal. Fenestration consists of double-hung sash, 9/9, wood windows on the first story and double-hung sash, 6/6, wood windows in the dormers. One brick, interior end chimney, is located in each of the gable ends. A small, brick, central interior chimney is located on the south addition.

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36 Court Street

057-5180

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0060

Primary Resource: Office/Office Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: Commercial Style, Ca 1964

Contributing Total: 1

This one-story brick commercial building has a metal clipped gable roof with wide roof overhang, the underside of which is covered with bead board. The foundation is continuous brick and the windows are vinyl double hung sash in their original wood frame openings.

40 Court Street

057-5072

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0032

Primary Resource: Commercial Building (Building), Stories 3, Style: No Discernible Style, Ca 1930

Contributing Total: 1

The Halcyon Building is a three-story, three-bay commercial building with a continuous brick foundation and masonry walls in six-course American bond. Fenestration includes metal commercial display windows and 1/1 double hung vinyl sash windows. String courses divide the second and third stories, additional decorative brickwork is located near the roofline, and brick pilasters mark the building's corners.

Irvinville Lane

28 Irvinville Lane

057-5350

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0102

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2, Style: No discernible style, 1940

Contributing Total: 1

This is a two-story, four-bay aluminum-sided, wood frame single dwelling on a solid masonry foundation. The windows include original and replacement 6/6 double-hung sash. There is one exterior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimney. The side-gable with front-gable projection roof is covered in asphalt shingles. There is a one-story addition on a masonry foundation and an open carport, both with asphalt-shingle roofs on the east elevation and an enclosed porch on the south.

Secondary Resource : Garage (Building)

Contributing Total: 1

31 Irvinville Lane

057-5357

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0109

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1940

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-and-a-half story, three-bay, concrete block single dwelling on a solid concrete block foundation. The windows are 6/6 double-hung sash and 6/6 hipped dormers covered in asphalt shingles. There is one exterior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimney. A one-story porch with turned wood rails on a concrete block foundation is located on the north elevation. The hipped roof is covered in asphalt shingles and is partially supported by the front porch's posts.

Secondary Resource : Garage (Building)

Contributing Total: 1

43 Irvinville Lane

057-5356

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0108

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1955

Contributing Total: 1

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This is a one-story, four-bay, asbestos shingle and vinyl-sided, wood frame single dwelling on a solid concrete block foundation. The windows are 6/6 double-hung sash. There is one central-interior, stretcher-bond, brick chimney flue. The side-gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. The single entry brick stoop has a front-gable roof covered with asphalt shingles supported by square wood posts.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

50 Irvinville Lane

057-5351

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0103**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1945**

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, three-bay, vinyl-sided, wood frame single dwelling on a solid concrete block foundation. The replacement windows are 6/6 double-hung sash. There is one exterior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimney. The side-gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

57 Irvinville Lane

057-5355

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0107**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: No discernible style, 1945**

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-and-a-half story, four-bay, concrete block single dwelling on a solid concrete block foundation. The windows include 6/6 double-hung sash, a three-part bay window and a 1/1 hipped dormer covered in asphalt shingles. There are two exterior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimneys. The hipped roof is covered in asphalt shingles. On the east elevation there is a one-story, vinyl-sided frame addition on masonry piers with an asphalt shingle hipped roof.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

64 Irvinville Lane

057-5352

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0104**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2, Style: No discernible style, 1955**

Contributing Total: 1

This is a two-story, four-bay, asbestos shingle sided, wood frame single dwelling on a solid concrete block foundation. The replacement windows are 6/6 double-hung sash. There is one interior-slope, stretcher-bond, brick chimney. The side-gable roof has asphalt shingles. There is a one-story addition with an asphalt-shingle side-gable roof on the west elevation. The one-story east elevation porch is enclosed with an asphalt-shingle shed roof supported by wood posts.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

71 Irvinville Lane

057-5354

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0106**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, 1940**

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, four-bay, vinyl-sided, wood frame, single dwelling on a parged foundation. The windows are 1/1 double-hung sash. There is one exterior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimney. The side-gable with shed roof is covered in standing-seam metal.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

86 Irvinville Lane

057-5353

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0105**

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Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2, Style: No discernible style, 1943**
Contributing Total: 1

This is a two-story, three-bay, vinyl-sided, wood frame single dwelling on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. The windows are 6/1 double-hung sash. There is one exterior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimney. The side-gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. There is a one-story rear addition with a flat roof and an enclosed porch on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation with an asphalt gable roof supported by square wood posts.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)** **Contributing Total: 1**

90 Irvinville Lane **057-5349** *Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0101*

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: Dutch Revival, 1949**
Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-and-a-half story, five-bay, stretcher-bond, brick single dwelling on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. The wood windows are 6/6 double-hung sash, fixed, and 6/6 shed dormers covered in asphalt shingles. There are two interior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimneys. The gambrel roof is covered with asphalt shingles. One-story additions on the north and south elevations have flat standing seam metal roofs.

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)** **Contributing Total: 1**
Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)** **Non-contributing Total: 2**
Secondary Resource : **Gateposts/Entry (Object)** **Contributing Total: 1**
Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)** **Contributing Total: 1**

Main Street

105 Main Street **057-0003** *Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0002*

Primary Resource: **Church/Chapel (Building), Stories 1, Style: Folk Victorian, 1879**
Contributing Total: 1

The Westville Baptist Church building is a large, simple Victorian-era, T-shaped building, one story on the main core and on the hall addition but two stories on the east section. The frame church with vinyl siding has a spire on the west end, decorative brackets, and window caps. There is one plain, interior brick chimney, a continuous brick foundation, and replacement fixed pane windows. The roof is front gable asphalt shingle, and there are small stoops over the side doors.

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)** **Non-contributing Total: 1**
Secondary Resource : **Shelter (Building)** **Non-contributing Total: 1**

129 Main Street **057-5334** *Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0086*

Primary Resource: **Service Station (Building), Stories 1, Style: Modernist, Ca 1965**
Non-contributing Total: 1

This is a one story, seven-bay, concrete block and stretcher-bond, brick service station on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. The windows range between five-paned and three-paned fixed. The side gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. There is a wrap-around banner surrounding the roof.

Secondary Resource : **Other (Building)** **Non-contributing Total: 1**

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138 Main Street

057-5400

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0142

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2, Style: Vernacular, Ca 1930

Contributing Total: 1

This two-story, three-bay, two-pile frame farmhouse has vinyl siding, one exterior end brick stretcher bond chimney, and a continuous brick stretcher bond foundation. The dwelling also has a side gable asphalt shingle roof, double hung wood windows, and a one-bay front gable asphalt shingle front porch on four square posts with turned posts in the railing on the east facade.

Secondary Resource : Garage (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

149 Main Street

057-5335

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0087

Primary Resource: Office/Office Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1955

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, three-bay, concrete block office building on a solid concrete block foundation. The wood windows are comprised of 6/6 double-hung sash and fixed. There are two exterior-end concrete block chimney flues. The side gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles.

153 Main Street

057-5385

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0127

Primary Resource: Automobile Showroom (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1980

Non-contributing Total: 1

This resource is an auto repair shop. The shop is a long, seven-bay garage, with a one-room shop addition off the southwest corner of the garage. The garage bays are constructed of cinder block, while the shop is a frame building with vinyl siding; both portions have a cinder block foundation. The shop has double hung vinyl windows. The garage has a side gable asphalt shingle roof and the shop has an asphalt shingle shed roof.

160 Main Street

057-5176

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0056

Primary Resource: Office/Office Building (Building), Stories 2, Style: Colonial Revival, 1926

Contributing Total: 1

This two-story brick office building has a three-bay facade and symmetrical one-story wings with a projecting central bay. The brick building has one interior end brick chimney, a brick foundation, and a hipped gable slate roof (metal roof on the wings). The double hung windows on the facade have been replaced with composite windows, while the other elevations have original wood windows.

160 Main Street

057-5175

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0055

Primary Resource: Funeral Home/Mortuary (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, 1926

Contributing Total: 1

This early 20th-century commercial building is a one-story frame edifice with many modifications, including a large front addition, all new vinyl siding, and new foundation. The building has one brick chimney. The building has a complex asphalt roof, as well as two pairs of double hung wood windows on the north side, in addition to a six pane transom over the north door which could be an original element.

Secondary Resource : Garage (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

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161 Main Street

057-5401

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0143

Primary Resource: Post Office (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1970

Non-contributing Total: 1

This two-bay, one-story post office has a one-story brick addition on the east elevation, with an open end that functions as a shed. The frame building has vinyl siding, concrete block foundation, a four-pane fixed shop window, a front gable asphalt shingle roof, and a small awning on two wooden posts.

Secondary Resource : Carport (Structure)

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

183 Main Street

057-5386

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0128

Primary Resource: Store/Market (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1990

Non-contributing Total: 1

This Food Lion is a large box store-style grocery store. The building is a large rectangle with a false stepped brick facade (decorative) on the west facade, with a shed roof portico on either side of the shop entry, on brick columns. The building has a flat roof, not visible but likely metal, and storefront fixed pane windows. The concrete block building has a concrete block foundation.

186 Main Street

057-5061

Other DHR Id#: 057-5080,

057-5415-0021

Primary Resource: Commercial Building (Building), Stories 2.5, Style: Victorian, Folk, 1903

Contributing Total: 1

The Faulkner & Sons building is a typical commercial building. The foundation and first floor are covered in brick veneer, while the second story is predominantly clad in replacement vinyl. Windows include a fixed six-light original wood window, a fixed transom, and vinyl sash windows. The roof features front- and rear-facing hipped dormers. Interior brick chimneys are visible in the asphalt shingle-covered roof surface near the north and south elevations.

200 Main Street

057-5062

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0022

Primary Resource: Commercial Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: No Discernible Style, Ca 1925

Contributing Total: 1

The Dilly Dally Emporium is a one-story, six-bay commercial building with a stucco- and brick-veneer-covered foundation. The building's façade is composed of a brick veneer stepped parapet topped by poured concrete coping. Door and fixed commercial window bays have been replaced in modern metal counterparts. A circular Texaco emblem in the parapet reveals the building's original use as a service station. The front-facing gable roof is covered in standing seam metal.

204 Main Street

057-5063

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0023

Primary Resource: Commercial Building (Building), Stories 2, Style: Victorian, Folk, Ca 1890

Contributing Total: 1

This two-story, two-part, four-bay commercial building features a typical ground-floor store space with second-story private space above. The foundation is composed of continuous brick. Replacement vinyl siding covers the exterior walls of the frame building. Fenestration includes

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fixed-light display windows and 6/6 double hung wood sash. It has a faux mansard roof covered in asphalt shingles. The roof itself is a front-facing gable clad in corrugated metal.

208 Main Street

057-5064

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0024

Primary Resource: Commercial Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: No Discernible Style, Ca 1920

Contributing Total: 1

This one-story, three-bay frame commercial building has a foundation of brick piers with brick veneer infill and is covered in replacement novelty wood shingle siding. The front door holds a large, single fixed light surrounded by a wood frame and is flanked by angled, replacement vinyl sash windows. Fixed multi-light vinyl display windows are found to either side. The front-facing gable roof is covered in asphalt shingle siding.

219 Main Street

057-5336

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0088

Primary Resource: Commercial Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1965

Non-contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, one-bay, concrete block commercial building on a solid concrete block foundation. It has a front gable roof covered in asphalt shingles. A one-story, concrete block addition on a solid concrete block foundation has been placed on the south elevation. It has a shed roof covered in asphalt shingles. There are no secondary resources.

239 Main Street

057-5048

Other DHR Id#: 057-5049-0002, 057-5415-0019

**Primary Resource: Store/Market (Building), Stories 2.5, Style: Victorian, Folk, Ca 1840*

Contributing Total: 1

Sibley's General Store is two buildings that were joined sometime in the 20th century. The rear (c.1840) section is a basic A-frame side gable building, remodeled for use as a warehouse. The front section, built in 1899, has been altered relatively little since its construction. Most of the exterior materials of the front building are original, including windows, doors, and cladding.

243 Main Street

057-5073

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0033

Primary Resource: Commercial Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: No Discernible Style, Ca 1950

Contributing Total: 1

This one-story commercial concrete block building has a concrete block foundation and is covered by a brick veneer. On either side of the recessed entrance are large two-light, metal display windows. The rear elevation has been fully covered in a concrete block shed addition with metal, multi-light fixed windows. The roof of this building is flat and its material is not visible.

244-248 Main Street

057-5178

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0058

Primary Resource: Store/Market (Building), Stories 1, Style: Commercial Style, Ca 1947

Contributing Total: 1

This one-story, two bay brick commercial building has a continuous brick foundation, one interior end brick chimney, and a front gable roof of unidentified material hidden behind a flat

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false front, which includes decorative turned and projecting brick work. The facade also includes large plate glass store front windows with smallest panes on top in a large wood frame.

251 Main Street

057-5079

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0039

Primary Resource: Library (Building), Stories 2, Style: Classical Revival, Ca 1920

Contributing Total: 1

The two-story Mathews Memorial Library has a narrow vault front, with a recessed entrance between two two-story Ionic columns. The exterior wall covering and foundation are covered in brick veneer. This building originally held a flat roof, but an added front-facing gable roof creates a near pediment form on the façade. The original north and east elevations of the building have been partially removed to extend the library interior.

252 Main Street

057-5179

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0059

Primary Resource: Store/Market (Building), Stories 1, Style: Art Deco, Ca 1930

Contributing Total: 1

This one-story, three-bay commercial building has a continuous brick foundation and a very low front gable metal roof. It also has a decorative facade with a flat false front interrupted by four simple pilasters. Fenestration includes two octagonal windows with nine panes, an inset plain rectangle pane above the center door, three sets of double hung wood sash in one large frame, 9/9 sash, and 1/1 sash.

26 Main Street

057-5076

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0036

Primary Resource: Commercial Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: No Discernible Style, Ca 1935

Contributing Total: 1

This one-story, three bay commercial building has a foundation and exterior walls covered in brick veneer. The gabled roof is clad in standing seam metal. An interior brick chimney is visible in the roofline. The facade has decorative brickwork and a parapet shielding the front-facing gable roof form. Windows include four-light wood fixed windows and 2/2 wood sash.

260 Main Street

057-5177

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0057

Primary Resource: Store/Market (Building), Stories 1, Style: Commercial Style, Ca 1960

Contributing Total: 1

This one-story commercial building fronts on two streets, with simple brick false front on east elevation and a metal front gable roof across the whole building. The brick building has two brick interior end chimneys on west elevation, a continuous brick foundation, and commercial vinyl windows on the east and west elevations.

261 Main Street

057-0012

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0005

Primary Resource: Meeting/Fellowship Hall (Building), Stories 1, Style: Greek Revival, 1859

Contributing Total: 1

This one-story, three-bay Greek Revival church/meeting hall has a continuous brick foundation. The brick walls were constructed of variable common bond of refined brick with fine sand mortar and struck joints. The church has a gable front, a slate roof, two exterior side stretcher bond brick chimneys, and double hung wood sash windows. There is also a central inset plaque with a round arch top, inscribed on plaster: "Disciples Meeting House Erected 1859."

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Secondary Resource : **Sign (Object)**

Contributing Total: 1

27 Main Street

057-5384

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0126**

Primary Resource: **Restaurant (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1980**

Non-contributing Total: 1

This one-story fast food restaurant is constructed of concrete block with stucco exterior, on a concrete slab foundation, with a flat roof (not visible but likely metal) and fixed pane shop windows.

Secondary Resource : **Pump House (Structure)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

279 Main Street

057-5182

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0062**

Primary Resource: **Mixed (Building), Stories 1, Style: Commercial Style, Ca 1934**

Contributing Total: 1

The Community Arts Center is a one-story, rectangular commercial building with a flat false front concealing a front gable metal roof. The facade has a wide brick panel set with all header bricks of slightly darker color. A large cinder-block garage extension is attached to the back of the building. The brick building has two brick interior end chimneys, large plate glass storefront windows on the facade and double hung wood sash windows on the side elevations.

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

286 Main Street

057-5170

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0050**

Primary Resource: **Restaurant (Building), Stories 1, Style: Commercial Style, 1960**

Contributing Total: 1

Mi Casa Azteca is a one-story, three-bay commercial restaurant, with a low false brick front concealing the front gable asphalt shingle roof. The brick restaurant has one interior-slope, brick chimney, a continuous brick foundation, and large fixed multi-pane commercial windows in the facade, with double hung wood sash windows on the north side.

291 Main Street

057-5181

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0061**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2, Style: Colonial Revival, Ca 1920**

Contributing Total: 1

This two-story, three-bay frame farmhouse has a two-story addition with shed roof along the back, as well as a one-story addition onto the original addition, which is part open porch and part enclosed. The frame house has two exterior end brick chimneys, a brick pier foundation that has been in-filled with continuous brick, exterior asbestos shingle siding, a metal side gable roof, and double hung sash wood windows.

Secondary Resource : **Chicken House/Poultry House (Building)** **Contributing Total: 1**

Secondary Resource : **Store/Market (Building)** **Contributing Total: 1**

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)** **Non-contributing Total: 1**

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)** **Contributing Total: 1**

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)** **Contributing Total: 1**

296 Main Street

057-5171

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0051**

Primary Resource: **Restaurant (Building), Stories 3, Style: Commercial Style, 1960**

Contributing Total: 1

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Patsy's Pub & Grille restaurant is located on the first floor of a three-story rectangular commercial building, built of cinderblock, with a vinyl-covered frame false front concealing a low front gable metal roof. The restaurant building has one interior end brick chimney, a concrete block foundation, a large awning on the facade, and double hung wood windows as well as a large fixed multi-pane window on the first floor facade.

312 Main Street

057-5172

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0052

Primary Resource: Store/Market (Building), Stories 1, Style: Commercial Style, 1943

Contributing Total: 1

This rectangular, one-story, wide brick commercial building has a stepped false roof line concealing a simple metal front gable roof. The building has one interior central brick chimneys as well as a block chimney on the back addition. The building has a frame interior and brick exterior, with a brick foundation, and plate glass store windows on the facade.

319 Main Street

057-5415-0150

Other DHR Id#:

Primary Resource: Lodge (Building), Stories 2, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1970

Non-contributing Total: 1

This two-story, three-bay frame lodge has a two-story rear addition on the east. The brick lodge has a continuous brick foundation and two interior end brick chimneys, as well as double hung vinyl windows. The main section of the building has a side gable asphalt shingle roof, while the addition has a shed asphalt roof. There are three front gable asphalt shingle dormers on the west facade, and an attached carport on wood posts on the east elevation.

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

330 Main Street

057-5173

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0053

Primary Resource: Store/Market (Building), Stories 1, Style: Commercial Style, 1942

Contributing Total: 1

This rectangular, one-story, wide, brick commercial building has a stepped false facade concealing a metal front gable roof. The false front, which has a rectangle in relief to add decorative detail, is also present on the rear elevation of the building. The brick building has one brick chimney, a brick foundation, and plate glass shop windows on the facade around a central door, with an additional door on the north side of the front.

332 Main Street

057-5174

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0054

Primary Resource: Automobile Showroom (Building), Stories 1, Style: Art Deco, 1930

Contributing Total: 1

This one-story commercial building has a multi-stepped false front, concealing the metal front gable roof. The false front includes decorative bricks in stripes and a car wheel set into a circle near the top. The building has one interior-end brick chimney, a brick foundation, and a brick structural system. There are large plate glass store front windows and two fixed panels of 32 panes each with large metal framed windows all along the south side and back.

342 Main Street

057-5341

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0093

Primary Resource: Church/Chapel (Building), Stories 1, Style: Modernist, Ca 1965

Non-contributing Total: 1

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This one-story, five-bay, stretcher-bond, brick church sits on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. The wood windows are 1/1 double-hung sash. It has a front gable roof covered with asphalt shingles. The gable roof is topped by a pyramidal roof covered with asphalt shingles.

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 2

342 Main Street

057-5186

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0066**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2.5, Style: Folk Victorian, Ca 1900**

Contributing Total: 1

The Kingston Parish House is a four-bay, two-and-a-half-story frame Folk Victorian farmhouse with projecting front gable addition and two one-story additions in rear. The facade has arched gothic windows in the gables with 2/2 double hung sash and a bay window on the first floor. It has two brick interior end chimneys, an original brick pier foundation with later brick in-filling, an asphalt shingle front gable roof, and exterior vinyl siding.

367 Main Street

057-5387

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0129**

Primary Resource: **Nursing Home (Building), Stories 2, Style: No discernible style, Ca 2000**

Non-contributing Total: 1

This nursing home facility consists of a two-bay, one-story section on the west facade and an attached two-story nursing home with a carport/portico on the south elevation. The frame building has vinyl siding, concrete block foundation, double hung vinyl windows, and a front gable asphalt shingle roof on the one-story section with a side gable asphalt shingle roof on the two-story section. The portico is supported on two round wooden posts.

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 2

Secondary Resource : **Sign (Object)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

388 Main Street

057-5342

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0094**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: Craftsman, 1923**

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-and-a-half-story, three-bay, vinyl-sided, wood frame single dwelling on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. The vinyl replacement windows are comprised of 1/1 double-hung sash and 1/1 shed dormers covered in asphalt shingles. There is one interior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimney flue. The side gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. There is an enclosed front porch on stretcher-bond brick piers with posts supporting an asphalt-shingle shed roof.

Secondary Resource : **Outbuilding, Domestic (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Contributing Total: 2

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

40 Main Street

057-5075

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0035**

Primary Resource: **Commercial Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: No Discernible Style, Ca 1948**

Contributing Total: 1

This one-story commercial building has a concrete block foundation. The concrete block building is covered by brick veneer on the façade. Windows include two-light ventilation hopper windows. Along both side elevations are several sliding metal double warehouse doors used for truck loading and unloading. The roof of the main massing is a front-facing gable clad in standing seam metal.

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057-5344

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0096

Primary Resource: Office/Office Building (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1955

Non-contributing Total: 1

This is a one-and-a-half-story, five-bay, paraged, concrete block office building. The wood windows are comprised of 1/1 double-hung sash and 1/1 gabled dormers covered in asphalt shingles. The side gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles. The foundation is not visible. There are no secondary resources.

410 Main Street

057-5343

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0095

Primary Resource: Doctors Office/Building (Building), Stories 2, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1965

Contributing Total: 1

This is a two-story, three-bay, stretcher-bond, brick dental office on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. The wood windows are comprised of 6/6 double-hung sash and bay windows. There is one exterior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimney flue. The side gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. The concrete block stoop has tapered wood posts supporting a front gable roof covered with asphalt shingles. There are no secondary resources.

421 Main Street

057-5345

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0097

Primary Resource: Communications Facility (Structure), Stories , Style: Modernist, Ca 1965

Non-contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, stretcher-bond, brick commercial building on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. A single-entry metal door is located on the south elevation. The flat roof is covered in metal.

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

43 Main Street

057-5077

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0037

Primary Resource: Commercial Building (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: Minimal Traditional, Ca 1950

Contributing Total: 1

The foundation of this residence-turned-commercial building is not visible due to the application of shaped concrete block to the exterior walls. The first story includes fixed display windows. Three gable dormers are set in the west roof surface, with paired replacement 6/1 vinyl sash. The side-gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. Two interior brick chimneys are visible in the front and rear roof surfaces.

440 Main Street

057-5346

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0098

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2.5, Style: No discernible style, 1925

Contributing Total: 1

This is a two-and-a-half-story, three-bay, aluminum-sided, wood frame dwelling on a solid, rusticated, concrete block foundation. The wood windows are comprised of 1/1 double-hung sash and 1/1 gabled dormers covered in asphalt shingles. There are two stretcher-bond brick chimneys, one interior-end and one interior-slope. The hipped roof, covered in asphalt shingles, is topped by a window's walk.

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Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Contributing Total: 2

47 Main Street

057-5398

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0140**

Primary Resource: **Multiple Dwelling (Building), Stories 2, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1930**

Contributing Total: 1

This apartment building is possibly a 1930s construction with modern changes. The two-story, three-bay frame dwelling has vinyl siding, concrete block foundation, vinyl double-hung windows, and a side gable standing seam metal roof. The potentially older feature of the dwelling is the front gable standing seam metal dormers with fish scale detail.

479 Main Street

057-5347

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0099**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: Ranch, 1957**

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-and-a-half-story, six-bay, stretcher-bond, brick single dwelling on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. The wood windows are comprised of 2/2 double-hung sash and 2/2 gabled dormers covered in asphalt shingles. There is one interior-slope, stretcher-bond, brick chimney. The side gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles and topped by a cupola. There are no secondary resources.

482 Main Street

057-5348

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0100**

Primary Resource: **Museum (Building), Stories 2, Style: Craftsman, Ca 1940**

Contributing Total: 1

This is a two-story, four-bay, stone museum building on a solid masonry foundation. The wood windows are 6/6 double-hung sash and have brick lintels. The side gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. There are two single-entry, stretcher-bond, brick stoops on the east façade.

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

500 Main Street

057-5388

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0130**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Craftsman, Ca 1950**

Contributing Total: 1

This one-story three-bay cottage dwelling has a one-room shed roof addition on the north. The frame building has asbestos shingle siding, one exterior end brick stretcher bond chimney, a concrete block foundation, double hung wood windows, a wood shake roof, and a standing seam metal roof on the shed addition.

Secondary Resource : **Well House (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

512 Main Street

057-5389

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0131**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: Craftsman, Ca 1960**

Contributing Total: 1

This one-and-a-half-story frame cottage with vinyl siding has a rear one-story one-room addition. The building has a continuous brick foundation, one interior central stretcher bond brick chimney, double-hung vinyl windows, and a side gable standing seam metal roof. There is also a small front porch on two square wooden posts.

Secondary Resource : **Shed (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

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525 Main Street

057-0019

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0006

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2, Style: Federal/Adamesque, Ca 1770

Contributing Total: 1

This frame, two-story, Greek Revival/Federal dwelling known as Edwards Hall is a two-bay, double pile, side passage house on raised English basement of 3:1 bond, with a detached one-and-a-half-story kitchen/house connected by a one-story hyphen. The frame house has weatherboard exterior and a side gable slate tile roof, with both 6/6 and 9/9 wood double hung windows. The addition on the north is a four-bay building with a gable entrance, on a brick foundation.

Secondary Resource : Archaeological Site, 1700-1799, 1800-1899 (44MT0149)

Contributing Total: 1

538 Main Street

057-5390

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0132

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2, Style: Craftsman, Ca 1940

Contributing Total: 1

This two-story frame cottage has vinyl siding, a one-story shed addition on the south elevation, and a one-story shed addition on the west elevation. The building has a concrete block foundation, double-hung vinyl windows, a standing seam metal clipped gable roof, and a two-bay side porch on one square post.

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

548 Main Street

057-5358

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0110

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: No discernible style, 1955

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-and-a-half-story, seven-bay, vinyl-sided, wood frame single dwelling on a solid concrete block foundation. The wood windows are comprised of 1/1 double-hung sash and 1/1 gabled dormers covered in asphalt shingles. There are two interior-end, stretcher-brick chimneys. The side gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles and skylights. There is a one-story enclosed porch on a solid concrete block foundation.

Secondary Resource : Garage (Building)

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Archaeological Site, 1600-1699 (44MT0171)

Contributing Total: 1

553 Main Street

057-5391

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0133

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1960

Contributing Total: 1

This two-story brick cottage has a one-and-a-half-story addition on the north elevation. The dwelling has one interior end brick stretcher bond chimney and one small interior end chimney in the addition. There are two attached carports on the west elevation. The dwelling has double hung vinyl windows, a side gable asphalt shingle roof, and front gable asphalt shingle dormers.

Secondary Resource : Animal Shelter/Kennel (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

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75 Main Street

057-5399

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0141

Primary Resource: Store (Building), Stories 2, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1895

Contributing Total: 1

This is a two-story, three-bay, weatherboard, wood frame commercial building. There are three interior-end, stretcher-bond, brick chimneys, and an asphalt-shingle side gable roof with a front gable. There are two additions: a one-and-a-half-story, three-bay, brick building to the north elevation and a one-story brick addition on the east elevation. The windows include 1/1, 2/2 and 4/4 double-hung wood sash, 2/2 double-hung vinyl sash, and four-light shed dormers.

Secondary Resource : Doctors Office/Building (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Fountain (Object)

Non-contributing Total: 2

Secondary Resource : Office/Office Building (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Restaurant (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Store (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 2

Main Street

057-5027

Other DHR Id#: 057-5049-0001

057-5415-0013

**Primary Resource: Store (Building), Stories 1.5, Style: No Discernible Style, Ca 1816*

Contributing Total: 1

The Old James Store is the one-story, frame and weatherboard commercial building, a rectangular-shaped block measuring fifteen feet by twenty-five feet and standing one-story high with a front-gable roof of asphalt shingle. The building now rests on a foundation consisting of brick piers laid in English bond with concrete block infill.

Main Street

057-0048

*Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0153,
44MT0126*

Primary Resource: Hotel (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

The Shackelford Hotel, identified in 1968 (057-0048) is demolished. The lot is empty except for the faint impression of an old driveway and two brick entrance pillars located along the entrance on Main St. There is also a mound of vegetation on the eastern edge of the property that could mark the foundation. The building is present on 1877, 1917, and 1948 maps.

Secondary Resource : Archaeological Site, ca 1870

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Gateposts/Entry (Object)

Contributing Total: 1

Maple Avenue

129 Maple Avenue

057-5339

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0091

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, 1954

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, three-bay, masonry single dwelling with a parged exterior on a solid parged masonry foundation. The windows are 8/8 double-hung sash with brick sills. The side-gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. The single entry brick stoop has a front-gable roof covered with standing seam metal supported by Doric wood columns. A one-story concrete block rear addition has been placed on the north elevation.

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Well House (Building)

Contributing Total: 1

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137 Maple Avenue

057-5340

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0092

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, 1952

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, three-bay, aluminum-sided, concrete block single dwelling on a solid concrete block foundation. The replacement windows are 6/6 double-hung sash with metal awnings above. There is one central interior, concrete block chimney flue. The side-gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles.

Secondary Resource : Mobile Home/Trailer (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

37 Maple Avenue

057-5183

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0063

Primary Resource: Service Station (Building), Stories 1, Style: Commercial Style, Ca 1940

Contributing Total: 1

This one-story rectangular garage building has a wide garage door in the facade, an overhanging eave with exposed rafters, a concrete foundation, and no visible chimney. The frame building has exterior corrugated metal siding, a metal front gable roof, and multi-pane fixed wood frame windows.

49 Maple Avenue

057-5184

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0064

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 1, Style: Craftsman, Ca 1920

Contributing Total: 1

This one-story, two-bay frame cottage has an open full-width front porch with a shed roof, wood siding, and wood double hung sash windows. The west elevation has a projecting bay with shed roof and a pair of windows. There is a one-story gable roof addition in the back. The house has one interior central brick chimney and one interior end brick chimney, as well a brick pier foundation and a metal side gable roof.

54 Maple Avenue

057-5402

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0144

Primary Resource: Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2.5, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1895

Contributing Total: 1

This is a two-and-a-half-story, five-bay, weatherboard, wood frame dwelling on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. There are two central-interior, stretcher-bond, brick chimneys and one interior-end stretcher-bond brick chimney. The hipped roof is covered in asphalt shingles. A two-story, weatherboard, wood frame addition with a flat standing seam metal roof has been placed on the east elevation.

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Contributing Total: 2

Secondary Resource : Well/Well House (Building)

Contributing Total: 1

68 Maple Avenue

057-5337

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0089

Primary Resource: Store (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1960

Non-contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, six-bay, concrete block commercial building, partially sided with vinyl on a solid concrete block foundation. There are six modern doors comprised of two sets of double

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doors, two single doors and two rolling doors. There are no windows. The side-gable roof is covered in standing-seam metal.

75 Maple Avenue

057-5338

Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0090

Primary Resource: Office/Office Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: No discernible style, Ca 1955

Contributing Total: 1

This is a one-story, four-bay, concrete block commercial building on a solid concrete block foundation. The replacement windows are 6/6 double hung sash. There is one interior-slope, stretcher-bond, brick chimney flue. The shed roof is covered in standing-seam metal. The modern single entry stoop with vinyl rails has a front-gable roof covered with asphalt shingles supported by square wood posts.

Secondary Resource : Shed (Building)

Non-contributing Total: 1

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Other DHR Id#: 057-5415-0007

**Primary Resource: Sculpture/Statue (Object), Stories , Style: No discernible style, 1912*

Contributing Total: 1

Overall this monument to Confederate soldiers stands approximately 30 ft. tall, including a 6-ft.-2-in. statue. Three quarry-faced granite courses of diminishing width support a 2.5- ft.-square, 2-ft.-high pedestal inscribed with the title "OUR CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS" and a smaller stone die with bas relief of crossed swords and the dates 1861 and 1865 on either side of the swords on the east face. The memorial was erected September 12, 1912.

Route 1001

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057-0005

*Other DHR Id#: 057-0022-0006,
057-5415-0003*

**Primary Resource: Jail (Building), Stories 2, Style: Greek Revival, Ca 1875*

Contributing Total: 1

This two-story, two-by-one-bay, rectangular-plan, side-gable building of five-course American bond brick construction, rests on a solid foundation and is topped with an asphalt-shingle roof. Sash, double-hung, 6/6, metal windows with brick, rowlock sills are typical. A metal, interior flue rises from the east slope of the roof, and a brick, interior end chimney is located on the ridgeline at the north end of the roof. There is evidence of parging at the water table.

Route 1002

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057-0031

*Other DHR Id#: 057-0022-0003,
057-5415-0014*

**Primary Resource: Office/Office Building (Building), Stories 1, Style: Federal/Adamesque, 1859*

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Contributing Total: 1

This Federal style, one-story, three-by-one-bay, symmetrically-ordered, rectangular-plan, side-gable, five-course American bond brick building rests on a solid foundation and is topped with a slate-shingle roof. Fenestration consists of fixed, twelve-light, metal-framed casement windows with wood muntins. Engaged, shouldered, brick chimneys, with corbelled caps, are centered on the gable ends.

Secondary Resource : **Other (Other)**

Contributing Total: 1

Route 1002

057-0024

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0012**

Primary Resource: **Commercial Building (Building), Stories 2, Style: Other, Ca 1920**

Contributing Total: 1

The Farmer's and Fishermen's Building is a two-story, three-bay brick building. It has a Colonial Gabled front entrance including four stately white columns. The building is primarily constructed of brick and block with plaster walls. The main portion of the building has a flat metal roof and large storefront fixed windows.

Route 1003

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057-0011

Other DHR Id#: **057-0022-0005,
057-5415-0004**

Primary Resource:* **Jail (Building), Stories 1, Style: Federal/Adamesque, Ca 1800

Contributing Total: 1

This Federal style, one-story, two-by-one-bay, rectangular-plan, side-gable, brick building rests on a solid foundation and is topped with a slate-shingle roof. The brick is laid in a Flemish bond on the façade and north-facing elevation and a three-course American bond, with beaded mortar, on the west and south-facing elevations. Fenestration consists of fixed, nine-light, wood windows. A brick, interior end chimney with a corbelled cap rises from the south end of the roof.

Route 1003

057-0022-0007

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0010**

Primary Resource:* **Privy (Building), Stories 1, Style: Colonial Revival, 1934

Contributing Total: 1

This Colonial Revival, one-story, two-by-one-bay, rectangular-plan, side-gable building of brick, five-course American bond construction, with a Flemish bond marker, rests on a solid, poured-concrete foundation and is topped with a slate-shingle roof. Paired, bottom-hinged, 4-light, wood, casement windows, on brick, rowlock sills, open into the north and south-facing elevations.

Route 14

Route 14

057-0027

Other DHR Id#: **057-5415-0013,
057-5415-0017**

Primary Resource: **Single Dwelling (Building), Stories 2, Style: Classical Revival, Ca 1790**

Contributing Total: 1

This two-story, five-bay building known as Palace Green has a modern enclosed porch addition on the south, a one-room shed addition on the north, and a kitchen addition on the west. The

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building sits on a continuous brick foundation, with weatherboard siding, three exterior end chimneys, and a side gable asphalt shingle roof. The east facade includes a projecting gable and a two-story partial-width porch on four round columns. The dwelling has double hung wood windows.

Secondary Resource : **Cemetery (Site)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Garage (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Other (Other)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Secondary Dwelling (Building)**

Non-contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Smoke/Meat House (Building)**

Contributing Total: 1

Secondary Resource : **Archaeological Site, 1700-1799, 1800-1899
(44MT0170)**

Contributing Total: 1

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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.)

- 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

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Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions.)

ARCHAEOLOGY: Prehistoric/ Aboriginal

ARCHAEOLOGY: Historic/Non-Aboriginal

COMMERCE

POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

1000 BCE – 500CE (Early and Middle Woodland Period)

ca. 1775-1967

Significant Dates

1791

1921

1941

Significant Person

(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

Virginia Indian

African-American

Euro-American

Architect/Builder

Respass, Henry

Billups, Richard

Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph (Provide a summary paragraph that includes

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level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.)

The Mathews Downtown Historic District is in an area generally known as the Mathews Court House village in the middle of Mathews County, Virginia. Mathews Court House has been the administrative center of Mathews County since the county's formation in 1791, though the area had been occupied by Virginia Indians since the Early Woodland period. Substantive Euro-American development began circa 1775, and accelerated once the village (then known as Westville) became the county seat. Local residents and businessmen invested heavily in the town throughout the antebellum period, leading to a growing population, diverse workforce, and materially improved built environment, including a brick courthouse built circa 1830. Though the years following the Civil War brought only a slow recovery, by the early 20th century the downtown offered a variety of retail, professional, and recreational services. Over the last two centuries, the town developed slowly from an agrarian village and economy to a small town. The overall population of the county has grown slowly through the second half of the 20th century and, as a result, the downtown has maintained its historic character and not seen the significant declines and disruptive redevelopments of many downtown areas across Virginia. The historic district is locally significant under Criterion A in the areas of Commerce and Politics/Government, Criterion C in the area of Architecture, and Criterion D in the areas of Archaeology: Prehistoric and Archaeology: Historic/Non-Aboriginal for its role as an Early to Middle Woodland period Virginia Indian encampment and for its development as a rural village and primary political, economic, and social center in Mathews County from the Early Republic period onward, and for its architectural character and archaeological resources spanning the period 1775 to 1967.

Narrative Statement of Significance (Provide at least **one** paragraph for each area of significance.)

The Mathews Downtown Historic District is located at the head of Put-in Creek, a tributary of the East River, and centrally located within Mathews County, encompassing an area slightly less than 200 acres (see Map 1). During the Early and Middle Woodland periods, Virginia Indians used the area for multiple, short-term occupations. Historically, the town is defined by three primary roads, Main Street, Church Street, and Buckley Hall Road, and the houses, businesses, government buildings, and churches that largely front these streets. The town is a remarkably intact example of a late 19th- through mid-20th-century courthouse village that, while lightly settled before the division of Mathews from Gloucester County in 1791, has remained the only seat of government for the entirety of the county's history and has operated as the center of government, business, and social activities throughout that time. The district extends northward along Main Street to its intersection with Buckley Hall Road, branching to the west and east. It also extends west along Church Street, and south along Main Street, in each circumstance incorporating relatively densely concentrated single-family houses. The surrounding landscape is rural and agricultural. The Mathews Downtown Historic District retains strong visual integrity in both architectural style and landscape in general, dating from its earliest period of concentrated development ca. 1775 through 1967.

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Mathews Downtown: Commerce

The earliest historic occupations of the Mathews Downtown Historic District are unclear, but several things are known for certain. The community that would eventually become the seat of Mathews County's government was first known as Westville and included the local tavern of Henry Respass, among other small business establishments typical for the colonial period at major road intersections. Henry and his extended family understood the potential financial benefits of having court days near their businesses, particularly the substantial increase in population that came along with them. He and four members of his family signed the petition to create Mathews County from a substantial portion of Kingston Parish in Gloucester County, which was authorized in 1791.¹⁷ From that date to the present, the Mathews downtown has served as the commercial center of Mathews County.

While historic records for Mathews County, and the court house village in particular, are sparse for the early 19th century, there is anecdotal evidence for small but consistent development throughout the antebellum period. Christopher Tompkins' store, established by 1819, was only a short distance from the courthouse green, and by 1835 the area had developed into a thriving little community.¹⁸ According to Joseph Martin's *Gazetteer*, "MATHEWS C. H. or Westville, P. V. [postal village] and seat of justice," contained "...about 30 houses, 4 mercantile stores, 1 tanyard, 3 boot & shoe factories, 1 tailor, 2 blacksmiths, 1 saddler, 1 carriage maker and 1 tavern. The public buildings are very neat, new C. H., 2 jails, 1 for criminals and the other for debtors, and a clerk's office. These houses are all well-built of brick. Westville is a port of entry; there are 2 regular packets which ply between this place and Norfolk weekly, and 1 that runs from it to Baltimore. Population 150, including 3 regular physicians."¹⁹ Lewes et al.'s research, among others, concluded that the tavern referenced there was located near the northeast corner of the Square. Plats and tax records from the 1840s describe a hotel on this site or refer to the tract north of Hudgins Pharmacy as the "Tavern property" or "Old Davis Hotel property."²⁰ At least as early as 1844, the 32-acre tavern tract near the courthouse was listed in the land tax records alongside 17 acres that was described as "Hotel woods" in the second half of the 19th century. It was later known as "Benson Hotel." With the county court held twice a month, and Superior Court held bi-annually, there were several predictable periods of activity that required overnight stays by officials and court participants.²¹ Walter G. Lane established a hotel or tavern nearby as early as 1840; he appears as a hotel keeper in the census of 1860, and the establishment appears as Lane's Hotel in 1887.²²

The district boasted not only a growing population by 1850, but also a diverse workforce,

¹⁷ *History and Progress*, 3, 85; Lounsbury, 315; Mason 1966, 81-82.

¹⁸ Mathews County Land Book #1, Plat 375.

¹⁹ Joseph Martin, *A New and Comprehensive Gazetteer of Virginia, and the District of Columbia...* (Printed for Joseph Martin by Moseley & Tompkins, Printers, Charlottesville, 1835), 229.

²⁰ Lewes et al., 19.

²¹ Martin, 229.

²² Mathews County Deed Book 9: 200-201; Laurie Whiteway, NRHP Nomination of The Lane Hotel (William and Mary Center for Archeological Research, Williamsburg, Virginia, 2009) section 8, page 6.

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including constable, blacksmith, physician, farmer, overseer, sailor, shipwright, and sheriff.²³ The subsequent census documents this continued diversification, with county officials, professionals, and craftsmen living near the courthouse. Following in the footsteps of Richard Billups, Francis White not only owned a tavern, but served as a “Hotel Keeper, Jailor & Farmer” and held substantial real estate worth \$3,500, with \$4,500 in personal property. Along with his wife and four children, he provided rooms for William T. Thurston, a wealthy physician from Gloucester, attorney John B. Donovan, merchant Alexander Marchant, and the hotel clerk William S. Williams. Lewes et al. reference others close to White, including merchant Francis Armistead, saddle and harness maker Robert J. White, Sheriff James Lemuel, Deputy Clerk of Court William Miller, merchant John Armistead, and a “tailoress.” Within the district were also teachers, a tailor, African-American washer women, a coach maker, and house carpenters. Lewes et al. also note that a nearby ship joiner and seaman “reflect the community’s continuing ties to the nearby waterways.”²⁴

The beginning of the 20th century brought with it increased investment in finance, commerce, and entertainment. The first Mathews bank was a branch of the L.E. Mumford Banking Company of Cape Charles, led by Mr. J.P. Nottingham, who would direct the bank, and much of the banking in Mathews, until his death in 1937 when he was president of what was then Farmer’s Bank of Mathews. For much of the early 20th century Mathews supported two banks, positioned opposite one another for a part of this period. Gloucester-Mathews Bank (Mumford branches in both counties purchased locally and merged in 1910) was in what is now the Mathews Memorial Library (previous brick building 1905; present stone building 1923, expanded 1949) on the east side of Main Street, and the Farmers and Fishermens Bank (established 1920) on the west side of Main Street. Housed in two of the most striking buildings in Mathews, the banks merged in 1933 and moved into the former’s building, likely as a survival tactic during the Great Depression.²⁵

Crucial to the development of Mathews' downtown area was early 20th-century investment that improved upon existing businesses through new construction and the incorporation of new goods and services. Richardson’s Drug Store, built in 1921, highlights the effects of that investment. The drug store replaced Sears & Williams’s store on the same corner, removing the substantial two-and-a-half story frame building with two entries on the gable (Church St.) and one on the east elevation (Main street) built shortly after the Civil War and replacing it with Mathews’ first two-story brick commercial building.²⁶ Another example included Taylor and Hutson’s “Mathews Garage,” built in 1914. Beginning with repairs to boats, cars, etc., they responded to consumer demand and added gas, new sales of Ford cars, farm machinery, etc. Expansion of

²³ Stephen E. Bradley, Jr., abstractor, *The 1850 Federal Census*, Mathews County, Virginia (Privately published, Keysville, Virginia, 1990), 10; Lewes et al., 22.

²⁴ Lewes et al., 24.

²⁵ *History and Progress*, 72.

²⁶ *History and Progress*, 57. “The first two-story brick building was built in Mathews around 1922. The building located at 12 Church Street, now occupied by Richardson’s Café, which was originally a drugstore occupied by Dr. Ellis C. Richardson. The land was purchased from Lee Miles, a local grocer. Richardson’s Drug Store remained in the Richardson family until the early 21st century (MCHS, 57; Turco et al. 2012).

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services and continued demand led to a new building in 1925 that also accommodated an expanded 10-person workforce.²⁷ Restaurants expanded as well. Donk's Barbeque added table service and a dining room to the existing drive-up business in the 1940s, creating a space for the community to gather and dine.

The period immediately after World War II also brought an increased emphasis on a new style of "modern" building encompassing high performing businesses, such as Sutton & Kline's supplies. When it burned in 1947, it was quickly rebuilt, with a new concrete block building that boasted "fluorescent lighting, and a large storage space for feed and seed in the rear; it measures 100 feet x 25 feet...A convenient loading ramp...and Southern States Cooperative products."²⁸ Several other businesses expanded and thrived to meet the demands of a growing population, especially after World War II. Wilton "Donk" Dunton anticipated the demographic trend and opened a movie theater in the late 1940s to satisfy the community's demands for entertainment.²⁹ Arts, culture, and commerce continue to exist side-by-side in downtown Mathews, as many of the historic buildings and landscapes in the district are owned by art organizations and community resources, including the Mathews Art Group, Bay School Community Arts Center, the Mathews County Historical Society and the Mathews Memorial Library.

Mathews Downtown: Politics and Government

Commerce and government maintained a symbiotic relationship throughout the earliest days of Mathews County. Henry Respass' commercial interests led him to petition for the creation of Mathews County, with its seat conveniently close to his tavern, as court days drew the local population to the village and sustained its various commercial endeavors. As the village developed and commercial enterprises took deeper root, the county government expanded in response to that growth.

The first benefit was almost immediate. Substantial investments in county infrastructure immediately followed the successful petition that created Mathews County in 1791. On October 8, 1792, the county court paid Richard Billups to build a frame courthouse, the immediate predecessor to the extant building.³⁰ An early clerk's office stood on the south edge of the square, and likely a jail and other support buildings typical of a courthouse complex.³¹ While the Respass family may have prompted the creation of Mathews Court House, historian Katherine Davis suggests that Richard Billups should be recognized for his contributions to the early development of the courthouse area.³² She notes that he "conformed to certain models of civic and economic behavior typical of his class and locale." He achieved the highest status among the

²⁷ *History and Progress*, 70.

²⁸ *History and Progress*, 61.

²⁹ Catherine C. Brooks, *Photographic Memories of Mathews County* (Infinity Publishing, West Conshohocken, Pennsylvania, 2011), 9-11. Donk's Theatre was individually listed in the NRHP, but was demolished after catastrophic damage during a blizzard and thus was delisted in 2017.

³⁰ Mason 1966, 77; Lewes et al., 13.

³¹ Lewes et al, 13, 16.

³² Katherine Davis, "The Economic and Civic Endeavors of Richard Billups (1753-1822)" (Chesapeake Society, University of Virginia, 1993), Typescript on file, Mathews Memorial Library, Mathews, Virginia, 3-4.

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county's elite through economic success, as an efficient public servant, and as a "pious, respected" member of the community. Lewes et al. add that "at the age of 22, he began serving as a member of the Kingston Parish vestry. Two years later, in 1787, he converted to Methodism and eventually may have become one of Virginia's first Methodist ministers."³³ Davis's research also suggests that Billups was a master carpenter and shipbuilder, as well as a surveyor, justice (1792), undertaker for the first courthouse, sheriff (1794–1795), coroner (1804) and member of the House of Delegates (1800-1822).³⁴

By the 1840s the courthouse complex went through at least one period of significant change as the community around it solidified its presence through continued investment in buildings and commercial activities, leading to the need for more substantial facilities for county government. Billups' frame courthouse required substantial improvements or complete replacement.³⁵ The 1835 Gazetteer of Virginia by Joseph Martin mentions "the new C.H." among the public buildings, suggesting it had been built within the previous few years.³⁶

Mathews County government enjoyed a relatively peaceful and locally-minded existence throughout its first seventy years. During the Civil War, however, the county and its citizens engaged in a national conflict. While the courthouse area avoided the direct impacts of military action during the Civil War, Union troops passed through on their way to several engagements elsewhere in the county, including the destruction of saltworks, capture of schooners, sloops and large canoes, and generally to disrupt the flow of shipping and supplies to Confederate forces.³⁷ Several residents joined or formed Confederate units, including the Mathews Artillery and the Mathews Cavalry, Company F of the 5th Virginia Regiment.³⁸ Sally Tompkins, the daughter of local merchant Christopher Tompkins, is probably the war's most celebrated participant from Mathews County. Lewes et al. write that "between 1861 and 1863, she directed and shouldered the entire operating costs of Robertson Hospital in Richmond, where a total of 1,390 Confederate soldiers were treated. For her service, she had the unusual distinction of receiving a commission as a captain of cavalry in the Confederate Army."³⁹

The conclusion of the Civil War brought difficult economic times, as well as social and political struggles. The Mathews Court House community struggled to recognize that African Americans were now free citizens who comprised a substantial percentage of their community. One reaction to this new era was the construction of a new jail (057-0022-0006) in the late 19th century that

³³ Davis, 9; Katie-Prince W. Esker, compiler, *Billups and Allied Families* (Gateway Press, Inc., Baltimore, 1984), 8; Lewes et al, 14.

³⁴ Davis, 9, 18, 32 & 34.

³⁵ William P. Palmer, editor, *Calendar of Virginia State Papers and Other Manuscripts, 1652-1781: Preserved in the Capitol at Richmond* (Kraus Reprint, New York. Originally published 1875–1893, Virginia State Library, Richmond; Reprinted, 1968), Volume 10:568.

³⁶ Martin, 229; John O. Peters and Margaret T. Peters, *Virginia's Historic Courthouses* (University Press of Virginia, Charlottesville, 1995), 100.

³⁷ *The Philadelphia Enquirer*, "The Latest from Washington. The New Major and Brigadier Generals." December 4, 1862, page 1; *History and Progress*, 20.

³⁸ *History and Progress*, 18.

³⁹ *History and Progress*, 44; Lewes et al., 25-26.

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reportedly segregated prisoners, with whites on the ground floor and black prisoners upstairs.⁴⁰

Both legal and de facto marginalization of African Americans continued into the 20th century. The 1902 Virginia constitution effectively disenfranchised the majority of African-American voters in the state by requiring a poll tax of \$1.50, to be paid six months in advance of any election and to have been paid for the previous three years, and the ability to demonstrate understanding of the constitution. An additional 1903 law required written applications for voter registration, to be completed without assistance.⁴¹ While these laws were enacted at the state level, they were carried out in courthouse squares, including Mathews.

Segregation and marginalization was also inherent in how the white community used and developed the built environment of downtown Mathews, and particularly so when residents began to commemorate the Civil War and other military conflicts on the courthouse green. Mathews' memorials were built "just after the peak of commemorative fervor that occurred during the first decade of the 20th century."⁴² On September 12, 1912, the Sally Tompkins Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy dedicated a memorial at the northeast corner of the Square.⁴³ Lewes et al. write that "the Square's function as a symbolic and commemorative center was further emphasized by the installation of a large flagpole near the courthouse along Court Street in 1928. A year later, a Revolutionary War monument was added to the Square."⁴⁴ In the years to come, the Daughters of the American Revolution installed a plaque commemorating the Battle at Fort Crickett Hill while the single largest contribution to the square's transformation into a "civic square" was construction of Mathews Memorial Library (now the County School Board office) along Church Street.⁴⁵ While continued public use of this area facilitated other improvements, including repairs to the buildings of the courthouse complex and construction of a privy, that use was defined by race and the erasure of African-American contributions to Mathews' history.

During this same period, the African-American community in Mathews worked to improve their circumstances. The 1917 USGS topographic map of Mathews identifies, but does not name, a school to the east of Hyco Corner.⁴⁶ Given the circumstances of its identification, this was likely an African-American school, indicating that the community was working to improve the opportunities available for its youth.

⁴⁰ Elwood Street, "Wellsprings of Democracy in Virginia: No. 17, Courthouse of Mathews County," *Richmond Times-Dispatch* December 21, 1941.

⁴¹ "Virginia Constitutional Convention," *Encyclopedia Virginia*, accessed 30 April 2017, http://www.encyclopediavirginia.org/Constitutional_Convention_Virginia_1901-1902

⁴² Lounsbury, 331.

⁴³ Sam Crickenberger and Dorie Crickenberger, "SOS! Survey Questionnaire for "Our Confederate Soldier" Memorial on Mathews Courthouse Square," 1995. Copy in file for architectural resource inventory no. 0570022, Virginia Department of Historic Resources, Richmond; Mathews Memorial Library, Scene at the unveiling of the Confederate Monument at Mathews, Sept. 11, 1912. Archives, Mathews Memorial Library, Mathews, Virginia.

⁴⁴ *Mathews Journal*, March 22, 1928:5:1.

⁴⁵ *Mathews Journal*, January 17, 1929:5:1, January 24, 1929:1:6, and July 25, 1929:4:1.

⁴⁶ McCartney, 436

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School buildings provided social spaces for the African-American community as well. In 1930, G. S. Marchant opened the Westville Theater in Mathews, the first sound projection theater in the county. Under the 1926 Public Assemblages Act, Marchant was legally required “to set apart and designate...certain seats therein to be occupied by white persons...and...certain seats therein, to be occupied by colored persons.”⁴⁷ Refusal or neglect to comply could result in a misdemeanor charge and a fine of \$100 to \$500.⁴⁸ Individuals refusing to take an assigned seat faced a misdemeanor charge and a fine of \$10 to \$25.⁴⁹ It seems that rather than create discrete seating areas, Marchant instead limited admission to white clientele only. When Bob and Helen Bertschy purchased the theater in 1936 and renamed it the Be-Jo, they continued the tradition. While the theater could seat 300, it remained segregated until it closed in 1949. As each reel finished, it would be taken from the theater to the nearby Thomas Hunter School for viewing by African-American moviegoers.⁵⁰ Though the Thomas Hunter School sits just beyond the bounds of the Mathews Downtown Historic District, the Be-Jo Theater once sat within its bounds, and the simple act of going to see a movie captures the complicated social terrain the African-American community in Mathews navigated in the Jim Crow South.

Today, the court and many government offices occupy a modern complex just outside of the district along Buckley Hall Road to the northwest. Downtown Mathews, however, continues to thrive with an enduring sense of community identity connected with the history, buildings and landscape of this area.

Mathews Downtown: Architecture

Mathews Downtown Historic District maintains a great degree of its architectural integrity. The building lots along Main Street are mostly regular in size and shape, with very little undeveloped property. Road furniture and straight roads create a distinctive impression of conscientiously-executed development, which contrasts with the way the roads follow the natural topography of the landscape outside the district’s boundaries. Throughout the district are a mixture of masonry and frame commercial and residential buildings; most are commercial/governmental and of masonry construction. Most of the buildings in the district are 1-2 stories and built to the lot line on Main Street, while the smaller number of dwellings are set further back and are on larger parcels. The limited number of in-fill buildings and altered historic resources maintain the scale and massing of the historic buildings and do not detract significantly from the architectural character of the district. Commercial and professional buildings give way to private residences along the inner perimeter of the district, many of which sit away from the street on their lots, and

⁴⁷ 1926 Supplement to the Virginia Code of 1924; Containing All the General Laws of 1926 With Full Annotations (Charlottesville: The Michie Company, 1926), 42–43, http://www.encyclopediavirginia.org/Separation_of_Races_1926

⁴⁸ 1926 Supplement to the Virginia Code of 1924; Containing All the General Laws of 1926 With Full Annotations (Charlottesville: The Michie Company, 1926), 42–43, http://www.encyclopediavirginia.org/Separation_of_Races_1926

⁴⁹ 1926 Supplement to the Virginia Code of 1924; Containing All the General Laws of 1926 With Full Annotations (Charlottesville: The Michie Company, 1926), 42–43, http://www.encyclopediavirginia.org/Separation_of_Races_1926

⁵⁰ McCartney, 473–474. For both Marchant and the Bertschys, total segregation not only simplified their legal obligations, but may also have had an economic impetus. The total population of Mathews County in 1930 was 7,884, of which 5,890 (74.7%) was white and 1,993 (25.3%) was African American. These proportions remained almost unchanged by 1940. The greater potential market of white patrons, therefore may have contributed to theater’s continued segregation as well. Census data from socialexplorer.com.

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soften the transition from the urban development of Mathews Downtown Historic District to the surrounding countryside.

The Mathews Downtown Historic District includes a range of 18th-, 19th-, and 20th-century architectural styles, including Art Deco, Classical Revival, Colonial Revival, Commercial Revival, Craftsman, Dutch Revival, Federal/Adamesque, Folk Victorian, Greek Revival, Modernist, and Ranch. Sixty-nine (46%) of the Mathews Downtown Historic District lack any discernible style. The earliest of these is The James Old Store (VDHR #057-5027; VDHR #057-5049-0001), which dates to 1816. The number of stylistically indiscernible resources increases with each decade of the 20th century, likely a result of the movement toward housing stock designed for rapid construction beginning in the 1940s.

The architectural development of the Mathews Downtown Historic District broadly follows national design trends. The oldest resources, Edwards Hall (1770, VHDR #057-0019; VDHR #057-5415-0006) and the house at 185 Church Street (1780, VDHR #057-5158; VDHR #057-5415-0042) adhere to the Federal style. Classical Revival appears only twice: first at Palace Green built in 1790 (VDHR #057-0027; VDHR #057-5415-0017) and then at Hyco House built in 1830 (VDHR #057-0040; VDHR #057-5415-0015). Folk Victorian is the dominant architectural style throughout the 19th century, with 7 of the 14 resources with discernible styles adhering to it. The final Folk Victorian building is Faulkner & Sons, built in 1903 (VDHR #057-5061; VDHR #057-5415-0021). The 20th century brought the greatest stylistic diversity to Mathews Downtown, including 2 Folk Victorians, 2 Art Deco, 6 Colonial Revival, 10 Commercial style, 13 Craftsman style, 3 Modernist, 8 Ranch, and a Dutch Revival. The appearance and disappearance of these styles follows national architectural trends during the 20th century. For example, the first Craftsman house appears in 1910 (VDHR #057-5329; 057-5415-0081), the majority of them date between 1920 and 1940, and the last was built in 1960 (VDHR #057-5389; VDHR #057-5415-0131). Two Art Deco buildings (VDHR #057-5174; VDHR #057-5415-0054 and VDHR #057-5179; VDHR #057-5415-0059) were erected in 1930, just as the style was taking hold in the United States. Similarly, the first Ranch style house was built in 1948 (VDHR #057-5359; VDHR #057-5415-0111), just as the post-World War II residential construction boom was beginning. Seven additional Ranch style houses were built in the following 20 years.

While commercial, residential, and political resources dominate the landscape of Mathews Downtown, churches and meeting halls occupy a prominent place in the community. The Mathews Downtown Historic District includes four, which represent a microcosm of the changing architectural styles used in the area. Central United Methodist Church (VDHR #057-5160; VDHR #057-5415-0044), built in 1853, is a large, Federal Revival/Victorian-era rectangular building with a tall Victorian-era steeple, a large bay projection on the south end, and a front gable metal roof. The 1-story frame church has original stained glass windows, a simple molded cornice with very plain, big dentils, and arched window caps on the facade with dentil molding. The tower has decorative wood shingles and brackets, the original church bell, and a steep copper roof. The Disciples Meeting House (VHDR #057-0012; VHDR #057-5415-0005), built in 1859, adheres to the Greek Revival style. The tall, 1-story gable-front brick church has a slate roof, two exterior side stretcher bond brick chimneys, and double-hung wood sash

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windows. The church has a frame interior, with brick walls constructed of variable common bond. There are two corner pilasters of simple brick projections and a brick pediment which projects out 1/2 course. There are two tall windows with flat brick arches and purple sandstone sills, as well as a two-leaf wood door with sandstone sill with fixed 5-pane transom above and a flat brick arch. By contrast, Westville Baptist Church (VHDR #057-0003; VHDR #057-5415-0002), built in 1879, is a large, simple Victorian-era, t-shaped, 1-story building. The frame church has a spire on the west end, decorative brackets, and window caps. The previous three churches capture an architectural cycle varying between extensive detail and visual simplicity common throughout the 19th century. The fourth church in Mathews Downtown, however, brought a completely different style of religious architecture to the district. Kingston Parish Church (VDHR #057-5341; VDHR #057-5415-0093), built in 1965, stands as an example of Modernist ecclesiastical architecture. This church is a 1-story, 5-bay, stretcher-bond, brick church/parish hall on a solid, stretcher-bond, brick foundation. The wood windows are 1/1 double-hung sash. The front gable roof is topped by a pyramidal roof, creating space for clerestory windows. Much like the Ranch houses, this style of architecture was intended to be easily constructed and easily adapted to a number of purposes, including service stations (VDHR #057-5334; VDHR #057-5415-0086) and utility buildings (VDHR #057-5345; VDHR #057-5415-0097).

Of the 150 architectural resources in Mathews Downtown, only 23 fall outside the period of significance ending in 1967. Ten of these are Ranch style houses built between 1970 and 1980. The remainder include the Mathews Post Office (VDHR #057-5401; VDHR #057-5415-0143), Oriental Lodge No. 20 (VDHR #057-5415-0150), a fast food restaurant (VDHR #057-5384; VDHR #057-5415-0126), an auto repair shop (VDHR #057-5385; VDHR #057-5415-0127), a grocery store (VDHR #057-5386; VDHR #057-5415-0128), a bank (VDHR #057-5382; VDHR #057-5415-0127), and the Mathews Volunteer Fire Department (VDHR #057-5415-0149). These buildings generally use modern commercial construction methods: a wood frame sheathed in vinyl, stucco, or brick veneer. The uniformity of their finishes mark them as products of the modern construction industry. Concrete block (VDHR #057-5385; VDHR #057-5415-0127) and steel frame construction (VDHR #057-5415-0149) also serve to visually differentiate the non-contributing resources from the historic ones.

The most remarkable architectural development in Mathews Downtown, however, is a pattern of architectural emulation in the first half of the 19th century. The construction of the 1830s Courthouse, with its semicircular “lunette” window, inspired some degree of civic pride or fashionable emulation in Mathews Court House. Historian Becky Foster Barnhardt identified at least seven nearby 1830s/1840s buildings that incorporated nearly identical windows in their design.⁵¹ All of these buildings are within 2.4-miles of the courthouse, and four are in the district: the former Lane Hotel on the north side of Church Street, Hyco house at the intersection of Main Street and Buckley Hall Road, and Edwards Hall and Palace Green, on the east and west sides, respectively, of Main Street at the southern end of the proposed district boundaries. According to Lewes et al., “This local design trend suggests a desire by the owners to emulate

⁵¹ Becky Foster Barnhardt, Personal communication in 2007 and notes from property history research in Lewes et al.; see also Mathews Memorial Library, Mathews, Virginia.

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the most distinctive feature of Mathews' most prominent public building," and "similarity also suggests a single builder may have been responsible for the courthouse as well as the nearby contemporary houses."⁵²

Mathews Downtown: Archaeology

The Mathews Downtown Historic District includes significant intact archaeological resources with the confirmed potential to contribute substantially to the study of prehistoric life and to the study of 18th-, 19th-, and 20th-century urban life on the Middle Peninsula. Archaeological excavations undertaken in 1985, 2006, 2007 and 2016 documented intact subsurface features and stratified cultural deposits with the confirmed ability to reveal important insights about the development of the Mathews Court House area and the lives of the people who lived there from the Early Woodland period to the mid-20th century.

The William and Mary Center for Archaeological Research (WMCAR) conducted an archaeological assessment of Site 44MT0073 within the Mathews County Courthouse Square Historic District in 2006. Twenty-nine shovel tests were excavated, 21 of which were positive. The area between Shovel Tests 20 and 21 (west of the 1895 Clerk's Office (VHDR #057-0031)) had a higher relative density of prehistoric artifacts than other locations within the survey area. One eroded grog/sand-tempered sherd of Croaker Landing Ware (1200-800 BC) and one net-impressed, shell-tempered sherd (AD 200-900) were recovered from these Shovel Tests. Test Unit 2 was subsequently excavated immediately next to Shovel Test 20. This test unit produced two additional sherds of Croaker Landing Ware, confirming the presence of Early Woodland material in this area of Courthouse Square. The archaeologists concluded that the area had multiple, short-term occupations at different times during the Early Woodland (1200-500 BC) and Middle Woodland (500 BC - AD 900) periods.⁵³ The site retains sufficient integrity and research potential to address issues related to Early and Middle Woodland period occupation of the Upper Coastal Plain of Virginia.

The Woodland period is marked by significant transitions that researchers have classified into three sub-periods known as the Early (1200- 500 B.C.E.), Middle (500 B.C.E.-900 C.E.), and Late (900-1607 C.E.) periods. One such transition was the utilization of wider varieties of natural food resources. During the Early and Middle Woodland periods, plant food began to take on a much more important role in the everyday lives and social interactions of Native Americans. By the Late Woodland there was an increased reliance on plant cultigens, particularly gourds, squash and maize.⁵⁴

The introduction of agriculture and a semi-sedentary population spurred the development of fired clay vessels, which is identified as the primary division between the Archaic and Woodland pe-

⁵² Lewes et al., 14.

⁵³ Lewes et al., 114.

⁵⁴ Timothy Silver, *A New Face on the Countryside: Indians, Colonists, and Slaves in the South Atlantic Forests, 1500-1800* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 1990), 37.

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riods.⁵⁵ Marked variations in ceramic types, distinguished by differences in manufacturing techniques, clays, tempering materials, and stylistic or decorative attributes have allowed archaeologists to distinguish many cultural traditions within the three sub-periods.⁵⁶ Lithic tools indicating a gradual shift in procurement strategies have been identified and also serve as principal diagnostic indicators for the three Woodland sub-periods.⁵⁷

Settlement during the Middle and Late Woodland periods is characterized by sedentary villages supported by short-term hunting and foraging camps. Villages were typically of a dispersed nature, generally located along floodplains and low-lying necks of rich, sandy soils in close proximity to water. Centralized village areas were surrounded by family dwellings with their associated garden plots. The Middle Woodland saw an increased utilization of fish and shellfish, leading to the creation of shell middens. Increasing sedentism and population growth encouraged the formation of complex political and social institutions, such as the Powhatan Chiefdom (Rountree 1989:291; Turner 1992:97).⁵⁸

By the Late Woodland period, the subsistence economies of the Tidewater region had become dependent upon agriculture in order to provide for a largely sedentary population. The increasingly static nature of Native American settlements coupled with European contact along the shores of the Chesapeake and its tributaries led to a period of interaction, and ultimately conflict.⁵⁹

Early and Middle Woodland archaeological sites are rare along the Middle Peninsula and exceptionally so within Mathews County. Features and intact deposits identified within Site 44MT0073 can provide important comparative data about site structure and function and help refine our understanding of regional chronologies as well as subsistence and settlement patterns during the Early and Middle Woodland periods.⁶⁰ Given that the recovered prehistoric artifacts date between 1200BC and AD 900, it is nearly impossible to affiliate them with an extant or known historic Virginia Indian tribe.

Phase I and Phase 2 testing at 548 Main Street revealed a 17th-century site (44MT0171). Testing included the excavation of four five-foot-square test units and uncovered distinct artifact concentrations and intact cultural features from the mid-to-late-17th century. The site represents

⁵⁵ Keith T. Egloff, "Development and Impact of Ceramics in Virginia," in T. R. Reinhart and M. E. Hodges, eds., *Late Archaic and Early Woodland Research in Virginia: A Synthesis* (Richmond: The Dietz Press for the Archaeological Society of Virginia, 1991), 248.

⁵⁶ E. Randolph Turner III, "The Virginia Coastal Plain During the Late Woodland Period," Theodore R. Reinhart and Mary Ellen N. Hodges, eds., *Middle and Late Woodland Research in Virginia: A Synthesis* (Richmond: The Dietz Press for the Archaeological Society of Virginia, 1992), 103.

⁵⁷ Keith Egloff and Deborah Woodward, *First People: The Early Indians of Virginia* (Richmond: Virginia Department of Historic Resources, 1992), 23.

⁵⁸ Helen Rountree, *The Powhatan Indians of Virginia: Their Traditional Culture* (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 1989), 291; Turner, 97.

⁵⁹ Jennifer H. Ogborne, David Brown, and Thane Harpole, DATA Investigations, LLC, "An Archaeological Assessment of Hollerith Farms (Sites 44MT0008 and 44MT0111 to 114), Mathews County, Virginia," Mathews County Historical Society, August 2009, 4-5.

⁶⁰ Lewes et al., 115.

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the earliest European occupation within the district and is one of only two sites of that era that have undergone archaeological evaluation. The materials recovered to date, which include hundreds of fragments of mid-century pottery and tobacco pipe bowl and stem fragments with makers marks, not only provide great confidence in assigning this early period of settlement, but also the trade connections that highlight how Mathews County, and this portion of it, was tightly connected with international trade during the earliest years of colonial occupation

The WMCAR archaeological assessment of Site 44MT0073 at Mathews County Courthouse Square Historic District identified more recent intact cultural deposits with distinct artifact concentrations as well, including an early-to-mid-20th-century privy feature and four builder's trench features. They concluded that Site 44MT0073 retains sufficient integrity and research potential to provide important information about site chronology and structure/function at the Mathews County Courthouse Square during the 18th through 20th centuries.⁶¹

Other excavations have identified intact features relating to both industrial practices and domestic life. The recent Phase I archaeological survey of Palace Green revealed several distinct concentrations of late 18th-/early 19th-century pottery, tobacco pipe stems, architectural debris, and other artifacts that are contemporary with (and may pre-date) this important architectural resource at the southern edge of the proposed historic district. The site represents an important compliment to the emerging town as the information gleaned from these archaeological resources will help document the changing nature of this plantation that evolved into a neighboring farmstead as the commercial center of Mathews grew in size and importance throughout the 19th and 20th centuries. At the Puddin's Creek Site (44MT0043), archaeologists uncovered 19th-century tannery pits and a 20th-century ice house, revealing the impact industrial practices had on the historic landscape, and the relationship between industry and the development of Mathews Court House. In contrast, the James Old Store New Site (44MT0074) offers insights into the domestic lives of Mathews Court House residents. Artifacts recovered from this family house site included an array of ceramics, container glass, and toys. While the previous site may reveal new insights into urban family living patterns, the Edwards Hall Site (44MT0149), a late-18th- and 19th-century farmstead on Main Street, offers potential deeper understandings of how Mathews Court House residents balanced the demands of agriculture with proximity to an urban area. Finally, the Shackelford Hotel Site (44MT0126) offers potential insights into the life of temporary sojourners as they visited Mathews Court House while excavations just north of Palace Green identified a mid-to-late-17th-century site (Site # Pending), representing one of the earliest European settlements in the county.

Collectively, the sites discussed above and identified in the inventory for the Mathews Downtown Historic District have the documented potential to yield additional significant insights into Virginia's prehistoric past.

Conclusion

The Mathews Downtown Historic District encapsulates resources relevant to local, state, and

⁶¹ Lewes et al., 115.

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regional history. Its deepest contribution is also its oldest. The intact, stratified cultural deposits left by indigenous peoples during the Early and Middle Woodland periods, which have the potential to yield information critical to understanding the societies and practices of these peoples as they moved throughout the Upper Coastal Plain of Virginia. Moving forward to the early modern and the modern periods, the architectural and archaeological resources that comprise the Mathews Downtown Historic District capture the creation and evolution of an urban community in the heart of a rural county. As the center of Mathews County's government, finance, and commerce, Mathews' downtown area provided vital services to the surrounding inhabitants, even when those services were offered more freely to Anglo-American residents than to African-American ones. Given the slow growth of Mathews County throughout the 20th century, Mathews Downtown Historic District retains not only its architectural and archaeological integrity, but also the look and feel of small, but tightly-knit, community that has worked to preserve and to repurpose the landscape in which its residents live.

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Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

The boundary encompasses Main Street from its intersection with Buckley Hall Road at the north of the district to its intersection with Tabernacle Road at the south. At the northern most end, the boundary includes properties along approximately 0.6 miles Buckley Hall Road, stretching east and west from the intersection with Main Street. The east boundary primarily follows the property lines of resources located on the east side of Main Street, though it does include some properties on Maple Avenue, which intersects Main Street 0.2 miles south of the Main Street/Buckley Hall Road intersection. The southern boundary stops just short of Tabernacle Road on the east side of Main Street, though it jogs south to parallel Tabernacle Road on the west side. This was done to avoid including a modern convalescent facility in the district. The western boundary follows the property lines of resources on the west side of Main Street, before jogging further west to include additional resources along Church Street and then returning east to correspond with the property lines along the western side of Main Street as it nears Buckley Hall Road. The true and correct historic boundaries are shown on the four attached maps entitled "Sketch Map/Photo Key."

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The boundary of the district is drawn to encompass the more urban areas around the courthouse. It includes 114 surveyed primary resources (110 architecture and 4 archaeology), two historic districts listed on the state and federal registers of historic places (Mathews County Courthouse Square Historic District (VDHR #057-0022) and Sibley's and James Stores Historic District (VDHR #057-5049). The proposed historic district stops just short of several recent, larger developments such as the school complex (west), senior assisted living facility (south), and housing developments (north).

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Submit the following items with the completed form:

- Maps:** A **USGS map** or equivalent (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

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Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.

Additional items: (Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.)

Photographs

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View: Buckley Hall Road/Main Street Intersection Streetscape, camera facing south

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View: Buckley Hall Road Streetscape, camera facing northeast

Photo #4 of 16: VA_MathewsCounty_MathewsDowntownHistoricDistrict_0004
View: 43 Main Street, West Facade, camera facing northeast

Photo #5 of 16: VA_MathewsCounty_MathewsDowntownHistoricDistrict_0005
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View: Sibley's General Store, 239 Main Street, and Mathews Memorial Library, 251 Main Street, West Facades, camera facing southeast
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View: Courthouse Square from Put-In Creek, camera facing northeast

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LOCATION MAP

Mathews Downtown Historic District

Mathews County, VA

DHR No. 057-5415

Latitude/Longitude Coordinates

1. Latitude: 37.438680

Longitude: -76.322320

2. Latitude: 37.439300

Longitude: -76.315950

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Longitude: -76.3120 10

4. Latitude: 37.435930

Longitude: -76.312510

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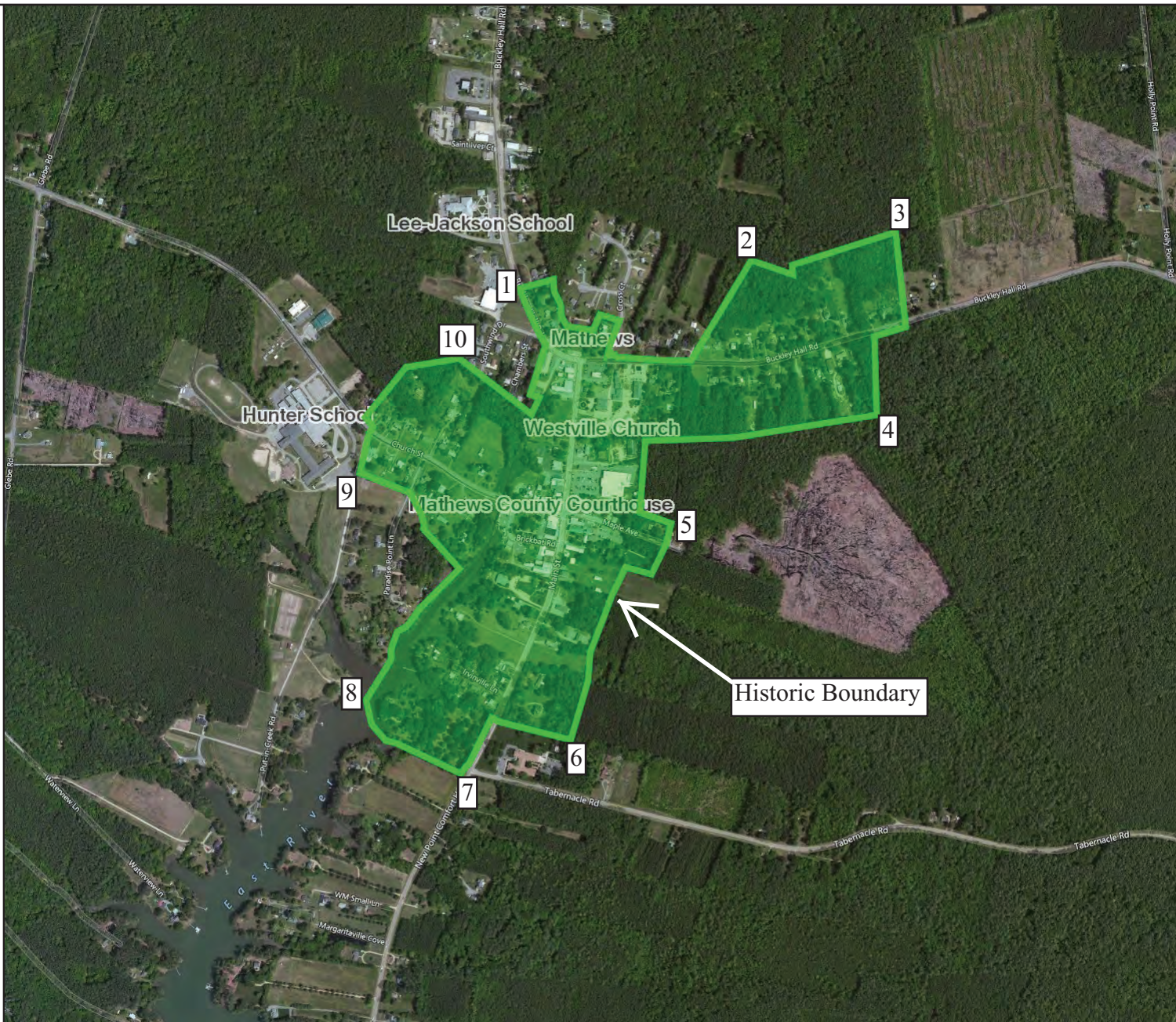
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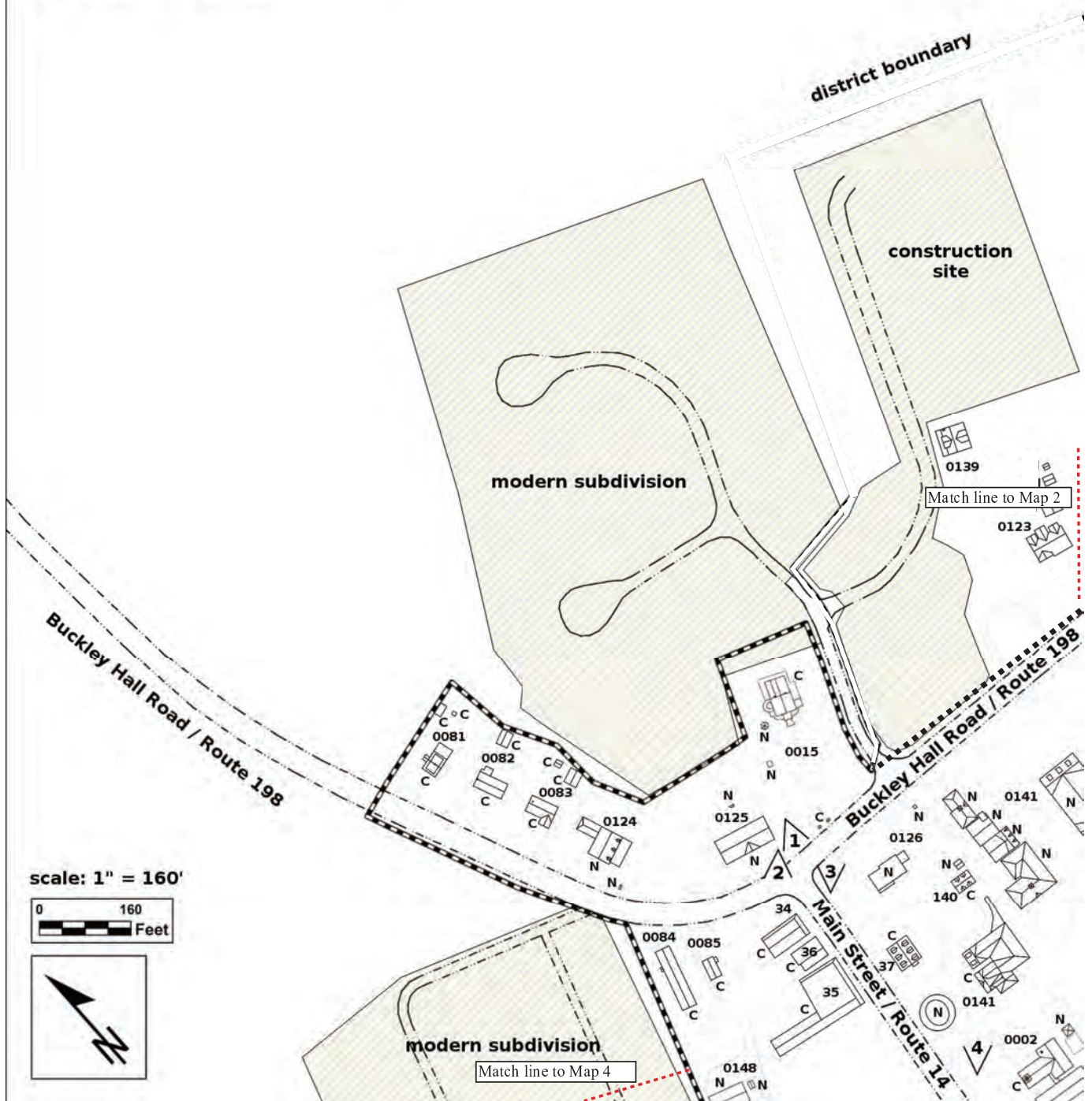
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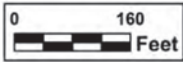
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Mathews Downtown Historic District
Mathews County, VA
DHR No. 057-5415
Northwest Quadrant (View 1 of 4)

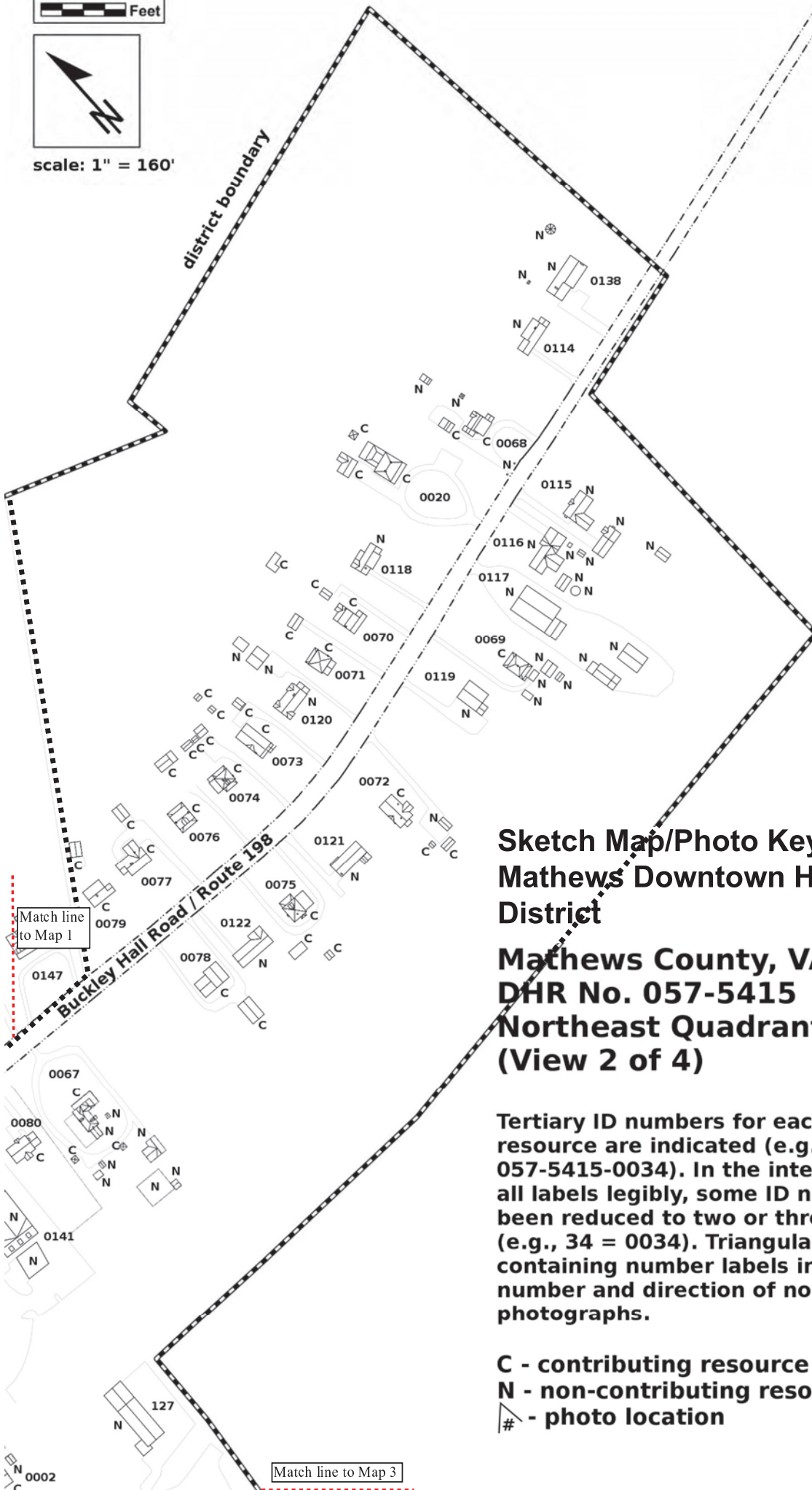
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- C** - contributing resource
- N** - non-contributing resource
- #** - photo location





scale: 1" = 160'



Sketch Map/Photo Key Mathews Downtown Historic District

**Mathews County, VA
DHR No. 057-5415
Northeast Quadrant
(View 2 of 4)**

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Match line
to Map 1

Match line to Map 3

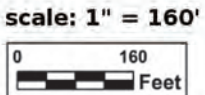
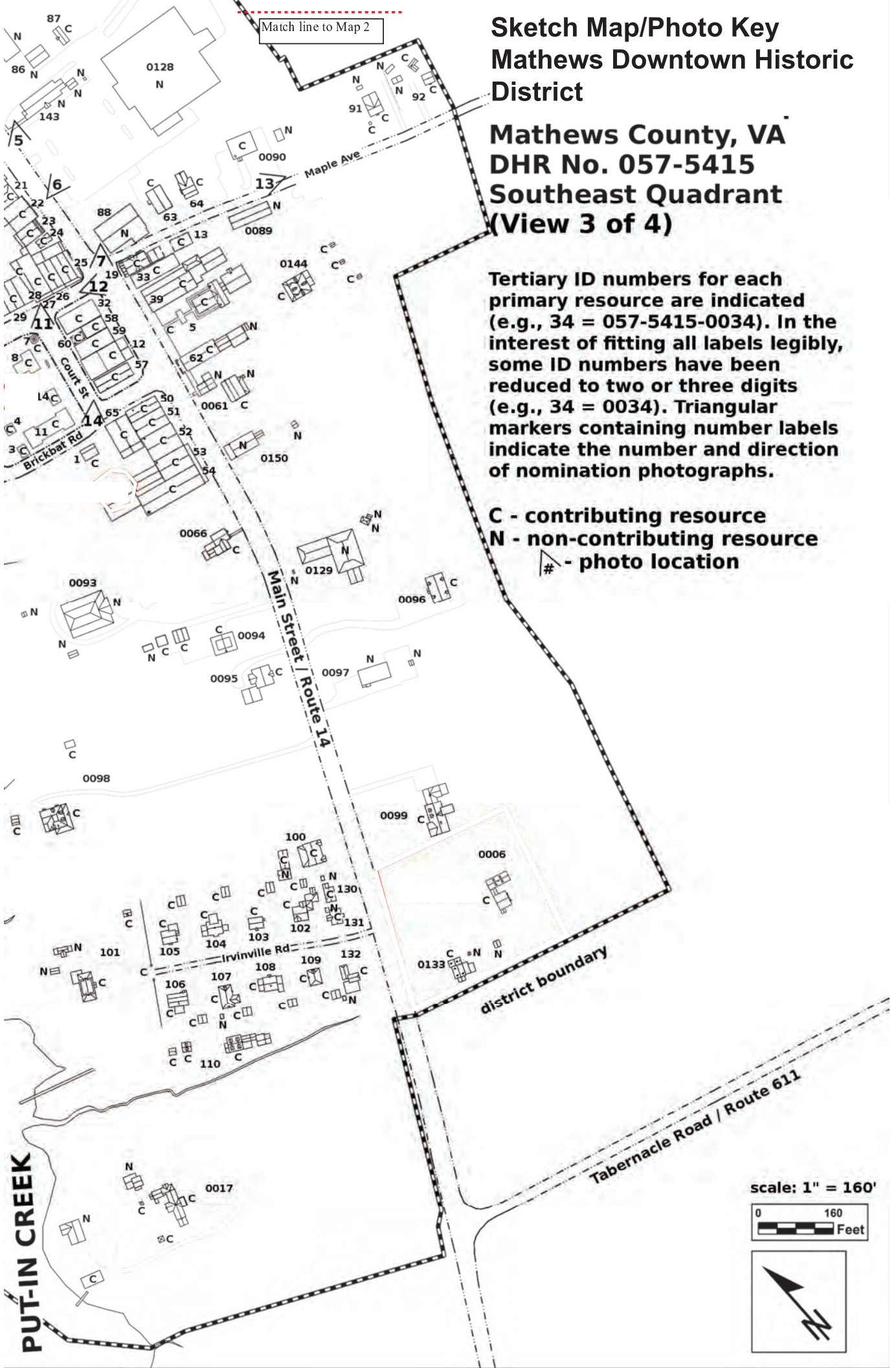
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Sketch Map/Photo Key Mathews Downtown Historic District

Mathews County, VA DHR No. 057-5415 Southeast Quadrant (View 3 of 4)

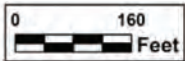
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PUT-IN CREEK

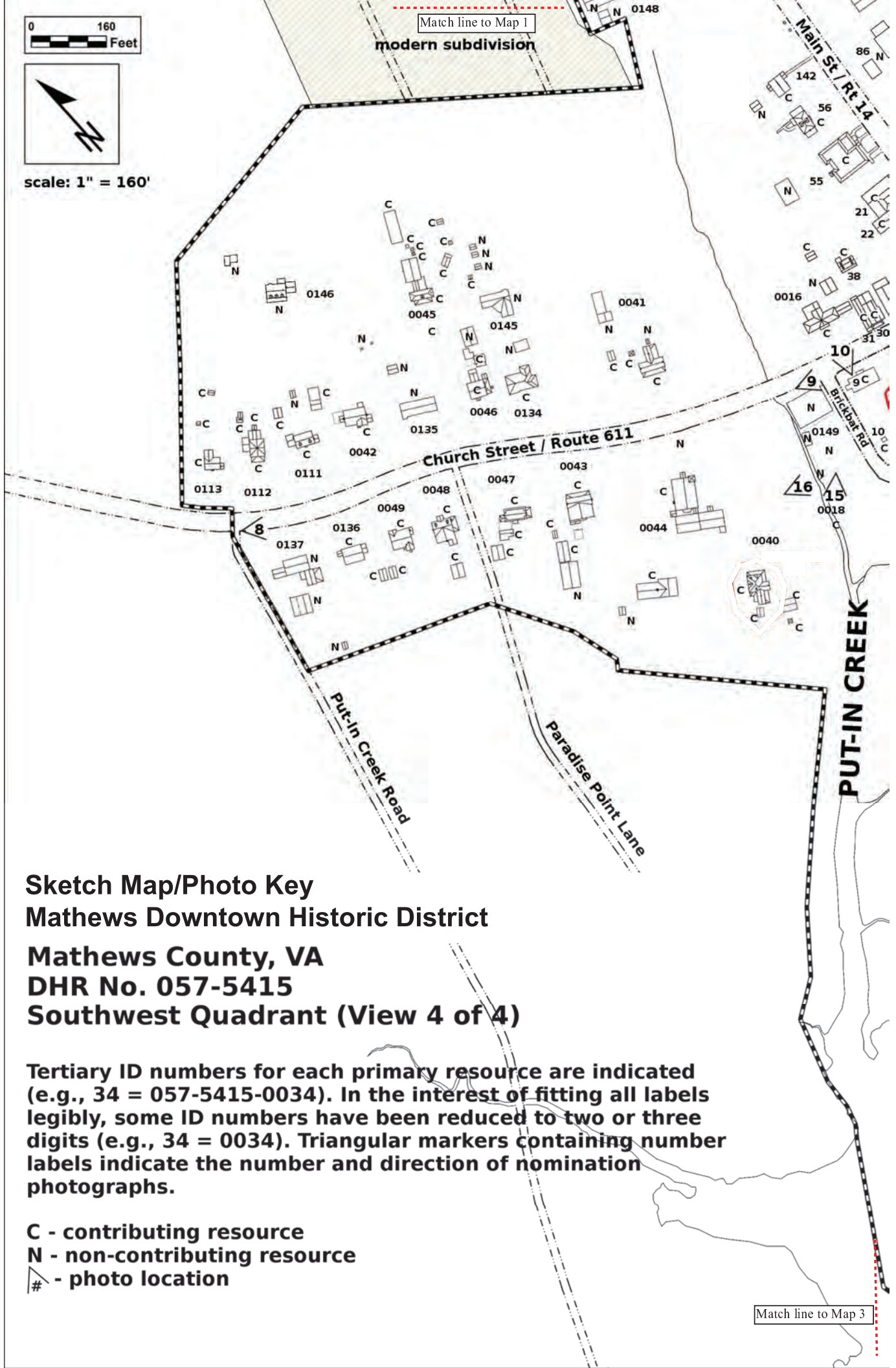
district boundary



scale: 1" = 160'

Match line to Map 1

modern subdivision



**Sketch Map/Photo Key
Mathews Downtown Historic District
Mathews County, VA
DHR No. 057-5415
Southwest Quadrant (View 4 of 4)**

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- # - photo location

Match line to Map 3

United States Department of the Interior
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National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Mathews Downtown Historic District
Name of Property

Mathews Co., VA
County and State

n/a
Name of multiple property listing

Section number: 5, 7, & 8 Pages: 3-5, 15, 44-45, & 59

SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: SG 100001642
Property Name: Mathews Downtown Historic District
County: Mathews State: VA
Multiple Name: n/a

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.


Signature of the Keeper


Date of Action

Amended Item #1

Box 5: Number of Resources within Property

The first Supplementary Listing Record (SLR) action is made to amend the "Number of Resources within Property" identified in Box 5 on the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form cover sheet so as to read as follows (see table below). These corrected resource counts are based on the information provided in the inventory spanning Section 7, pp. 12-45.

Some of these corrections reflect counting errors, whereas others reflect identification of property type within the inventory as "other"—which is not one of the five property types recognized for National Register listing. Descriptive information associated with the properties characterized as "other" was used in all but one instance to readily identify them as noncontributing buildings and the one about which there was insufficient information was assigned that same property type.

Contributing	Noncontributing	
178	93	buildings
8	0	sites
4	14	structures
5	7	objects
195	114	Total

Amended Item #2

Summary Paragraph

The last sentence on Section 7, pp. 4-5 will be amended to read: “The district contains 195 contributing resources such as dwellings, domestic outbuildings, commercial buildings, government offices, restaurants, automobile-related enterprises, and cemeteries that are generally illustrative of the town’s historical development since the last decade of the 18th century through the late 1960s.”

Amended Item #3

Mathews Downtown Archaeology

The final sentence of the archeology conclusions in Section 8, p. 59, will be edited to read “Collectively, the sites discussed above and identified in the inventory for the Mathews Downtown Historic District have the documented potential to yield additional significant insights into Virginia’s prehistoric past.”

This addition is made as the narrative does not call out site 44MT0170, but it is identified in the inventory in Section 7, p. 45 as a contributing site to the district’s significance. This language incorporates it as a contributing resource to the district.

The State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) was notified of this amendment.

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