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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES
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Orange Street Area   222-375-11

DISTRICT		IF NR. SPECIFY	
☐ S	☐ NR	☐ Actual	☐ Potential

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME (Common)   (Historic)

Serge Chermayeff House

2. TOWN, CITY   VILLAGE   COUNTY

New Haven   New Haven

3. STREET AND NUMBER (and or location)

28 Lincoln Street

4. OWNER(S)

Ann C. Hanson   ☐ Public   ☒ Private

5. USE (Present)   (Historic)

Residential   Residential

6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:

EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD: ☒ Yes ☐ No
INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE: ☐ Yes ☒ No
IF YES, EXPLAIN

7. STYLE OF BUILDING

Modern   DATE OF CONSTRUCTION 1962

8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)

☐ Clapboard	☐ Asbestos Siding	☐ Brick	☐ Other (Specify) _____
☐ Wood Shingle	☐ Asphalt Siding	☐ Fieldstone	
☐ Board & Batten	☐ Stucco	☐ Cobblestone	
☐ Aluminum Siding	☒ Concrete Type: block	☐ Cut stone Type: _____	

9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM

☐ Wood frame	☐ Post and beam	☐ balloon
☒ Load bearing masonry		☐ Structural iron or steel
☐ Other (Specify) _____		

10. ROOF (Type)

☐ Gable	☒ Flat	☐ Mansard	☐ Monitor	☐ sawtooth
☐ Gambrel	☐ Shed	☐ Hip	☐ Round	☐ Other (Specify) _____

(Material)

☐ Wood Shingle	☐ Roll Asphalt	☐ Tin	☐ Slate
☐ Asphalt shingle	☐ Built up	☐ Tile	☐ Other (Specify) _____

11. NUMBER OF STORIES   APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS

1   100' x 35'

12. CONDITION (Structural)   (Exterior)

☒ Excellent	☐ Good	☐ Fair	☐ Deteriorated	☐ Excellent	☒ Good	☐ Fair	☐ Deteriorated

13. INTEGRITY (Location)   WHEN?   (Alterations)   IF YES, EXPLAIN

☒ On original site   ☐ Moved   ☐ Yes   ☐ No

14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES

☐ Barn	☐ Shed	☐ Garage	☒ Other landscape features or buildings (Specify) tall wood fence around front yard
☐ Carriage house	☐ Shop	☐ Garden	

15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT

☐ Open land	☐ Woodland	☒ Residential	☐ Scattered buildings visible from site
☐ Commercial	☐ Industrial	☐ Rural	☒ High building density

16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS

Located on the west side on Lincoln Street above Bradley Street, in a residential area with buildings dating from mid-19th century to early 20th century.

(OVER)

17 OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

Building: A one story, concrete block modern house with an "E" shape floor plan which forms a series of courts. The roof shape is flat. Large sliding glass doors are present throughout the house. The sprawling house fills the long urban lot of land on which it was built. A tall wood fence encloses the "front yard" and hides the house from the street.

18 ARCHITECT	BUILDER
Serge Chermayeff	

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

SIGNIFICANCE

Historical: This house was built for and designed by Serge Chermayeff in 1962.

Architecture: An example of Modern-Minimalist architecture. According to Don Metz, Chermayeff designed the house "as a variation of the architect's comprehensively developed proposals for medium-density, cluster prototypes." The "E" shape besides creating an interesting mix of interior and exterior spaces, has the utilitarian purpose of dividing the house into sections according to function.

SOURCES

Brown p. 161
Metz, Don. New Architecture in New Haven p.40.

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20 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

[X] None known   [ ] Highways   [ ] Vandalism   [ ]

[ ] Renewal   [ ] Private   [ ] Deterioration   [ ]

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