

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY FORM

For Buildings and Structures

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

TOWN NO.: _____ SITE NO.: _____
UTM: 18 / - / - / - / - / - / -
QUAD:
DISTRICT: 5 NR: ACTUAL
POTENTIAL

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME: Common: Waverly and Day Street Housing Historic: Same
2. TOWN/CITY: New Haven VILLAGE: _____ COUNTY: New Haven
3. STREET & NUMBER (and/or location): Waverly and Day Streets + 38-48 Waverly + 578-580 George
4. OWNER(S): City of New Haven PUBLIC PRIVATE
5. USE: Present: Multi-Family Historic: Same
6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: yes no
Interior accessible: yes, explain _____ no

DESCRIPTION

7. STYLE OF BUILDING: Contemporary DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1972
8. MATERIAL(S) (indicate use or location when appropriate):
 clapboard asbestos siding brick
 wood shingle asphalt siding fieldstone
 board & batten stucco cobblestone
 aluminum siding concrete: type: block cut stone: type: _____
 other: _____
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:
 wood frame: post and beam balloon
 load bearing masonry structural iron or steel
 other: _____
10. ROOF: type:
 gable flat mansard monitor sawtooth
 gambrel shed hip round other _____
 material:
 wood shingle roll asphalt tin slate
 asphalt shingle built up tile other: _____
11. NUMBER OF STORIES: 2 APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 15 units approx. 25'x60' each
12. CONDITION: Structural: excellent good fair deteriorated
 Exterior: excellent good fair deteriorated
13. INTEGRITY: Location: on original site moved, when: _____
 Alterations: no yes, explain: _____
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES:
 barn shed garage other landscape features or buildings: _____
 carriage house shop garden Community center building
15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:
 open land woodland residential scattered buildings visible from site
 commercial industrial rural high building density
16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

This building complex consists of 11 similar structures with interior drives between Waverly and Day Streets with 3 additional units across Waverly Street and one on George Street. All are well landscaped and have low wooden rail fences. To the south are open fields.

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

This complex consists of 2 storey shed roof and split gable roof attached single family units. The largest building holds 6 units. The buildings are sheathed in brown stained clapboard. The aluminum frame double lights have cream-colored un moulded surrounds. The units have continuous or individual shed roof entry porches and recessed Day Street entrances.

SIGNIFICANCE

Architect: Ahlstrom and Lee

Builder: _____

18. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This housing project has an unmistakable suburban flavor. Though it extends onto neighboring blocks it remains architecturally an insular community. Elizabeth Brown called it "conspicuously well maintained" in 1976, but today the community center structure is boarded, revealing underlying tensions. Nevertheless, the complex is otherwise intact and appears to fit into the surrounding neighborhood, making it one of the more successful redevelopment efforts. It is a public low-income family project of 52 units: 22 are two-bedroom, 20 are three-bedroom and 10 are four-bedroom. It was clearly intended for young families. The proposed Oak Street Connector could disrupt this very quiet neighborhood.

PHOTOGRAPH

photographer: Thomas Hahn
 date: Fall, 1979 view: West side Day & Waverly St.
 negative on file: CHC; CTHP

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19. SOURCES:

Maps and Atlases
 New Haven City Directories
 Brown p. 28
 New Haven City Plan Department Fact Sheet, April, 1979

20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS:

See also Button St. and Valley St. for related housing developments.



21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE:

none known highways vandalism developers
 renewal private deterioration zoning other: _____
 explanation: _____