



**City of Santa Ana
20 Civic Center Plaza, Santa Ana, CA 92701
Historic Resources Commission Staff Report
May 5, 2022**

Topic: HRCA-2022-5, HRC-2022-3, HPPA-2022-7 – The W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House

RECOMMENDED ACTION

1. Adopt a resolution approving Historic Resources Commission Application No. 2022-5 and Historic Register Categorization No. 2022-3 (Exhibit 1).
2. Recommend that the City Council authorize the City Manager and Clerk of the Council to execute the attached Mills Act agreement with Ernest R. Reinhardt and Sydney Reinhardt, subject to non-substantive changes approved by the City Manager and City Attorney (Exhibit 2).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Ernest R. Reinhardt and Sydney Reinhardt are requesting approval to designate an existing residence located at 2302 N. Heliotrope Drive to the Santa Ana Register of Historical Properties, as well as approval to execute a Mills Act agreement with the City of Santa Ana.

DISCUSSION

Project Location and Site Description

The subject property is located on the west side of North Heliotrope Drive in the Floral Park neighborhood. The site contains a 2,961-square-foot, Ranch style residence and attached garage on a 12,240-square-foot residential lot (Exhibit 3).

Analysis of the Issues

Historical Listing

In March 1999, the City Council approved Ordinance No. NS-2363 establishing the Historic Resources Commission and the Santa Ana Register of Historical Properties. The Historic Resources Commission may, by resolution and at a noticed public hearing, designate as a historical property any building or part thereof, object, structure, or site

having importance to the history or architecture of the city in accordance with the criteria set forth in Section 30-2 of the Santa Ana Municipal Code (SAMC). This project entails applying the selection criteria established in Chapter 30 of the Santa Ana Municipal Code (Places of Historical and Architectural Significance) to determine if this structure is eligible for historic designation to the Santa Ana Register of Historical Properties. The first criterion for selection requires that the structures be 50 or more years old.

The structure identified meets the minimum selection criteria for inclusion on the Santa Ana Register of Historical Properties pursuant to criteria contained in Section 30-2 of the Santa Ana Municipal Code, as the structure is 67 years old and is a good example of period architecture. No known code violations exist on record for this property.

The W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House is architecturally significant as a characteristic example of the Ranch style. This house was originally constructed in 1955 for a cost of \$43,000, according to the original building permit. The first owner and builder of the house was Wellington W. Woods (1899-1957) and wife Eva B. (1899-1964). Locally, he was known as “WW” Woods and he owned and operated a truck sales, rental and shipping company locally in Santa Ana. The architect on the project was the highly regarded Philmer J. Ellerbroek, FAIA (1905-1969). Educated at USC, Ellerbroek designed alone and in partnership with others and is credited with designs for schools, apartment buildings, commercial buildings and institutional facilities (e.g., the Community Presbyterian Church, Cathedral City, 1959, as Pleger, Blurock, Hougan, and Ellerbroek, Architects) as well as numerous homes, mostly in the Newport Beach area. His clients included well-known personalities, such as film star Ray Milland and television host Art Linkletter. His work was photographed by architectural photographers Maynard L. Parker (archives held by the Huntington Museum and Library) and Julius Shulman (archives located at the Getty Museum and Conservation Institute) and published in journals such as Architectural Digest. Following the Woods residency, the Medlers lived the home from 1965 until 2003 with LeRoy Medler (1919-2010), a veteran of World War II and local businessman and his wife Ruth Elizabeth (1922-1997) being the longest continuous owners.

The W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House is a single-family residential building constructed in the Ranch architectural style that is predominately one-story. Asymmetrical in design, the house exhibits a strong horizontal emphasis expressed through a long, low-pitched roof ridge running parallel to the both east and south façades. The complex roof design is composed of a side-gable crossed with a hipped roof that projects slightly to the east, along the primary (east) façade. The breezeway at the primary (south) façade has a side-gabled roof that intersects a front-gable. The second-story living space above the attached garage is capped by a hipped roof. The exterior of the house is clad primarily in board-and-batten siding and features painted brick at the primary (east) façade and minimal use of smooth stucco on the north elevation. The main entrance, which is located on the primary (east) façade, consists of paneled double doors that are slightly recessed and sheltered under the main roof. A row of six fixed, semi-translucent lites,

which match the height of the main entrance doors, are immediately south of the entry. The primary façade windows consist of single-hung wood framed windows with divided lites, flanked by wood shutters and raised above decorative wood paneling. Remaining fenestration includes four long, narrow fixed lites at the second story living space above the garage of the primary (south) façade, and a combination of nearly floor-to-ceiling, fully-glazed, fixed, sliding, and double doors along the west elevation facing the back yard. The property is landscaped with a lawn and low vegetation with decorative rock planters at the east and south facades. A brick walkway leading towards the front entry contains a single tree set in a rock planter flush with the brick paving. Character-defining features of the house include its one-story, horizontal massing; low-pitched, overhanging, hipped roof with exposed rafters; blend of rustic materials including wood and brick; and extensive use of windows to blur the separation between indoors and out.

The W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House qualifies for listing in the Santa Ana Register of Historical Properties under Criterion 1 for embodiment of the distinguishing characteristics of the Ranch House style. The house displays characteristics of the Ranch Style through its one-story massing, asymmetrical façade, garage attached to a main façade, low pitched roof without dormers, and wide roof overhang. The W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House has been categorized as “Landmark” for its unique architectural significance as a good example of the Ranch Style and as the work of a prominent and respected South Coast architect, Philmer J. Ellerbroek.

Mills Act Agreement

Ordinance No. NS-2382 authorized the Historic Resources Commission to execute Historic Property Preservation Agreements (HPPA), commonly known as Mills Act agreements for eligible properties (Exhibit 2). To be eligible for the Mills Act, the property must be listed on the Santa Ana Register of Historical Properties. The Historic Resources Commission Application and Historic Register Categorization actions proposed for this site authorize the listing of the property on the local register. The agreement provides monetary incentives to the property owner in the form of a property tax reduction in exchange for the owner’s voluntary commitment to maintain the property in a good state of repair as necessary to maintain its character and appearance. Once recorded, the agreement generates a different valuation method in determining the property’s assessed value, resulting in tax savings for the owner. Aside from the tax savings, the benefits include:

- Long term preservation of the property and visual improvement to the neighborhood
- Allows for a mechanism to provide for property rehabilitation
- Provides additional incentive for potential buyers to purchase historic structures
- Discourages inappropriate alterations to the property

The property has no identified unauthorized modifications. Upon consideration of the application, it is recommended that the City enter into a Historic Property Preservation Agreement.

Public Notification

The subject site is located within the Floral Park neighborhood. The president of this Neighborhood Association was notified by mail 10 days prior to this public hearing. In addition, the project site was posted with a notice advertising this public hearing, a notice was published in the Orange County Reporter and mailed notices were sent to all property owners within 500 feet of the project site. At the time of this printing, no correspondence, either written or electronic, has been received from any members of the public.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines, the project is exempt from further review pursuant to Section 15331 of the CEQA Guidelines (Class 31 – Historical Resource Restoration/Rehabilitation) as these actions are designed to preserve historic resources. Based on this analysis, a Notice of Exemption, Environmental Review No. 2022-29 will be filed for this project.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Historic Property Preservation Agreement will reduce the Property Tax revenue account 01102002-50011 to the City by an estimated \$1,417.86 annually, for a period of not less than ten years.

EXHIBIT(S)

1. Resolution
2. Mills Act Agreement
3. 500-Foot Radius Map

Submitted By:
Andrea Dumovich Heywood, Associate Planner

Approved By:
Minh Thai, Executive Director of Planning and Building Agency, Planning and Building Agency

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-XXX

A RESOLUTION OF THE HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SANTA ANA APPROVING HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION APPLICATION NO. 2022-5 TO PLACE THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2302 N. HELIOTROPE DRIVE, SANTA ANA, ON THE HISTORICAL REGISTER AND APPROVING HISTORIC REGISTER CATEGORIZATION NO. 2022-3 PLACING SAID PROPERTY WITHIN THE LANDMARK CATEGORY

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SANTA ANA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Historic Resources Commission of the City of Santa Ana hereby finds, determines, and declares as follows:

- A. On May 5, 2022, the Historic Resources Commission held a duly noticed public hearing for the placement on the Santa Ana Register of Historical Properties (Historic Resources Commission Application No. 2022-5) and categorization (Historic Resources Commission Categorization No. 2022-3) of the W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House located at 2302 N. Heliotrope Drive, Santa Ana.
- B. The W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House has distinctive architectural features of the Ranch style and was built in 1955.
- C. The W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House qualifies for listing in the Santa Ana Register of Historical Properties under Criterion 1 for embodiment of the distinguishing characteristics of the Ranch House style. The house displays characteristics of the Ranch Style through its one-story massing, asymmetrical façade, garage attached to a main façade, low pitched roof without dormers, and wide roof overhang. The W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House has been categorized as “Landmark” for its unique architectural significance as a good example of the Ranch Style and as the work of a prominent and respected South Coast architect, Philmer J. Ellerbroek. Character-defining features of the house include its one-story, horizontal massing; low-pitched, overhanging, hipped roof with exposed rafters; blend of rustic materials including wood and brick; and extensive use of windows to blur the separation between indoors and out.
- D. The legal owners of the property are Ernest R. Reinhardt and Sydney Reinhardt.
- E. The legal description for the subject property is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein.

- F. The subject property meets the standards for placement on the City of Santa Ana Register of Historic Properties pursuant to Section 30-2 of the Santa Ana Municipal Code.
- G. The subject property meets the minimal standards for placement in the Landmark category pursuant to Section 30-2.2(1) of the Santa Ana Municipal Code.

Section 2. In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act, the recommended actions are exempt from further review under CEQA Guidelines Section 15331, Class 31, as these actions are designed to preserve historical resources. Categorical Exemption No. 2022-29 will be filed for this project.

Section 3. The Historic Resources Commission of the City of Santa Ana, after conducting the public hearing, hereby approves:

- A. Historic Resources Commission Application No. 2022-5 to place the W.W. Woods-Ellerbrook House located at 2302 N. Heliotrope Drive, Santa Ana, 92706 on the historical register, and
- B. Historic Register Categorization No. 2022-3 placing the W.W. Woods-Ellerbrook House located at 2302 N. Heliotrope Drive, Santa Ana, 92706 within the Landmark category, as conditioned in Exhibit B, attached hereto and incorporated herein.

These decisions are based upon the evidence submitted at the above said hearing, which includes, but is not limited to: the Staff report and exhibits attached thereto, the report entitled "Historical Property Description," and the public testimony, all of which are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 4. For the subject property, a report entitled "Historical Property Description" is on file with the Planning Division, and is hereby approved and adopted, and together with the staff report and this Resolution, justify the findings for placement on the City of Santa Ana Register of Historical Properties into a category. The Historic Resources Commission Secretary is authorized and directed to include this Resolution in the City of Santa Ana Register of Historical Properties.

Section 5. The Historic Resources Commission Secretary is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this Resolution with the County Recorder's Office after the adoption of this Resolution pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 5029.

ADOPTED this 5th day of May, 2022.

Tim Rush
Chairperson

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Sonia R. Carvalho, City Attorney

By: John M. Funk
John M. Funk
Sr. Assistant City Attorney

AYES: Commission members _____
NOES: Commission members _____
ABSTAIN: Commission members _____
NOT PRESENT: Commission members _____

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTATION AND ORIGINALITY

I, CHRISTINA LEONARD, Historic Resources Commission Secretary, do hereby attest to and certify the attached Resolution No. 2022-XXX to be the original resolution adopted by Historic Resources Commission of the City of Santa Ana on May 5, 2022.

Date: _____

Commission Secretary
City of Santa Ana

EXHIBIT A
LEGAL DESCRIPTION

APN	Address	Legal Description	Owner Names
002-072-09	2302 N. Heliotrope Drive	N TR 1035 BLK B LOT 11 TR 1035 LOT 11 BLK B(LOT 12 BLK B S 30 FT THEREOF	Ernest Reinhardt and Sydney Reinhardt

EXHIBIT B

Conditions of Approval for Historic Resources Commission Application No. 2022-5 and Historic Resources Commission Categorization No. 2022-3

The Applicant must comply with each condition listed below prior to exercising the rights conferred by the Historic Resource Commission's approval and the City of Santa Ana Register of Historic Properties pursuant to Section 30-6 of the Santa Ana Municipal Code. The Applicant must remain in compliance with all condition(s) listed below:

The applicant shall install a bronze plaque honoring and recognizing the structure at 2302 N. Heliotrope Drive, historically known as the W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House. The plaque shall include the historic name, address, year built, and local historic register designation. The final dimensions, location, text and description on the plaque shall be reviewed and approved by planning staff.

RECORDING REQUESTED BY
AND WHEN RECORDED MAIL TO:
City of Santa Ana
20 Civic Center Plaza (M-30)
Santa Ana, CA 92702
Attn: Clerk of the Council

FREE RECORDING PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 27383

HISTORIC PROPERTY PRESERVATION AGREEMENT

This Historic Property Preservation Agreement (“Agreement”) is made and entered into by and between the City of Santa Ana, a charter city and municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the Constitution and laws of the of the State of California (hereinafter referred to as “City”), and **Ernest R. Reinhardt and Sydney Reinhardt, husband and wife, as Joint Tenants**, (hereinafter collectively referred to as “Owner”), owner of real property located at **2302 North Heliotrope Drive, Santa Ana, California**, in the County of Orange and listed on the Santa Ana Register of Historical Properties.

RECITALS

- A. The City Council of the City of Santa Ana is authorized by California Government Code Section 50280 et seq. (known as the “Mills Act”) to enter into contracts with owners of qualified historical properties to provide for appropriate use, maintenance, rehabilitation and restoration such that these historic properties retain their historic character and integrity.
- B. The Owner possesses fee title in and to that certain qualified real property together with associated structures and improvements thereon, located at **2302 N. Heliotrope Drive, Santa Ana, CA, 92706** and more particularly described in Exhibit “A,” attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, and hereinafter referred to as the “Historic Property”.
- C. The Historic Property is officially designated on the Santa Ana Register of Historical Properties pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 30 of the Santa Ana Municipal Code.
- D. City and Owner, for their mutual benefit, now desire to enter into this Agreement which defines and limits the use and alteration of this Historic Property in order to enhance and maintain its value as a cultural and historical resource for Owner and for the community; to prevent inappropriate alterations to the Historic Property and to ensure that repairs, additions, new building, and other changes are appropriate; and to ensure that rehabilitation and maintenance are carried out in an exemplary manner.

- E. Owner and City intend to carry out the purposes of California Government Code, Chapter 1, Part 5 of Division 1 of Title 5, Article 12, Section 50280 et seq., which will enable the Historic Property to qualify for an assessment of valuation as a restricted historical property pursuant to Article 1.9, Sec. 439 et seq., Chapter 3 Part 2 of Division 1 of the California Tax and Revenue Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City of Santa Ana and the Owner of the Historic Property agree as follows:

1. Effective Date and Terms of Agreement.

This Agreement shall be effective and commence on **June 22, 2022**, and shall remain in effect for a term of ten (10) years thereafter. Each year, upon the anniversary of the effective date of this Agreement, such initial term will automatically be extended as provided in California Government Code Sections 50280 through 50290 and in Section 2, below.

2. Renewal.

a. Each year on the anniversary of the effective date of this Agreement, a year shall automatically be added to the initial ten (10) year term of this Agreement unless written notice of nonrenewal is served as provided herein.

b. If the Owner or the City desire(s) in any year not to renew the Agreement, the Owner or City shall serve written notice of nonrenewal of the Agreement on the other party. Unless such notice is served by the Owner to the City at least ninety (90) days prior to the annual renewal date, or served by the City to the Owner at least sixty (60) days prior to the annual renewal date, one (1) year shall automatically be added to the term of the Agreement as provided herein.

c. Within 30 days from receipt of City's notice of nonrenewal, the Owner may file a written protest of City's decision of nonrenewal. The City may, at any time prior to the annual renewal date of the Agreement, withdraw its notice to the Owner of nonrenewal.

d. If either the Owner or the City serves notice to the other of nonrenewal in any year, the Agreement shall remain in effect for the balance of the term then remaining, either from its original execution or from the last renewal of the Agreement, whichever may apply.

3. Standards and Conditions for Historic Property.

During the term of this Agreement, the Historic Property shall be subject to the following conditions, requirements and restrictions:

a. Owner shall maintain the Historic Property in a good state of repair and shall preserve, maintain, and, where necessary, restore or rehabilitate the property and its character-defining features described in the "Historical Property Description" attached hereto, marked as Exhibit B, notably the general architectural form, style, materials, design, scale, proportions, organization of windows, doors, and other openings, textures, details, mass, roof line, porch and other aspects of the appearance of the exterior to the satisfaction of the City.

b. All changes to the Historic Property shall comply with applicable City plans and regulations, and conform to the rules and regulations of the Office of Historic Preservation of the State Department of Parks and Recreation, namely the U.S. Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Historic Preservation Projects. These guidelines are attached hereto, marked as Exhibit C, and incorporated herein by this reference. Owner shall continually maintain the Historic Property in the same or better condition.

c. A view corridor enabling the general public to see the Historic Property from the public right-of-way shall be maintained, and Owner shall not be permitted to block the view corridor to the property with any new structure, such as walls, fences or shrubbery, so as to prevent the viewing of the historic landmark by the public.

d. The following are prohibited: demolition of the Historic Property or destruction of character-defining features of the building or site; removal of trees and other major vegetation unless removal is approved by a rehabilitation plan approved by the Historic Resources Commission; paving of yard surface; exterior alterations or additions unless approved by the Historic Resources Commission and such alterations are in keeping with the Secretary of Interior's Standards; deteriorating, dilapidated or unrepaired structures such as fences, roofs, doors, walls, and windows; storage of junk, trash, debris, discarded or unused objects such as cars, appliances, or furniture; and other unsightly by decoration, structure or vegetation which is unsightly by reason of its height, condition, or inappropriate location.

e. Owner shall allow reasonable periodic inspection by prior appointment, as needed or at least every five (5) years after the initial inspection, of the interior and exterior of the Historic Property by representatives of the City of Santa Ana, the County Assessor, the State Department of Parks and Recreation, and the State Board of Equalization, to determine the Owner's compliance with the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

4. Furnishing of Information.

The Owner hereby agrees to furnish the City with any and all information requested which may be necessary or advisable to determine compliance with the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

5. Cancellation.

a. The City, following a duly noticed public hearing by the City Council as set forth in Government Code Section 50280, et. seq., may cancel this Agreement if it determines that the Owner have breached any of the conditions of this Agreement, or has allowed the property to deteriorate to the point that it no longer meets the standards for a qualified Historic Property, or if the City determines that the Owner have failed to restore or rehabilitate the property in the manner specified in Section 3 of this Agreement. If a contract is cancelled for these reasons, the Owner shall pay a cancellation fee to the County Auditor as set forth in Government Code Section 50286. This cancellation fee shall be a percentage (currently set at twelve and one-half (12 ½) percent by Government Code Section 50286) of the current fair market value of the

property at the time of the cancellation, as determined by the county assessor, without regard to any restriction imposed pursuant to this Agreement.

b. If the Historic Property is destroyed by earthquake, fire, flood or other natural disaster such that in the opinion of the City Building Official more than sixty (60) percent of the original fabric of the structure must be replaced, this Agreement shall be canceled immediately because, in effect, the historic value of the structure will have been destroyed. No fee shall be imposed in the case of destruction by acts of God or natural disaster.

c. If the Historic Property is acquired by eminent domain and the City Council determines that the acquisition frustrates the purpose of this Agreement, this Agreement shall be cancelled and no fee imposed, as specified in Government Code Section 50288.

6. Enforcement of Agreement.

a. In lieu of and/or in addition to any provisions to cancel the Agreement as referenced herein, City may specifically enforce, or enjoin the breach of, the terms of the Agreement. In the event of a default, under the provisions to cancel the Agreement by Owner, the City shall give written notice to Owner by registered or certified mail, and if such a violation is not corrected to the reasonable satisfaction of the City Manager or designee within thirty (30) days thereafter, or if not corrected within such a reasonable time as may be required to cure the breach or default, or default cannot be cured within thirty (30) days (provided that acts to cure the breach or default may be commenced within thirty (30) days and shall thereafter be diligently pursued to completion by Owner), then City may, without further notice, declare a default under the terms of this Agreement and may bring any action necessary to specifically enforce the obligations of Owner growing out of the terms of this Agreement, apply to any court, state or federal, for injunctive relief against any violation by Owner or apply for such relief as may be appropriate.

b. City does not waive any claim of default by the Owner if City does not enforce or cancel this Agreement. All other remedies at law or in equity which are not otherwise provided for in this Agreement or in City's regulations governing historic properties are available to City to pursue in the event that there is a breach of this Agreement. No waiver by City of any breach or default under this Agreement shall be deemed to be a waiver of any other subsequent breach thereof or default hereunder.

7. Binding effect of Agreement.

a. Owner hereby subjects the Historic Property, located at **2302 N. Heliotrope Drive**, Assessor Parcel Number, **002-072-09**, and more particularly described in Exhibit A, in the City of Santa Ana, to the covenants, conditions, and restrictions as set forth in this Agreement.

b. City and Owner hereby declare their specific intent that the covenants, conditions and restrictions as set forth herein shall be deemed covenants running with the land and shall pass to and be binding upon Owner's successors and assigns in title or interest to the Historic

Property. Every contract, deed, or other instrument hereinafter executed, covering or conveying the Historic Property or any portion thereof, shall conclusively be held to have been executed, delivered, and accepted subject to the tenants, restrictions, and reservations expressed in this Agreement regardless of whether such covenants, conditions and restrictions are set forth in such contract, deed, or other instrument.

8. No Compensation.

Owner shall not receive any payment from City in consideration of the obligation imposed under this Agreement, it being recognized that the consideration for the execution of this Agreement is the substantial public benefit to be derived therefrom and the advantage that will accrue to Owner as a result of the effect upon the assessed value of the Property on the account of the restrictions on the use and preservation of the Property.

9. Notice.

Any notice required by the terms of this Agreement shall be sent to the address of the respective parties as specified below or at other addresses that may be later specified by the parties hereto.

City: City of Santa Ana
20 Civic Center Plaza (M-30)
Santa Ana, CA 92702
Attn: Clerk of the Council

Owners: Ernest R. Reinhardt and Sydney Reinhardt
2302 N. Heliotrope Drive
Santa Ana, CA 92706

10. General Provisions.

a. None of the terms, provisions, or conditions of this Agreement shall be deemed to create a partnership between the parties hereto and any of their heirs, successors, or assigns, nor shall such terms, provisions or conditions cause them to be considered joint ventures or members of any joint enterprise.

b. The Owner agrees to and shall indemnify and hold the City and its elected and appointed officials, officers, agents, and employees harmless from liability for damage or claims for damage for personal injuries, including death, and claims for property damage which may arise from the direct or indirect use or operations of the Owner or those of his or her contractor, subcontractor, agent, employee, or other person acting on his or her behalf which relates to the use, operation, and maintenance of the Historic Property. The Owner hereby agrees to and shall defend the City and its elected and appointed officials, officers, agents, and employees with respect to any and all actions for damages caused by, or alleged to have been caused by, reason of the Owner's activities in connection with the Historic Property.

c. This hold harmless provision applies to all damages and claims for damages suffered, or alleged to have been suffered, and costs of defense incurred, by reason of the operations referred to in this Agreement regardless of whether or not City prepared, supplied, or approved the plans, specifications or other documents for the Historic Property.

d. All of the agreements, rights, covenants, conditions, and restrictions contained in this Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties herein, their heirs, successors, legal representatives, assigns, and all persons acquiring any part or portion of the Historic Property, whether by operation of law or in any manner whatsoever.

e. In the event legal proceedings are brought by any party or parties to enforce or restrain a violation of any of the covenants, reservations, or restrictions contained herein, or to determine the rights and duties of any party hereunder, the prevailing party in such proceeding may recover all reasonable attorney's fees to be fixed by the court, in addition to court costs and other relief ordered by the court.

f. In the event that any of the provisions of this Agreement are held to be unenforceable or invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, or by subsequent preemptive legislation, the validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions, or portions thereof, shall not be effected thereby.

g. This Agreement shall be construed and governed in accordance with the laws of the State of California, with venue in Orange County.

11. Recordation.

No later than twenty (20) days after the parties execute and enter into this Agreement, the City shall cause this Agreement to be recorded in the office of the County Recorder of the County of Orange.

12. Amendments.

This Agreement may be amended, in whole or in part, only by a written recorded instrument executed by the parties hereto.

13. Effective Date

This Agreement shall be effective on the day and year first written above in Section 1.

{ Signature page follows }

ATTEST:

CITY OF SANTA ANA

DAISY GOMEZ
Clerk of the Council

KRISTINE RIDGE
City Manager

OWNER

Date: _____

By: _____
ERNEST R. REINHARDT


Date: _____

By: _____
SYDNEY REINHARDT

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:

SONIA CARVALHO
City Attorney

By: 

JOHN M. FUNK
Assistant City Attorney

MINH THAI
Executive Director
Planning and Building Agency

**EXHIBIT A
LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

REAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF SANTA ANA, COUNTY OF ORANGE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

N TR 1035 BLK B LOT 11 TR 1035 LOT 11 BLK B (LOT 12 BLK B S 30 FT THEREOF

Assessor's Parcel Number: 002-072-09

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House 2302 N. Heliotrope Drive Santa Ana, CA 92706

NAME	W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House			REF. NO.
ADDRESS	2302 N. Heliotrope Drive			
CITY	Santa Ana	ZIP	92706	ORANGE COUNTY
YEAR BUILT	1955	LOCAL REGISTER CATEGORY: Contributive Landmark		
HISTORIC DISTRICT	N/A	NEIGHBORHOOD	Floral Park	
CALIFORNIA REGISTER CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION	C/3	CALIFORNIA REGISTER STATUS CODE	5S3	

Location: ☐ Not for Publication ☒ Unrestricted

☐ Prehistoric ☒ Historic ☐ Both

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE: Ranch House

Widely published in *Sunset* and *House Beautiful* magazines, the Ranch House dominated post-World War II residential expansion and represented the most popular house form in the United States from the 1950s through 1970s. The Ranch House originated in the 1930's designs of Southern California architect Cliff May, who sought to reinvent the West's vernacular housing traditions by combining the form and massing of the traditional ranch house with a modernist's concern for informality, expressed in materials and plan, and indoor-outdoor integration.

While the style includes several variants, a basic set of character-defining features applies to most examples. In form and massing, the style evokes a sprawling ranch that developed over time, with a central block extended by wings of varying roof heights. Generally L-shaped or U-shaped in plan, the Ranch House typically has a one-story profile with strong horizontal emphasis expressed through a low pitched or flat roof with wide overhanging eaves. Asymmetrical in design, the Ranch House is often sheathed in and accented with rustic materials such as board-and-batten siding, high brick foundations, art stone, and wood shake roofs. Indoor-outdoor integration is achieved through the use of recessed or extended porches, set low to the ground, and the generous use of large picture, ribbon, or corner windows. Window detailing can include wood frames, decorative shutters, and diamond-patterned muntins. Ornamentation includes rusticated elements, such as carved porch supports and exposed rafters, uneven rakes and flared eaves, and faux dove cotes and bird houses.

SUMMARY/CONCLUSION:

The W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House qualifies for listing in the Santa Ana Register of Historical Properties under Criterion 1 for embodiment of the distinguishing characteristics of the Ranch House style and under Criterion 2 for its design by notable local architect Philmer J. Ellerbroek. The recommended categorization is "Landmark" for its unique architectural significance as a good example of the Ranch Style and as the work of a prominent and respected South Coast architect, Philmer J. Ellerbroek (Santa Ana Municipal Code, Section 30-2.2).

EXPLANATION OF CODES:

- California Register Criteria for Evaluation: (From California Office of Historic Preservation, Technical Assistance Series # 7, "How to Nominate Resources to the California Register of Historical Resources," September 4, 2001.)

3: It embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, region, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values.

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~~**5S3:** Appears to be individually eligible for local listing or designation through survey evaluation.~~

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

Primary # _____
HRI # _____
Trinomial _____
NRHP Status Code _____

Other Listings _____
Review Code _____ Reviewer _____ Date _____

Page 1 of 3 Resource name(s) or number (assigned by recorder) *W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House*

P1. Other Identifier:

*P2. Location: ☐ Not for Publication ☒ Unrestricted

*a. County Orange County

*b. USGS 7.5' Quad: *Anaheim Quadrangle 2022*

Date: *April 6, 2022*

*c. Address *2302 North Heliotrope Drive*

City: *Santa Ana*

Zip: *92706*

*e. Other Locational Data: Located on the corner of North Heliotrope Drive and West Santa Clara Avenue.

Assessor's Parcel Number *002-072-09*

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

Located in Floral Park, the W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House is a single-family residence designed by well-regarded local architect, Philmer J. Ellerbroek, in the Ranch Style. The building sits on a modestly sized corner parcel whose primary elevations face east and south. Its massing is primarily single-story that is L-shaped. The building includes a breezeway formed by fixed vertical louvered panels facing Santa Clara Avenue to the south which connects the garage and second story living space with the main residence. Asymmetrical in design, the house exhibits a strong horizontal emphasis expressed through a long, low-pitched roof ridge running parallel to the both east and south façades. The complex roof design is composed of a side-gable crossed with a hipped roof that projects slightly to the east, along the primary (east) façade. The breezeway at the primary (south) façade has a side-gabled roof that intersects a front-gable. The second-story living space above the attached garage is capped by a hipped roof. The roof exhibits wide-open eaves with exposed rafters along all four elevations. The exterior of the house is clad primarily in board-and-batten siding and features painted brick at the primary (east) façade and minimal use of smooth stucco on the north elevation. The main entrance, which is located on the primary (east) façade, consists of paneled double doors that are slightly recessed and sheltered under the main roof. A row of six fixed, semi-translucent lites, which match the height of the main entrance doors, are immediately south of the entry.

(See Continuation Sheet.)

*P3b. Resource Attributes: (list attributes and codes) *HP2. Single-Family Residence*

*P4. Resources Present: ☒ Building ☐ Structure ☐ Object ☐ Site ☐ District ☐ Element of District ☐ Other

P5a. Photo



P5b. Photo: (view and date)

East and south elevations, view northwest, February 2022

*P6. Date Constructed/Age and

Sources: ☒ historic

1955/ City of Santa Ana Building Permits

*P7. Owner and Address:

*Ernie R. and Sydney Reinhardt
2302 N. Heliotrope Drive
Santa Ana, CA 92706*

*P8. Recorded by:

*Andrea Dumovich Heywood
Associate Planner
20 Civic Center Plaza M-20
Santa Ana, CA 92702*

*P9. Date Recorded:

May 5, 2022

*P10. Survey Type:

Intensive Survey Update

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

*Attachments: ☐ None ☐ Location Map ☐ Sketch Map ☒ Continuation Sheet ☒ Building, Structure, and Object Record

☐ Archaeological Record ☐ District Record ☐ Linear Feature Record ☐ Milling Station Record ☐ Rock Art Record

☐ Artifact Record ☐ Biological Record ☐ Other (list) _____

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BUILDING, STRUCTURE, AND OBJECT RECORD

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*NRHP Status Code 5S3

*Resource Name or #: W.W. Woods-Ellebroek House

B1. Historic Name: W.W. Woods-Ellebroek House

B2. Common Name: None

B3. Original Use: Single-family Residence

B4. Present Use: Single-family Residence

***B5. Architectural Style:** Ranch House

***B6. Construction History:** (Construction date, alterations, and date of alterations): December 6, 1955. Constructed as an 8 room residence and garage. \$43,000.

February 27, 1956. Plastering.

September 29, 1993. Reroof with life tile ICBO. \$16,880

September 3, 2019. Remodel kitchen, master bathroom, bathroom #2, create (2) new bedrooms, convert bathroom #3 from 1/2 to 3/4, add new 1/2 bathroom #4, remodel bathroom #5 (in bonus room above garage). \$80,000

***B7. Moved?** ☒ No ☐ Yes ☐ Unknown Date: _____ Original location: _____

***B8. Related Features:** None

B9a. Architect: Philmer J. Ellebroek

b. Builder: Unknown

***B10. Significance: Theme** Residential Architecture **Area** Santa Ana

Period of Significance: 1955

Property Type: Single-family Residence

Applicable Criteria: C/3

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

The W.W. Woods-Ellebroek House is architecturally significant as an intact and characteristic example of the Ranch House style. This house was originally constructed in 1955 and valued at \$43,000 according to the original building permit. The first owner and builder of the house was Wellington W. Woods (1899-1957) and wife Eva B. (1899-1964). Locally he was known as "WW" Woods and he owned and operated a truck sales, rental and shipping company locally in Santa Ana. The architect on the project was the highly regarded Philmer J. Ellebroek FAIA (1905-1969). Educated at USC, Ellebroek designed alone and in partnership with others and is credited with designs for schools, apartment buildings, commercial buildings and institutional facilities (e.g., the Community Presbyterian Church, Cathedral City, 1959, as Pleger, Blurock, Hougan, and Ellebroek, Architects) as well as numerous homes, mostly in the Newport Beach area. His clients included well-known personalities, such as film star Ray Milland and television host Art Linkletter. His work was photographed by architectural photographers Maynard L. Parker (archives held by the Huntington Museum and Library) and Julius Shulman (archives located at the Getty Museum and Conservation Institute) and published in journals such as Architectural Digest. Following the Woods residency, the Medlers lived the home from 1965 until 2003 with LeRoy Medler (1919-2010), a veteran of World War II and local businessman and his wife Ruth Elizabeth (1922-1997) being the longest continuous owners.

(See Continuation Sheet 3 of 3.)

B11. Additional Resource Attributes: (List attributes and codes)

***B12. References:**

City of Santa Ana Building Permits
Santa Ana History Room Collection, Santa Ana Public Library
Sanborn Maps

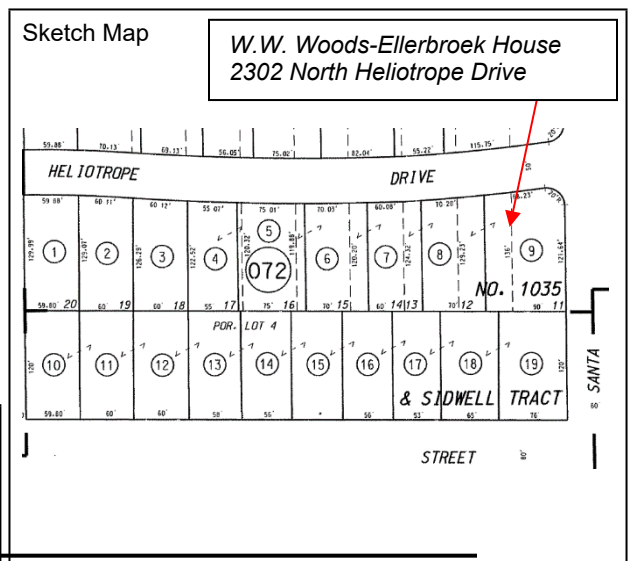
(See Continuation Sheet 3 of 3.)

B13. Remarks: None

***B14. Evaluator:** Leslie Heumann/Chattel Inc.

***Date of Evaluation:** May 5, 2022

(This space reserved for official comments.)



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Resource Name: *W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House*

*Recorded by *Andrea Dumovich Heywood*

*Date *May 5, 2022* ☒ Continuation ☐ Update

***P3a. Description (continued):**

The east and south elevations each have two windows which are placed on the far ends of both facades. These windows consist of single-hung wood framed windows with divided lites, flanked by wood shutters and raised above decorative wood paneling. Remaining fenestration includes four long, narrow fixed lites at the second story living space above the garage of the primary (south) façade, and a combination of nearly floor-to-ceiling, fully-glazed, fixed, sliding, and double doors along the west elevation facing the back yard. The property is landscaped with a lawn and low vegetation with decorative rock planters at the east and south facades. A brick walkway leading towards the front entry contains a single tree set in a rock planter flush with the brick paving. Three palm trees line the east yard and one large and one small tree are south of the building. A low post and rail fence wraps around the property to the east, south, and part of the north, which increases in height near the garage at the southwest.

***B10. Significance (continued):**

The W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House is located in Floral Park, a neighborhood northwest of downtown Santa Ana bounded by West Seventeenth Street, North Flower Street, Riverside Drive, and Broadway. Groves of oranges, avocados, and walnuts and widely scattered ranch houses characterized this area before 1920. Developer and builder Allison Honer (1897-1981), credited as the subdivider and builder of a major portion of northwest Santa Ana, arrived in Santa Ana from Beaver Falls, New York in 1922 (Talbert, pages 353-356). "Before nightfall on the day of his arrival, Mr. Honer purchased a parcel of land. And that month, he began building custom homes in Santa Ana" (Orange County Register, September 15, 1981). The parcel chosen became the Floral Park subdivision between Seventeenth Street and Santiago Creek. "When built in the 1920s, the Floral Park homes were the most lavish and expensive in the area. They sold for about \$45,000 each" (Orange County Register, September 15, 1981). Revival architecture in a wide variety of romantic styles was celebrated in the 1920s and 1930s and Floral Park showcased examples of the English Tudor, French Norman, Spanish Colonial, and Colonial Revival. The Allison Honer Construction Company went on to complete such notable projects as the 1935 Art Deco styled Old Santa Ana City Hall, the El Toro Marine Base during World War II, and the 1960 Honer Shopping Plaza. Honer lived in the neighborhood he had helped to create, at 615 West Santa Clara Avenue.

In the late 1920s and 1930s, another builder, Roy Roscoe Russell (1881-1965), continued developing the groves of Floral Park. An early Russell project was his 1928 subdivision of Victoria Drive between West Nineteenth Street and West Santa Clara Avenue. The homes were quite grand and displayed various revival styles, including Russell's own large, Colonial Revival mansion at 2009 Victoria Drive. In the early post World War II years, Floral Park continued its development as numerous, smaller, single-family houses were built. Continuing in the Floral Park tradition, they were mostly revival in style. In the 1950s, low, horizontal Ranch Style houses completed the growth of Floral Park. Today (2022) Floral Park maintains its identity as the premier neighborhood of Santa Ana, historically home to many affluent and prominent citizens.

The W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House qualifies for listing in the Santa Ana Register of Historical Properties under Criterion 1 for embodiment of the distinguishing characteristics of the Ranch House style. It was designed by architect Philmer J. Ellerbroek, who "reigned as one of the South Coast's premiere [sic] architectural practitioners [sic]" in the 1950s and 1960s, thereby fulfilling the requirements of Criterion 2 (Vaught, 2011). Built at a cost of \$43,000 in 1955, a very substantial investment for the time, the property retains substantial integrity of exterior design, materials, and workmanship, although the interior has been recently renovated. The recommended categorization is "Landmark" for its unique architectural significance as a good example of the Ranch Style and as the work of a prominent and respected South Coast architect, Philmer J. Ellerbroek (Santa Ana Municipal Code, Section 30-2.2). Character-defining features of the W.W. Woods-Ellerbroek House include, but may not be limited to: its one-story, horizontal massing; low-pitched, overhanging, hipped roof with exposed rafters; blend of rustic materials including wood and brick; and extensive use of windows to blur the separation between indoors and out.

***B12. References (continued):**

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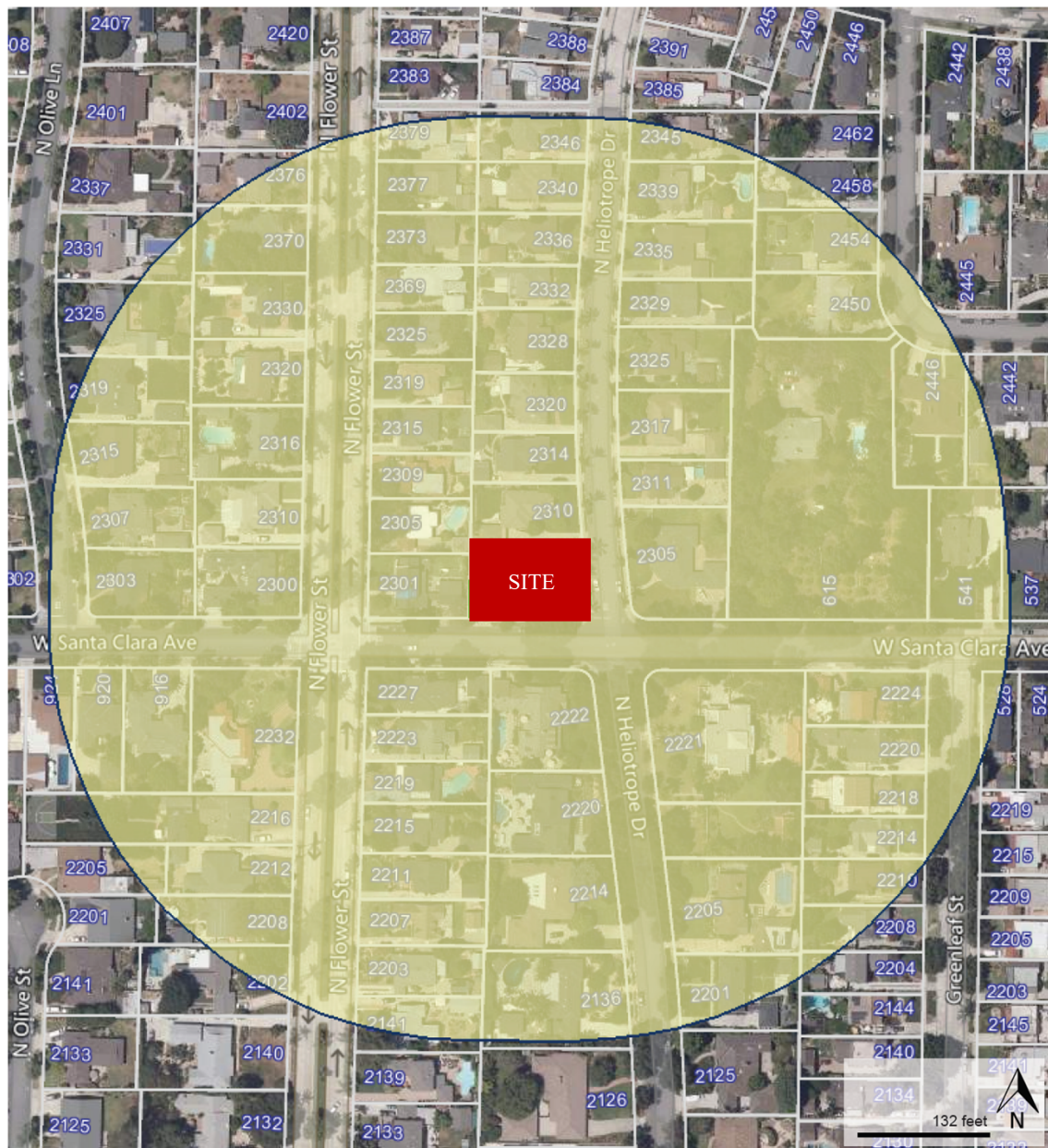
Exhibit C

Exterior work shall be reviewed by the Historic Resources Commission and subject to the U.S. Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation of Historic Buildings, as follows:

1. Every reasonable effort shall be made to provide a compatible use for a property which requires minimal alteration of the building, structure, or site and its environment, or to use a property for its originally intended purpose.
2. The distinguishing original qualities or character of a building, structure or site and its environment shall not be destroyed. The removal or alteration of any historic material or distinctive architectural features should be avoided when possible.
3. All buildings, structures, and sites shall be recognized as products of their own time. Alterations that have no historical basis and which seek to create an earlier appearance shall be discouraged.
4. Changes which may have taken place in the course of time are evidence of the history and development of a building, structure, or site and its environment. These changes may have acquired significance in their own right, and this significance shall be recognized and respected.
5. Distinctive stylistic features or examples of skilled craftsmanship which characterize a building, structure, or site shall be treated with sensitivity.
6. Deteriorated architectural features shall be repaired rather than replaced, whenever possible. In the event replacement is necessary, the new material should match the material being replaced in composition, design, color, texture, and other visual qualities. Repair or replacement of missing architectural features should be based on accurate duplications of features, substantiated by historic, physical, or pictorial evidence rather than on conjectural designs or the availability of different architectural elements from the other buildings or structures.
7. The surface cleaning of structures shall be undertaken with the gentlest means possible. Sandblasting and other cleaning methods that will damage the historic building materials shall not be undertaken.
8. Every reasonable effort shall be made to protect and reserve archaeological resources affected by, or adjacent to any project.
9. Contemporary design for alterations and additions to existing properties shall not be discouraged when such alterations and additions do not destroy significant historical, architectural or cultural material, and such design is compatible with

size, scale, color, material and character of the property, neighborhood, or environment.

10. Wherever possible, new additions or alterations to structures shall be done in such a manner that if such additions or alterations need to be removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the structure would be unimpaired.



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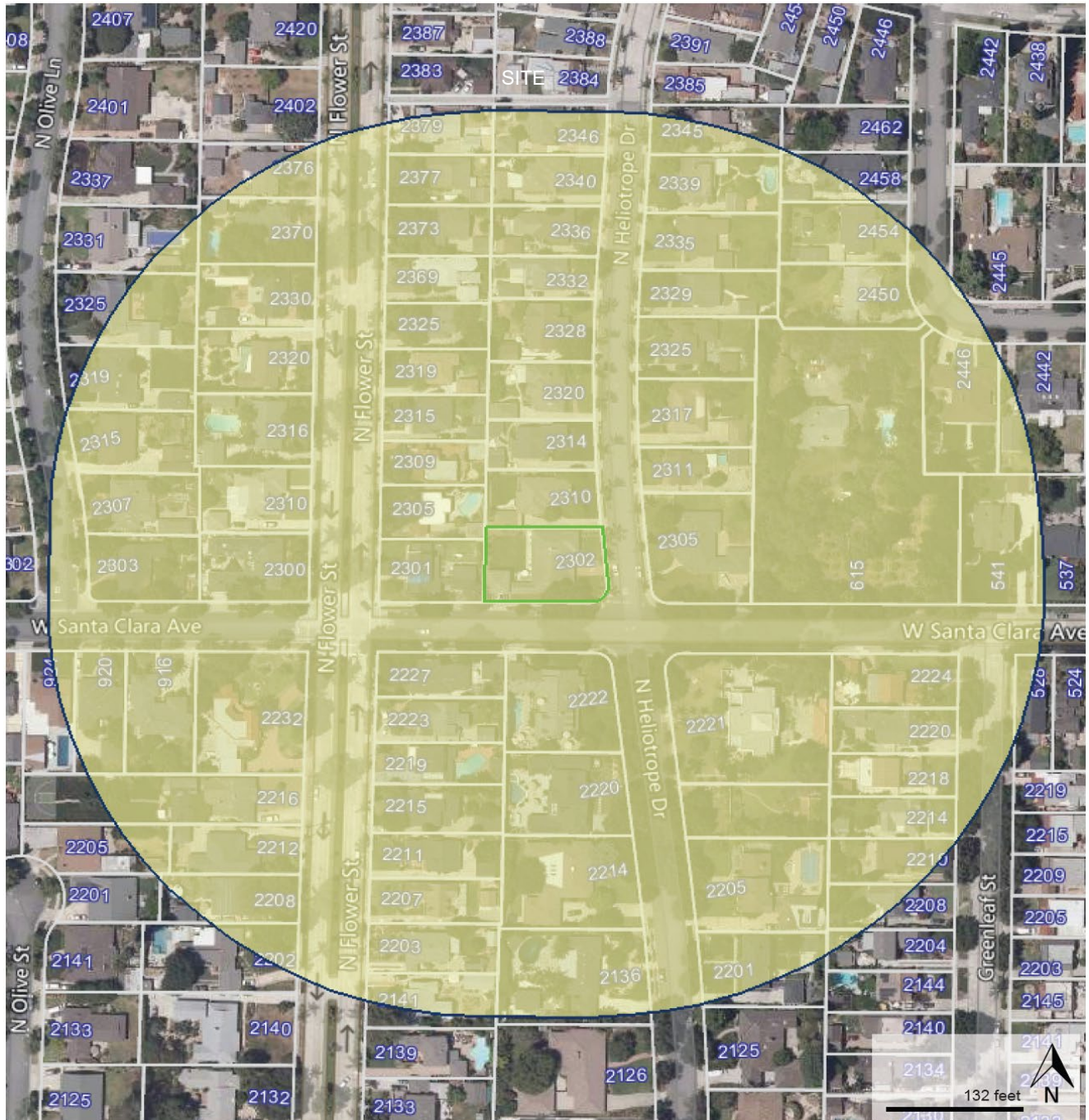
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