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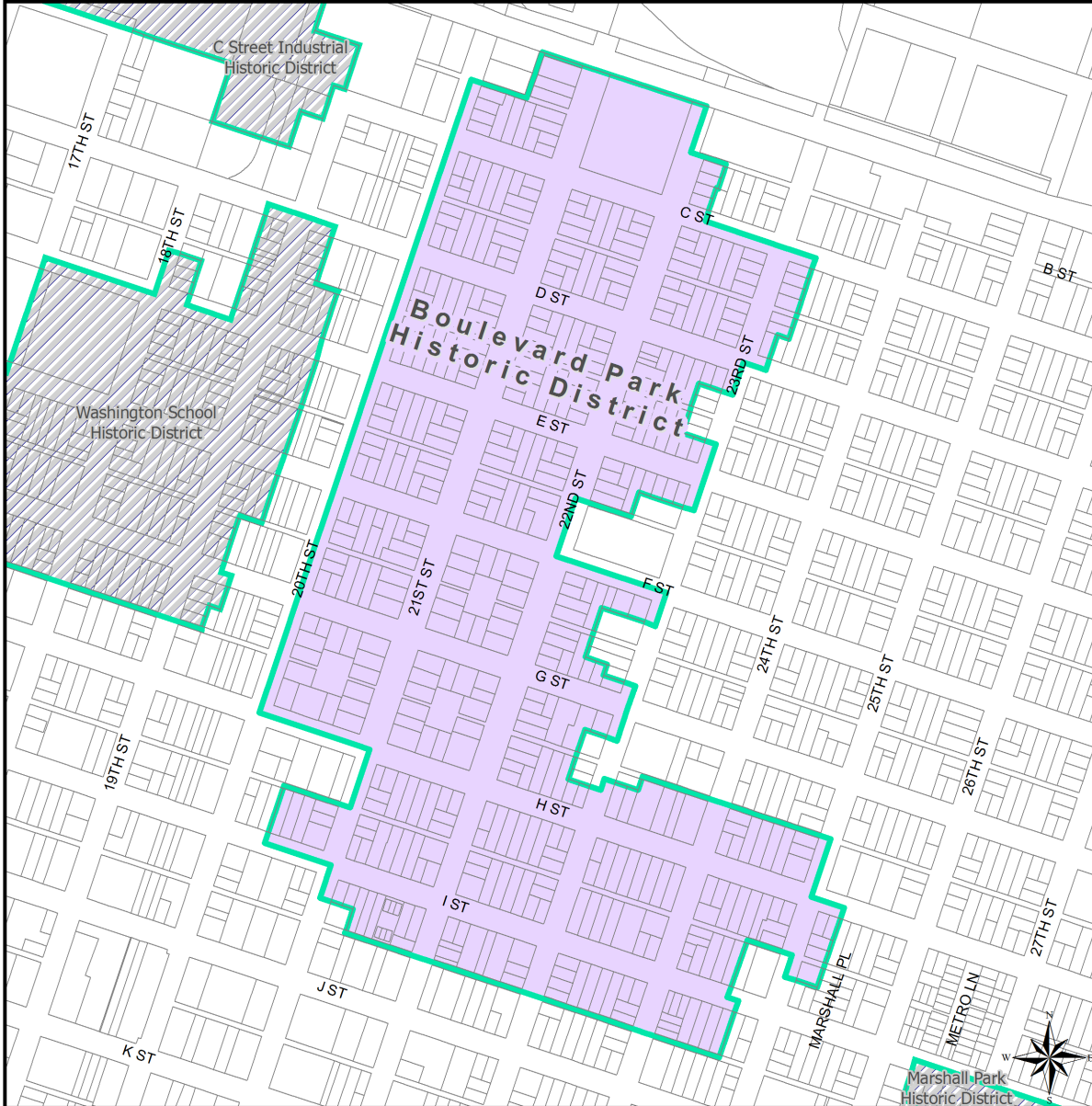
Boulevard Park is one of the most distinctive Districts in the Old City. Except for a few houses around its edges and a few which were moved into the area, it was almost entirely built between 1905 and 1915, when the old racetrack on the site was sold by Park Realty. The predominant home style was Bungalow and Cube Types, usually in a blend of the Craftsman and Colonial Revival styles.

The Boulevard Park Historic District was built in two distinct but related parts. The main part is focused on the north-south boulevards at 21st and 22nd Streets. As a general rule, Cube Type houses filled the sites on the boulevards and on the cross streets bungalows dominate. At the corners of F, G, H, and I Streets, large architect-designed houses were built. On H and I Streets the large and imposing houses extend eastward past the edge of the old racetrack land into a neighborhood of earlier structures. The 2300 block of H Street consists of one of the most impressive rows of late Victorian architecture in Sacramento. Although these houses are different in style from the rest of Boulevard Park, they are similar in character, scale, height, rhythm, and setback to those large and impressive houses immediately to the west in, and clearly related to the later buildings. The scale of the whole area is generally larger than that of the older neighborhoods and is defined by the Cube Type. In addition to the exceptional architectural cohesiveness of this area, it is tied together by prominent features of landscaping. The boulevards and mid-block open spaces between 20th and 21st, F and H are unique to this neighborhood. The trees are important features throughout the City, but the northwest quadrant of the Old City, beginning with Boulevard Park, has the finest trees of all. They help to link this neighborhood together and to the fine but generally post-1920 neighborhood to the east.

Boulevard Park is bound on the west by a half-block buffer of small houses between 20th Street and the railroad; on the north by the levee; on the east by a post-1920 neighborhood linked to Boulevard Park by landscape features and style of architecture; and on the south by a generally mixed use neighborhood.

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