

2.2.29 South Side Historic District

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The South Side Historic District is the largest District in the City. The structures in the District are linked by a relationship to the South Side Park itself, which divides the District into two distinct subareas. West of the Park is the largest unified area of predominantly simple high basement cottages in the Old City. Therefore, although there are many vacant lots and deteriorating structures, the neighborhood is largely free of modern intrusions. Many of these vacant or nearly vacant areas are included within the boundaries of the District, such as the northwest corner of the area along 3rd Street, because of a unit of landscaping and a historic continuity with the west.

Most of the houses are simple high basement cottages or high basement Queen Anne's built for working-class tenants and owners between 1895 and 1905. The 400 block of T Street is the most complete block in the District and represents a microcosm of the rest of the District. It is a block of several different styles all linked by high basements and a rhythm of spacing, height, scale, setback, materials, and texture.

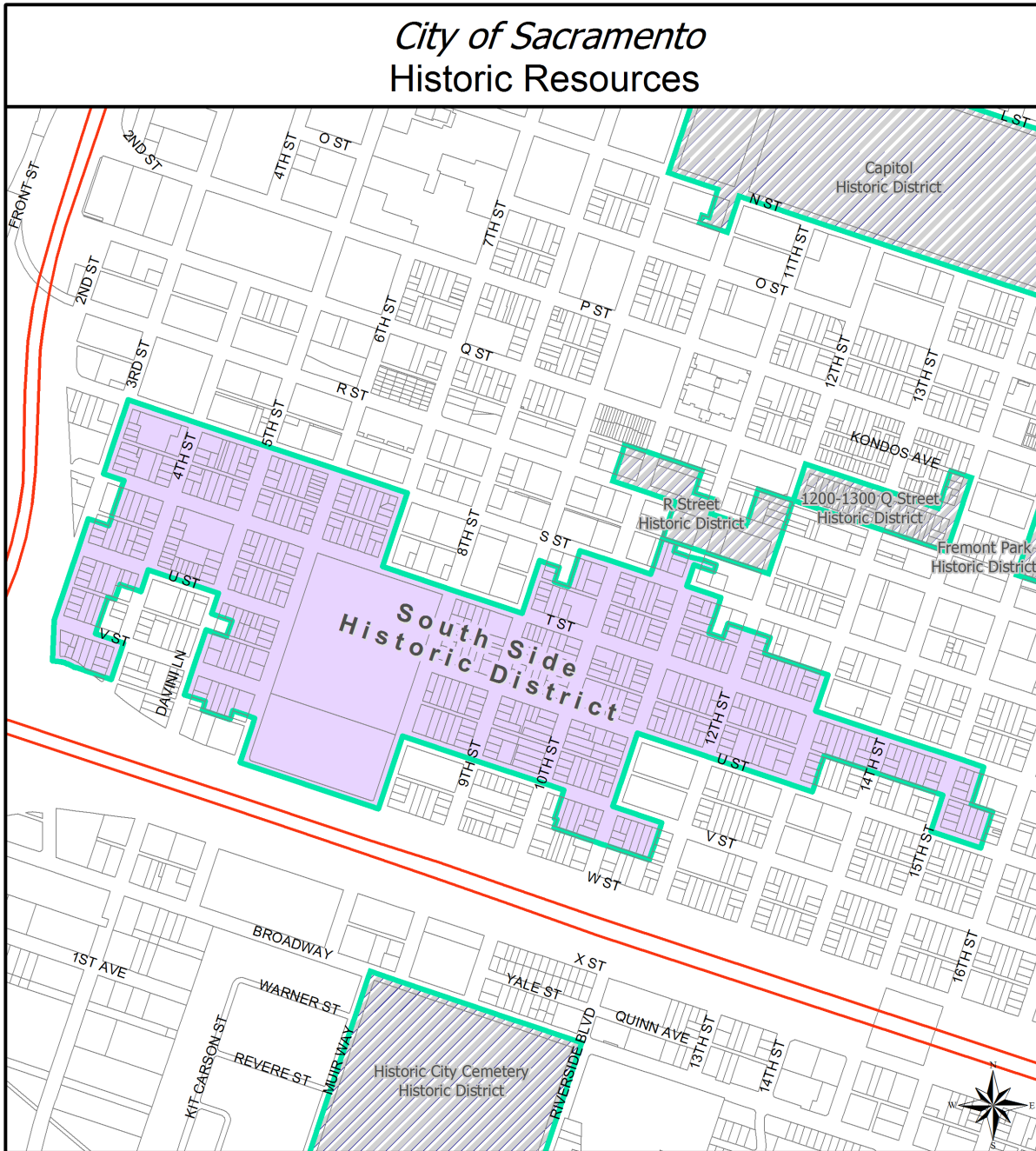
The sub-area east of the Park is similar in its style and building patterns although it is less easy to define and characterize. Rather than vacant lots, it has been intruded upon by modern apartments. Some of the area was built somewhat later, and the general character of the buildings, although similar in style, are slightly larger and more ornamented for a more prosperous group of residents. Much of the District consists of simple high basement cottages but is frequently punctuated by larger houses in the Queen Anne and Colonial Revival styles. There are several large intrusions within the District itself as well as at its edges, which accounts for its irregular shape. The William Land School might be considered a secondary focal point after South Side Park. In the panhandle that stretches to the east, there are many bungalows including some very fine rows on 13th and U Streets. Although the styles of the buildings change and with them the directional expression, height, materials and texture, the neighborhood is linked by its tree lined streets. As the change of styles is from contiguous periods of time rather than by separate ones, it represents a neighborhood that was in a continuous process of building by similar kinds of people rather than sociologically distinct neighborhood.

The District is bounded roughly by the Freeway on the west and south, by industrial development above S Street, and by newer and less cohesive neighborhoods to the east and south.

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South Side Historic District Contributing (C) and Non-Contributing (NC) Resources

Street Address	Parcel Address	APN	C/NC	Date
<u>U Street</u> 512-16 Street	512 U St.	009-0116-005	C	1925
<u>6th Street</u> 1901 6th Street	1901 6th St.	009-0062-004	NC	c. 1905

Note: Other properties in the district contributing or non-contributing status to be determined.

Note: Addresses of properties may not be all the addresses associated with the property; address shown reflect the address assigned to the parcel by the Sacramento County Recorder's Office.

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