

St. Petersburg Landmark Designation Pre-Application

Mirror Lake Local Historic District

NAME AND LOCATION OF PROPERTY: Mirror Lake Local Historic District.

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Narrative Structure List

647 1ST AVENUE N c.1951 Pinellas County Department of Health and Human Services, Former YMCA A. P. Hennessy and Sons contractors.

669 1ST AVE N c. 1955. Two-story masonry commercial structure

100 MIRROR LAKE DR N/715 ARLINGTON AVE - PI03052 c. 1929 Mirror Lake Unitarian Universal Church. St Petersburg PEL List.

132/180 MIRROR LAKE DR N Wannemacher Jensen building

132 MIRROR LAKE DR N Mirror, The Condo

200 MIRROR LAKE DRIVE N PI10557 c. 1920. Two-story, hipped-roof, irregular plan, masonry vernacular style residence, constructed of hollow-tile concrete block with stucco veneer, continuous masonry foundation, full facade enclosed front porch with front portico, replacement windows, attached single story garage.

216 MIRROR LAKE DR N PI10427 c 1925 Two-story frame vernacular residential structure with side-gabled roof, projecting shed dormer, and attached full facade enclosed front porch.

230 MIRROR LAKE DR N PI10558 c. 1941 - Carmarwin Apartments - Two story multi-family apartment building, L-shaped concrete block structure with second-story stucco veneer and first-story brick-clad veneer, exterior unit entrances, steel tube stair and balcony rails and supports.

248 MIRROR LAKE DR N PI10559 c. 1937 - Cade Allen builder. Built for Mrs. William Allen. One-story hollow-tile, rectangular plan, Mediterranean Revival style, stucco veneer, residential structure with side-gabled barrel tile roof, projecting front portico clad in stone veneer, steel windows. Open carport (now enclosed) added in c.1940.

750 BURLINGTON AVE N LAKE PALMS APTS CO-OP. 1956. M. Winfield Lott architect, Mills and James builder, Walter Fuller developer. 6-story multi-family cooperative apartment building, Mid-Century design L-shaped structure, faced with stucco and buff brick. The first floor is partially below grade, contains a lobby and covered parking, floors 2-4 have a repeating pattern of projecting concrete screened

balconies and flush fenestration. Floor 5 disrupts this pattern contrasting alignment of balconies and fenestration. The 6th floor contains two penthouse units set back. All units were advertised as "breeze-thru" with each apartment running the full width of the building.

250 MIRROR LAKE DR N - PI03100 c. 1936. H. Kochler architect, Cade Allen builder. Built for Mrs. Edna Jackson.

296 MIRROR LAKE DR N PI10560. c. 1922. ST PETERSBURG JUNIOR HIGH, Tomlinson Adult Education Center, St Petersburg PEL list. William B. Ittner architect. Mediterranean Revival style, concrete block/brick structure, rectangular/irregular plan.

302 GROVE STREET N/737 3RD AVENUE N. PI10333 c. 1926. FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, Mirror Lake Lyceum, Bridge Point Church, St Petersburg PEL List, Conklin and Mitchell architect, Baker and Baker builder. Mediterranean Revival church, concrete/steel construction stucco and terracotta exterior veneer.

308 GROVE STREET N PI10375 c. 1901. Twiss Apartments/LaFayette Court, Multi-family, two-story hollow tile stucco clade veneer.

701 MIRROR LAKE DR N PI00286 c. 1918. ST. PETERSBURG HIGH SCHOOL, St Petersburg Locally Designated Landmark, Individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places. William B. Ittner architect.

559 MIRROR LAKE DR N/436 4TH AVE N PI00750 MIRROR LAKE SHUFFLEBOARD CLUB, Multiple structures/features. St Petersburg Locally Designated Landmark. Individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

559 MIRROR LAKE DR ST PETERSBURG SHUFFLEBOARD CLUB BLDG 3.
PI10421 - c1932

559 MIRROR LAKE DR ST PETERSBURG SHUFFLEBOARD CLUB BLDG 2.
PI10420 - c.1929

559 MIRROR LAKE DR ST PETERSBURG SHUFFLEBOARD CLUB BLDG 1.
PI10419 - c.1927

559 MIRROR LAKE DR ST PETERSBURG SHUFFLEBOARD CLUB BLDG 4.
PI10422 - c. 1932

559 MIRROR LAKE DR ST PETERSBURG SHUFFLEBOARD CLUB BLDG 6.
PI10424 - c.1929

559 MIRROR LAKE DR ST PETERSBURG SHUFFLEBOARD CLUB BLDG 7.
PI10425 - c. 1941

SITE FEATURES

SHUFFLEBOARD COURTS

SHUFFLEBOARD GRANDSTAND

538 4TH AVE N PI10346 c. 1922 ST PETERSBURG CHESS CLUB, Locally Designated Landmark.

536 4TH AVE NORTH PI0075 c.1918 ST PETERSBURG LAWN BOWLING CLUB.

SITE FEATURE

BOWLING LAWN

330 MIRROR LAKE DR N/536 MIRROR LAKE DRIVE N/536 4TH AVE N c.1977 ST PETERSBURG SUNSHINE CENTER. M. Winfield Lott, architect.

300 5TH ST/280 5TH ST PI00285 c.1914 St. Petersburg Carnegie Library, St. Petersburg Public Library, MIRROR LAKE PUBLIC LIBRARY. St Petersburg Locally Designated Landmark.

525 MIRROR LAKE DR N State of Florida building under construction

150 5TH ST N PI12934 c. 1968. ST PETERSBURG JUDICIAL BUILDING.

5TH STREET MIRROR LAKE DR N PI10394 MIRROR LAKE PARK.. Historic plaque c.1946 - concrete and bronze. Historic plaque and fountain c.1966. Concrete Mirror Lake Park signs, Hex Block Sidewalks

ADDITIONAL HISTORIC DISTRICT SITE AND LANDSCAPE FEATURES

Granite Curbing

Brick Streets/Alleys

Statue of Apollo Belvedere

Banyan Tree

Boundary Description and Justification (see attached maps)

The Mirror Lake Local Historic District comprises the contiguous, intact, historic resources within 200 feet of Mirror Lake Park and with frontages along Mirror Lake Drive North, Burlington Avenue North, Grove Street North, 4th Avenue North, and 5th Street North. Mirror Lake Park. With its roughly round lake at its center, it is an oasis in

an urbanized area of relatively low intensity historic development. The proposed district sits within Downtown St. Petersburg National Register Historic District and contains four Locally Designated Historic Landmarks and three properties on St Petersburg's Potentially Eligible List. The proposed district has 32 structures, the majority of which are contributing historic resources, and retains a high degree of historic integrity that reflects the development of St Petersburg as a winter resident and tourist destination from 1901-1977. In addition to the structures, the district contains the historic shuffleboard courts, lawn bowling court, historic landscape features, walkways, and signage associated with Mirror Lake Park, and sculpture. Non-contributing resources consist primarily of vacant lots and new construction.

The Mirror Lake Local Historic District consists of residential, commercial, government, religious, and recreational resources along with brick streets and alleys and natural and man-made landscape features. The diverse architectural styles within the proposed district include; Mediterranean Revival, Mission Revival, Masonry Vernacular, Tudor Revival, Craftsman, Frame Vernacular, and Mid-Century Modern represent the evolution of both architectural styles and property uses around Mirror Lake. Nearly all structures in the proposed district directly face Mirror Lake Park with the exception of those along Grove Street and Burlington Avenue. These multi-family residential structures fall within the 200-foot boundary and are contiguous visually and physically to the Mirror Lake facing properties. Beyond the 200 foot boundary area the concentration of intact historic structures declines due to demolitions and to intense modern infill development.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Summary

The Mirror Lake Historic District is significant at the local level in a large number of areas due to its many significant resources. The district is significant at the local level in the areas of Architecture, Community Planning and Development, Entertainment/Recreation, Social History, Conservation, Education, and Religion.

The Mirror Lake Historic District meets the following criteria for designation:

A) Its value is a significant reminder of the cultural or archaeological heritage of the City, state or nation.

D) It is identified as the work of a master builder, designer, or architect whose individual work has influenced the development of the City, state, or nation.

E) Its value as a building is recognized for the quality of its architecture, and it retains sufficient elements showing its architectural significance.

F) It has distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style valuable for the study of a period, method of construction, or use of indigenous materials.

G) Its character is a geographically defined area possessing a significant concentration, or continuity of sites, buildings, objects or structures united in past events or aesthetically by plan or physical development.

H) Its character is an established and geographically definable neighborhood, united in culture, architectural style or physical plan and development.

Period of Significance

1901-1977. The Period of Significance spans the time from the earliest development along the lake through the construction of the Sunshine Senior Center in 1977.

