

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM — PHOTO/SITE PLAN SHEET

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Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission

Bureau of Historic Preservation

Box 1026, Harrisburg, PA 17108-1026

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Survey Code/Tax Parcel/Other No.: District

Municipality: Pottstown Borough

Address: Sunrise Drive

County: Montgomery

119057

Historic Name/Other Name: Sunrise District

SITE PLAN

PHOTO INFORMATION

Attach Photo Here

See Attachments

Number

Description of View

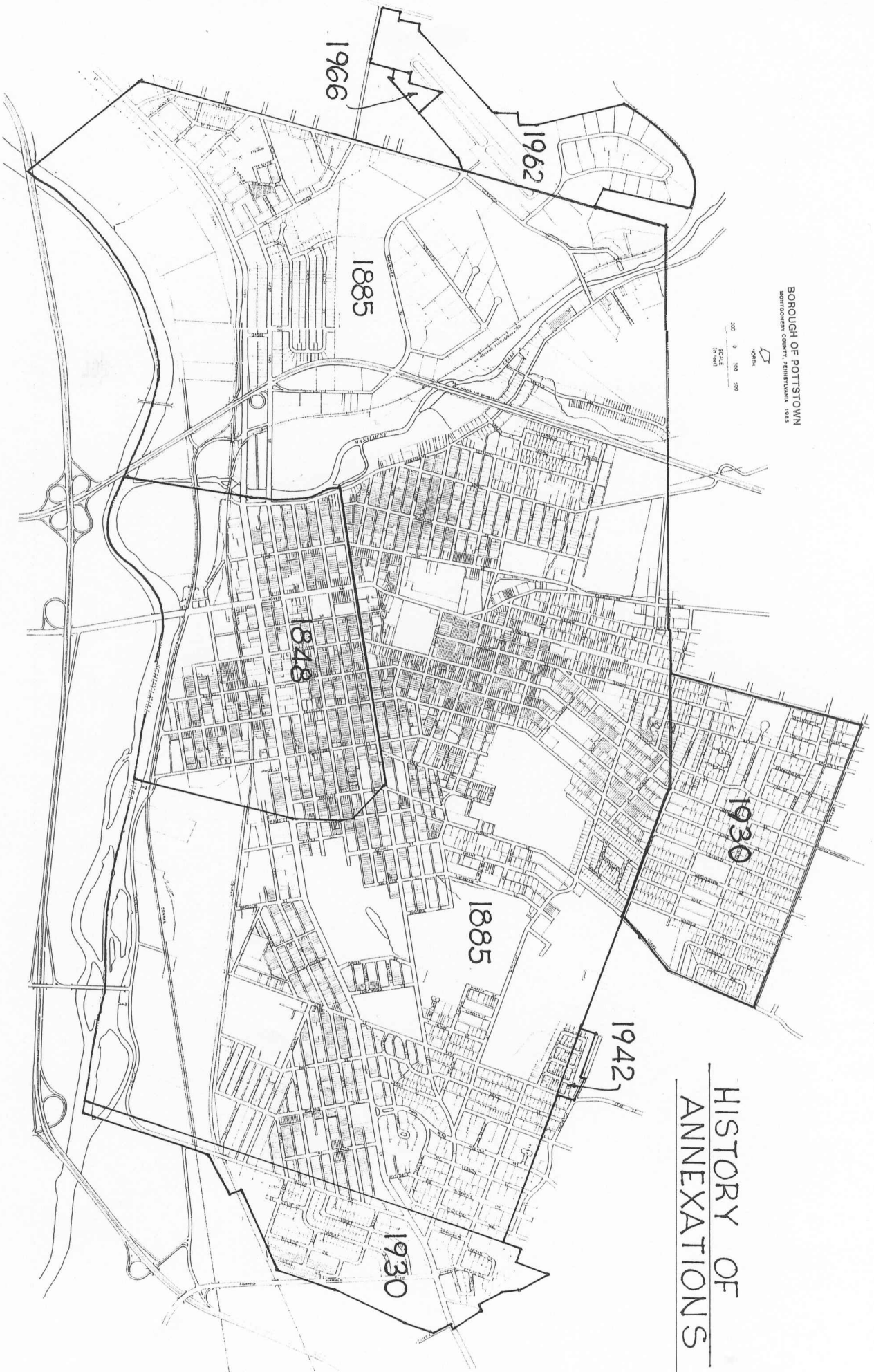
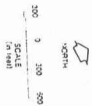
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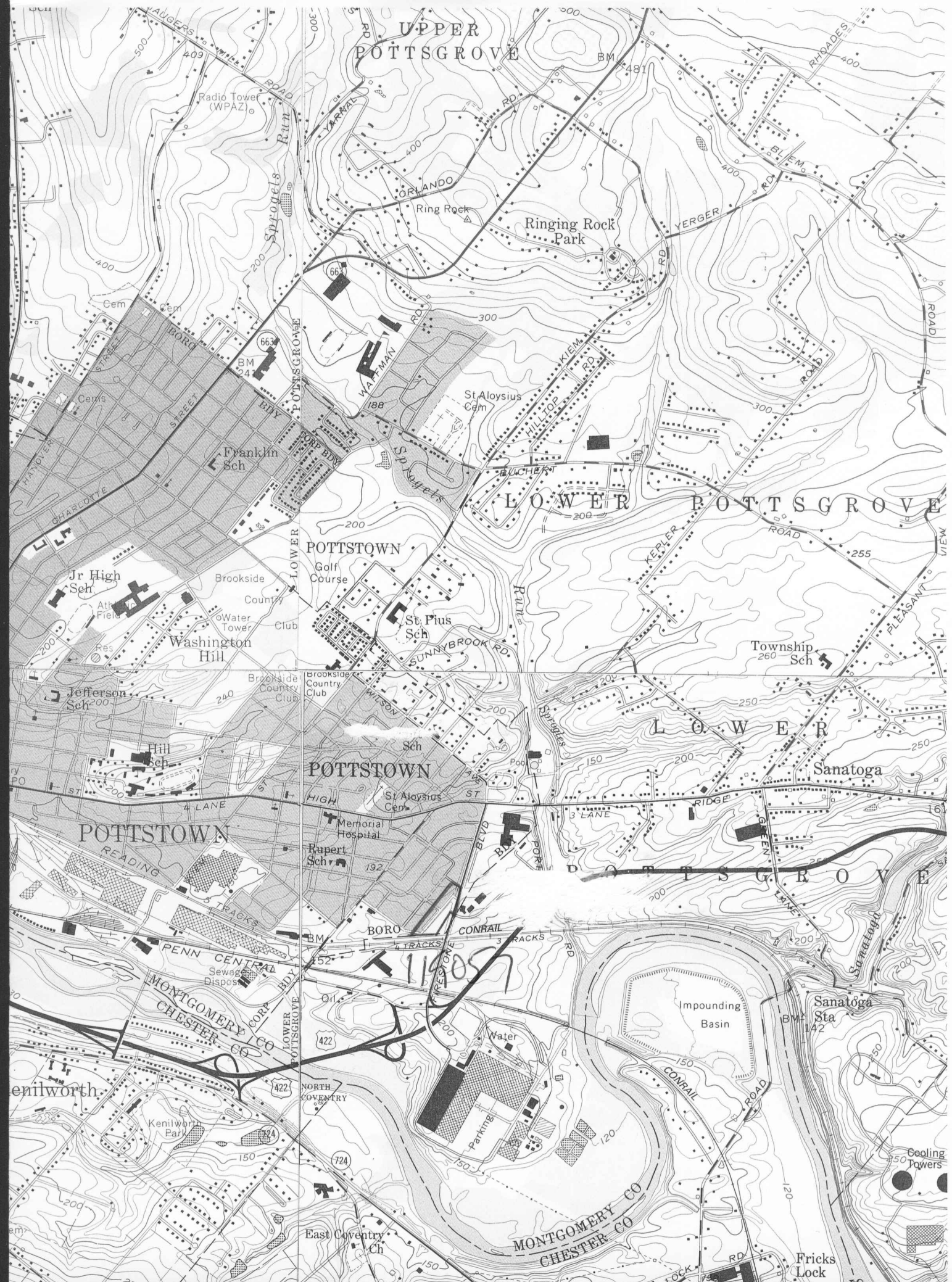
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BOROUGH OF POTTSTOWN
NORTHEAST CORNER, PENNSYLVANIA, 1983



HISTORY OF ANNEXATIONS



PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM — DATA SHEET
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IDENTIFICATION AND LOCATION

Survey Code: _____ Tax Parcel/Other No.: District
County: 1. Montgomery 091 2. _____
Municipality: 1. Borough of Pottstown 2. _____
Address: Sunrise Drive
Historic Name: Sunrise District
Other Name: _____
Owner Name/Address: Multiple
Owner Category: ☒ Private ☐ Public-local ☐ Public-state ☐ Public-federal
Resource Category: ☐ Building ☒ District ☐ Site ☐ Structure ☐ Object
Number/Approximate Number of Resources Covered by This Form: 108
USGS Quad: 1. Phoenixville 2. _____
UTM A. _____ C. _____
References: B. _____ D. _____

HISTORIC AND CURRENT FUNCTIONS

Historic Function Category: _____ Subcategory: _____ Code: _____
A. Domestic Single dwelling 0 1 A
B. _____
C. _____
D. _____
Particular Type: A. Attached single dwellings
B. _____
C. _____
D. _____

Current Function Category: _____ Subcategory: _____ Code: _____
A. Domestic Single dwelling 0 1 A
B. _____
C. _____
D. _____

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Architectural Classification: A. No Style 0 1
B. _____ C. _____
D. _____ Other: _____
Exterior Materials: Foundation Stucco 6 1 Roof Asphalt 6 3
Walls Stucco 6 1 Walls _____
Other _____ Other _____
Structural System: 1. Concrete block 6 0 2. _____
Wid: 15' A Depth: 36' B Stories/Height: 2 B

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Year Built: C. 1943 to C. 1951 Additions/Alterations Dates: C. _____; C. _____

Basis for Dating: ☒ Documentary ☒ Physical

Explain: Building permit records.

Cultural/Ethnic Affiliation: 1. _____ 2. _____
Associated Individuals: 1. _____ 2. _____
Associated Events: 1. _____ 2. _____
Architects/Engineers: 1. _____ 2. _____
Builders: 1. _____ 2. _____

MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

PREVIOUS SURVEY, DETERMINATIONS

EVALUATION (Survey Director/Consultants Only)

Individual NR Potential: ☒ Yes ☐ No Context(s): _____

Contributes to Potential District ☐ Yes ☐ No District Name/Status: _____

Explain: _____

THREATS

Threats: ☐ 1. None ☐ 2. Public Development ☐ 3. Private Development ☐ 4. Neglect ☐ 5. Other

Explain: _____

SURVEYOR INFORMATION

Surveyor Name/Title: Robert E. Bartmann Date: 10-01

Project Name: Pottstown Conservation Project

Organization: Pottstown Planning Commission Telephone: 610.376.5684

Street and No.: 1324 Pike Street

City, State: Reading, PA Zip Code: 19604

Additional Survey Documentation: _____

Associated Survey Codes: _____

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL RESOURCE SURVEY FORM — NARRATIVE SHEET
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Survey Code: _____ Tax Parcel/Other No.: District
County: Montgomery Municipality: Pottstown Borough
Address: Sunrise Drive
Historic/Other Name: Sunrise District

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

Area 11 Sunrise

This compact development of small row homes was built along Sunrise Drive in 1950. The single late Federal Style two story homes are of stucco. There are 25 foot deep front yards and parking in the rear yards. The scale is very intimate — made even more so by the large trees that line the street. Although some houses have seen minor additions to their entrances the consistency and integrity of the original construction is good.

Total number of sites	39	100%
Sites built between 1940 and 1951	39	100%

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE:

Area 11 Sunrise District

The Sunrise area is an example of post-World War II housing development. A single developer rapidly built groups of row houses to meet the nearly frantic demand for new housing in a suburban type setting.

The two-story stuccoed row houses are of modest size but rear alleys allow access to rear yard parking. The front yard provides just enough room for some landscaping. The rear yard had just enough room for clothes drying and tot play. The streets are tree-lined. The overall architecture is of a simple style reminiscent of the Federal Style. Entranceways are provided with trim detail also of that style.

Built in an assembly line fashion, the Sunrise area is the largest single group of row houses (108 units) ever developed in Pottstown and represents the suburbanization of dense development in the borough.

Borough of Pottstown
Montgomery County, PA
July 2001

Photo Index

Robert Bartmann, Photographer

Negative Location:

Pottstown Borough

100 East High Street

Pottstown, PA 19464

Sunrise District – Area 11

PHOTO: 11-a

DATE: July, 2001

LOCATION: Sunrise Drive

VIEW: Looking northeast

SUBJECT: Post-World War II row house

PHOTO: 11-b

DATE: July, 2001

LOCATION: Sunrise Drive north of Rose Court

VIEW: Looking northwest

SUBJECT: Post-World War II row houses stepping up the grade



