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SOUTH CAROLINA INVENTORY FORM FOR HISTORIC DISTRICTS AND INDIVIDUAL PROPERTIES IN A MULTIPLE PROPERTY SUBMISSION

NAME OF MULTIPLE PROPERTY SUBMISSION: City of Orangeburg Multiple Resource Area

PREFERRED NAME OF PROPERTY: East Russell Street Area Historic District

HISTORIC NAME OF PROPERTY: Same

COMMON NAME OF PROPERTY: Same

LOCATION: Along sections of East Russell Street between Watson Street and Clarendon Street and along a portion of Oakland Place, Dickson Street, and Whitman Street

CLASSIFICATION: District

OWNER: Multiple Ownership

DESCRIPTION

Located along portions of East Russell, Dickson, and Whitman Street, and Oakland Place, the East Russell Street Area Historic District is a collection of substantial one- and two-story, brick and frame houses, and a number of modest one-story, frame houses. The houses were constructed between ca. 1850 and ca. 1930, with the majority being built between ca. 1890 and ca. 1925. The district contains approximately fifty-five resources. The houses on East Russell and Whitman Streets are set on large, landscaped lots; they are characterized by prominent one- and two-story porches and porticos. The modest houses on Dickson Street have simpler plans and detailing and are built close together on small lots with some vegetation.

SIGNIFICANCE

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: Black History, Architecture

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: S (for office use only)

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANCE

The East Russell Street Area Historic District is a basically intact residential neighborhood with a wide range of architectural types and socio-economic levels within a small area. The pattern of neighborhood growth in the district is typical of the city's residential areas, with the more affluent white citizens building larger houses along the primary streets, and less affluent blacks living in close proximity, in more modest houses along the side streets. The black residents of this neighborhood generally worked in a service capacity; they were laundresses, drivers, and house servants.(1) The houses on East Russell Street and Whitman Street offer a broad representation of the use of popular and vernacular architectural styles in Orangeburg from ca. 1850 to ca. 1930, expecially the John C. DuBois House (#7), 922 Russell Street (#59), 897 Russell Street (#3), and 880 Russell Street (#61). The modest, vernacular houses on Dickson Street, such as #27, #34, and #41, on the other hand, reflect the economic status of those who provided services for the white residents of Orangeburg.

ACREAGE: Approximately 33 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: The boundary of the East Russell Street Area Historic District is shown as the bold black line on the accompanying map entitled, "East Russell Street Area Historic District". The map was copied from the Orangeburg County Tax Map #29 and was drawn at a scale of one inch equals 200 feet. The nominated area includes the largest concentration of significant resources with the smallest number of noncontributing resources possible.

QUAD NAME: Orangeburg South

QUAD SCALE: 1:24000

UTM REFERENCE POINTS:
A. 17/514100/3706100
B. 17/514121/3705540
C. 17/513500/3705580
D. 17/513465/3705920

OTHER INFORMATION: Additional information on these resources is available in the South Carolina Inventory of Historic Places files, South Carolina Department of Archives and History, Columbia, South Carolina.

FOOTNOTES

(1) Orangeburg, SC, City Directory, 1920 - 21, p. 237.

Key resources which define the character of the district:

5. Frank Limehouse House, 921 East Russell Street: ca. 1930 from a design by Miller F. Whittaker. It is a one-and-one-half story, gambrel-roofed house constructed of brick laid in stretcher bond. Shed roof of facade porch extends on left to form porte-cochere. Porch roof is supported by brick pillars; a gabled peak on the porch roof leads to the central facade entrance. The facade has a single-door entrance with beveled glass transom and sidelights flanked on each side by two six-over-one windows.

6. John C. DuBois Home/Frederick Copes House, 165 Oakland Place: Constructed ca. 1860 and reoriented in ca. 1885. This is a one-and-one-half story, weatherboarded residence with a gable-end roof and a projecting gable with a double four-over-four window. The roof extends to form a one-story porch across the facade and a one-and-one-half-story porch at the gable ends. The porch roof is supported by slender chamfered posts with necking and carved brackets; all posts rest on brick piers. The facade has two double windows with full-length sash and louvered shutters. The gable ends are highly decorative with applied sawn and pierced boards for a picket-effect and wooden finials. The porch has an arched spandrel with sawn and pierced work and stick work. There is a small projecting polygonal bay on the right elevation, an ell on the rear elevation, and entrances on the left and right elevations. The house originally faced Russell Street, but was reoriented ca. 1885. Reportedly, the porch originally wrapped the house.

39. 165 Dickson Street: Constructed ca. 1890. This is a one-story frame weatherboarded residence with a gable roof and a hip-roofed porch on the facade. The porch features turned posts and balusters. The facade has a single entrance with rectangular transom and sidelights flanked on each side by single six-over-six windows. The gable ends have a boxed cornice with returns. There is a large, hip-roofed extension at the rear of the house.

41. 166 Dickson Street: One-story, weatherboarded residence with gable end roof, constructed ca. 1900. Gable ends feature boxed cornice and returns. A hipped-roof porch on the facade is supported by turned posts with a plain balustrade. The four bay-facade has two single-door entrances each flanked by a single, nine-over-nine window.

50. 126 Dickson Street: Two-story, weatherboarded frame residence with gabled roof, constructed ca. 1900. A two-tiered, hip-roofed porch on the central portion of the facade is supported on the first story by square posts on brick piers and on the second story by square posts; the upper story has a plain, wooden balustrade. First story of facade has two two-over-two windows with peaked architraves flanking a double-door entrance with a three-light transom and a peaked architrave surround. The second story facade has two six-over-six windows with peaked architraves flanking a single door entrance with a plain surround. Each pedimented gable end contains a peaked louvered vent. There is a shed-roofed addition on the rear.

58. 922 East Russell Street: Constructed ca. 1885, this is a two-story, weatherboarded residence with pyramidal roof and a two-story pedimented bay with a pent roof on the right end of the facade. A one-story, hipped-roof porch extends on the left to form a gazebo. The porch and gazebo feature turned posts and balustrade and sawn brackets. The gazebo has a turned finial. A one-story bay at the corner of the facade and the left elevation features a French window which opens onto the gazebo. The facade has a single-door entrance with oval beveled glass and carved molding with elliptical beveled glass sidelights and fanlight with leaded glass. On the right portion of the facade is a double French one-over-one window. There are rectangular recessed panels in the frieze and a two-story, pedimented rectangular bay with a pent roof on the left and right elevations. A portion of the porch on the left elevation appears to have been enclosed. All the gable ends have horseshoe-shaped louvered vents. There is a one-story ell in the rear.

64. Judge Izlar House, 821 Whitman Street: A two-story, frame residence, sheathed in weatherboard, with an L-shaped plan and a one-story porch across the facade. The porches feature simple wooden pillars and balusters. The irregular fenestration is six-over-nine and six-over-six sash. The gable roof features paired wooden brackets. The house is believed to have been built ca. 1850 as part of a larger residence. This larger building is reported to have been split into two separate buildings around 1917, with one half becoming 821 Whitman Street and the other half 841 Whitman Street. Some of the details of the building appear to date from the ca. 1917 work.

65. Judge Izlar House, 841 Whitman Street: A two-story, frame residence, said to have been built ca. 1850 as part of a larger residence, and given its present configuration ca. 1917. The building has a double-pile, central-hall plan and a five-bay facade, with a one-story porch spanning the facade. The windows have six-over-six sash and louvered shutters. The porch has chamfered posts and sawn brackets. Similar sawn brackets appear in the cornice.

Resources which contribute to the character of the district:

1. 871 East Russell Street: ca. 1915 brick residence.
2. 897 East Russell Street: ca. 1920 brick residence.
4. Left of 921 East Russell Street: ca. 1915 frame residence.
8. 935 East Russell Street: ca. 1935 brick residence.
9. 949 East Russell Street: ca. 1925 frame residence.
10. 955 East Russell Street: ca. 1915 frame residence.
11. 981 East Russell Street: ca. 1905 frame residence.
12. 1172 East Russell Street: ca. 1915 frame residence.
13. 1156 East Russell Street: ca. 1925 frame residence.
15. 1128 East Russell Street: ca. 1920 residence with shingle siding.
17. 1098 East Russell Street: ca. 1925 frame residence with synthetic siding.
18. 1080 East Russell Street: ca. 1925 frame residence.
19. 1060 East Russell Street: ca. 1890 frame residence.
20. 1040 East Russell Street: ca. 1910-1915 residence.

21. 1030 East Russell Street: ca. 1920 frame residence.
23. 1004 East Russell Street: ca. 1920 frame residence.
25. 117 Dickson Street: ca. 1915 frame residence.
26. 121 Dickson Street: ca. 1900 frame residence.
27. 125 Dickson Street: ca. 1900 frame residence.
28. 127 Dickson Street: ca. 1900 frame residence.
29. 133 Dickson Street: ca. 1900 frame residence.
32. Between 141 and 145 Dickson Street: ca. 1900 frame residence.
34. 145 Dickson Street: ca. 1910 frame residence.
37. 157 Dickson Street: ca. 1900 frame residence.
40. 172 Dickson Street: ca. 1900 frame residence.
42. 160 Dickson Street: ca. 1900 frame residence.
44. 152 and 154 Dickson Street: ca. 1920 frame residence.
45. 146 Dickson Street: ca. 1915 frame residence.
46. 142 and 140 Dickson Street: ca. 1920 frame residence.
47. Left of 132 Dickson Street: ca. 1925 frame residence.
48. 132 Dickson Street: ca. 1925 frame residence.
51. 120 Dickson Street: ca. 1925 frame residence.
53. 976 East Russell Street: frame residence, probably built during the second half of the nineteenth century.
54. 964 East Russell Street: ca. 1920 frame residence.
56. 948 East Russell Street: ca. 1915 frame residence.
57. 938 East Russell Street: ca. 1900 frame residence.
59. 910 East Russell Street: ca. 1880 probably frame residence with aluminum siding.
60. 880 East Russell Street: ca. 1850 frame residence.
62. 860 East Russell Street: ca. 1915 frame residence.
63. 830 East Russell Street: ca. 1890 frame residence.
66. 895 Whitman Street: ca. 1900 frame residence with synthetic siding.
67. 904 Whitman Street: ca. 1890 frame residence with aluminum siding.
68. 921 Whitman Street: ca. 1925 frame residence.
69. 955 Whitman Street: ca. 1920 frame residence.
70. 981 Whitman Street: ca. 1870 frame residence.
71. 781 Whitman Street: ca. 1900 frame residence.
72. 775-777 Whitman Street: ca. 1895 frame residence.

Resources which do not contribute to the character of the district:

3. 903 East Russell Street: Modern residence.
7. Behind 935 East Russell Street: Modern garage and storage room.
14. 1142 East Russell Street: ca. 1925 residence altered by aluminum siding and brick replacement piers on front porch.
16. 1102 East Russell Street: ca. 1930 residence altered by asbestos siding.
22. 1020 East Russell Street: ca. 1910 residence with extensive alterations to the front porch and the addition of concrete steps.
24. 113 Dickson Street: Residence of unknown date with alterations including asbestos siding, picture window on facade and wrought iron porch posts.

30. 137 Dickson Street: Residence of unknown date, altered by aluminum siding and replacement windows.
31. 139 Dickson Street: ca. 1910 residence altered by replacement picture window and synthetic siding. Building is deteriorating.
33. 141 Dickson Street: ca. 1910 residence altered by replacement concrete block front porch, and replacement windows on facade.
35. 149 Dickson Street: Residence of unknown date altered by enclosed front porch and replacement windows.
36. 153 Dickson Street: ca. 1915 residence altered by enclosed front porch and new front door.
38. 163 Dickson Street: Residence of unknown date; deteriorated and substantially altered.
43. 156 Dickson Street: ca. 1900 frame residence with synthetic siding, replacement windows, severely altered roofline, and the removal of the porch balustrade.
49. 130 Dickson Street: ca. 1940 residence.
52. 114 Dickson Street: ca. 1950 residence.
55. 954 East Russell Street: ca. 1900 residence with extensive alterations to the front porch.
61. 870 East Russell Street: ca. 1920 residence altered by enclosure of front porch, replacement doors, and aluminum siding.

Contributing Resources
Noncontributing Resources
OHWY 601
WATSON ST.
LOVELL ST.
OAKLAND PL.
RUSSELL ST.
LOVELL ST.
JACKSON ST.
MAXCY ST.
WHITMAN ST.
vacant
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EAST RUSSELL STREET AREA
HISTORIC DISTRICT
SCALE 1" = 200'