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SIGNIFICANT BUILDINGS

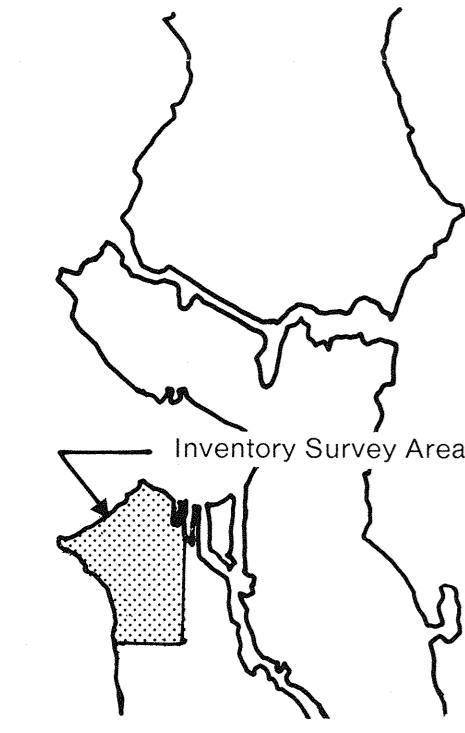
1. Holy Rosary Church, 1936, 4139 42nd Ave. SW
2. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 1937, 4001 44th Ave. SW
3. Residence, 1909, 3823 40th Ave SW
4. West Seattle Dental Center, Remodeled 1972, 3255 California Ave SW, Architect: Nakata
5. West Seattle High School, 1917, Walnut Ave SW and SW Stevens St.
6. Residence, 1925, 2653 Walnut Ave SW
7. Residence, 1910, 2647 Walnut Ave SW
8. Residence, 1977, 2715 Belvidere Ave SW*
9. Hainsworth House, 1907, 2657 37th Ave SW. Originally part of a large estate of the pioneer developer, William Hainsworth.
10. Admiral Twin Theatre, c. 1955, 2343 California Ave SW*
11. West Seattle Public Library, 1910, 2306 42nd Ave SW*
12. Residence, c. 1900, 2107 41st Ave SW
13. Kelly House, 1904, 1935 41st Ave SW*
14. Hananot House, 1903, 1637 42nd Ave SW*
15. Lamphere House, 1913, Edgewood Ave SW*
16. Residence, 1910, 1305 Sunset Ave SW. An experimental, all concrete house. Remodel designed by Don Avery.
17. Residence, 1916, 1414 Sunset Ave SW. Built by a Swedish immigrant as a duplicate of his fiancee's house so that she would feel comfortable in Seattle. His efforts were in vain, however, and the marriage plans fell through.
18. Potter House, c. 1915, 1439 Sunset Way SW*
19. Kennedy House, 1909, 1620 47th Ave SW, Architects: Wilson and Loveless
20. Residence, c. 1890, 1625 46th Ave SW

*See captioned Photographs

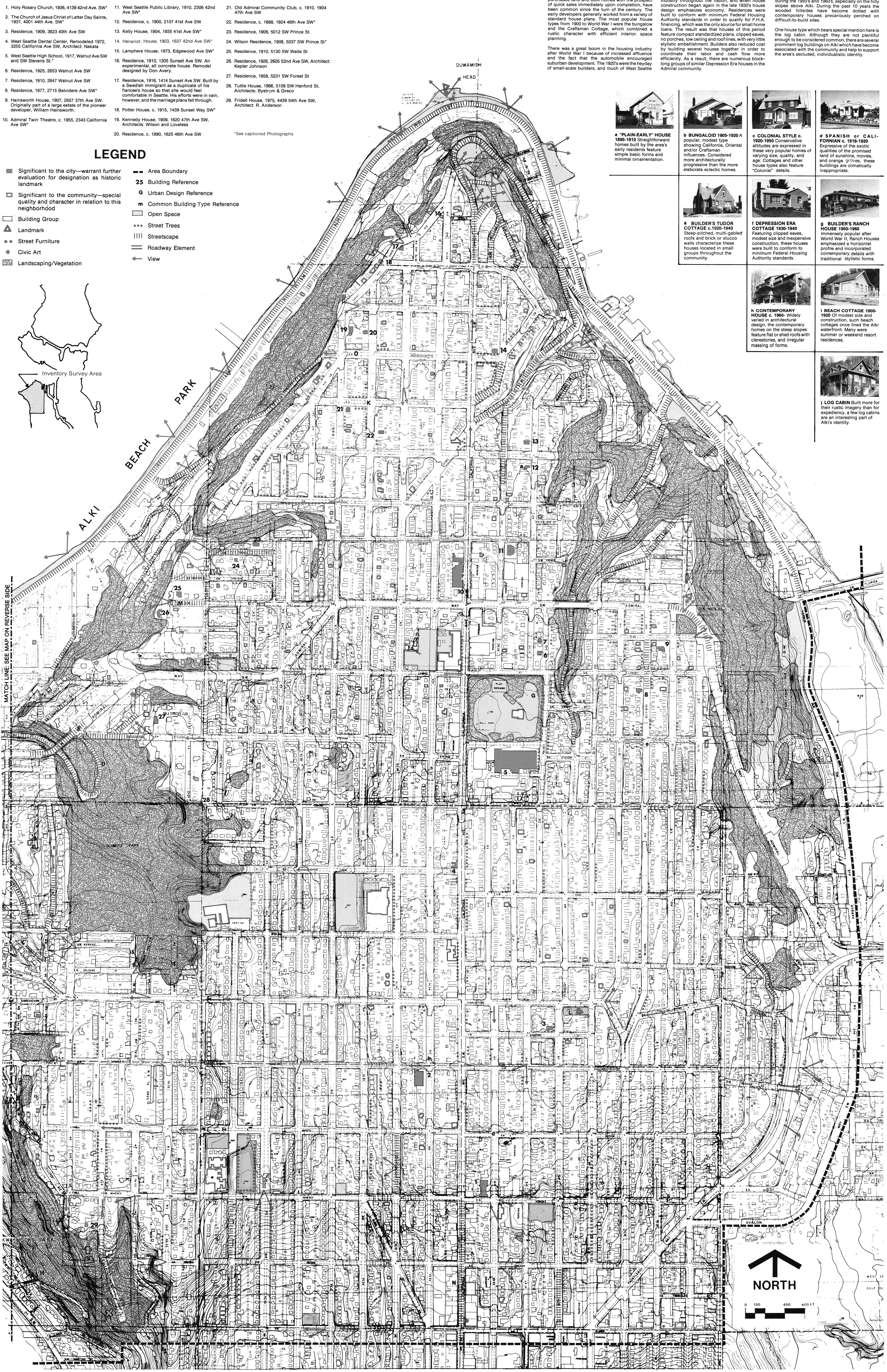
LEGEND

- Significant to the city—warrant further evaluation for designation as historic landmark
- Significant to the community—special quality and character in relation to this neighborhood
- Building Group
- ▲ Landmark
- ★★ Street Furniture
- ✳ Civic Art
- Landscaping/Vegetation

- Area Boundary
- 25 Building Reference
- G Urban Design Reference
- m Common Building Type Reference
- Open Space
- Street Trees
- |||| Streetscape
- Roadway Element
- ← View



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COMMON BUILDING TYPES

The Alki and Admiral communities are excellent places to observe the product of small-scale speculative house builders in Seattle. Because of the relatively stable growth of these areas during the past eighty years there are many examples of modest, middle-income builders' houses from every decade since 1900. These houses, purchased land and built homes with the prospect of quick sales immediately upon completion, have been built since the turn of the century. The early developers generally worked from a variety of standard house plans. The most popular house types from 1900 to World War I were the bungalow and Craftsman Cottage, which combined a rustic character with efficient interior space planning.

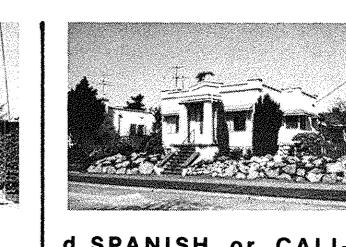
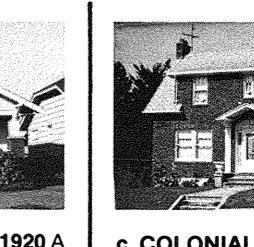
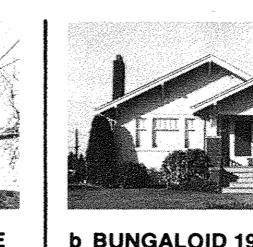
There was a great boom in the housing industry after World War I because of increased affluence and the fact that the automobile encouraged suburban development. The 1920's were the heyday of small-scale builders, and much of West Seattle

was developed during this time. Most popular were eclectic styles which reflected traditional values and romantic associations (Colonial and Tudor or to romantic associations with the past or California Style).

The Great Depression severely curtailed the housing industry throughout the nation, and when house construction began again in the late 1930's house design emphasized economy. Residents were able to cope with the Federal Housing Authority standards in order to qualify for F.H.A. financing, which was the only source for small home loans. The result was that houses of this period feature more standardized plans, porches, no porches, low ceiling and roof lines, with very little stylistic embellishment. Builders also reduced cost by building several houses together in order to take advantage of the labor and materials more efficiently. As a result, there are numerous block-long groups of similar Depression Era houses in the Admiral community.

The 1950's saw the rise to popularity of the California Ranch House Style. Associated with the new informal, patio-oriented lifestyle, the Ranch House became the darling of the post-war speculative builder and home buyer. There are many of these in the Admiral and Hillside areas. On the steeply sloping hillsides above Alki, during the past 10 years the contemporary houses precariously perched on difficult-to-build sites.

The last type we hear special mention of is the log cabin. Although they are not plentiful enough to be considered common, there are several prominent log buildings on Alki which have been associated with the community and help to support the area's secluded, individualistic identity.

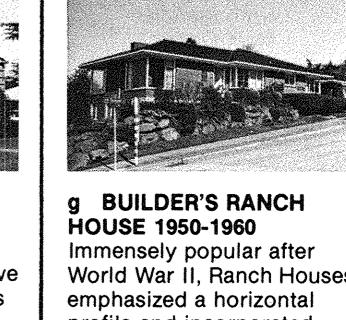
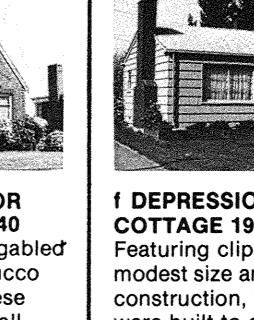


a BUNGALOW 1895-1910 Straight eaves houses built by the area's early residents feature simple basic forms and minimal ornamentation.

b BUNGALOW 1905-1920 A popular house type showing California, Oriental and/or Craftsman influences. Considered more progressive than the more elaborate eclectic homes.

c COLONIAL STYLE c. 1910-1930 Formal attitudes are expressed in these very popular homes of varying size, quality, and age. Cottages and other house types also feature "Colonial" details.

d SPANISH OR CALIFORNIA REVIVAL 1910-1930 Expressions of the exotic qualities of the promised land of sunshine, movies, and orange groves, these buildings are climatically inappropriate.

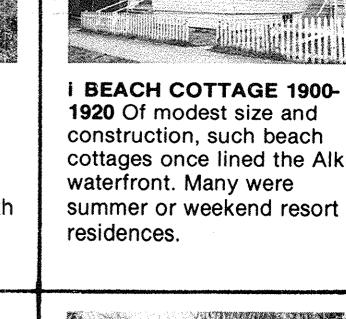
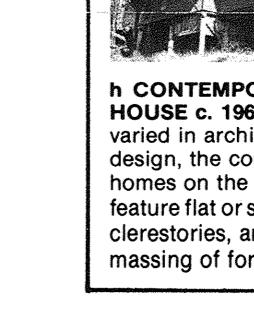
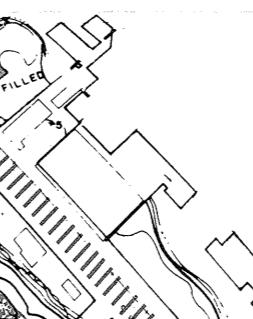


e BUILDER'S TUDOR COTTAGE c. 1920-1940 Steep-pitched, half-timbered rooflines and thick walls characterize these houses located in small groups throughout the community.

f DEPRESSION ERA COTTAGE 1930-1940 Featuring clipped eaves, multiple gables, and conservative construction, these houses were built to conform to minimum Federal Housing Authority standards.

g BUILDER'S RANCH HOUSE 1930-1960 Immensely popular after World War II, these houses emphasized a horizontal profile and incorporated contemporary details with traditional "ranch" forms.

h CONTEMPORARY HOUSE c. 1960 Widely varied in architectural design, these modern houses on the steep slopes feature flat or shed roofs with clerestories, and irregular massing of forms.



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