New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Historic Preservation Office

-114872730 PROPERTY REPORT Property ID: Property Name: 10 Maplewood Avenue Ownership: Private Address: **10 MAPLEWOOD AVE ZIP:** 08512 Apartment #: **PROPERTY LOCATION(S):** County: **Municipality:** Local Place Name: **USGS Quad:** Block: Lot: MIDDLESEX Cranbury township 33 27

Property Photo:



Old HSI Number:

NRIS Number:

HABS/HAER Number: 7

Description:

PS&S recommends that the residence at 10 Maplewood Avenue, possibly constructed in the early 20th century and altered several times since its construction, does not contribute to the Cranbury Historic district. A secondary building, which has been identified as a historic fire station for Cranbury, contributes to the district.

The 2-story, gable-roofed, rectangular plan, main volume of this frame, painted clapboard-clad dwelling on a parged foundation is 2 bays wide and 3 bays deep. The main volume flanked on the northwest by a 1-story, hip-roofed, enclosed porch, and by a 1-story, shed and hip-roofed volume on the southeast. The roof of the main volume changes pitch over an addition on the southwest where a second story was placed over an earlier porch. The roofs throughout are clad in asphalt shingle and the windows have 1/1 and horizontal 2/2 wood sash. The residence is accessed by an enclosed, recessed porch on the southwest, main elevation. An 8-light wood door flanked by 2, 8-light windows on the left and 1 on the right is located in the west bay. A double window lights the east bay, with a single window in each of the bays on the second floor. A single window lights the southwest, rear elevation of each of the 1-story volumes. The southeast, side elevation is not visible from the public right-of-way. The northeast, rear elevation includes a single window in each of the outer bays of both floors of the main volume, with a single 6-light casement window in the rear volume. The northwest, street-facing elevation has a double window in each bay of the 1-story volume, a single, central window on the second floor beneath the gable, and a window in the south bay beneath the adjusted roofline.

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The rectangular-plan, front gable-roofed, frame secondary building with a corrugated metal roof is 1 bay wide and 2 bays deep. The building is clad in painted vertical board and is fenestrated with 2/2, double-hung, wood sash windows on the northeast and southwest elevations. Sliding barn doors are located on the northwest and southeast elevations. The northwestern elevation includes a large opening on the upper level with a vertical board door. A smaller opening on the rear (southeast) elevation is covered in plywood.

Historic maps indicate that Maplewood Avenue remained largely undeveloped until after the middle of the 19th century. Historic maps and aerial photographs identify a building on this property by 1876. It was inventoried in the 1980 National Register Nomination for the Cranbury Historic District as dating to the early 20th century. The building is detailed in the 1916 Sanborn map as a rectangular-plan, frame dwelling with a tin roof and a 2-story main volume on the northeast and a 1-story volume to its southwest. The dwelling was backed by a 1-story smaller building on the northeast at the time. The 1933 Sanborn map indicates that the 1-story section of the building had been extended to the rear and that the secondary building had been removed by that date. The building was included neither in the 1974 photographic inventory of Cranbury historic buildings in the collection of the Cranbury Historical and Preservation Society nor in the 1989 Heritage Studies inventory. Historic aerial photographs do not clearly date the addition of the northwest and southeast secondary volumes or the addition of a second floor over the southwest 1-story volume.

A plaque on the northwest elevation identifies the secondary building as the first firehouse for Cranbury, and as serving this function from 1898 to 1922.

This property is a non-contributing property in the historic district by virtue of multiple alterations after the end of the period of significance.

Setting:

Maplewood Avenue is an approximately half-mile long primarily residential street that connects N. Main Street, to the northwest, to Route 130, to the northeast. Maplewood runs parallel to N. Main Street between Scott Ave. and Park Place, after which it turns to the northeast to form a southwest extension of Cranbury-South River Road.



Eligibility Worksheet included in present survey?

☐ Is this Property an identifiable farm or former farm?





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