

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM

NR Eligible: yes
no

Property Name: Ertter's Market Inventory Number: M: 36-28

Address: 523 Dale Drive (MD 391) Historic district: yes no

City: Silver Spring Zip Code: 20910 County: Montgomery

USGS Quadrangle(s): Kensington

Property Owner: Yung S & H.J. Kay Tax Account ID Number: 01039753

Tax Map Parcel Number(s): 01039753 Tax Map Number: Jp41

Project: Purple Line Transit Study Agency: Maryland Transit Administration

Agency Prepared By: John Milner Associates, Inc.

Preparer's Name: Courtney Clark and Sarah Traum Date Prepared: 1/12/2012

Documentation is presented in: Real Estate Property Report from Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation, Montgomery County; MHT resource/project file

Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G

Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:

Name of the District/Property: _____

Inventory Number: _____ Eligible: yes Listed: yes

Site visit by MHT Staff yes no Name: _____ Date: _____

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

This property is located at the northeast corner of Dale Drive and Schuyler Road in Silver Spring, and contains a two-and-one-half story, commercial building facing Dale Drive. The building houses two commercial entities: Ertter's Market, and No.1 Organic Cleaners. A spacious paved parking lot fronts and allows access to the property both from the facade and south sidewall of the building. A pedestrian sidewalk lies along the perimeter edges of the property as well.

This circa 1938, brick-and-frame building is squared-shaped, however, visually gives the appearance as being rectangular. The front cell of the main block is sheltered by a side-gabled roof, with an intersecting gabled ell extending from the south sidewall. Beyond both intersecting gables, the building is covered by a large flat roof. Two gabled dormers extend from the façade rooftop, and a brick chimney rises from the north sidewall of the building. The building measures four bays wide by approximately four bays deep. The brick constructed entrance level contains two large, multi-paned, metal-framed commercial windows, flanked by single entrance, commercial glass-plate doors, topped by single-pane transoms. The sidewall openings on this same level have been covered with plywood. The frame-constructed, second level is sheathed in vinyl siding, and features residential-like, double-hung,

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one-over-one vinyl sash windows.

In Montgomery County, general merchandise stores were common throughout the 19th and early 20th centuries, and sold a range of merchandise to local customers. Corner stores began to appear in the newly developing suburban neighborhoods closest to the District line. Unlike Chevy Chase, where commercial development was prohibited within residential areas, Silver Spring and Takoma Park had no such limitations, and many corner stores were built in the 1920s and 1930s. Most all of these stores were two stories tall with living space above the ground-floor retail space (Rebeck 1987:14).

This building was built by John F. Ertter in 1938. Mr. Ertter was born in 1889. He opened the first Ertter's Market in northwest Washington, D.C. in 1916 (Washington Post 1978). His expansion with a second store followed the growth of Silver Spring as a suburb. The 1931 Real Estate Atlas does not show this building, but shows this block, facing Dale Drive, as zoned commercial. This block had been subdivided into lots and several blocks on the southwest side of Dale Drive had been developed with single family houses (Klinge 1931). Mr. Ertter retired from the grocery business in the early 1960s, leaving the business to his son John F., Jr. (Washington Post 1978). The building has since passed out of Ertter family ownership, but still operates as a small-scale grocery and convenience store.

To-date no individual documentation form and/or Determination of Eligibility has been located for this property. However, a resource/project file does exist for this property at the Maryland Historical Trust and contains: Maryland Department of Assessment and Taxations information as of June 2003, mapping (USGS and aerial), a card noting that "Ertter's Market was surveyed, photographed and mentioned in the theme report 'Early Twentieth Century Shopping Facilities in Montgomery County' by Andrea Rebeck, written in 1987," and a black-and-white photograph of the building from 1987. Also of note was that "no inventory form was recorded for the resource" during this time (Anonymous n.d.).

Based on this survey and evaluation, this property is recommended not eligible for listing in the Maryland Inventory of Historic Places and/or the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A. Individually, the building is not associated with events that have made significant contributions to the broad pattern of local, state, or national history. Though the building has continued to function as a corner grocery for over seventy years its integrity of setting has been diminished, and altogether lacks association. As a result of a number of other modern-day conveniences constructed nearby, the property fails to illustrate or reflect the history of suburban convenience stores and/or need of such.

Ertter's Market is not eligible under National Register Criterion B as it is not associated with an individual significant on the local, state, or national level.

Architecturally, the building is not eligible under National Register Criterion C, as it does not reflect an outstanding style or type of construction, and does not convey or embody architectural significance. Further, it lacks integrity of materials, workmanship, and feeling, with its notable alterations to the second level.

Investigation of National Register eligibility under Criterion D was not considered as part of this study.

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References cited:

Anonymous

n.d. Information on file at Maryland Historical Trust. Project/resource file for M: 36-28, Ertter's Market, 521 Dale Drive, Silver Spring.

Klinge, Frank H. M.

1931 Atlas of Montgomery County, Maryland (vol. 1). Frank H. M. Klinge, Lansdale, Pennsylvania.

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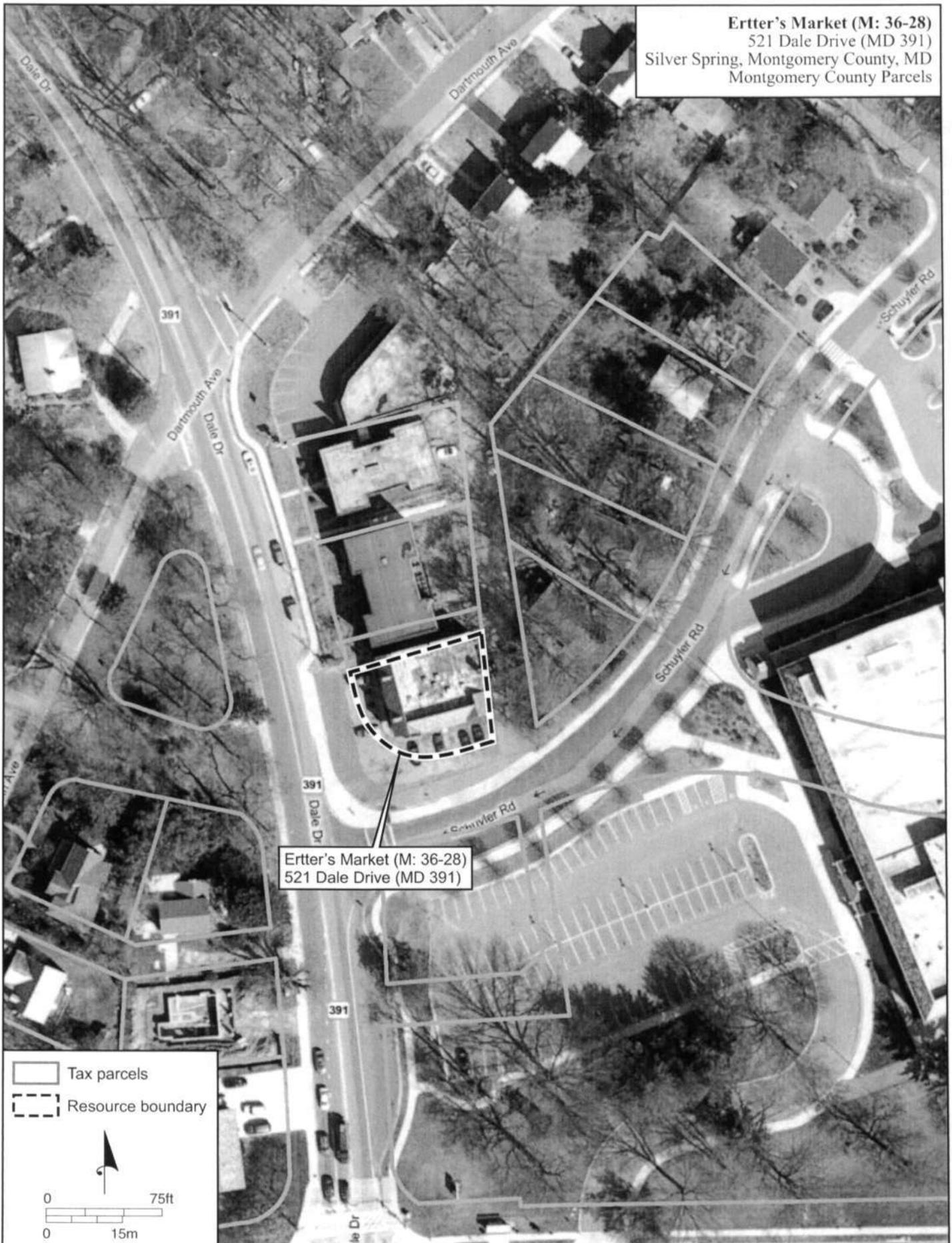
1987 Montgomery County in the Early Twentieth Century: A Study of Historical and Architectural Themes. Completed for the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission and the Maryland Historical Trust. On file at The Montgomery County Historical Society, Rockville Maryland.

Washington Post

1978 John F. Ertter, 89, Ran Grocery Stores in D.C., Silver Spring for 50 Years" Washington Post 19 August: B6.

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Montgomery County Parcels



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-  Tax parcels
-  Resource boundary

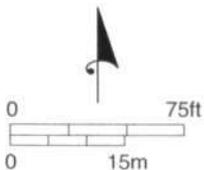


Photo Log for

M: 36-28, Ertter's Market

Image File Name	Description of the view
M; 36-28_2011-06-08_01	Front and side elevations; view toward northeast.

Ink and Paper Combination used to create the prints:

HP Vivera ink on HP Premium Plus Paper

Brand, Make, and Dye type of the CD-R GOLD:

Falcon Pro CD-R, CD-R Falcon 24K Gold Archival



ERTTERS MARKET

No. 1 Organic Cleaners

**LUNCH
BREAKFAST**

Deli Sandwiches
12.99
10 PACK

Hot Lunches
23.99
10 PACK

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Enter's Market, 521 Dale Drive

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Front and side elevations; view toward northeast.

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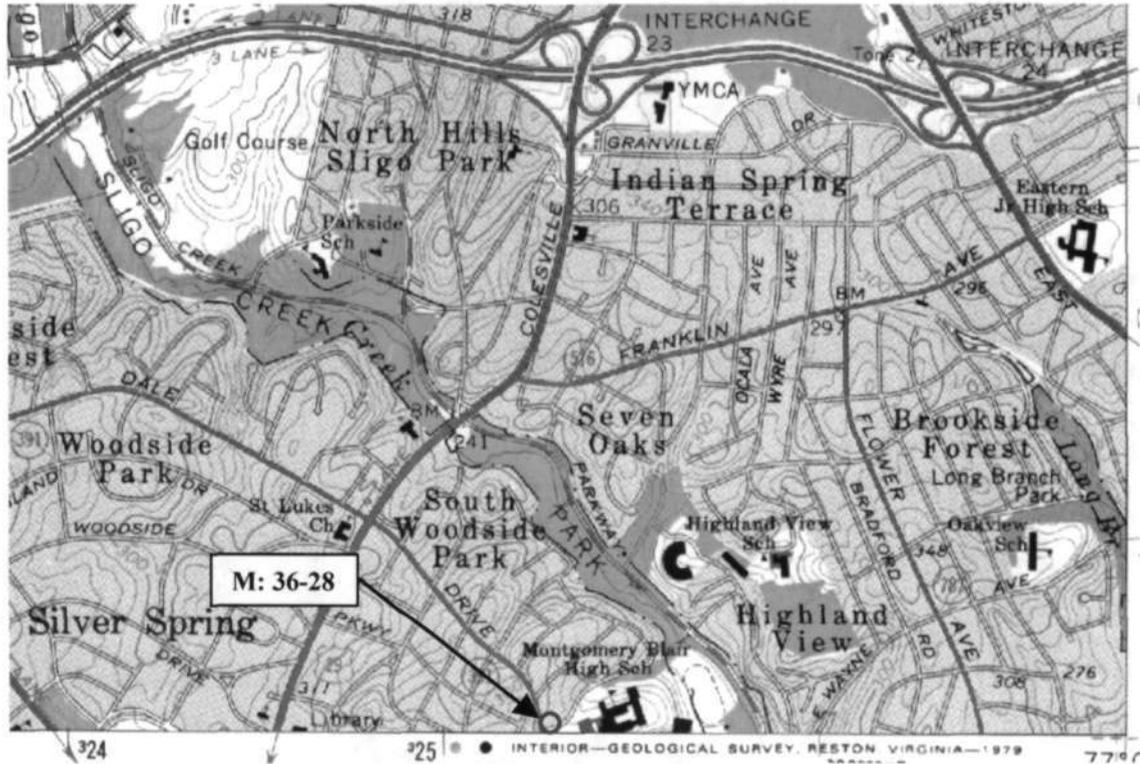
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(See vertical file Rebeck - 20th century study.)



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CLEANERS

BEER

PEPPER
SOUP
COCOA

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Andrea Rebeck

1987

Looking Northeast