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Old South Mebane Historic District Boundary Increase
Mebane, Alamance County, AM2351, Listed 12/16/2013
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1. Name of Property

historic name  | Old South Mebane Historic District Boundary Increase

other names/site number |  

2. Location

street & number | 400 blocks of W. Lee and W. McKinley streets, 507 S. Fourth Street, and the 600-800 blocks of S. Fifth Street.

city or town | Mebane

state | North Carolina

county | Alamance

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

X national  

Signature of certifying official/Title  

Date  

North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources  

State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

X entered in the National Register  

X determined eligible for the National Register  

determined not eligible for the National Register  

other (explain:)  

Signature of the Keeper  

Date of Action
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### 5. Classification

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**Name of related multiple property listing**

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

N/A

**Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register**

255

### 6. Function or Use

**Historic Functions**

(Enter categories from instructions.)

- Domestic: single dwelling
- Domestic: secondary structure
- Agriculture: animal facility

**Current Functions**

(Enter categories from instructions.)

- Domestic: single dwelling
- Domestic: secondary structure

### 7. Description

**Architectural Classification**

(Enter categories from instructions.)

- Other: Ranch
- Bungalow/Craftsman
- Other: Period Cottage
- Other: Minimal Traditional
- Colonial Revival
- Other: Modernist

**Materials**

(Enter categories from instructions.)

- foundation: Brick, concrete
- walls: Brick, wood, vinyl, aluminum
- roof: Asphalt, metal
- other: 

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The Old South Mebane Historic District Boundary Increase includes houses in three small clusters and one long linear section adjacent to the Old South Mebane Historic District (NR 2011) in the city of Mebane in Alamance County, North Carolina. The Old South Mebane Historic District is comprised of the residential neighborhood that lies to the south of the railroad tracks adjacent to the central business district and contains turn-of-the-twentieth-century to early 1960s houses. The boundary increase areas have a similar residential character to the historic district. They include portions of the 400-block of West Lee Street, the 400-block of West McKinley Street, 507 South Fourth Street, and a long section along the 600 to 800-blocks of South Fifth Street. These properties were not included in the district nomination due to misinformation about the construction dates of the houses within the boundary increase areas. This boundary increase nomination corrects this error.

The houses in the boundary increase areas are mostly one and one-and-a-half stories in height and generally are brick or brick-veneered, or frame with replacement sheathing. The architecture includes Minimal Traditional, Colonial Revival, and Craftsman style houses, Period Cottages, and Ranch houses. The houses closer to the Old South Mebane Historic District boundaries are typically older, with the houses at the south end of S. Fifth Street being the newest construction. A variety of domestic outbuildings are found in the boundary increase areas. Although most are small, modern, noncontributing garages, sheds, and carports, a few older garages, barns, and storage buildings date to the period of significance.

The portion of the 400-block of W. Lee Street in the boundary increase, the 400-block of W. McKinley Street, and 507 S. Fourth Street fit the character the original district’s densely-developed grid pattern of residential streets with the houses set on narrow lots with short setbacks. These houses all date from the 1920s to the 1950s. The houses on W. Lee and W. McKinley streets are mostly frame, one-story, Craftsman-style houses similar to those typically seen in mill housing, ranging in date from ca. 1924 to the 1940s. More vernacular houses are also found on W. Lee Street and include gable houses and triple-A-roof houses, with similar dates of construction. A Minimal Traditional-style house dating to 1942 is also found on W. Lee Street, fitting the pattern seen in the historic district of later styles scattered among earlier houses. The house at 507 S. Fourth Street is a 1950 Minimal Traditional-style house on a block of S. Fourth Street with a similar mixing of architectural styles and dates of construction.

The increase area that includes the 600 to 800-blocks of S. Fifth Street is linear and more suburban in nature than the other increase areas, with larger, wider lots and deep setbacks for the houses. Ranch houses from the 1950s and 1960s are more common in this area than is typical elsewhere in the Old South Mebane neighborhood. However, there is still a mix of architectural styles in this increase area and the houses range in date from ca. 1915 to 1962. Period Cottages from the 1930s and Minimal Traditional houses from the 1940s and 1950s are also quite common in this area. A vernacular hip-roofed house with projecting gables, dating to ca. 1915, and two Colonial Revival-style houses from the late 1940s are scattered along the length of this increase area. At the southern end of S. Fifth are two Modernist houses from the 1950s.

The collection of houses in the boundary increase displays a good degree of integrity and consists of a total of 117 resources, of which 36 primary and 17 secondary resources contribute to the character of the district, and 10 primary and 54 secondary resources are noncontributing. The noncontributing primary resources are all residential buildings and are not intrusive. Of the buildings that are contributing, typical alterations include replacement windows, replacement siding, and some small additions, often on the rear.

### Narrative Description

The following inventory is organized alphabetically by street name following the numerically-ordered numbered streets, and numerically by street number within each street. Dates are based on county tax records, Sanborn maps from 1924 and 1945, and on physical and stylistic characteristics; dates of outbuildings are based on physical characteristics. All outbuildings are one-story unless otherwise noted.

All of the buildings are categorized as contributing or noncontributing based on the following criteria: The period of significance for the historic district and the Old South Mebane Historic District Boundary Increase is ca.1900 to 1962. Any
building constructed after the period of significance is noncontributing due to its age. Buildings built during the period of significance that have lost their architectural integrity through considerable alteration, such as large additions, especially on the façade or rear or side additions that are taller or larger than the main block and, therefore, overwhelm the main block and change its character-defining massing. Other negative alterations that make a house noncontributing include changes to the fenestration or a loss of original material beyond replacement windows and/or sheathing.

South Fourth Street

House 507 S. Fourth Street
1950 Contributing Building

This one-story Minimal Traditional-style house has a side-gable roof and wire-cut brick veneer. The main body of the house is three bays wide with a single-bay wing to the south that appears to be an enclosed porch with the concrete porch pad still visible. A centered shed-roof porch is supported by decorative metal posts and a metal railing encloses the porch and flanks the front steps. An original panel door features a Colonial Revival-style surround. Three-part windows with a wider 1/1 sash flanked by narrow 1/1 sash are located on either side of the front door. An interior brick chimney is located at the ridgeline and another on the south gable end was originally an exterior chimney, but is now wrapped by the wing. A modern wood deck is located on the east elevation.

Outbuilding A frame outbuilding with a shed roof is located to the east side of the house. The structure is covered in vinyl siding and has a fixed multi-pane window on its west elevation.

South Fifth Street

House 402 S. Fifth Street (north of McPherson St., to the south of 617 S. Fifth St.)
1960 Contributing Building

This one-story, brick, seven-bay-wide Ranch house has a side-gabled roof with a front gable projecting from the south end of the façade. A triangular louvered vent is located in the peak of the front gable. A small recessed porch with a decorated metal balustrade is located to the north of the front gable. Windows are replacement 8/8 and 6/6 sash flanked by fixed shutters on the façade. A frame gabled rear ell extends from the south end of the east elevation. The north end of the house sits over a partial basement due to the slope of the lot. A wide brick chimney is located on the south elevation and an interior brick chimney is located at the ridgeline.

Vacant lot (to the north of 611 S. Fifth Street)

House 611 S. Fifth Street
ca. 1960 Noncontributing Building

This altered brick Minimal Traditional-style house is one-and-a-half stories tall, three-bays-wide, and side-gabled. A slightly lower, vinyl-sided, side-gabled, frame wing is located to the south. A one-story, side-gabled addition extends to the north and wraps around to the west as a shed-roofed bay abutting the main entry. Two vinyl-sided gabled dormer windows are located on the main block above a partially-recessed porch sheltered by a shed roof supported by replacement metal posts. Beneath the porch is a square bay containing three 6/6 windows. Windows elsewhere on the main block and frame wing are 6/6 sash. Exterior shutters flank windows on the façade at the ground level. A brick chimney is on the south elevation of the main block. A large, modern, one-and-a-half-story, three-bay-wide, side-gabled, brick addition extends from the south elevation of the frame wing, and has two gabled dormers and 4/4 sash windows on the façade. On the vinyl-sided south elevation of the wing, French doors on the first story lead to a stone patio, a bay window extends from the first story, and a large three-part arched window fills the upper story.

Outbuilding A brick outbuilding with a gable-on-hip roof is located behind the house, adjacent to the other structures. It has a wood-shingled roof and an enclosed shed bay on its north elevation.
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Shed - general storage ca. 1960 Contributing Building
Located behind the house is a large frame outbuilding with a shed roof and plywood and metal sheathing. The central bay on the east elevation is an open passageway.

Outbuilding ca. 1960 Contributing Building
Behind the house is a side-gable frame outbuilding clad in weatherboard, with 6/6 sash. A small, brick chimney is centered on the roof’s ridgeline.

2 Vacant Lots (to the south of 611 S. Fifth Street)

House 1971 Noncontributing Building
617 S. Fifth Street
The north wing of this brick Split Level house is one-story, two bays wide, and has a side-gable roof. A group of tall, single-pane casement windows dominates this portion of the façade. A projecting front-gable porch to the south of this grouping shelters the entry. The porch is supported by square posts and enclosed with a solid board-and-batten balustrade with turned posts above. A metal handrail flanks either side of the brick steps leading up to the front door. To the south of the porch is a two-story, two-bay-wide, front-gabled wing. Board-and-batten sheathing is on the cantilevered upper-story, which is supported by three molded modillions. The windows in the front-gabled section are paired, single-paned, casement windows. A garage door is located in the lower level of this wing sheltered by a pent roof. A wide, exterior, brick chimney is located to the east of the garage on the south elevation.

Garage ca. 1971 Noncontributing Building
A front-gable garage clad in vertical boards is located to the east of the house.

House 1940 Contributing Building
622 S. Fifth Street (behind 624 S. Fifth St.)
This frame Minimal Traditional-style house is one-story, three-bay-wide, side-gabled, and covered in vinyl siding. A small entry stoop is centrally located on the north façade. Paired 6/6 sash flank the front entry. A single-bay, side-gabled wing on the east elevation is slightly shorter than the main block and has French doors leading to a modern unpainted deck. A chimney is centrally located at the ridgeline of the main block.

Outbuilding ca. 1990 Noncontributing Building
A modern gambrel-roofed pre-fabricated frame shed is located behind the house on the west side of the property.

Shed - general storage ca. 1990 Noncontributing Building
A frame pre-fabricated shed sheathed in plywood, with a gambrel roof, is located behind the house.

House ca. 1915 Contributing Building
624 S. Fifth Street
This frame house is two-story, hip-roofed, and has front- and side-projecting gable wings with cornice returns; a projecting wing is located on the south end of the façade and a second extends from the north elevation. The house is covered with aluminum siding. A shed-roofed porch on the façade is supported by brick posts. There is no balustrade or railing present on the front porch, which is accessed by short flights of steps on the east and north sides. The windows consist of 1/1 sash with exterior fixed shutters. A one-story, shed-roofed addition is located on the west elevation of the north projecting wing. On the west elevation, what appears to have been an inset second-story sleeping porch has been enclosed, and a wide shed-roofed carport supported by metal poles has been attached to the rear. An interior brick chimney is located at the juncture of the front-gable wing with the main roof. Alamance County tax records date the house to 1932 but stylistic evidence points to a much earlier date.

Garage ca. 1980 Noncontributing Building
A garage of frame construction with a front-gable roof is behind the house at the termination of the driveway. It has plywood sheathing and a lower gabled section to the rear.
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Wood shed  ca. 1980  Noncontributing Building
A frame shed-roofed wood shed with a pent roof with exposed rafters sheltering the open bay on its north elevation.

Shed - general storage  ca. 1995  Noncontributing Building
Pre-fabricated frame shed with a side-gable roof, plywood sheathing, and exposed rafters sits to the southwest of the house in the rear yard.

House  ca. 1935  Contributing Building
628 S. Fifth Street
This house is a brick, one-and-a-half-story, four-bay-wide Period Cottage with a side-gabled roof and a projecting front-gable wing on the façade. A smaller front gable projects from the façade and holds the main entry, a wood door with a fanlight at its top, and a fanlight above. The door is placed in a round-arched, stepped, brick surround. A patio enclosed by a decorative metal balustrade extends across the front gable. A shed-roofed porch supported by thin wood posts extends from the north elevation. A wood ramp has been constructed on this elevation. Windows are 6/6 sash throughout with several adjacent similar houses were constructed in the 1930s.

Garage  ca. 1990  Noncontributing Building
At the rear of the house sits a front-gable garage of frame construction covered in vinyl siding.

House  1932  Contributing Building
701 S. Fifth Street
This house is a one-and-a-half-story, four-bay-wide, brick Period Cottage with a side-gable roof. A projecting front gable on the north end of the façade contains a second, smaller projecting gable at the south end of its facade holding the entry. A small side-gable wing is located on both the south and north elevations of the main block. The gabled wing on the west end of the south elevation is a screened porch supported by square brick posts. All of the gables have cornice returns and a small window is located at the top of the front gable. A short flight of brick steps leads up to a brick patio in front of the entry that extends south along the façade. A tall, wide chimney is also located on the façade, to the south of the main entry, and an exterior chimney is located at the south end of the east elevation. Between the main entry and the chimney there is a small, diamond shaped window. Windows are grouped casements windows with brick soldier Course lintels. A large hip-roofed addition is located at the north end of the east elevation and a gabled ell extends from the south end of the east elevation to connect to a side-gabled wing.

Outbuilding  ca. 2000  Noncontributing Building
At the southeast edge of the property is a pre-fabricated frame outbuilding with a side-gable roof and plywood sheathing.

House  1938  Contributing Building
702 S. Fifth Street
This one-and-a-half-story, side-gabled, three-bay-wide, brick Period Cottage has a prominent stepped chimney with inset stone detailing on the façade. A front-gable wing with cornice returns extends from the south end of the façade, beneath which is a recessed porch supported by square brick posts and a soldier-course spandrel. This porch wraps around to the south elevation under a shed roof until it connects with a gabled porch similar to the one on the façade. A second, smaller front gable with a rectangular vent flanks the larger gable on the north side and houses the entry. A wood-shingled gabled hood shelters the arched doorway, which is surrounded by stones. Replacement metal handrails are located on either side of the brick steps leading up to the front stoop. A soldier-course watertable wraps the house. Windows are 6/1 and narrow 1/1 sash with soldier-course lintels. A bay window covered by a hip roof is located on the north elevation. A second chimney is at the north end of the west elevation and another is centered on the ridgeline. A one-and-a-half-story gabled rear addition has a one-story, shed-roofed section on its west elevation, and a second addition is on the south elevation of the main block and is sheathed in board-and-batten siding.

Accessory Dwelling  ca. 1980  Noncontributing Building
A one-and-a-half-story building is located at the west end of the property and appears to be a dwelling. From what can be observed from the right of way, the building has a front-gable roof and three paired casement windows on the
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Name of Property: Old South Mebane Historic District
County and State: Alamance County, NC

The Old South Mebane Historic District is located in Alamance County, NC. The district includes a number of contributing and noncontributing buildings that have been historically significant to the area. The buildings are characterized by their architectural styles, materials, and craftsmanship.

Garage ca. 1990 Noncontributing Building
A front-gable frame garage is located to the west of the house, at the end of the paved driveway, and is covered in board-and-batten siding.

House 1962 Contributing Building
703 S. Fifth Street
The house is a one-story, five-bay-wide, multi-colored brick Ranch house with a side-gable roof. The front entry is centered on the west façade. A short flight of brick steps leads up to a small front stoop. Replacement 1/1 sash windows on the façade have flanking fixed shutters.

Outbuilding ca. 1990 Noncontributing Building
A pre-fabricated frame outbuilding with a gambrel roof and plywood sheathing is located behind the house.

House 1930 Noncontributing Building
705 S. Fifth Street
This altered one-story, three-bay-wide Craftsman bungalow has a front-gable roof. A full-width shed-roof porch is supported by battered posts on piers sheathed with weatherboard to match the rest of the house. Fixed shutters flank 4/4 sash windows and exposed rafter tails are present. A replacement wood balustrade encloses the porch area. An exterior brick chimney is on the north elevation. The house is connected to a front-gabled addition by a brick-veneered, gabled hyphen on the east end of the south elevation. The addition is vinyl-sided with a carport at its east end. The large addition on the south side of the house makes this house noncontributing.

Outbuilding ca. 1990 Noncontributing Building
A pre-fabricated wood frame outbuilding with a side-gable roof is located to the rear of the house.

House 1955 Contributing Building
706 S. Fifth Street
This one-story, brick Ranch house has a hip roof and deep projecting eaves. The main block is four bays wide and houses the recessed, paneled main entry. A two-bay-wide, hip-roofed wing on the north elevation is recessed and contains a second entry. A small stoop is located at the main entry with metal handrails flanking the brick steps. Windows on the façade consists of 1/1 sash and most are flanked by fixed shutters; a group of three windows is located to the north of the front entry. A wide brick chimney is centered on the ridgeline of the roof, over the main entry.

Shed - general storage ca. 1955 Contributing Building
A frame shed with a front-gable roof and weatherboard sheathing is located behind the house.

Carport ca. 1985 Noncontributing Structure
A pre-fabricated flat-roofed metal carport is located to the west of the house.

House 1940 Contributing Building
707 S. Fifth Street
This one-and-a-half-story, three-bay-wide, frame Cape Cod-style house is covered in German siding. The side-gable roof features two gabled dormers, each with small Craftsman-style replacement windows. The front entry is centered and the flanking windows are original 8/8 sash with fixed shutters. A wide brick chimney is located on the south end of the roof's ridgeline. A recessed, vinyl-clad, one-story, side-gabled addition is located on the south elevation with a gabled ell extending from its east elevation.

Garage ca. 1990 Noncontributing Building
A front-gabled garage covered in vinyl siding is located behind the house.
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House  1952  Contributing Building
708 S. Fifth Street
This four-bay-wide, one-story Ranch house has a side-gable roof with deep projecting eaves. A front gable sheathed in vinyl shingles is located on the south end of the façade and pierces the roof eave. Paired windows on the front-gable bay are paired 6/6 sash, flanked by narrow decorative shutters. The main entry is north of the front-gable bay; this portion of the façade is covered in brick veneer. A painted wood balustrade with small globe finials and a wood handrail line the front stoop, which is sheltered by the deep eaves. To the north of the main entry is a group of three 6/6 sash windows. Vertical board-and-batten siding is above a brick veneer on this recessed window bay. The northeast corner of the façade is also covered in vinyl shingles. A wide brick chimney can be seen on the north side of the roof ridgeline. A frame carport with a front-gable roof is attached to the west elevation. While the vinyl shingles are almost certainly a replacement material it is unclear if they replace earlier shingles or a different type of sheathing. Despite this change, the house still reads as a Ranch house and retains most of its original material and detailing.

Shed - general storage  ca. 1980  Noncontributing Building
A small, front-gable, frame shed with corrugated plastic sheathing is located behind the house.

Greenhouse  ca. 1985  Noncontributing Building
A front-gable, frame outbuilding sheathed in corrugated plastic is located at the end of the driveway at the north side of the property.

House  1945  Noncontributing Building
709 S. Fifth Street
This one-story, three-bay-wide, Minimal Traditional-style house has a side-gable roof and is covered in vinyl siding. A later side-gabled addition, nearly the same width and the full depth of the main block and covered in vinyl siding, is on the south elevation. This addition overwhelms the original house and renders it noncontributing. Stairs up to a concrete front stoop have replacement wood handrails. The entry has a Colonial Revival-style surround with reeded pilasters. Two projecting bay windows are located on either side of the main entry and appear to be later changes. Fixed, decorative shutters flank both bay windows, which contain replacement 6/1 sash. A brick chimney is located on the north elevation of the house. A vinyl-clad hip-roofed ell with an inset screened porch is located on the north end of the east, or rear, elevation.

Outbuilding  ca. 1985  Noncontributing Building
Located behind the house is a frame outbuilding with a side-gable roof and an open shed on its west elevation.

House  1957  Contributing Building
710 S. Fifth Street
This four-bay-wide, one-story, brick Ranch house has a side-gable roof with a projecting front-gable wing on the south end of the façade. Windows on the façade are replacement 6/6 sash, flanked by exterior louvered shutters. The main entry is located on the north side of the front-gable wing and is deeply recessed. Slender turned posts and pilasters are located at the perimeter of the porch area. At the north end of the house, a side-gabled roof covers a screened porch. A brick chimney is on the southeast end of the side-gable roof. Triangular louvered vents are located in the peaks of the gables. Located to the rear of the screened porch is a flat-roofed carport supported by metal posts and enclosed by a four-foot-tall brick wall.

Workshop  ca. 1957  Contributing Building
A side-gable, frame workshop covered in asbestos shingles is located behind the house. This building has 6/6 windows flanking a six-pane-over-panel door, a side-gabled wing on its south elevation, and a shed-roof addition on the west elevation. A second side-gabled addition connects to the west elevation of the shed-roofed addition and has an open shed-roofed bay on its west elevation.
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Shed  ca. 1990  Noncontributing Building
A front-gable, frame, pre-fabricated shed with plywood sheathing sits at the west end of the property.

House 1936  Contributing Building
711 S. Fifth Street
This one-story, frame Period Cottage has a side-gable roof and German siding. A short flight of brick steps leads to the front entry located within a small, projecting front-gabled bay on the south end of the façade of a larger projecting front-gabled wing on the south end of the main façade. A brick chimney is also located on the west elevation. Windows are original 6/1 sash flanked by fixed, exterior shutters.

House 1957  Contributing Building
712 S. Fifth Street
This five-bay-wide, one-story, brick Ranch house has a low-pitched, side-gable roof with a projecting front-gable wing on the south end of the façade. Two small, paired, 6/6 sash windows are located on the face of the front-gable wing, and the deeply recessed corner porch is at the north side of this wing. Square wood posts and pilasters support the porch enclosed by a wood balustrade and handrail. A small gabled porch supported by square posts is located on the north elevation; the balustrade and handrails are similar to those at the front entry. Two pairs of 6/6 sash windows are aligned on the right side of the façade. Slightly off center, a brick chimney is located on the east side of the main side-gable roof. A round louvered vent is located in the peak of the front gable. On the west elevation a one-and-a-half story frame ell has been added. It is covered in vinyl siding and has a garage bay on the ground floor.

Outbuilding 1960  Contributing Building
A small, front-gable outbuilding of concrete block construction is positioned to the south of the house.

Garage ca. 1960  Contributing Building
Located to the rear of the house is a side-gable garage, possibly a former auto repair business, of frame construction. This building is covered in vinyl siding, has two lift doors and a single pedestrian door, and has a shed addition on the west elevation.

House 1949  Contributing Building
713 S. Fifth Street
This two-story, three-bay-wide Colonial Revival-style house has a side-gable roof and is covered in vinyl siding. Windows are 8/8 sash and are flanked by fixed shutters on the façade. The main entry is sheltered by a central, single-bay, front-gable porch, which is supported by columns. The door has sidelights. An exterior brick chimney is located on the south elevation, between the body of the house and a flat-roofed screened porch with a roof balustrade. On the north elevation of the house, a smaller one-story, side-gable wing extends from the body of the main house and balances the south porch; here windows are 6/6 sash. A second side-gabled wing is located behind this wing, extending further from the house, with a shed-roofed carport supported by square posts attached to its north elevation.

Shed - general storage 1995  Noncontributing Building
A modern, pre-fabricated, frame shed with a front-gable roof and plywood sheathing is located behind the house.

House ca. 1938  Contributing Building
714 S. Fifth Street
This one-and-a-half-story, brick Period Cottage has a steeply-pitched side-gable roof. An exterior brick chimney with cast-stone shoulders is prominently located on the south end of the façade. Two other chimneys are visible above the roof line on the west elevation. Two gabled dormers with small, 6/6 sash windows are positioned in the center of the roof's east slope. On the north end of the façade is a slightly projecting, steeply-pitched, front-gable wing. Vinyl siding covers the interior face of the gable and a circular louvered vent is located in the gable peak. The main entry is located to the south of the front gable and is deeply recessed; it is sheltered by a shed roof supported by decorative metal posts. A metal handrail flanks the brick steps leading up to the entry. Windows on the ground level of the house consists of 6/6 sash with louvered shutters. A soldier-course watertable and lintels are seen throughout. On the south elevation is a single-bay, one-story, side-gable wing with a later shed-roof addition, covered in vinyl siding, that may be an enclosed porch.
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Name of Property: 716 S. Fifth Street

**House**

**1948** Contributing Building

716 S. Fifth Street

This house is set back from the street on a large, wooded lot. The main, painted-brick-veneered block is three bays wide and has a side-gable roof with a projecting, pedimented front-gable porch supported by tall columns over the partially-recessed porch. The house appears as a tall one-and-a-half-story house on the façade but stands at a full two stories on the rear elevation. Two gabled dormers are positioned near the eaves of the roof and paired 6/6 sash flank the porch. Louvered vents are visible in the gable peaks and a brick chimney is located on either end. Two slightly lower, side-gable, two-bay-wide wings flank the main block and are sheathed with shingles. Each wing has a gabled dormer. A single-bay, side-gabled, one-and-one-half-story wing is on the north elevation. Wide fascia and cornice returns are found on all sections of the house and the side-gable ends have flush eaves. A two-story, projecting, front-gabled bay is located on the west elevation. Windows are 6/6 and 8/8 sash throughout, except for casement windows in the dormers. An extensive garden in the English tradition lies to the southwest of the main house in former horse pastures. Many varieties of trees and shrubs are intermixed with benches, winding paths, and garden follies. Open fields and woods with trails lie to the west and northwest of the house.

**Barn**

**ca. 1948** Contributing Building

There is a two-story, weatherboarded barn located behind the house. The barn has a metal, side-gable roof with a decorative gable on its east elevation, exposed rafters and purlins, and flanking one-story, German-sided, shed-roof wings on the north and south elevations. A decorative cupola is centered on the ridge, beneath which is located the barn door and barn loft opening. Windows are original six-pane sash with fixed shutters. A near full-width shed-roof addition is located on the west elevation.

**Equipment shed**

**ca. 1990** Noncontributing Building

An equipment shed is located west of the main house and north of the barn. The shed is covered in vinyl siding and has an asymmetrical side-gable roof.

**Swimming pool**

**ca. 2000** Noncontributing Structure

A below-ground swimming pool is located southwest of the house, adjacent to the gazebo.

**Gazebo**

**ca. 2000** Noncontributing Structure

A large, frame, hip-roof gazebo housing a kitchen and bathroom is located to the southwest of the house, to the south of the pool. The gazebo has a cupola at its peak, a dominant front gable set atop columns at the north end of the building flanked by arched openings, a gabled wing to the south, and is covered in shingle sheathing.

**House**

**1942** Noncontributing Building

717 S. Fifth Street

This brick, one-story, Minimal Traditional-style house has a side-gable roof and a projecting front-gabled wing on the north end of the façade. A wide, one-story, vinyl-clad, front-gabled addition has recently been constructed at the south end of the façade and a small side-gabled addition, also sheathed in vinyl, is located on the south elevation of the main block. This large addition to the façade adversely affects the integrity of the house by obscuring the original façade and altering the characteristic massing of the Minimal Traditional-style core of the house. The façade of the vinyl-sided addition has tall, narrow windows and the main entry at its north end, sheltered by a metal awning. An octagonal louvered vent is located on the front gable but vents are tall rectangles in the main block. A brick chimney is located along the ridgeline of the main block. Replacement windows in various configurations are found throughout the building.

**Garage**

**ca. 1990** Noncontributing Building

A front-gable garage covered in vinyl siding is located to the rear of the house.
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House  ca. 1940  Noncontributing Building  

719 S. Fifth Street
This one-story, three-bay-wide, side-gabled Minimal Traditional-style house is covered in vinyl siding. There is a taller, one-and-a-half-story, one-bay-wide addition on the south elevation also covered in vinyl siding that visually overwhelms the main block and extends the facade horizontally, altering its characteristic massing. Windows are original 6/1 sash on the main facade, and 1/1 sash on the addition. A small gabled porch is supported by decorative metal posts. A painted brick chimney is located at the ridgeline of the roof. A wood ramp has been built to wrap the southeast corner of the addition. County tax records date the house’s construction to 1960 but the form and style appear to indicate a ca. 1940 date of construction.

Garage  ca. 1940  Contributing Building
A frame garage with a front-gable metal roof is located behind the house and is covered in German siding with a double-leaf garage door and single door on its west elevation.

Carport  ca. 1980  Noncontributing Structure
A modern metal carport supported by metal posts is located behind the house.

House  1936  Contributing Building  

721 S. Fifth Street
This house is a one-story, four-bay-wide house with a side-gable roof and aluminum siding. On the façade, the main entry is sheltered by a small gabled hood with a vaulted roof supported by sheathed knee brackets. A three-part picture window with a fixed pane flanked by narrow 1/1 sash is located to the north of the main entry. Replacement windows are 1/1 sash, flanked by fixed shutters and paired on the façade. A brick chimney is on the north end of the roof ridge. The front door has eight panes over two vertical panels. On the north elevation, a lower side-gable porch is supported by unpainted square wood posts and protects a secondary entry.

Garage  ca. 1936  Contributing Building
A frame, front-gable garage is located to the northeast of the house. It is covered in German siding and has a double-leaf garage door and single door on its west elevation. A modern, flat-roofed carport supported by square wood posts has been affixed to its south side.

Outbuilding  ca. 1980  Noncontributing Building
A long, frame outbuilding with a front-gable roof sits behind the house. The building is clad in board-and-batten sheathing.

House  1961  Contributing Building  

723 S. Fifth Street
This brick, one-story Ranch house is five bays wide with a side-gable roof. On the façade, windows are 9/12 sash, flanked by decorative shutters, and a wide fascia extends across the façade. The central entry is recessed in a paneled bay and sheltered by the overhanging roof. A slightly recessed single-bay wing is at the north end of the house and has 6/6 sash. There are steps leading up to the main entry from either side of a brick stoop with a painted metal handrail. An interior brick chimney is located at the ridgeline.

Shed - general storage  ca. 1980  Noncontributing Building
A small, frame shed with plywood sheathing and a side-gable roof is located to the northeast of the house.

House  1915  Noncontributing Building  

726 S. Fifth Street
Located behind a thick hedge of tall bushes this one-story, Queen Anne-style house is difficult to photograph. It has a hip roof with projecting gabled wings on the front and rear elevations. The sheathing appears to be original weatherboard and the upper-gable ends are sheathed in decorative shingles. The windows are original 1/1 sash flanked by exterior shutters and a wide porch wraps the east and north elevations. Interior brick chimneys are located at either end of the main hipped roof. The house has been altered with the construction of a large, frame addition on its south elevation and a wraparound porch/deck on its west elevation that sits above a full basement.
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Vacant Lot (to the south of 726 S. Fifth Street)

House 1952 Contributing Building
727 S. Fifth Street
This one-story, four-bay-wide, brick Ranch house has a side-gable roof. A projecting bay window is to the north of the recessed entry, which is sheltered by a small gabled porch with an arched ceiling supported by wood columns. The porch gable has been covered in vinyl siding. To the south of the entry, the main roof extends over a projecting square bay that holds a gabled wall dormer with a window. Fixed, decorative shutters flank the replacement windows on the façade and a brick chimney is located at the north end of the roof along the ridgeline. A garage with a front-gable roof extends westward from the north elevation of the main body of the house with a decorative cupola astride roof and vinyl siding in the upper-gable end.

Shed - general storage ca. 1990 Noncontributing Building
A modern, frame shed with a gable roof is located to the rear of the house.

House 1952 Contributing Building
731 S. Fifth Street
This rather large one-story, four-bay-wide, side-gable-roofed Minimal Traditional-style house is brick-veneered, with vinyl siding in its upper-gable ends. A front-gable wing projects from the west façade and contains a centered bay window with a large fixed pane flanked by multi-pane fixed windows; other windows are 6/6 sash. The recessed, vinyl-sided entry is located to the south of the front-gabled wing and is sheltered by a shed-roofed extension of the main roof; a decorative metal handrail encloses the porch and the stairs. A brick chimney is located at the junction or the main roof and front-gable-roofed wing. A shorter side-gabled hyphen on the north elevation is vinyl-sided and has tall, asymmetrical 1/1 sash windows; it connects to a front-gabled wing.

Outbuilding ca. 1952 Contributing Building
Located behind the house is a small, hip-roofed brick outbuilding with a multi-pane French door on its east elevation.

Carport ca. 1985 Noncontributing Structure
A metal-roofed carport supported by dressed wood posts is located to the east of the house.

House 1956 Contributing Building
734 S. Fifth Street
This house is an unusual house with a one-story, side-gable roof section on the south end and a taller one-and-a-half-story front-gable wing on the north end of the house. A deeply recessed and paneled porch on the east elevation of the side-gabled section contains the entry with a metal handrail running alongside the south side of the front steps. A screened porch is located on the south elevation. Windows are paired 1/1 sash with fixed shutters and the first-story paired windows on the front-gabled section are separated by weatherboard siding, but the area directly above these windows is sheathed with vertical boards with one pair of windows in the upper gable. A wide shed-roof dormer on the north elevation of this section has vertical board sheathing and three windows and may be a later addition. A brick chimney is located at the ridgeline of the side-gabled section.

House 1952 Contributing Building
735 S. Fifth Street
This large one-story, three-bay-wide, double-pile Minimal Traditional-style house is clad in brick on the façade and the south wing, but aluminum-sided in the gable ends and on the north and south elevations. The brick was painted at some point but the paint has been partially stripped. The main body of the structure has a central, recessed and weatherboarded porch with metal handrails flanking the front steps. Paired 1/1 replacement windows are located on either side of the front entry flanked by fixed shutters. A smaller, side-gable wing projects from the south elevation with an exterior brick chimney, another small gabled wing sits behind it at the southeast corner of the house, and a gabled hyphen at the north end of the house connects to a front-gabled wing. The hyphen has been altered with a full-width bay window. An interior brick chimney sits at the ridgeline of the main block of the house and a cupola is located at the ridgeline of the front-gabled wing.
Garage  ca. 1952  Contributing Building
A front-gable garage with aluminum siding sits behind the house.

Outbuilding  ca. 1990  Noncontributing Building
A small frame outbuilding with a nearly-flat shed roof is located to the rear of the house.

House  1955  Contributing Building
739 S. Fifth Street
This is a one-story, five-bay-wide, brick-veneered Ranch house with a side-gable roof. There is a single-bay, recessed and paneled, front porch with metal balustrades and railings located near the south end of the façade. The windows are 1/1-horizontal sash flanked by fixed shutters on the façade and a wide brick chimney is located in the center of the roof's ridge. On the north elevation, there is an aluminum-clad, recessed, side-gabled wing with a secondary entry. The upper-gable ends of the main block are sheathed in aluminum as well.

Outbuilding  ca. 1955  Contributing Building
A small, front-gable, brick structure, possibly covering a well pump, is located to the northeast of the house. It has exposed rafter tails and a batten door on its west elevation.

Shed - general storage  ca. 1990  Noncontributing Building
A plywood sheathed frame shed with gable roof is located to the rear of the house.

House  1956  Noncontributing Building
743 S. Fifth Street
This house is a single-story Ranch house of frame construction. The roof is side-gable and a small, recessed porch is centered on the façade. Windows are 1/1 sash and some windows on the façade have fixed shutters. The house sits well back from the road behind dense undergrowth.

Outbuilding  ca. 1980  Noncontributing Building
This frame outbuilding has a shed roof.

Shed - general storage  ca. 1990  Noncontributing Building
This frame outbuilding with a shed roof is located to the east end of the property, behind the house.

Carport  ca. 1990  Noncontributing Structure
A modern metal carport with metal post supports sits to the north of the house.

House  2008  Noncontributing Building
803 S. Fifth Street
This two-story, three-bay-wide house features a side-gable roof with a small decorative gable on the façade. A front-gabled garage with a wide lift door is located on the north end of the façade. A one-story wraparound porch with wood railings and balustrade is supported by wood columns. Windows are vinyl 6/6 sash flanked by fixed shutters. The entry has a multi-pane transom and sidelights.

Shed - general storage  ca. 2008  Noncontributing Building
A frame shed covered in vinyl siding with a side-gable roof is located behind the house.

House  1951  Contributing Building
805 S. Fifth Street
This one-story Ranch house with a side-gable roof is clad in brick veneer. The main, three-bay-wide block of the house is flanked by a smaller side-gable wing on the north side, and a screened-in porch on the south elevation. The main entry is accessed by a shallow stoop with a metal balustrade. There is a Colonial Revival-style surround on the front entry with pilasters and a flat pediment. Replacement 8/8 sash windows are flanked by fixed shutters on the façade. An interior brick chimney is located along the north ridge of the main gable and an exterior brick chimney is located on the south elevation enclosed by the screen porch. An attached carport is located on the rear of the house.
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Shed - general storage
ca. 2000 Noncontributing Building
A modern frame shed with gambrel roof is located behind the house.

House
809 S. Fifth Street
1955 Contributing Building

This Modernist house is one-story, Roman-brick-veneered, and has an extremely low-pitched, asymmetrical front-gable roof with deep eaves. A recessed porch is located off-center beneath the peak of the front gable and is sheltered by the main roof. The south half of the gable roof extends to create a carport with an enclosed storage area to the rear (east). Both the porch and the perimeter of the carport are supported by metal poles. The windows are metal casement, and those on the façade are flanked by fixed, paneled and molded shutters. A wide brick chimney is located on the south end of the house and a smaller one is on the north end.

Outbuilding
ca. 1990 Noncontributing Building
A frame outbuilding with shed roof is located to the rear of the house.

House
815 S. Fifth Street
1950 Contributing Building

This one-story Modernist house has a low-pitched shed roof that extends to the southwest, giving a swooping appearance, with deep eaves overhanging each elevation. The house has a brick veneer except at the three center bays of the façade, which have vinyl siding. There is a recessed porch on the south end of the façade supported by decorative metal posts and square columns. A decorative metal balustrade delineates the perimeter of the porch and flanks the front steps. Two paneled doors are located under the porch and are likely replacements. A fixed picture window flanked by sidelights with a 2/2-horizontal-sash configuration is located to the north of the porch; other windows are 2/2-horizontal sash. An interior brick chimney is located at the northeast end of the roof plane. There is an additional entry on the recessed, shed-roofed wing to the north, accessed by a transverse flight of steps, which feature the same metal handrail as noted on the main porch. The door has three horizontal-panes over horizontal panels and is likely original.

Outbuilding
ca. 1990 Noncontributing Building
At the east edge of the property sits a frame outbuilding, sheathed in plywood with a shed roof.

West Lee Street

House
405 W. Lee Street
ca. 1924 Contributing Building

This is a one-story, two-bay-wide, double-pile, front-gable, Craftsman bungalow. The house is of frame construction and is sheathed in German siding. Exposed rafter tails can be seen throughout. A rectangular louver is located in the front gable. A recessed porch on the west side of the façade is supported by a sheathed square corner post and a pent roof supported by knee brackets spans the façade. A wood balustrade encloses the porch area. The door is located on the west elevation of the house under the porch. The windows are replacement 6/6 sash and are slightly smaller than the original windows. There are interior brick chimneys. A rear porch has been enclosed on the southwest corner of the house. Alamance County tax records date the house to 1940 but the house appears on the 1924 Sanborn map. The massing and form of this house is similar to that typically seen in milling housing but does not appear to have been associated with any of Mebane's mills.

Shed
ca. 1950 Contributing Building
A one story, front-gable frame shed with exposed rafter tails, weatherboard sheathing, a door on the north elevation, and a high window on the west elevation is located behind the house.

House
407 W. Lee Street
ca. 1924 Contributing Building

This one-story, two-bay-wide, double-pile, hip-roof Craftsman bungalow is covered in German siding. There is a recessed porch on the west side of the façade, with a slight projection of the hip roof, supported by knee brackets, extending to shelter the porch steps. A square, sheathed corner post supports the recessed porch, a replacement wood
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outbuilding

ca. 1980

Noncontributing Building

A frame outbuilding is located to the rear of the house. Sheathed in plywood, the structure has a side-gable roof.

1942

Contributing Building

This one-story, three-bay-wide, double-pile, side-gable-roof, Minimal Traditional-style house has a small shed-roofed porch centered on the façade. Replacement metal posts support the porch, a metal balustrade encloses the porch area, and a similar metal handrail flanks the short flight of steps leading up to the front entry. The windows are wood 6/6 sash with fixed shutters on the façade. A brick chimney is located at the center of the roof’s ridgeline and rectangular louvered vents are located in the upper-gable ends.

ca. 1942

Contributing Building

A front-gable, German-sided shed with its gabled roof extending over an open bay sits at the north edge of the property. This frame structure is clad in German siding, has exposes rafter tails, 1/1-horizontal sash windows and plywood in the gable ends.

ca. 1980

Noncontributing Building

An open frame shed with a side-gable roof is located behind of the house. It has lattice covering three sides and plywood in the gable ends.

1956

Contributing Building

This one-story, three-bay-wide, double-pile Minimal Traditional-style house has a side-gable roof. A small front-gabled porch is supported by wood trellis posts. Located on the west side of the façade is a fixed four-horizontal-pane picture window with flanking narrow 1/1-horizontal sash. All windows are 1/1-horizontal sash and those on the façade have fixed shutters. The house and porch gable are sheathed in vinyl siding. A full-width addition with shed roof is located on the south elevation and is covered in vinyl siding with a concrete block foundation. A wood handicap ramp has been affixed to the front entry. The house has a brick interior chimney.

ca. 1990

Noncontributing Structure

There is a modern pre-fabricated carport to the east of the house. The metal roof is supported by metal posts.

1920

Noncontributing Building

This one-and-a-half-story, three-bay-wide, single-pile, frame house has a triple-A roof. The roof has replacement metal sheathing and the house has vinyl siding. A shed-roof porch is supported by replacement columns. The original door remains but the windows are replacement 6/6 sash, including the window in the front gable. Alamance County tax records date the house to 1920 and the house appears on the 1924 Sanborn map.

ca. 2000

Noncontributing Building

To the rear of the house sits a pre-fabricated shed with a gambrel roof and plywood sheathing.

ca. 1924

Contributing Building

This one-story, three-bay-wide, double-pile, front-gable roof house has a front-gable porch supported by simple wood posts. A rectangular louvered vent is located in this smaller gable. A wood balustrade encloses the porch and similar
handrails flank the front steps. Original windows on the façade have a 6/6 sash configuration and fixed shutters. The front door is original with two-part vertical glazing above wood panels. The house and porch gable are covered in vinyl siding. An addition with a shed roof is located on the east elevation of the house and a gabled addition is located to the rear of the house, also covered in vinyl siding. Brick interior chimneys are located on both sides of the front-gable roof. Alamance County tax records date the house to 1950 but the house appears on the 1924 Sanborn map.

Outbuilding  ca. 1980  Noncontributing Building
This frame outbuilding has a side-gable roof made of metal and is sheathed in asbestos shingles.

Shed - general storage  ca. 1980  Noncontributing Building
This storage shed is sheathed in plywood and has a shed-roof.

Outbuilding  ca. 1990  Noncontributing Building
An outbuilding with a shed-roof and plywood sheathing is located behind the house.

Carport  ca. 1990  Noncontributing Structure
A modern pre-fabricated carport is located to the east of the house. Its metal roof is supported by metal posts.

House  1924  Contributing Building

412 W. Lee Street
This one-story, three-bay-wide, single-pile house has a triple-A roof. A shed-roof porch is centered on the façade and is supported by slender replacement turned posts; a solid plywood balustrade encloses the porch area. The handrail flanking the front steps is also solid. Windows are replacement 1/1 sash and the door is a replacement. There is a rear-gabled wing with 6/6 sash extending from the east end of the north elevation of the house. The house is sheathed in vinyl siding. Alamance County tax records date the house to 1924 but the house does not appear on Sanborn maps until the 1945 map. Its form suggests the earlier date is likely correct.

House  ca. 1924  Contributing Building

413 W. Lee Street
This one-story, two-bay-wide, double-pile Craftsman bungalow has a hip-roof. A recessed porch is located on the west side of the façade and is supported by a square, sheathed post. The lower edge of the hip roof extends to cover the porch steps; knee brackets can be seen at each side of the porch supporting the roof extension. A modern wood balustrade encloses the porch and a similar handrail flanks the front steps. The house is covered in vinyl siding and replacement windows are 1/1 sash. The door is located on the west elevation of the house under the porch. A recessed porch at the west end of the rear elevation has been enclosed. Two interior brick chimneys are present, one located on the north slope and one on the south slope of the hip roof. This house is very similar in appearance to the house at 407 W. Lee St. Alamance County tax records date the house to 1950 but the house appears on the 1924 Sanborn map. The massing and form of this house is similar to that typically seen in milling housing but does not appear to have been associated with any of Mebane’s mills.

Shed - general storage  ca. 1970  Noncontributing Building
An outbuilding with a shed roof and badly deteriorated vertical siding is located behind the house.

Shed - general storage  ca. 2000  Noncontributing Building
At the rear of the property there is a modern gambrel-roof shed sheathed in plywood.

House  ca. 1924  Contributing Building

415 W. Lee Street
This one-story, two-bay-wide, double-pile house has a front-gable roof. There is a recessed porch on the west side of the façade, supported by slender metal poles. The porch is enclosed by a replacement wood balustrade and similar handrails are located on either side of the front steps. The shed-roofed hood found on similar houses on this street has been removed. The door is located on the west elevation of the house under the porch. Windows are replacements 1/1 sash with one original 6/6 sash window under the front porch. The house has been covered in aluminum siding and the recessed rear porch enclosed. Alamance County tax records date the house to ca. 1956 but the house appears on the 1924 Sanborn map. The massing and form of this house is similar to that typically seen in milling housing but does not appear to have been associated with any of Mebane’s mills.
Shed - general storage  ca. 1980  Noncontributing Building
A frame, shed-roofed outbuilding is located to the rear of the house. It has multiple shed-roofed additions and the whole is sheathed with plywood.

West McKinley Street

House  ca. 1924  Contributing Building
401 W. McKinley Street

This is a one-story, two-bay-wide, triple-pile Craftsman bungalow with a front-gable roof. The façade features a recessed porch on its west side supported by a sheathed square corner post. Knee brackets support the pent roof that spans the façade. A replacement wood balustrade and railings flank the steps and outline the perimeter of the porch. The entry is located on the west wall of the house, under the porch. Replacement windows have a 6/6 sash configuration. Fixed shutters flank each window. At either end of the gable roof the ridgeline is pierced by an interior brick chimney. A shed-roofed addition is located on the west end of the south elevation. Alamance County tax records date the house to 1942 but the house appears on the 1924 Sanborn map. The massing and form of this house is similar to that typically seen in milling housing but does not appear to have been associated with any of Mebane’s mills.

Shed - general storage  ca. 1980  Noncontributing Building
A gable-roofed shed of frame construction sheathed in plywood, with a metal roof, is located to the south of the house.

House  ca. 1924  Contributing Building
403 W. McKinley Street

This is a one-story, two-bay-wide, triple-pile Craftsman bungalow with a hip roof. The roof has a wide eave overhang, beneath which exposed rafter tails are visible. The house retains its original German siding. The front porch is recessed on the west side of the façade and is supported by a sheathed square corner post. A pent roof spans the façade and is supported by knee brackets. A replacement wood balustrade marks the perimeter of the porch and similar wood railings flank the front steps. The door is located on the west wall of the house, under the porch and the windows are 6/6 sash with fixed shutters. Interior brick chimneys pierce the north and south planes of the roof. Shed-roofed additions are located at the south end of the west elevation and across the width of the south elevation. The rear addition has a brick chimney and exposed rafter tails. Alamance County tax records date the house to 1950 but the house appears on the 1924 Sanborn map. The massing and form of this house is similar to that typically seen in milling housing but does not appear to have been associated with any of Mebane’s mills.

Carport  ca. 1990  Noncontributing Structure
A pre-fabricated metal carport with a metal roof supported by metal poles is located southeast of the house.

Shed - general storage  ca. 1990  Noncontributing Building
Behind the house sits a pre-fabricated metal shed with a side-gable roof and an awning window on its east elevation.
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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria
(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.

B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.

X C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.

D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations
(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

A Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.

B removed from its original location.

C a birthplace or grave.

D a cemetery.

E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.

F a commemorative property.

G less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance
(Enter categories from instructions.)

Architecture

Period of Significance
Ca. 1900-1962

Significant Dates
N/A

Significant Person
(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation
N/A

Architect/Builder
Unknown

The period of significance for the Old South Mebane Historic District is ca. 1900 to 1961. All but one of the resources in the boundary increase were constructed during this period of significance, with the earliest resource dating to 1915. The exception is one 1962 Ranch house that is architecturally consistent with earlier Ranch houses in the original historic district and is a continuation of an architectural pattern in the boundary increase. Therefore, the period of significance for the boundary increase is ca. 1900 to 1962.
The Old South Mebane Historic District Boundary Increase in the town of Mebane in Alamance County, North Carolina, containing 108 buildings and 9 structures, meets National Register Criterion C in the area of architecture. Comprised of residential properties in four areas adjacent to the Old South Mebane Historic District (NR 2011), the boundary increase is similar to the original historic district in boasting a wide array of domestic architectural styles from the early twentieth century up through the early 1960s. Buildings in the boundary increase areas are built in the predominant architectural styles, including the Colonial Revival, Craftsman, Period Cottage, Minimal Traditional, Ranch, and Modernist styles, executed in small railroad towns in North Carolina’s Piedmont from the turn of the twentieth century through 1962. The period of significance for the Old South Mebane Historic District Boundary Increase begins ca. 1900, the date of construction of the earliest houses in the original historic district and runs through 1962, the construction date for the youngest house in the boundary increase, after which there is a nearly decade-long gap before development resumes in the Old South Mebane neighborhood.

Narrative Statement of Significance (Provide at least one paragraph for each area of significance.)

Architectural Context

The architectural context for most of the development in the boundary increase areas is found in the Old South Mebane Historic District nomination written by David Taylor. Examples of styles discussed in that nomination that are found in the boundary increase areas are provided below, as well as architectural context for the Modernist style.

Examples of the Period Cottage style are quite common in the boundary increase and include the 1932 brick house at 701 S. Fifth Street. It is has a steeply-pitched side-gabled roof with two similarly-pitched projecting front-gable bays on the façade, the smaller of which holds the entry. This eclectic house shows the influence of the Colonial Revival style in the cornice returns in each of the gables, but the casement windows, diamond shaped accent window near the entry, and prominent façade chimney are all indicative of the Tudor Revival influence on the Period Cottage style. The frame example at 711 S. Fifth Street dates to 1936 and is less elaborately detailed. It has German siding and a projecting front-gabled entry bay off-center on another gable projecting from the façade.

The Craftsman style is seen throughout this residential neighborhood. The boundary increase, unlike the Old South Mebane Historic District, contains mostly small, modest bungalows with broad eaves and exposed rafter ends, prominent front porches and supports, and knee brackets. Most of the Craftsman bungalows in the boundary increase are found on W. Lee and W. McKinley streets and are nearly identical. They are small, front-gabled or hip-roofed houses, two bays wide and three bays deep, with recessed corner porches supported by single, sheathed, square porch posts and pent roofs supported by knee brackets across the façade. While the similarities in form and detail in these houses in close proximity to one another and Durham Hosiery Mill No. 15, to the north, suggest the possibility of their construction as mill housing, no documentation has been found to support this claim. The houses appear on the 1924 and 1945 Sanborn maps on separate sheets from the mill and were constructed over several decades rather than at one time or in planned phases, both indicating that there does not appear to be any direct connection to mill. David Taylor posits in the Old South Mebane Historic District nomination that the nearly identical houses on Austin and McKinley streets, within the original district boundary, are houses built on speculation.

There are only two examples of the Colonial Revival style in the boundary increase. These include the 1949 house at 713 S. Fifth Street, a two-story, double-pile, with flush eaves in its side gable. It has a symmetrical, three-bay-wide façade with a single-bay, front-gable roof porch supported by columns. A flat-roofed sunroom on the south elevation is balanced by a small gabled wing on the north elevation. The house at 716 S. Fifth Street dates to 1948 and has a painted brick façade, a side-gable roof, and two flanking shingled, slightly lower, side-gable wings. The façade appears as a one-and-a-half-story
architecturally detailed houses of the wealthy citizens have traditionally been constructed along this street. As the blocks
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recessed under this projecting roof, which is supported by metal posts, and shelters the entry. The horizontality is
emphasized by 2/2-horizontal sash windows, wide three-part windows with fixed panes flanked by 2/2-horizontal sash
windows add to the horizontality of the façade. Many Ranch houses had attached garages and carports integrated into
their plans, placed at the side or rear of the houses, although rarely in Mebane when originally constructed; these were
sometimes added later.
The Minimal Traditional style is seen in all but one of the four boundary increase areas. The 1950 brick house at 507 S.
Fourth Street, the 1948 frame house at 408 W. Lee Street, and the 1940 frame house at 622 S. Fifth Street are one-story
houses with side-gable-roofs, and have three-bay, double-pile massing, all characteristics of the Minimal Traditional style.
The house at 507 S. Fifth is very plain with no decoration; however, it does have a small side-gable wing, a common
feature of the style. The house at 408 W. Lee Street is also plain but has a central shed-roof porch sheltering the entry.
The house at 507 S. Fourth Street has a central shed-roof porch flanked by three-part windows composed of a wider
window flanked by narrower sash, a Colonial Revival-style door surround, and soldier-course lintels and wataertable as
decoration. The 1952 house at 731 S. Fifth Street is one of several unusually large examples of the style found in the
boundary increase area along S. Fifth Street. This brick house has a projecting front-gable wing with a centered three-
sided bay window, a recessed entry to the south of this wing, and a side-gable hyphen on its north elevation, which
connects to a front-gabled wing.
The 1955 brick house at 739 S. Fifth Street is a good example of the Ranch style. It is set well back from the street on a
wide lot and its horizontal orientation extends beyond its wide façade to its 1/1-horizontal sash windows and its wide brick
chimney. Its recessed and paneled entry is sheltered by the overhang of the main roof, another common feature of the
style, and its upper gables and a side-gabled wing are sheathed in what is likely original aluminum siding. The brick house
at 706 S. Fifth Street dates to 1955 and has a hip-roofed main block and a hip-roofed wing with deeply overhanging eaves.
Similar to the house at 739 S. Fifth Street, this house has a recessed and paneled front entry off a front stoop. Grouped
windows add to the horizontality of the façade. Many Ranch houses had attached garages and carports integrated into
their plans, placed at the side or rear of the houses, although rarely in Mebane when originally constructed; these were
sometimes added later.
The Modern movement is comprised of a wide variety of styles and influences, with the earliest buildings dating from the
1920s and the movement popularized after World War II. Long, straight, clean lines, simple geometric, shapes large
areas of glass, little decorative adornment, and the use of innovative, modern materials popular at the time were
characteristic of Modernist houses. The integration of interior and exterior living spaces and open, flowing, floor plans
were central to modern design. Mass production and new materials were also promoted as means of overcoming post-
World War II housing and material shortages. Designs for Modernist houses were widely published in magazines and plan
books and helped to spread the popularity of Modernist design principles even into small towns, such as Mebane. At the
south end of S. Fifth Street are two brick Modernist houses from the 1950s. Neither can be attributed to a specific school
of Modern architecture, but instead show the earliest beginnings of the influence of the Modern movement in Mebane.
The house at 815 S. Fifth Street dates to 1950 and is a one-story, brick house under a low shed-roof, with deeply
overhanging eaves, which extends out at the southwest corner of the house to form a dramatic roofline. The front porch is
recessed under this projecting roof, which is supported by metal posts, and shelters the entry. The horizontality is
emphasized by 2/2-horizontal sash windows, wide three-part windows with fixed panes flanked by 2/2-horizontal sash
windows. A recessed shed-roofed wing extends from the north elevation and contains an original door with horizontal
panes over horizontal panels. The Roman brick house at 809 S. Fifth Street dates to 1955 and has a low, asymmetrical,
front-gable roof. As on the house at 815 S. Fifth Street, the eaves are deep and the recessed porch is sheltered by the
main roof and supported by metal posts. On this house the porch connects to a carport that is covered by an extension of
the main roof. The windows are metal casement windows; the two windows to the north of the entry are wide three-part
windows with large six-pane windows flanked by three-pane casement windows. The windows are flanked by shutters with
raised, molded panels but no other decoration.

Developmental history/additional historic context information (if appropriate)

The historical background for the Old South Mebane Historic District is provided by David Taylor's nomination for the
original district. However, it should be clarified that S. Fifth Street is one of two primary arteries into Mebane, explaining
the desirability of the location throughout the period of significance for the boundary increase. The larger and more
architecturally detailed houses of the wealthy citizens have traditionally been constructed along this street. As the blocks
to the north filled citizens continued to construct their houses along the street extending the neighborhood beyond the early grid-patterned residential blocks to connect to what was less developed, suburban farms. The subdivision of this land into large lots led to the more suburban nature of the development at the south end of S. Fifth St. and the construction of more horizontally-oriented houses, such as Ranch houses and larger Minimal Traditional houses.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form.)


10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property  Approximately 58

(Do not include previously listed resource acreage.)

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Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

The National Register boundaries for the Old South Mebane Historic District Boundary Increase are shown by a heavy line on the accompanying map at a scale of 1 inch equals 200 feet.
Old South Mebane Historic District Boundary Increase

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The district boundary is drawn to include all of the resources on the edges of the historic district that have sufficient integrity and significance for listing while excluding modern residential construction to the west, north, and south of W. Lee and W. McKinley streets, to the west, east, and south of 507 S. Fourth Street, and to the west and east of the 600-800 blocks of S. Fifth Street. Modern commercial development is excluded at the southernmost end of the district.

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

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  - A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.

- **Continuation Sheets**

- **Additional Items:** (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items.)

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Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map.

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City or Vicinity: Mebane

County: Alamance State: North Carolina

Photographer: Jessica Dockery

Date Photographed: January 2, 2013

1 of 13. Streetscape, east side of the 700 block of S. Fifth Street, view to the south
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4 of 13. Streetscape, north side of the 400 block of W. Lee Street, view to the west
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Name of Property

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Property Owner:

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

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