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NORTH STEELE STREET

831 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Clarence O. Bishop Home

Built: 1910

Site ID#: E831

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Craftsman Bungalow

Parcel Number(s): 2039340030

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: The main roof is a side-facing gable and there is a prominent front-facing gable extension across the front. There is a brick chimney at the right side. In the upper gable face is a pair of multi-pane windows. A front-facing gable entrance porch is located at the left and to the right is a shallow bay with a large central window flanked by narrow windows, all with multi-paned upper sashes. The house is clad in horizontal wood clapboard.

Cultural Data: Home of Clarence O. and Vera I. Bishop, treas. West Coast Grocery Co. and treas. Independent Grocery Co. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. 1922

Accessory

Structures: Detached Garage

Roof: gable

Siding: horizontal clapboard

Description: Historic Contributing

1017 N Steele St.

Historic Name: J. Allen Worthington Home

Built: 1925

Site ID#: E1017

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Residential Vernacular

Parcel Number(s): 2040330030

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: The main roof is a side-facing gable with hipped corners. Centered on the front is a front-facing gable porch extension supported on round tapered columns. To the right and left of the door are large picture windows. There is a side gable extension at the right rear.

Cultural Data: Home of John Allen and Alma E. Worthington, pharmacist A French Drug Co. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. 1924

Accessory

Structures: None

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1027 N Steele St.

Historic Name: William H. Hicker Home

Built: 1906

Site ID#: E1027

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Homestead

Parcel Number(s): 2040320050

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: The main roof is a front-facing gable, and in the gable face is a pair of one-over-one, double-hung windows with decorative shutters. A hipped porch supported on square columns extends across the front. The door is centered, and to the right there is a double-hung window. A window is to the left side also.

Cultural Data: Home of William H. and Elizabeth Hicker, occupation unlisted. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. 1906

Accessory

Structures: None

1029 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Home

Built: 1997

Site ID#: E1029

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Craftsman Bungalow

Parcel Number(s): 2040320030

Classification: Non-Historic, Non-Contributing

Description: The main roof is a front-facing gable with a front-facing gable extension to the left. There is a shed porch supported by square columns. There are double, groups of 2, six-over-one windows in the extension. There are groups of 2, as picture windows, with multi-panes are on the main level with upper transoms. The house is clad in horizontal wood clapboard and vertical wood siding.

Cultural Data: No cultural data available.

Accessory

Structures: None

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1031 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Frederick A. Lang Home

Built: 1910

Site ID#: E1031

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Residential Vernacular

Parcel Number(s): 2040320040

Classification: Historic Non-Contributing

Description: The main roof is a front-facing gable, with side dormers to the left and right. The upper gable face, near the peak, the wall is built out from the main facade. Below, there is a rectangular window. A shed-roof extends across the lower level, and the main walls on the lower right are built out flush with the roof eave. The main door is located to the left at the porch. On the right wall is a large window. The upper walls are clad in stucco and the lower walls in horizontal wood clapboard.

Cultural Data: Home of Frederick A. and Winnifred Lang, cabinetmaker. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. 1910

Accessory

Structures: None

1033 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Luther W. Rosene Home

Built: 1910

Site ID#: E1033

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Craftsman Bungalow

Parcel Number(s): 2040320020

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: The main roof is a front-facing gable, and there are side dormers to the right and left. The upper gable face has decorative woodwork near the peak, above the woodwork. The walls are clad in wood shingle. Below, a balcony extends across the façade and a sliding glass door is centered on the wall, and flanked by two small square windows. The balcony is supported on heavy square columns. The door is on the right and a large picture window is to the left. The walls are clad in horizontal wood clapboard.

Cultural Data: Home of Luther W. and Emma Rosene, salesman. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. 1910

Accessory

Structures: None

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1115 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Mrs. Mamie Bettman Home

Built: 1906

Site ID#: E1115

Architect/Builder/Contractor: Bullard & Hill, architects, Oscar Stoolie, contractor

Style: Craftsman Bungalow

Parcel Number(s): 2040310030

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: The main roof is a side-facing gable with a front-facing gable extension centered on the front. There are decorative brackets at the eave of the gable. Below is a pair of one-over-one, double-hung windows. There is a shed-roof porch at the lower left. To the right there is a picture window with a multi-paned upper transom. The lower walls are clad in horizontal wood clapboard and the upper walls are clad in wood shingle.

Cultural Data: Home of Mrs. Mamie Bettman, occupation unlisted. Bullard & Hill, architect. Oscar Stoolie, contractor. 1908

Accessory Structures: None

1117 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Frank E. Alexander Home (1926)

Built: 1907

Site ID#: E1117

Architect/Builder/Contractor: Fred Downs, builder

Style: Homestead

Parcel Number(s): 2040310020

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: The main roof is a front-facing gable with returned eaves. There is a pair of one-over-one, double-hung windows in the gable face. There is a brick chimney to the right side. A shed-roof dormer is constructed at the left side. A shallow porch roof, supported on pairs of square columns extends across the front. The door is located to the left side, and to the right is a large picture window. The house is clad in narrow clapboard siding. The railing wall is clad in wood shingle.

Cultural Data: Home of Frank E. and Helma Alexander, carpenter at Carsten's Packing Co. Fred Downs, builder. 1908

Accessory Structures: None

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1121 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Will H. and Reta H. Dean Home

Built: 1906

Site ID#: E1121

Architect/Builder/Contractor: C. A. Richardson, builder

Style: Craftsman Bungalow

Parcel Number(s): 2040300010

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: A single family residence designed in the Craftsman Bungalow Style. The main roof is hipped with flared eaves and there is a hipped dormer centered over the front. In the dormer are two small windows. The porch opening is arched at the corners, and the main door is flanked by small windows. To the far right is a large picture window. The structure is clad in wood shingle.

Cultural Data: Home of Will H. and Reta H. Dean(1909), Dean & Curtis, tailors. Will Dean was born in Dubuque, Iowa. and came to Tacoma in 1902. He operated a tailoring business all his life. He and his wife had one daughter. C. A. Richardson, builder. 1908

Accessory

Structures: Detached Garage

Roof: gable

Siding: plywood

Description: Non-Historic, Non-Contributing

1215 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Charles and Frances Stewart Home

Built: 1900

Site ID#: E1215

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Craftsman Bungalow

Parcel Number(s): 2041280021

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: The main roof is a side-facing gable, designed in the Craftsman Bungalow Style. The main entrance door is to the far right and under a partially recessed porch. There is a brick chimney in the center and a large picture window to the far left. The house is clad in alternating wide and narrow wood shingle.

Cultural Data: Home of Charles and Frances Stewart, mechanic. The house was estimated to cost \$500. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. 1921

Accessory

Structures: None

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1221 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Vacant Lot

Built: Vacant Lot

Site ID#: E1221

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Vacant Lot

Parcel Number(s): 2041280022

Classification: Vacant

Description: Vacant Lot

Cultural Data: No cultural data available.

Accessory

Structures: None

1403 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Everett E. and May Bare Home

Built: 1908

Site ID#: E1403

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Residential Vernacular

Parcel Number(s): 2041270030

Classification: Historic Non-Contributing

Description: This 2 story, hip roof building is designed in the Residential Vernacular Style. There upper left has a six-over-six double-hung window to the left and a picture window to the right. There are decorative shutters. The lower level has a one-over-one, double-hung window to the left and a picture window to the right. There are decorative shutters on the lower windows too. The structure is clad in wood shingle.

Cultural Data: Home of Everett E. and May Bare, business manager, the Ledger. Everett Bare was born in Lawrence, Kansas and came West to Seattle initially, arriving in Tacoma in 1909. He took a position with the Tacoma Ledger and was employed with the newspaper until 1940. He and his wife had one son and two daughters. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. 1908

Accessory

Structures: Detached Garage

Roof: gable

Siding: wood

Description: Historic Contributing

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1409 N Steele St. **Historic Name: Jeremiah E. and Alice L. Kelly Home** **Built:** 1908
Site ID#: E1409

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: American Foursquare **Parcel Number(s):** 2041270020

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: A 2 story, American Foursquare building with a hip roof. At the 2nd level are one-over-one, double-hung windows, 2 windows to the left and 2 windows to the right. In the lower level is a hipped porch supported on large round columns. The main entrance door is located to the left of center and to the far left is a small horizontal window with leaded glass. To the right is a large picture window. Upper facade is clad in wood shingle and the lower facade is clad in horizontal wood siding.

Cultural Data: Home of Jeremiah E. and Alice L. Kelly, resided here in 1921. Alice L. (daughter) also resides here, and she was a cashier and the County Auditor's office. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. 1907

Accessory Structures: None

1415 N Steele St. **Historic Name: Charles H. McDonnell Home** **Built:** 1920
Site ID#: E1415

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Colonial Revival **Parcel Number(s):** 2041260020

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: The main roof is a front-facing gambrel, with a pedimented gable porch roof supported on round tapered columns to the lower left. At the upper level there are two, four-over-one, double-hung windows. There is a dormer to the left side, and a lower building extension to the left. There are three, four-over-one, double-hung windows to the lower right side. The structure is clad in wood shingle.

Cultural Data: Home of Charles H. McDonnell, carpenter. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. 1920

Accessory Structures: None

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1419 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Michael McDonnell Home

Built: 1900

Site ID#: E1419

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Residential Vernacular

Parcel Number(s): 2041260013

Classification: Historic Non-Contributing

Description: The main roof is hipped with a shed-roofed dormer centered over the front. There is a hipped side addition to the right rear. In the dormer face is a large picture window flanked by two narrow one-over-one windows. There is a brick chimney to the right rear. There is a two-story bay window to the right, and all four of the windows in the three panels are one-over-one, double hung. To the upper left is a one-over-one, double-hung window, and a smaller one-over-one to the far left. There is a three-paneled bay to the left side. The entrance is at the lower center, sheltered by a shallow awning. The door is flanked by narrow side windows. The structure is clad in wide wood siding.

Cultural Data: Home of Michael McDonnell, contractor. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. 1906

Accessory

Structures: None

1501 N Steele St.

Historic Name: John A. Kolilis Home

Built: 1962

1127 N M St.

Site ID#: E1501

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Apartment Vernacular

Parcel Number(s): 2042250020

Classification: Non-Historic, Non-Contributing

Description: The house is a front-facing gable with a low pitched roof. There is a flat-roofed carport to the left. There is a awning across the front covering the front door and the two picture windows to the left and right side of the door.

Cultural Data: No cultural data available.

Accessory

Structures: None

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1505 N Steele St. **Historic Name: Mrs. Myrtle A. Gellman Home** **Built:** 1951
1507 N Steele St. **Site ID#:** E1505

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Apartment Vernacular **Parcel Number(s):** 2042250010

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: The main roof is hipped, and there is a hipped side addition to the right rear. There is a heavy brick chimney to the right. The rear addition has an entrance door and window to the left. The main entrance is located right of center, with a square picture window to the far right. There is a small three-paneled bay to the left and a sliding window to the far left. The house is constructed of brick.

Cultural Data: No cultural data available.

Accessory

Structures: None

1509 N Steele St. **Historic Name: Margaret A. Stevedore Home** **Built:** 1919
Site ID#: E1509

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Craftsman Bungalow **Parcel Number(s):** 2042240030

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: A 1 1/2 story, single-family structure designed in the Craftsman Bungalow Style. The main roof is a side-gable with a front-gable dormer centered over the front. The dormer eaves have decorative brackets. There is dentil-like detailing running along the header line.

Cultural Data: No cultural data available.

Accessory

Structures: Detached Garage **Roof:** gable **Siding:** wood

Description: Historic Contributing

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1535 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Home

Built: 1981

Site ID#: E1535

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Apartment Vernacular

Parcel Number(s): 2042230020

Classification: Non-Historic, Non-Contributing

Description: This 2 story apartment is clad in horizontal wood siding. The entrances are to the left and right of center with stairs leading up to the upper level. There are vertical wood handrails on individual balconies on the upper level. Many windows, each a multi-paned, double-hung are in the building.

Cultural Data: No cultural data available.

Accessory

Structures: None

1701 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Clyde J. Backus Home

Built: 1910

Site ID#: E1701

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Craftsman

Parcel Number(s): 2042220030

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: A two story, single family residence designed in the Craftsman Style. The gable roof eaves are supported by five decorative brackets. At the 2nd story, there is an access door flanked by two, one-over-one, double-hung windows. There is a small window to the right. A balcony railing extends across the porch roof, and is supported by three square, tapered columns. There are two entrance doors to the left corner. To the right is a large picture window. The lower story is clad in horizontal wood clapboard, the upper story is clad in wood shingle.

Cultural Data: No cultural data available.

Accessory

Structures: None

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1705 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Anton Rinck Home

Built: 1905

1705 1/2 N Steele St.

Site ID#: E1705

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Residential Vernacular

Parcel Number(s): 2042220021

Classification: Historic Non-Contributing

Description: A 1 1/2 story, single family residence designed in the Vernacular Style. This structure is unique in its angled placement on the lot. The gable roof is interrupted by a shed-roofed dormer. The dormer has two aluminum-frame sliders in it. The main entrance appears to be facing K Street- but may be facing Steele Street (both are side entrances). There are three, one-over-one, double-hung windows along the K Street side. The house is clad in horizontal wood clapboard.

Cultural Data: No cultural data available.

Accessory

Structures: Detached Garage

Roof: gable

Siding: plywood

Description: Non-Historic, Non-Contributing

1721 N Steele St.

Historic Name: William W. Glenn Home

Built: 1909

Site ID#: E1721

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: American Foursquare

Parcel Number(s): 2042210020

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: A 2 1/2 story, single family residence designed in the American Foursquare Style. The main hipped roof is interrupted by two (at least) dormers, which have two square windows in them. The 2nd story is distinguished by oriel windows at the immediate front and left corners. The windows are one -over- one double hung. In the middle of the wall (facing Steele St.) is a narrow one over one window with a balcony which has wrought iron railing. This upper story is set out over the lower, forming a covered porch which is supported by tapered square columns. At the lower level are 2 large windows; three ganged, one over one double hung. The K Street side is obscured by heavy foliage. There is a chimney located near the peak of the hipped main roof. The house is clad in horizontal wood siding.

Cultural Data: Home of William W. Glenn, manager Sperry Flour Mills Glenn is listed in Tacoma Who's Who, which states that he was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1885. He attended local schools and business school and came to Tacoma in 1904. In 1906 he married Ethel Kirkpatrick. They had five daughters and one son. Glenn was office manager for the Sperry Flour Co. and the Centennial Flouring Mills for 27 years. Glenn was a leader in the Boy Scout movement in Tacoma, serving as Scoutmaster of Troop No. 1 for over 30 years. He went on to act as district commissioner and was awarded the Silver Beaver Award and the American Legion Meritorious Service Award for his activities. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. c. 1909

Accessory

Structures: Detached Garage

Roof: gable

Siding: horizontal clapboard

Description: Historic Contributing

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1725 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Charles L. Roberts Home

Built: 1922

Site ID#: E1725

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: American Foursquare

Parcel Number(s): 2042210010

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: A 2 1/2 story, single family residence designed in the American Foursquare Style. The main roof is a pyramidal hip with flared eaves and pairs of decorative brackets. There is a hipped dormer with two, one over one, double hung windows. At the 2nd level, there are 2 larger one over one double hung windows. A shallow porch extends out over the main entrance, supported by tapered, square columns. The eaves of the porch roof also have decorative brackets. The main entrance door is flanked by two narrow windows. To the left is a large picture window, and to the right a narrow, rectangular window. There is a chimney located near the peak of the main roof. The structure is clad in horizontal wood clapboard.

Cultural Data: No cultural data available.

Accessory

Structures: None

1731 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Home

Built: 1922

Site ID#: E1731

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Residential Vernacular

Parcel Number(s): 2043200030

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: The main roof is a hip with a porch to the left and a recessed door. There is one column supporting the porch. There are a group of three, three-over-one, double-hung windows to the right. The house is clad in vertical wood siding.

Cultural Data: No cultural data available.

Accessory

Structures: None

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1901 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Home

Built: 1925

Site ID#: E1901

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Residential Vernacular

Parcel Number(s): 2043200020

Classification: Historic Contributing

Description: The main roof is a side-facing gable with hipped corners. There is a front-facing gable extension to the left and it has "hipped" corners too. There are small multi-paned windows under the roof. To the left is a group of three, multi-paned, double-hung windows. To the right side is a group of three windows. The main entrance door is to the side of the extension. There is a flat porch extending from the extension to the right side and it is supported on iron columns. There is a brick chimney at the ridge line.

Cultural Data: No cultural data available.

Accessory

Structures: None

1915 N Steele St.

Historic Name: Home

Built: 1925

1917 N Steele St. 1917 1/2 N Steele St.

Site ID#: E1915

Architect/Builder/Contractor:

Style: Apartment Vernacular

Parcel Number(s): 2043190020

Classification: Historic Non-Contributing

Description: The main roof is a hip over a 2 story house. There are two doors to the right side of the main level protected by a balcony. In the upper level is a door that opens to the balcony. There are picture windows to the left in the upper face and in the lower face too. The apartment is clad in stucco.

Cultural Data: No cultural data available.

Accessory

Structures: None