



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
GUAM HISTORIC RESOURCES DIVISION (GHRD)
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GUAM HISTORIC PROPERTIES INVENTORY
GHPI DATA FORM

Complete all the following sections of this data form, print neatly, or complete on MS Word. Use continuation sheets if needed; indicate section and item no. on continuation sheets. Forms must be signed when completed.

A. IDENTIFICATION

1. Date: 7/31/2014
2. Guam Historic Properties Inventory Number: **66** - _____ - _____
This number is assigned by DPR-GHRD GuamSHPO (Quadrangle) (Greater than 1300)
- 3a. Historic Property Name (as assigned or concurred by GHRD-DPR): Herrera House
- 3b. Local and/or Traditional Place Name/s of Property: n/a
- 3c. Other Property Name/s: n/a
4. Type of survey relating to Identification and Evaluation: ☒ Reconnaissance ☐ Intensive
Inventory ☐ Windshield. Indicate other types of survey: ☐ Data Recovery
☐ Other: _____

B. LOCATION

- 5a. Place an **X** below in the appropriate USGS Topographic Map 1:24,000 series where the property is located.
 Hagåtña (1) ☒ Agat (2) Apra Harbor (3) Dededo (4) Inarajan (5)
 Merizo (6) Pati Point (7) Ritidian (8) Talofofo (9)
- 5b. **ATTACH MAP:** Indicate on USGS Topographical map where property is located.
6. Municipality. Place an **X** below on which the Property is located in the Municipality of:
Agana Heights ☒ Agat Asan-Maina Barrigada Chalan Pago-Ordot Dededo
Hagåtña Inarajan Mangilao Merizo Mongmong-Toto-Maite Piti Santa
Rita Talofofo Tamuning Umatac Sinajana Yigo Yona Other: _____
7. Lot Number/s: L14 B4
8. Total size of Property: indicate acres, hectares, square meters: Acres 0.03 ; Hectares 0.013 ;
Square Meters 132 .

C. PROPERTY OWNER/S

9. PLACE an X if Property is: ☒ Private Property ☐ Govt. of Guam ☐ Federal Property

10a. Indicate Property Owner Name/s: John Herrera and Elizabeth Huckaby

10b. Contact Phone Numbers, include Fax No.: none

10c. Mailing Address: (b) (6)

11. Name of Leaseholder, if applicable: n/a

D. U.T.M COORDINATES, APPROXIMATE CENTER POINT: Zone 55

12. EASTING / NORTHING. Locate center point for property if one acre or less:

Center of Property / Site: Easting (b) (6) Northing (b) (6)

Type of equipment/unit used to record data: Trimble GeoXH Global Positioning System (GPS)

Note: All reading must be taken with sub-meter accuracy using GGN93 as the datum.

13. Locate four points along the perimeter of the property / site in cardinal points:

1. North:	E	_____	N	_____
2. South	E	_____	N	_____
3. East	E	_____	N	_____
4. West	E	_____	N	_____

14. Explain if any points have been offset for any reason, or if the property/site could not be fully evaluated or delineated: _____

E. CONDITION OF PROPERTY / CURRENT USE

15. Type of Property/Site: ☐ Prehistoric ☒ Historic ☐ Multi-Component

16. PLACE an X if condition of property / site is:

☐ Excellent / Undisturbed
☒ Good
☐ Poor / Deteriorated
☐ Destroyed
☐ Damaged

17. Briefly describe property's condition to properly evaluate the need for future preservation efforts:
The property appears to be in good structural condition. The facade is in fairly good condition with minor repairs needed to fenestrations and exterior paint surface.

18. Current Use of Property (check all appropriate): ☐ Government ☐ Hospital / Clinic ☐ School
☐ Communications Facility ☒ Habitation ☐ Tool-making ☐ Social / Meeting Hall ☐ Warehouse
Storage Other-specify _____

F. HISTORIC CONTEXT

19. The Historic Context of this Property is best classified as (check one or more):

- ☐ 1500-1000 B.C.E., Early Pre-Latte Period
- ☐ 1000-500 B.C.E., Middle Pre-Latte Period
- ☐ 500 B.C.E. – 500 C.E., Late Pre-Latte Period
- ☐ 500-800 C.E., Transitional
- ☐ 800-1100 C.E., Early-Latte Period
- ☐ 1100-1350 C.E., Mid-Latte Period
- ☐ 1350-1521 C.E., Late Latte Period
- ☐ 1521 – 1668 C.E., Pre-Colonial European Trade Period
- ☐ 1668 – 1700 C.E., Spanish Missionization Period / Chamorro Spanish Wars
- ☐ 1700 – 1898 C.E., Spanish Colonial Period
- ☐ 1898 – 1941 C.E., First American Territorial Period
- ☐ 1941 – 1944 C.E., World War II / Japanese Military Occupation
- ☐ 1944 – 1950 C.E., Post-World War II / Second American Territorial Period
- ☒ 1950 C.E.- Present, Organic Act / Home Rule / Economic Development Period

G. CULTURAL RESOURCE CLASSIFICATION

The term “cultural resources” is broadly defined to include cultural uses of the natural environment, religious and sacred sites, places of traditional cultural importance, historic and archaeological locations and objects, and historic objects and documents to which a group of people attach traditional and cultural importance and value.

20. The Use of this Property can be described best as a place that contains or is valued as a:

- ☐ Natural Resources ☒ Historical Resources ☐ Archaeological Resources ☐ Religious Site
☐ Sacred Site ☐ Place of Traditional Cultural Other (explain): _____

H. PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION

21. This property or site can be best classified as (check one box).

☐ Site

A site can be the location of a significant event, a prehistoric occupation or activity, or a building or structure, whether standing, ruined, or vanished, where the location itself possesses historic, cultural, or archaeological value regardless of the value of any existing structure.

☐ District

A district possesses a significant concentration, linkage, or continuity of sites, buildings, structures, or objects united historically or aesthetically by plan or physical development.

☒ Building

A building such as a house, church, hotel, court house, jail, etc., created principally to shelter any form of human activity.

☐ Structure

A functional construction made for purposes other than creating shelter, such as a bridge.

☐ Object

Objects are relatively small and movable; they include artifacts associated with a specific setting or environment.

I. DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

22. ATTACH / INCLUDE ALL ITEMS (✓) BELOW WITH THIS DATA FORM:

- ✓ USGS Topography Map (Section.B.4b. above). Use 1:24,000 series. Photocopy the vicinity of where the property is located on an 8.5 x 11 sheet of paper. Clearly identify the location of this property on this map.
- ✓ Drawing or Sketch. Provide a measured drawing or sketch of this property on an 8.5 x 11 paper.
- ✓ Photographs. Place 2 photographs on one 8.5 x 11 sheet. Clearly identify each photo at the bottom of the photo.
- ✓ Digital / Electronic copy of the GHPI documentation and SHAPE FILES.
- ✓ Other Documents may include newspaper clippings, articles, sections from a book or magazine, maps, survey report descriptions, letters, etc.

J. DESCRIPTION, STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE, DISPOSITION RECOMMENDATION

23. Provide a description of the property. State if the property is potentially eligible for listing on the Guam Register and/or National Register. If the property is currently listed on either one or both registers, recommend what appropriate action to take if there is potential danger that the property will be vandalized, looted, damaged, destroyed, etc.

The Herrera House is a two-story residence occupying a central lot in Agat near Mt. Carmel Church and School. The house was built by Juan Lujan Anderson around 1953 and then later sold to Antonio and Ana H. Herrera (possibly in the late 1950s). The house is still owned by the Herrera family.

The house is perched on a hillside overlooking the ocean to the west. The residence has a square footprint measuring approximately 38 by 38 feet, and features a reinforced concrete foundation, walls, and flat concrete slab roof with a wide overhanging eave. Lush vegetation surrounds the building. A concrete retaining wall at the bottom of the hillside features a wave design and serves to inhibit erosion. A set of concrete steps with metal pipe handrails provides access to the western facade.

The building expresses several contemporary design elements including contrasting wall materials and textures. Centered on the facade, a wide concrete pilaster projects from the wall and exhibits an embossed horizontal linear design. The pilaster flanks a rectangular expanse of small, square glass-block windows. Below the windows, a concrete planter box extends to the north and forms a wall divider. It features an embossed pattern that resembles a slate veneer. A cantilevered projection is present on the south end of the facade and south elevation. Ribbons of triple louver windows accentuate the upper floor of the house. A small window configuration, consisting of two square, overlapping windows with a small square window in the center is featured at the north side of the pilaster.

The front porch, which permits entry to the first floor, is inset on the north side of the facade and supported by steel posts. An aluminum screen door conceals the original wood-framed front door. A second door on the north-facing wall within the inset porch opens to a stairway that permits access to the second floor. It is presently boarded up. No other modifications were noted on the exterior of the house. According to the homeowner, the house was designed with an exterior stairway to the second floor to allow the house to function as a duplex for extended family. Each floor has two bedrooms and one bath with an exterior kitchen area.

Significance Evaluation

The Herrera House has been described by the homeowner and local residents as the first all-concrete house in Agat. The building features a number of interesting contrasts in wall materials and textures which interplay with the surrounding vegetation. These elements suggest Contemporary design influences that resonated in the United States during the post-World War II period. The residence also represents the massing typical of post-World War II duplex house types on Guam, here reinterpreted in concrete instead of wood-siding and corrugated metal roofing. Given its rarity and exceptional design features, and its role in marking the start of Guam's transition to concrete, typhoon-resistant residential construction, the Herrera House is significant under NRHP Criterion C. The period of significance is the early 1950s, when the house was constructed.

K. FORM PREPARED BY

24. Indicate Name/Title/Phone Numbers/Email Address of Individual Completing this Data Form:
Cacilie Craft, Project Manager / (671) 488-2005 / ccraft@garciaandassociates.com

25. Representing what company? Indicate Company Name/Mailing Address/Physical Address/Email Address: Garcia and Associates (GANDA) / 800 Pale San Vitores Ave., H-302, Tamuning, Guam 96913

26. Sign and Date:  26 September 2014

L. FOR DPR-GHRD OFFICE STAFF USE

27a. Review Started On (Date): _____ By (Print name and initial): _____

27b. Review Completed On: _____ By (Print name and initial): _____

28. Documentation Adequate? ☐ Yes ☐ No, if no indicate what is needed, lacking, pending, missing, etc., include overall comments: _____

29. GHPI Data Form and Supplemental Documentation ACCEPTED BY (Print Name/Sign/Date): _____



Figure 1. Location of Herrera House on USGS 7.5 minute series.



Figure 2. Herrera House, northwest elevation.



Figure 3. Herrera House with view of concrete pilaster.