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"Colonialized", however, by the addition of two one-and-one half story wings and a two story front portico with a simply articulated pediment and four fluted columns with lotus leave capitals. The white clapboard sheathing, the balanced fenestration, the simple gable roofs, and the symmetrical massing of the large residence all contribute to its grandeur.

The prominence of the Brockways, the stylish and complementary architecture of both the original home and its additions, and the constant private use have made the Brockway House a local historical landmark which is architecturally significant in Saginaw and aesthetically indispensable to its neighborhood.

Photo #104

WENZEL HOUSE

1203 South Fayette

1874

National Register Criteria: C

This home is located one block west of Michigan Avenue, separated from the South Michigan Avenue Historic District by several modern intrusions. It stands today as one of Saginaw's finest examples of Italianate architecture. The main body of the home is a two story frame cube with a pediment breaking the bracketed eavesline of each facade. Further detailed by dentils and moldings, this broken eave is rarely found in Saginaw. A twelve pane belvedere atop the home has an arched roof line which is reflected in the arched enframingent of the second story window found below in the Fayette Street facade. The home has a one story wing on the back with an alcove porch rimmed by dentils; these dentils and other details of construction indicate that this unusual porch is original to the home. One feature which is not original to the 1874 construction is the porch on the Fayette Street facade. This classically-inspired alteration adds a hipped roof, balustrade, and columns to what, otherwise, is a thoroughly Italianate structure.

Since its construction in 1874, this home has had only two owners, which may explain its near perfect condition. The first owner was Mr. Wenzel, a Saginaw harness maker. The second owner, Harold Sperbeck, presently has the house for sale.

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POTTER STREET RAILROAD STATION

501 Potter Street

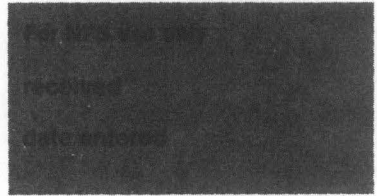
1881

National Register Criteria: A, C

The development of the Saginaw Valley's railroad system was, like the development of other area industries, very individualistic. The present railroad system is built upon the foundation laid by five different lines. The first railroad to service the Saginaw area was the Flint and Pere Marquette Railroad which connected Saginaw to northwest and southwest Michigan. From its formal opening in 1862, this line prospered

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East Saginaw Historic Business District

Acreage: 6.68 acres

UTM Reference: A-10 17/262250/4813110
B-10 17/262150/4812790
C-10 17/261960/4812840
D-10 17/262060/4813180

East Genesee Historic Business District

Acreage: 5.53 acres

UTM Reference: A-11 17/262710/4812590
B-11 17/262710/4812460
C-11 17/262500/4812510
D-11 17/262540/4812640

Benjamin Cushway House

Acreage: Less than one acre

UTM Reference: 12 17/259080/4810390

Ammi and William Wright House

Acreage: Approximately two acres

UTM Reference: 13 17/258280/4810880

Abel Brockway House

Acreage: Less than one acre

UTM Reference: 14 17/258480/4811290

Wenzel House

Acreage: Less than one acre

UTM Reference: 15 17/259300/4810670

Potter Street Railroad Station

Acreage: Approximately two acres

UTM Reference: 16 17/262660/4813720

INDIVIDUAL SITES

<u>Property Address</u>	<u>Property Owner Name and Address</u>	<u>Date of Construction</u>
1631 Brockway (Abel Brockway House)	E. Brady Denton 1631 Brockway Saginaw, 48602	1864
1604 Court (Russell Sackett House)	Robert Loucks 1604 Court Saginaw, 48602	1899
519 N. Fayette (Davis Carriage House)	Peter Brand 519 N. Fayette Saginaw, 48602	c. 1880
1203 S. Fayette (Wenzel House)	Harold Sperbeck 1203 S. Fayette Saginaw, 48603	1874
1404 S. Fayette (Benjamin Cushway House)	Mary Narcarto 1404 S. Fayette Saginaw, 48602	1832
207 Garden Lane (Ammi and William Wright House)	Ralph Zemanek 207 Garden Lane Saginaw, 48602	1854
509 Hancock (St. John's Episcopal Church)	St. John's Episcopal Church 509 Hancock Saginaw, 48602	1883
1514 N. Michigan (House)	S.P. Limited P.O. Box #73 Merrill, 48637	c. 1880
1800 N. Michigan (Central Warehouse)	Wallace Strobel 1825 Rust Avenue Saginaw, 48601	1913
501 Potter Street (Potter Street Railroad Station)	Chessie System Box #3297 Saginaw, 48605 Attn: L.R. JODD	1881
130 N. Sixth (Charles Peters, Sr. House)	Walter Banks 1801 Ribble Road Saginaw, 48601	1884
309 S. Washington (Michigan Bell Building)	Michigan Bell Telephone 309 S. Washington Saginaw, 48607	1930

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Central Saginaw Multiple Resource Area
State Michigan

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

21. Wenzel House

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22. West Side Historic Residential
District

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National Register

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23. Wright, Ammi and William, House

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24. East Saginaw Historic
Business District
(Boundary Decrease)

Administrative Review

Keeper

by Report

Attest

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EVALUATION / RETURN SHEET

Ref # E2002880

Property: Wenzel House (Center Saginaw MPA)
State, County: MI, Saginaw
Federal Agency: _____

Working No. 5/27/82-1587
Fed. Reg. Date: 2.1.82
Date Due: 6/25/82 - 7/11/82
Action: ACCEPT 7/9/82
 RETURN _____
Entered in the National Register REJECT _____
photos _____
maps _____

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
 see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category Ownership Status Present Use
 Public Acquisition Accessible

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition excellent deteriorated good fair
 unaltered altered
Check one original site moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

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8. Significance

Period _____ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- _____ summary paragraph
- _____ completeness
- _____ clarity
- _____ applicable criteria
- _____ justification of areas checked
- _____ relating significance to the resource
- _____ context
- _____ relationship of integrity to significance
- _____ justification of exception
- _____ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Area(s) of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

USGS References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

Title _____ date _____

13. Other

- _____ Maps
- _____ Photographs
- _____ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet

Missing Core Documentation

Property Name	Multiple Property Name	Reference Number
Wenzel House	Center Saginaw MRA	82002880

The following Core Documentation is missing from this entry:

Nomination Form

Photographs

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000320