



VIRGINIA
HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION
HISTORIC DISTRICT SURVEY FORM

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Street address 506 Rugby Road
Town/City Charlottesville

Historic name Garden Courts Apartments

Common name

- Material
- ☐ wood frame (siding: ☐ weatherboard, ☐ shingle, ☐ aluminum, ☐ bricktex, ☐ _____)
 - ☐ brick (bond: ☐ Flemish, ☐ stretcher, ☐ _____-course American, ☐ _____)
 - ☐ stone (☐ random rubble, ☐ random ashlar, ☐ coursed ashlar, ☐ _____)
 - ☐ log (siding: ☐ weatherboard, ☐ shingle, ☐ aluminum, ☐ bricktex, ☐ _____)
 - ☒ stucco painted pink; rough stucco
 - ☒ concrete block
 - ☐ enameled steel
 - ☐ other: _____
 - ☐ cast iron
 - ☐ terra cotta
 - ☐ glass and metal

Number of Stories	Roof Type	Roof Material
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 1½ <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 2½ <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> shed <input type="checkbox"/> gable <input type="checkbox"/> pediment <input type="checkbox"/> hipped <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> mansard <input type="checkbox"/> gambrel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> parapet <input type="checkbox"/> flat	<input type="checkbox"/> slate <input type="checkbox"/> wood shingle <input type="checkbox"/> composition <input type="checkbox"/> standing seam metal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other terra cotta pantile <input type="checkbox"/> tile <input type="checkbox"/> pressed tin <input type="checkbox"/> not visible

Dormers	Number of bays — Main facade
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> shed <input type="checkbox"/> gable <input type="checkbox"/> pedimented <input type="checkbox"/> hipped <input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 - end of court <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 6 <input type="checkbox"/> 7 <input type="checkbox"/> 8 <input type="checkbox"/> _____

Porch	Stories	Bays	General description
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 (center) <input type="checkbox"/> 1 (side) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> _____	Small entry porches with square masonry piers and arched openings.

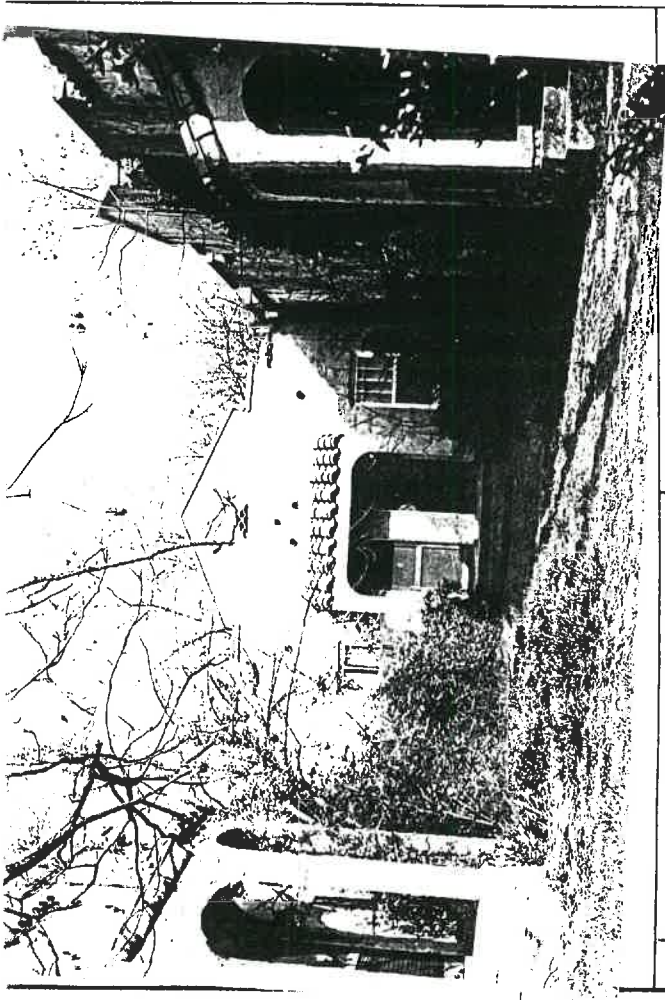
Building type			
<input type="checkbox"/> detached house <input type="checkbox"/> detached town house <input type="checkbox"/> row house <input type="checkbox"/> double house	<input type="checkbox"/> garage <input type="checkbox"/> farmhouse <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> apartment building <input type="checkbox"/> gas station	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> commercial (office) <input type="checkbox"/> commercial (store) <input type="checkbox"/> railroad	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> school <input type="checkbox"/> church <input type="checkbox"/> _____

Style/period Mediterranean/Spanish

Date c. 1925

Architect/builder

Location and description of entrance



Miscellaneous descriptive information (plan, exterior and interior decoration, cornice/eave type, window type and trim, chimneys, additions, alterations)

Unique in Charlottesville, this Mediterranean-style apartment complex recalls the 1920s, when exotic architectural styles were toyed with in all parts of the country. This courtyard complex is largely unaltered, and should be preserved.

Presently painted light pink, the stucco cladding is applied roughly, to give visual texture to the walls. The roofline is enlivened by parapet false fronts, and the porch roofs are covered in pantiles.

Historical information

The Real Estate office and Sanborn maps indicate this apartment group was built in the 1920s.

Source Eugenia Bibb; Real Estate Dept.; Sanborn maps.

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