




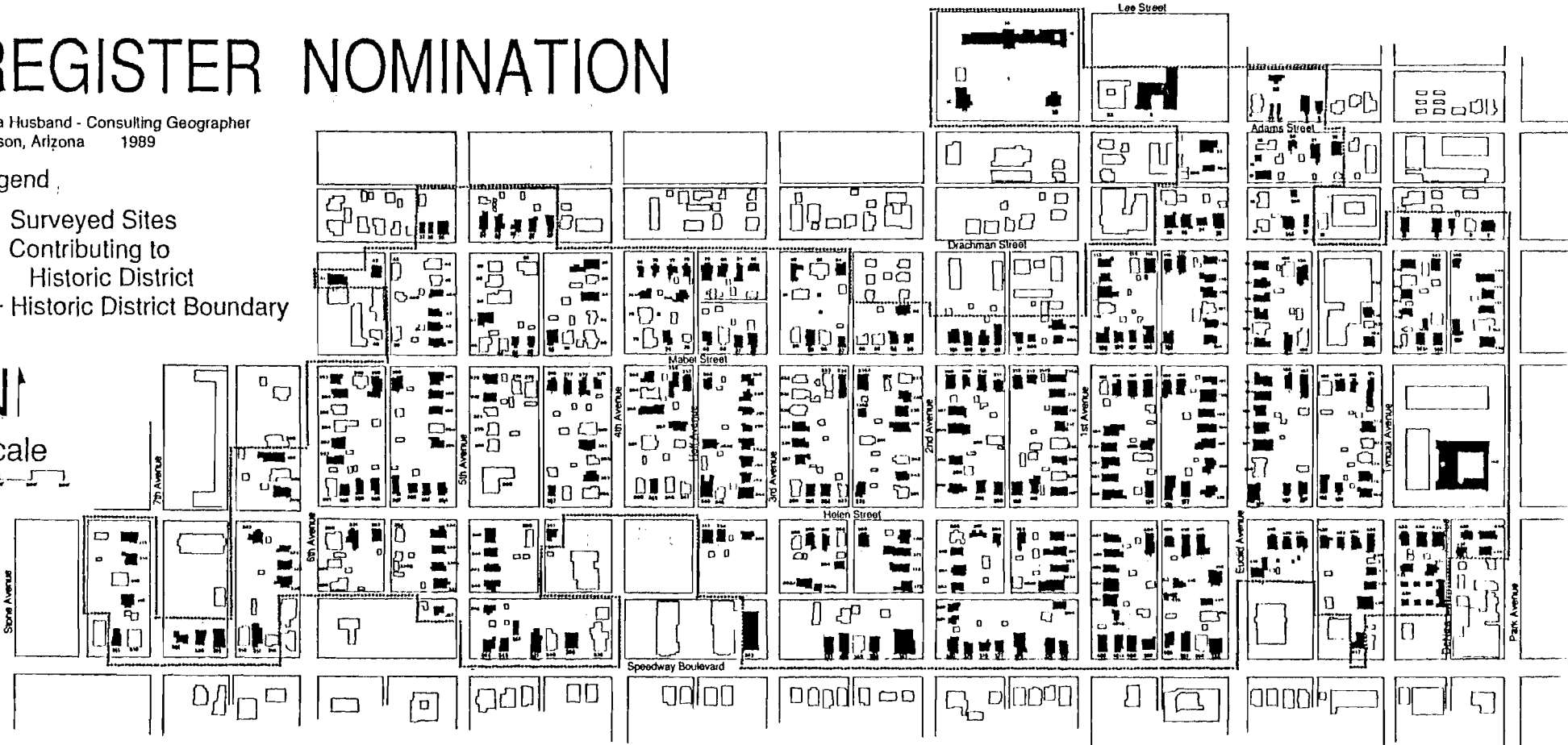
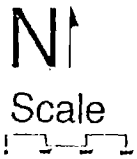
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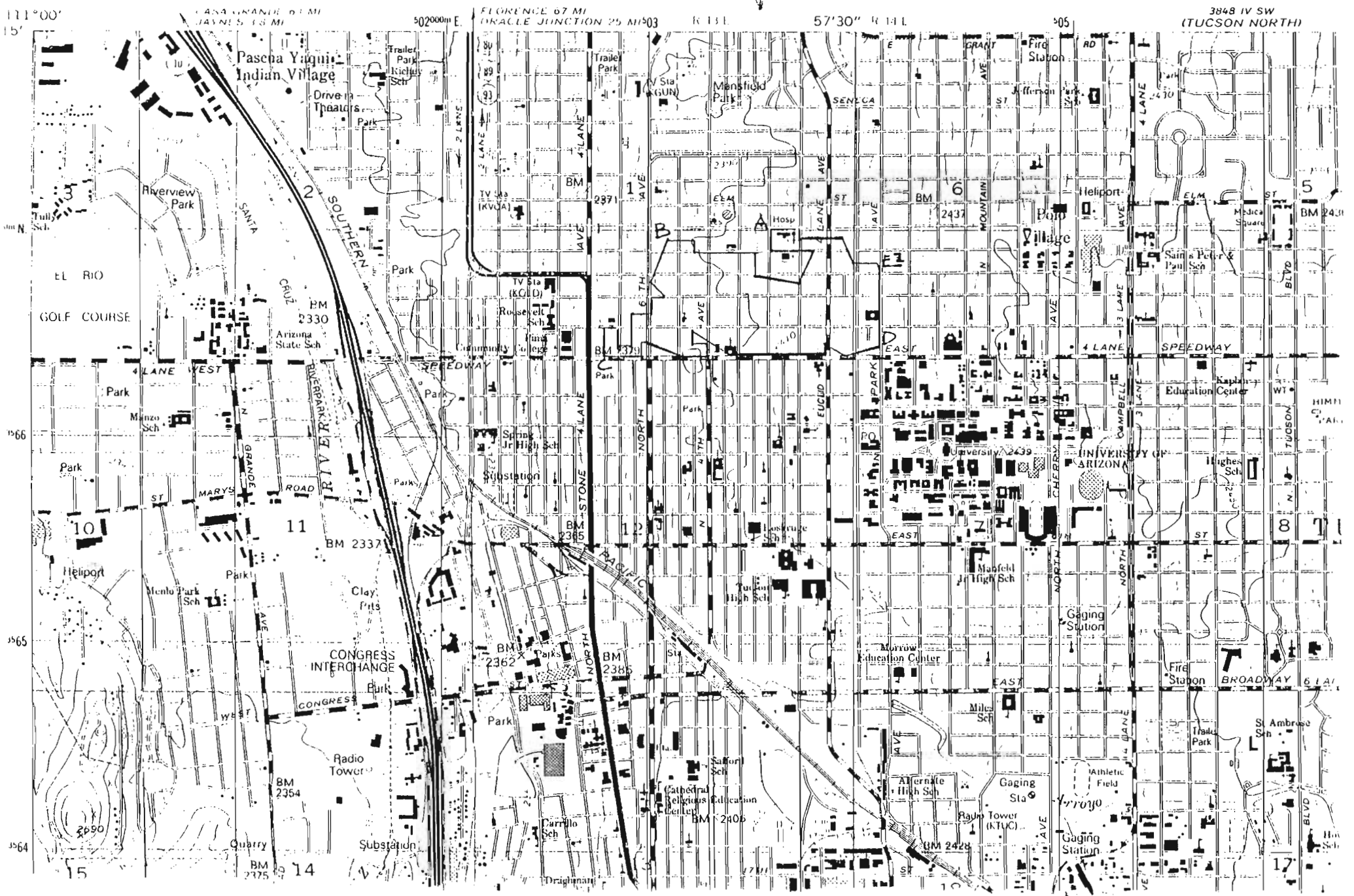
-  Surveyed Sites
-  Contributing to Historic District
-  Historic District Boundary



WEST UNIVERSITY HISTORIC DISTRICT

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The survey area is an irregular, east-west-oriented rectangle located immediately northwest of the University of Arizona, Tucson. The survey area is roughly bounded by East Drachman Street, then East Lee Street on the north; by Park Avenue on the east; by East Speedway Boulevard on the south; and by the alley west of North Seventh, then North Sixth Avenue on the west. A topographic map accompanying the Nomination shows approximate boundaries of the historic district and its location within the city of Tucson. A site map shows exact boundaries of the district.

BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The survey area includes historically-intact parts of two main settlement types that are contiguous:

- 1) a northward residential extension of West University historic neighborhood, similar in terms of land subdivision, land use, settlement history, and architectural styles; and
- 2) two historic tuberculosis sanitariums, with their associated residences, whose presence influenced the residential settlement pattern.

Three of the four boundaries drawn around the historic area represent points of changed land use. From Park Avenue eastward, a high proportion of recently built apartment complexes and other non-historic rental properties reflect the influence of the University of Arizona. The irregular west edge of the survey area results from the presence of Stone Avenue, a U. S. highway and major intraurban artery with a fully developed commercial strip. Beyond the north boundary, buildings date from a later period than that of the Speedway/Drachman neighborhood; most settlement did not extend north of East Drachman or into the area near the sanitariums until the 1940s and 1950s. As to the fourth or southern boundary, Speedway Boulevard is the area's common boundary with West University neighborhood. The historical survey of West University neighborhood, conducted before 1980, was limited to the area south of Speedway because of the membership limits of the neighborhood organization at that time.

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