

Site Inventory Form
State Historical Society of Iowa
 (November 2005)

State Inventory No. 29-03499 New Supplemental
 Part of a district with known boundaries (enter inventory no.) 29-03522
 Relationship: Contributing Noncontributing
 Contributes to a potential district with yet unknown boundaries
 National Register Status:(any that apply) Listed De-listed NHL DOE
 9-Digit SHPO Review & Compliance (R&C) Number _____
 Non-Extant (enter year) _____

1. Name of Property

historic name Archer Motor Company
 other names/site number 2009-10 Survey Field Site #WH-04

2. Location

street & number 308 Division Street
 city or town Burlington vicinity, county Des Moines
 Legal Description:(If Rural) Township Name _____ Township No. _____ Range No. _____ Section _____ Quarter of Quarter _____
 (If Urban) Subdivision Original City Block(s) _____ Lot(s) 355

3. State/Federal Agency Certification [Skip this Section]

4. National Park Service Certification [Skip this Section]

5. Classification

Category of Property (Check only one box)	Number of Resources within Property		
	If Non-Eligible Property	If Eligible Property, enter number of:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Enter number of:	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>1</u> buildings	—	— buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> site	— sites	—	— sites
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	— structures	—	— structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object	— objects	—	— objects
	<u>1</u> Total	—	— Total

Name of related project report or multiple property study (Enter "N/A" if the property is not part of a multiple property examination).
 Title Intensive Level Survey of the "warehouse district" in Burlington, Des Moines County, Iowa Historical Architectural Data Base Number 29-029

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)	Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)
<u>02E01: Commercial/Trade, Auto Showroom</u>	<u>02E01: Commercial/Trade, Auto Showroom</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)	Materials (Enter categories from instructions)
_____	foundation <u>10B: Poured Concrete</u>
_____	walls (visible material) <u>05E – Metal/Aluminum</u>
_____	roof _____
_____	other _____

Narrative Description (SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" representing your opinion of eligibility after applying relevant National Register criteria)

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended	A Property is associated with significant events.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended	B Property is associated with the lives of significant persons.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended	C Property has distinctive architectural characteristics.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended	D Property yields significant information in archaeology or history.

County Des Moines Address 308 Division Site Number 29-03499
City Burlington District Number 29-03522

Criteria Considerations

- A Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B Removed from its original location.
- C A birthplace or grave.
- D A cemetery.
- E A reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F A commemorative property.
- G Less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Significant Dates

Construction date
1964 check if circa or estimated date
Other dates, including renovation
1972

Significant Person

(Complete if National Register Criterion B is marked above)

Architect/Builder

Architect

Builder

Narrative Statement of Significance SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography See continuation sheet for citations of the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form

10. Geographic Data

UTM References (OPTIONAL)

Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing
1	_____	_____	2	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	4	_____	_____

See continuation sheet for additional UTM references or comments

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ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION (Submit the following items with the completed form)

FOR ALL PROPERTIES

- Map:** showing the property's location in a town/city or township.
- Site plan:** showing position of buildings and structures on the site in relation to public road(s).
- Photographs:** representative black and white photos. If the photos are taken as part of a survey for which the Society is to be curator of the negatives or color slides, a photo/catalog sheet needs to be included with the negatives/slides and the following needs to be provided below on this particular inventory site:

Roll/slide sheet #	_____	Frame/slot #	_____	Date Taken	_____
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See continuation sheet or attached *photo & slide catalog sheet* for list of photo roll or slide entries.

Photos/illustrations without negatives are also in this site inventory file.

FOR CERTAIN KINDS OF PROPERTIES, INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING AS WELL

- Farmstead & District:** (List of structures and buildings, known or estimated year built, and contributing or noncontributing status)
- Barn:**
 - A sketch of the frame/truss configuration in the form of drawing a typical middle bent of the barn.
 - A photograph of the loft showing the frame configuration along one side.
 - A sketch floor plan of the interior space arrangements along with the barn's exterior dimensions in feet.

State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Use Only Below This Line

Concur with above survey opinion on National Register eligibility: Yes No More Research Recommended
 This is a locally designated property or part of a locally designated district.

Comments: _____

Evaluated by (name/title): _____ Date: _____

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<u>Archer Motor Company</u>	<u>Des Moines</u>
Name of Property	County
<u>308 Division Street</u>	<u>Burlington</u>
Address	City

7. Narrative Description

This is a one-story building that is clad in blue metal siding. The west end at 308 Division incorporates part of an earlier three-story brick building. The building was reduced and remodeled around 1964. It has large plate glass windows for the showroom. The large addition to the east was constructed in 1972. It has vehicular and pedestrian entrances on the south side.

8. Narrative Statement of Significance

Archer Motor Company is a non-contributing building in the Manufacturing and Wholesale Historic District. The original building was reduced in height and remodeled around 1964, and the large addition was constructed in 1972. Thus, it dates to after the period of significance for the historic district.

The 1952 Sanborn map shows a three story building sitting on the west portion of this lot, with an address of 308 Division. The city directory for 1951 lists Archer Motor – used and new cars and trucks – at this location. Archer Motor Works continue to be listed here in 1960. John L. Archer bought the property from the estate of his father Clark C. Archer in 1970. Current owner, John J. Archer, bought the property in 2000. John Archer notes that the original three story brick building at 308 Division was utilized by his grandfather Clark for the business. The building was reduced to one-story in the 1950s or early 1960s. The assessor lists a date of 1964, which likely refers to the remodeling of this building. The metal addition was built in 1972.

Currently, Archer Auto Marine is operated by John Archer at this location. According to their website, the "Blue Crew" was established in 1922 by John's grandfather Clark. They are a full service marine store and specialize in import vehicles. They are the largest aluminum boat dealer in the area and stock a variety of Crestliner jons, v-hulls, fish and ski combos, and pontoons. They also carry Triton fiberglass bass, fish and ski, and multi-species boats as well as Crestliner Jons and Triton Saltwater. Mercury Marine is their exclusive motor line, offering the most models on the market.

9. Major Bibliographical References

City Directories, Burlington, Iowa, various dates. On microfiche at the Burlington Public Library

Sanborn Map Company. "Burlington, Iowa," Fire Insurance Maps. New York: Sanborn Map Company, 1952.

Transfer books, Des Moines County Auditor's Office, Burlington, Iowa

Vertical files, Burlington Public Library, Burlington, Iowa.

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Des Moines
 County

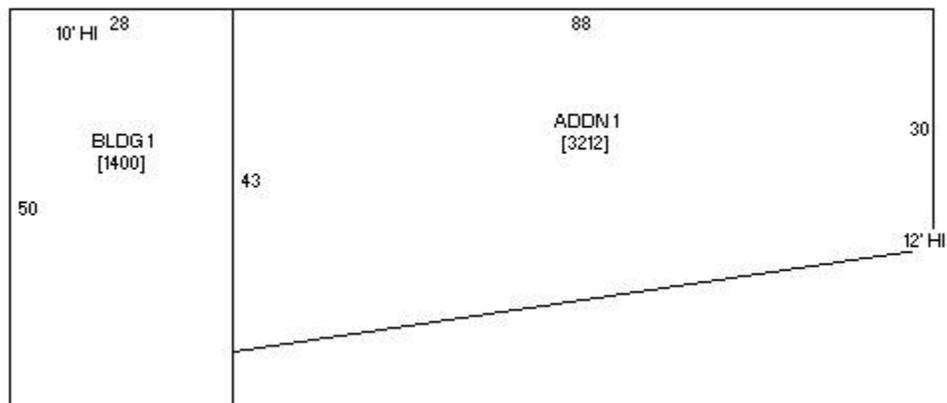
308 Division Street
 Address

Burlington
 City

Location map



Building plan (from assessor's website)



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Photograph (digital image)



**Building, looking north
November 2, 2009
R.L. McCarley**