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UTM's	North			East				
Zone 12	A	35	65	475	5	03	880	NW Corner
	B	35	65	475	5	03	930	
	C	35	65	550	5	03	930	
	D	35	65	550	5	04	110	
	E	35	65	475	5	04	110	
	F	35	65	475	5	04	170	
	G	35	65	370	5	04	215	N Corner
	H	35	65	340	5	04	215	S Corner
	I	35	65	280	5	04	360	
	J	35	65	185	5	04	360	Eastern edge
	K	35	64	860	5	04	275	
	L	35	64	915	5	04	170	SE Corner
	M	35	64	915	5	03	880	SW Corner

### Verbal Boundary Description

- Beginning at the center of the intersection of north Euclid Avenue and east 8th Street south of the centerline of north Euclid Avenue to the south property line of 124 N. Euclid Avenue.
- Thence east along the south property line of 124 North Euclid Avenue to the west property line of 821 East 10th Street.
- Thence south along the west property line of 821 East 10th Street to the centerline of East 10th Street.
- Thence east along the centerline curblineline of East 10th Street to the west property line of 96 North Park Avenue.

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- Thence south along the west property line of 96 North Park Avenue to the south property line of 96 North Park Avenue.
- Thence east along the south property line of 96 North Park Avenue to the centerline of North Park Avenue.
- Thence north along the centerline of North Park Avenue to the centerline of East Caddie Street.
- Thence west along the centerline of East Caddie Street to the east property line of 939 East Caddie Street.
- Thence north along the east property line of 939 East Caddie Street and 938 East Eighth Street to the centerline of East 8th Street.
- Thence east along the centerline of East Eight Street to the east property line of 1043 East Eight Street.
- Thence north along the east property line of 1043 East Eight Street across the south alley and continuing north along the east property line of 316-342 North Park Avenue to the centerline of the north alley.
- Thence east along the centerline of the north alley across North Fremont Avenue and continuing east along the centerline of the north alley to the east property line of 1104 East 7th Street.
- Thence north along the east property line of 1104 East 7th Street to the centerline of East 7th Street.
- Thence west along the centerline of East 7th Street to the centerline of North Park Avenue.

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- Thence North along the centerline of North Park Avenue to a point opposite the south property line of 420 North Park Avenue.
- Thence east across north Park Avenue and continuing along the south property line of 420 North Park Avenue to the east property line of 420 North Park Avenue.
- Thence north along the east property line of 420 North Park Avenue to the north property line of 420 North Park Avenue.
- Thence east along the north property line of 420 North Park Avenue across North Park Avenue to the centerline of North Park Avenue.
- Thence north along the centerline of North Park Avenue to the centerline of East 6th Street.
- Thence east along the centerline of East 6th Street to a point opposite the east property line of 923 East 6th Street.
- Thence north across East 6th Street and continuing north along the east property line of 923 East 6th Street to the centerline of the alley.
- Thence east along the centerline of the alley across North Tyndall Avenue and continuing east along the centerline of the alley to the west property line of 829 East 6th Street.
- Thence south along the west property line of 829 East 6th Street to the centerline of East 6th Street.
- Thence east along the centerline of East 6th Street to the point of beginning at the centerline of the intersection of East 6th Street and North Euclid Avenue.

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## Justification

Even as recently as the middle 1960's, this District and the adjacent neighborhoods together appeared outwardly as a contiguous and cohesive whole. Certain factors that could distinguish one area from the next such as development and settlement patterns, or the social histories, were not readily apparent on the surface.

Beginning in the middle 60's, and continuing in part even today, were numerous physical changes in the neighborhood and the surrounding areas that served to define boundaries. The most important of these follow.

- . Demolition of houses for the continuing southward and westward expansion of the University of Arizona (UA).
- . Demolition of houses by Tucson Unified School District (TUSD) for School Expansion, administrative facilities, and parking.
- . Upgrading of Euclid Avenue and 6th Street from local feeders to major arterials.
- . Demolition of houses for the construction of intrusive apartment complexes
- . The demolition of houses along the southern periphery by speculative developers.

Currently, the north, east, and south boundaries are defined by these forces. Only the western boundary with the Iron Horse Historic District, retains any semblance of the historic continuity of the neighborhood. Even so, this has been weakened by the expansion of Tucson High School, the widening of Euclid Avenue, and construction of intrusive buildings.

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The District is different from surrounding areas as follows:

- North: The north boundary is the University of Arizona campus, defined by high-rise dormitories and a surface parking lot.
- East: Approximately 40% of the eastern boundary is defined by the UA and TUSD parking lots. Another 20% is defined by non-historic commercial buildings and the TUSD administrative facilities.
- South: The south boundary is 50% vacant land, created when historic houses were torn down for commercial speculation. The other 50% is primarily apartments of recent vintage.
- West: The western border is Euclid Avenue, a natural boundary due to its development as an arterial street. Currently a five lane thoroughfare, Euclid is a part of the City of Tucson's Major Streets and Routes Plan, and is a prime candidate for additional widening.

While the adjacent Iron Horse District is clearly related to this District, there are, upon analysis, perceptible differences between the two.

- A. Density by job description, in Iron Horse East, specifically railroad workers, peaked at 40% of the population in 1910-11, compared to a peak of 60% in 1922 for Iron Horse. The railroad workers in Iron Horse East tended to be in higher paid positions, such as conductors.
- B. The majority of lots in Iron Horse East are substantially larger than in Iron Horse. Accordingly, development densities are less, the highest is 25 dwellings per lot, compared with 35 per lot to the west.

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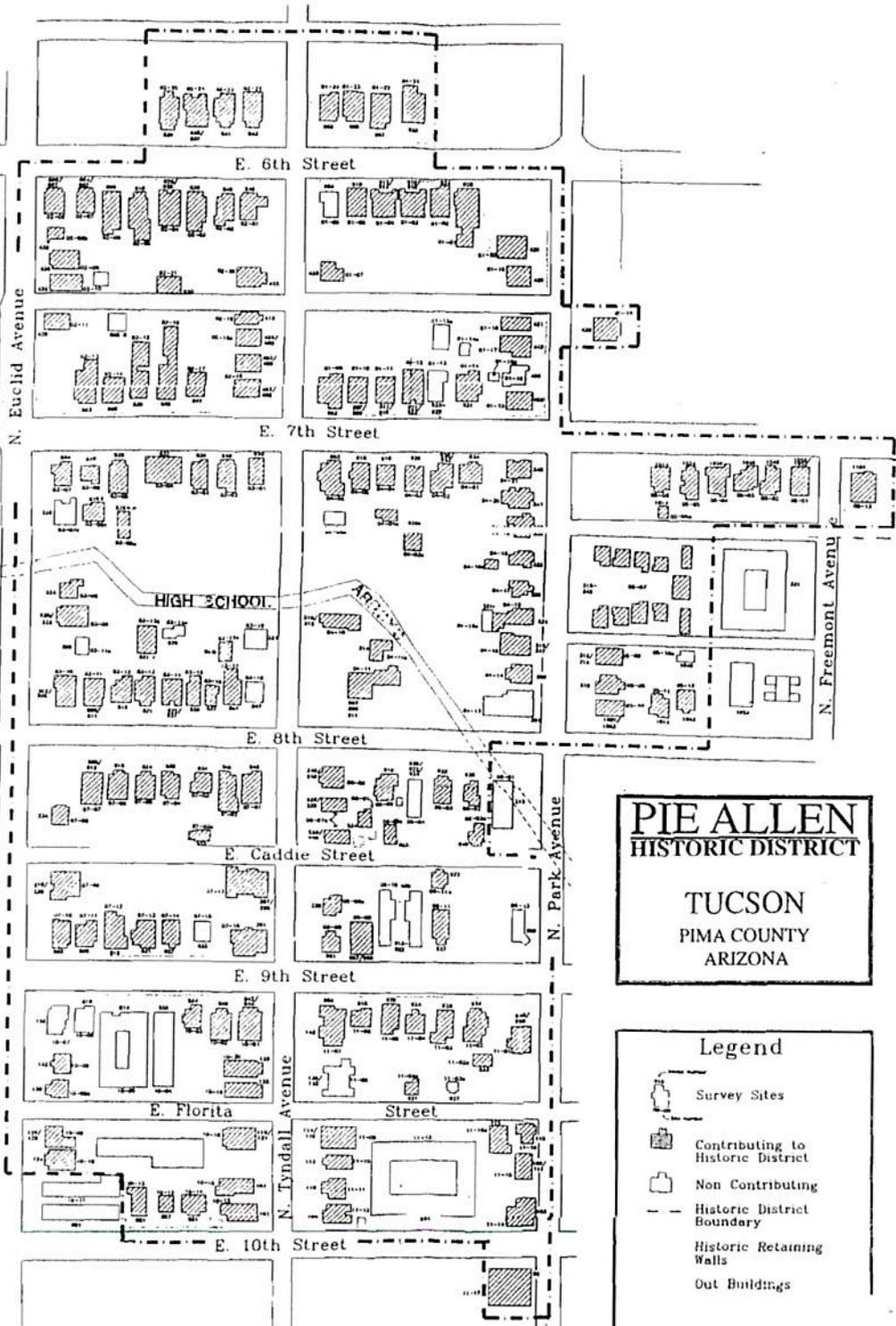
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- C. Construction dates indicate a later development into neighborhood form for Iron Horse East. The most common building styles in the District are Bungalow and various period revivals. While to the west older styles, such as Sonoran, Territorial, Queen Anne, Western Colonial, and Commercial Panel Brick predominate.
- D. Yard setbacks and street widths are generally greater in Iron Horse East.
- E. Intrusions into both areas differ with modern multi-story apartment buildings in Iron Horse East and commercial and single-family housing to the west.

West University  
Historic District



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**Legend**

- Survey Sites
- Contributing to Historic District
- Non Contributing
- Historic District Boundary
- Historic Retaining Walls
- Out Buildings

Iron Horse  
Expansion  
Historic District