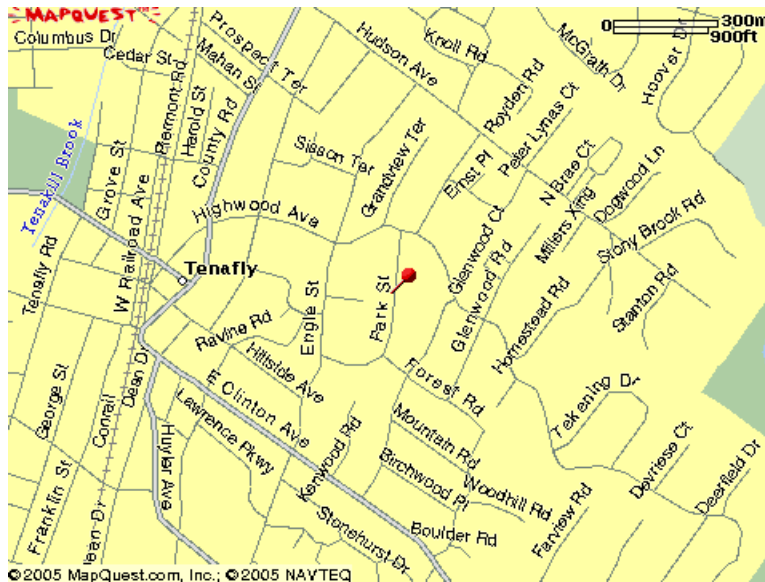


## Description

The Park Street Historic District is located in the northeastern section of the Borough of Tenafly, several long blocks to the east of the Borough's commercial center. The district is distinguished by large, mostly early twentieth-century dwellings set on spacious lots. It is a picturesque, slightly curved street, with carefully landscaped lawns, mature trees, and stylistically distinguished single-family residences that represent a range of architectural styles popular from the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century through the middle of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Styles represented include the Shingle Style, Craftsman Style, Tudor Revival, and Colonial Revival.



The majority of the buildings in the district are two- or two-and-a-half story frame or brick dwellings, oriented to face Park Street. The generous setbacks that characterize the street distinguish Park Street from neighboring development and remain one of the district's most important and defining features.<sup>1</sup> Outbuildings (primarily garages) are, in the great majority, located to the rear of the dwelling, with limited visibility from the street. Buildings are generally in excellent condition, with few significant alterations, and the district maintains strong overall integrity of location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association.

Several of the properties that line the east side of the street are defined by a low stone wall (extending from 14 – 34 Park Street), in places with a pointed top course, which contributes to the overall picturesque quality of the neighborhood and provides a park-like feeling.

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<sup>1</sup> The Tenafly zoning ordinance of 1953 reports that Park Street was defined by the second largest lot size – 20,000 s.f. minimum – with a 15% building coverage. Revised Zoning Map, Tenafly, NJ, Revised as of 10 February 1053.



At several of the properties, the walls are complemented by stone piers that flank driveway openings. Cut stone curbing at the northern end of the district also provides a sense of continuity; it can be seen in front of dwellings at 38, 45, and 46 Park Street, as well as at 129 Highwood Avenue.





The numbering of the houses along the street is also a defining feature; small house numbers can typically be found on stone piers, on small signs hung from or attached to tree branches, or on tiny signs posted on the lawn.

The district includes 25 properties, all residential. The essentially linear district encompasses the entire length of Park Street between Highwood Avenue in the north and Forest Road in the south, and also includes the dwellings that cap each end of the roadway: 129 and 135 Highwood Avenue and 20 Forest Road. These three historic dwellings terminate the vista of Park Street at either end, and have therefore been included in the district.

Of the 25 properties, only three have been designated non-contributing. Contributing properties included in the district range in age from the 1860s (20 Forest Road, the Everett-Dunn House and 135 Highwood Avenue, Elizabeth Cady Stanton House) to the 1930s (#s 2, 8, 14, 26, 34, and 39 Park Street).