1. Name of Property

historic name Marshall's Furniture

other names/site number Downtown Survey Map # DT- 040b

2. Location

street & number 221 S. Iowa Avenue

city or town Washington

Legal Description: (If Rural) Township Name ____________ Township No. ____________ Range No. ____________ Section ____________ Quarter ____________ Quarter

(If Urban) Subdivision ____________ Original Plat ____________ Block(s) ____________ Lot(s) ____________ Lot 8 – S 88’ (2/3)

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

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Name of related project report or multiple property study (Enter “N/A” if the property is not part of a multiple property examination).

Title ____________ Historical Architectural Data Base Number ____________

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions) Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

02E09 Commerce / furniture 02E09 Commerce / furniture

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions) Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

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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)

- Yes  No  More Research Recommended A Property is associated with significant events.
- Yes  No  More Research Recommended B Property is associated with the lives of significant persons.
- Yes  No  More Research Recommended C Property has distinctive architectural characteristics.
- Yes  No  More Research Recommended D Property yields significant information in archeology or history.
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)

- 05: Commerce
- 02: Architecture

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)

10. Geographic Data

UTM References (OPTIONAL)

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☐ See continuation sheet for additional UTM references or comments

11. Form Prepared By

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organization Washington Historic Preservation Commission

date April 18, 2012

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

FOR ALL PROPERTIES

1. Map: showing the property’s location in a town/city or township.
2. Site plan: showing position of buildings and structures on the site in relation to public road(s).
3. 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.

FOR CERTAIN KINDS OF PROPERTIES, INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING AS WELL

1. Farmstead & District: (List of structures and buildings, known or estimated year built, and contributing or noncontributing status)
2. Barn:
   a. A sketch of the frame/truss configuration in the form of drawing a typical middle bent of the barn.
   b. A photograph of the loft showing the frame configuration along one side.
   c. 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: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

Evaluated by (name/title): ____________________________ Date: ____________________________
This form was prepared as part of a research/survey/nomination project in 2011-2012 funded by a HRDP grant from the State Historical Society of Iowa for the nomination of the Washington Downtown Historic District. The project was primarily structured to develop the nomination for the downtown, with additional research on each building documented on an Iowa Site Inventory form. The information below is taken from the table in the August 2012 draft of the nomination, with additional information documented on the property and photographs in the following sections.

Marshall's Furniture - 221 S. Iowa Avenue - State #92-00525 - Map #96 ~ 1 contributing building (A and C) -
1958, 1969 - 1950s commercial modern
Historic information:
  1958 - built for Marshall's Furniture
  1958-2010s - Marshall's Furniture
  2012 - Marshall's Furniture and Carpets
Architectural information:
  Height: 1 story
  Walls: brick veneer
  Storefront: -
  Windows: -
  Architectural details: large windows, brick, canopy
  Architect/Builder: -
  Modifications: Historic: -; Non-historic: 1969 - addition on rear of adjacent lot to west of this building

7. Narrative Description

This is a one story brick commercial building constructed in 1958 to serve as a furniture store. The primary entrance is on the southeast corner of the building, which is chamfered to create a diagonal wall for the entry. The door is glass and aluminum with side lights the height of the door on both sides. The east elevation has a row of nine large single-light display windows in aluminum frames. The south facade has three large single-light display windows. There is a horizontal metal canopy over the sidewalk along the east and south facades, which is original to the building. The hipped roof has no ridge and is covered with asphalt shingles. The building appears nearly the same as the 1976 photograph.

8. Narrative Statement of Significance

Marshall's Furniture appears to contribute historically and architecturally to the Washington Downtown Historic District.

Ralph Marshall purchased the property on December 19, 1957. In addition to the south 2/3 of Lot 8, he also acquired the north half of Lot 7 and the east 19’ of Lot 6 to the west. This building at 221 S. Iowa was then built in 1958. Marshall's Furniture is listed here in ads in May 1958 and May 1961. It is listed
here in the 1964 city directory. The Bicentennial Edition, *Evening Journal*, July 1, 1976, page 29 notes that Marshall's Furniture is located at 221 S. Iowa and has been in business for 22 years. A photo is included of the building and staff. Ralph Marshall bought Scott Furniture on the north side of the square in 1954, and he built a larger store on S. Iowa in 1958 to move the business. The north (rear) half of Lot 7 to the west originally had a large implement warehouse building (which first appeared here in 1909), associated with a business to the north on the south side of the square, and it was torn down in 1969 to build the current showroom addition. Marshall's also moved into Earl Wood's building to the west at 108 W. Jefferson (see #92-00526), later buying it in 1978. In the 1970s, they also expanded into the concrete block building at 116 W. Jefferson (see #92-00527). Around 2003, Marshall's built a metal addition on the east side of the garage/storage building in the remaining space between this building at 116 W. Jefferson and 108 W. Jefferson. Currently, Marshall's operates in this set of buildings.

### 9. Major Bibliographical References


Newspaper advertisements, various years/dates, on microfilm at Washington Public Library:
- *Washington Evening Journal*
- *Washington Gazette*
- *Washington Press*

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**Location map**

*2009 aerial photograph (Washington County) – line indicates survey/research area boundary*
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221 S. Iowa Avenue

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Building plan (from assessor's website)
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Address: 221 S. Iowa Avenue, Washington, City

Digital photographs

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