

PRIMARY RECORD

Primary #: _____
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NRHP Status Code: _____
Other Listings _____
Review Code _____ Reviewer _____ Date _____

- *Resource Name or #: 157 East G Street
P1. Other Identifier: none
*P2. .Location: *a. County Solano
b. Address 157 East G Street
*c. City: Benicia Zip 94510
d. UTM: N/A
e. USGS Quad: Benicia T2N R3W MDM
*f. Other Locational Data (APN #): 89-341-15

***P3a. Description:**

This is a vernacular two-story pyramidal house with a low hip roof. There is a slight eave overhang and the east slope of the roof is pierced by a brick chimney. The house is sited on an incline with the lower story below the street level and the principal entry and porch at the second story, level with the sidewalk. A hip roof and three-quarter length porch spans the front façade. The porch roof is supported on 4X4 wood posts. Symmetrically arranged, the windows are two-over-two double hung with thin muntins. The centrally placed entry door is recessed with a paneled and glazed entry door. A single story shed addition is located at the rear on the west side of the building and is free standing. Cladding is a faux brick asbestos material which appears to have been applied over the original clapboard siding.

*P3b. Resource Attributes: HP2

*P4. Resources Present: Building Structure Object Site District Element of District

P5b. Description of Photo:

Front façade, view north

*P6. Date Constructed/Age: circa 1870s

P5. Photograph or Drawing (Photograph required for buildings, structures, and objects.)



Prehistoric Historic Both

***P7. Owner and Address:**

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***P8. Recorded by:**

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*P9. Date Recorded: 11-20-04

*P10. Type of Survey: Intensive

Reconnaissance
Other

Describe Eligibility Evaluation

*P11. Report Citation: none

*Attachments: NONE Map Sheet
Continuation Sheet Building, Structure, and
Object Record Linear Resource Record
Archaeological Record District Record
Milling Station Record Rock Art Record
 Artifact Record Photograph Record
Other (List):

BUILDING, STRUCTURE, AND OBJECT RECORD

*Resource Identifier: 157 East G Street

*NRHP Status Code: 3D

B1. Historic Name: N/A

B2. Common Name: none

B3. Original Use: residential

B4. Present Use: residential

*B5. Architectural Style: Vernacular pyramidal house type

*B6. Construction History: The style of this house indicates a relatively early construction date circa the 1870s. However, the house does not appear at this location on the 1886 Sanborn Map. It has been minimally altered with the exception of the faux brick siding that appears to cover the original cladding.

*B7. Moved? No Yes Unknown

Date: N/A

Original Location: same

*B8. Related Features: none

B9a. Architect: unknown

B9b. Builder: unknown

*B10. Significance: Theme: Benicia Downtown District
Single Family

Period of Significance: 1847-1940

Property Type:

Applicable Criteria: A / C

One of the several Vernacular residential structures in Benicia, this house dates to the early development of the town. It is associated with the beginning of residential development just off the main commercial streets. It is a good example of its style and retains a number of original elements including the windows, doors and porch configuration. It is very unusual in its siting with the second story abutting the street and the first story at the base of the incline that begins at the edge of the sidewalk. The faux siding impairs the appearance of the house, but covers the original siding which appears to remain intact. The house is a contributor to the Downtown Benicia Historic District and should retain that status.

B11. Additional Resource Attributes: N/A

B12. References: McAlester, Virginia and Lee. *A Field Guide to American Houses*. New York: Alfred Knopf (1986); Brueggemann, Robert. *Benicia Portrait of an Early California Town: An Architectural History* (San Francisco: 101 Productions (1980); Woodbridge, Sally and Cannon Design Group. *Benicia, California: Downtown Historic Conservation Plan*. City of Benicia, 1990; Sanborn Map Benicia, CA. 1886; 1986 Benicia Historic Inventory form.

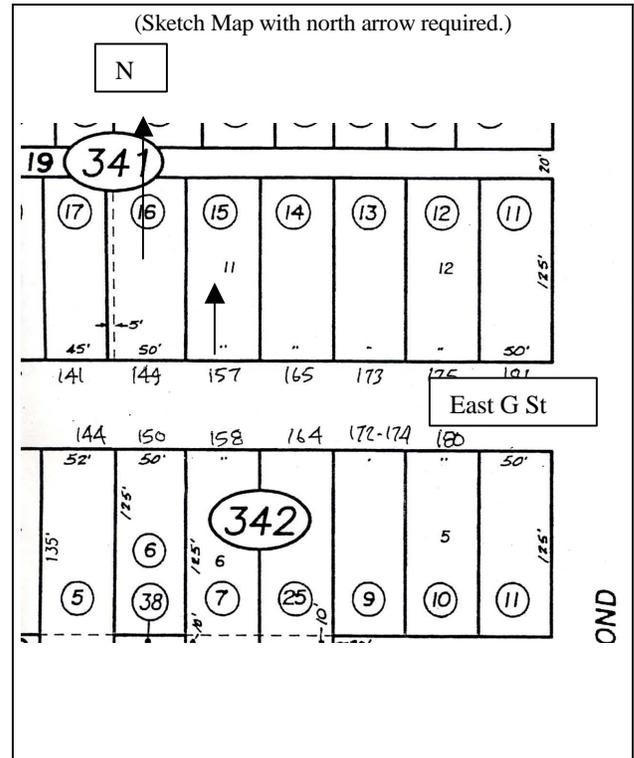
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Remarks: N/A

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B 15. Date of Evaluation: 11-22-04



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