

# PRIMARY RECORD

Primary #: \_\_\_\_\_  
HRI # \_\_\_\_\_  
Trinomial \_\_\_\_\_  
NRHP Status Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other Listings \_\_\_\_\_  
Review Code \_\_\_\_\_ Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*Resource Name or #: 165 West F Street

- P1. Other Identifier:** none  
**\*P2. .Location:** \*a. County Solano  
b. Address 165 West F Street  
**\*c. City:** Benicia **Zip** 94510  
d. UTM: N/A  
e. USGS Quad: Benicia T2N R3W MDM  
**\*f. Other Locational Data (APN #):** 89-115-21

**\*P3a. Description:**

This is a simple vernacular "Salt Box" house dating from the 1860s or very early 1870s. Rectangular in plan, the house has a low side gable roof with a shed roof addition to the rear. A shed roof porch spans the full length of the façade. Beginning just under the eave line of the gable roof, the porch treatment gives the house a horizontal aspect. The porch roof is supported on thin round columns with rectangular caps. An open patterned rail encloses the porch which, like the house, is raised a half-story. Fenestration is arranged across the east side of the front elevation and consists of vertical one-over-one windows in wooden casings. A replacement door is found on the west side of the front façade. The house is set on a moderate incline and is accessed via a long set of wooden stair with a balustrade. It is clad with asbestos shingle.

**\*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:** 1860

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



Prehistoric  Historic  Both

**\*P7. Owner and Address:**

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165 West F Street  
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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: 165 West F Street

\*NRHP Status Code: 3D

B1. Historic Name: N/A

B2. Common Name: none

B3. Original Use: Residential

B4. Present Use: Residence

\*B5. Architectural Style: Vernacular Hall and Parlor House

\*B6. Construction History: unknown

\*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

The building is a good example of a Vernacular cottage built in the 1860s. It is associated with the early development of the town of Benicia. It appears on the 1886 Sanborn Map and is designated as "old" by that time. It retains most of its character defining features including its distinctive "Salt Box" roof, simple unadorned window and door treatment and its full-length covered porch. It was identified in the 1986 historic survey and is identified as a contributor to the District on the 1991 Historic District Map. It continues to contribute to the district and should be considered for Landmark 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.

