

# PRIMARY RECORD

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NRHP Status Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other Listings \_\_\_\_\_  
Review Code \_\_\_\_\_ Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

- \*Resource Name or #: 172 East H Street  
P1. Other Identifier: none  
\*P2. .Location: \*a. County Solano  
b. Address: 172 East H Street  
\*c. City: Benicia Zip 94510  
d. UTM: N/A  
e. USGS Quad: Benicia T2N R3W MDM  
\*f. Other Locational Data (APN #): 89-341-09  
\*P3a. Description:

This house presents a Mediterranean Revival façade to the street. An L-plan building with a cross gable roof of steep slope, the façade itself is flanked by attached arched side gates which visually expand the horizontal line of the building. The gable end is clipped with a small, terra cotta pipe attic vent at the ridge. A side entry porch is located on the east side of the façade. It has a door-width shed roof supported on stucco posts with an arched opening. The porch roof is Mission tile. An arched window with multi-light sidelights occupies the west side of façade. Other fenestration consists of one-over-one single and paired, double hung windows. There are some aspects of the house that suggest it may have been built earlier than the 1920s and remodeled into its present appearance during this period when revival styles were popular. The cross gable and the chimney suggest the possibility of 19<sup>th</sup> century construction. A single story dwelling in the same plan is shown at this location on the 1886 Sanborn Map.

- \*P3b. Resource Attributes: HP2  
\*P4. Resources Present:  Building  Structure  Object  Site  District  Element of District  
P5b. Description of Photo:  
Front façade, view south

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



- \*P6. Date Constructed/Age: 1880/1920 remodel  
 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: 172 East H Street

\*NRHP Status Code: 6L

B1. Historic Name: N/A

B2. Common Name: none

B3. Original Use: Residential

B4. Present Use: Residential

\*B5. Architectural Style: Mediterranean Revival

\*B6. Construction History: This may have been a vernacular L-plan house which was remodeled in the 1940s to give it the appearance of a revival style house. If this is the case, the remodel would have taken place within the period of significance.

\*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 Period of Significance: -1847-1940 Property Type: Single Family Applicable Criteria: A / C

The chimney and the roof line of the rear cross gable suggest the possibility of an earlier house that was remodeled to its current Mediterranean appearance. The remodel took place within the period of significance, but like several other houses in Benicia that underwent this type of alteration, the changes were incomplete. A new stylized façade was added to the front of a 19<sup>th</sup> century house without changing the entire building to conform to the new style. As a result the house does not retain integrity to either the original period of construction, or to the period of alteration. The house is listed in the City inventory as a possible contributor to the Downtown Historic District. Although it is one of the more successful examples of an older house redone in a Mediterranean Style, it does not contribute to the Historic District.

B11. Additional Resource Attributes: N/A

B12. References: McAlester, Virginia and Lee. *A Field Guide to American Houses*. New York: Alfred Knopf (1986); Bruegmann, 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.

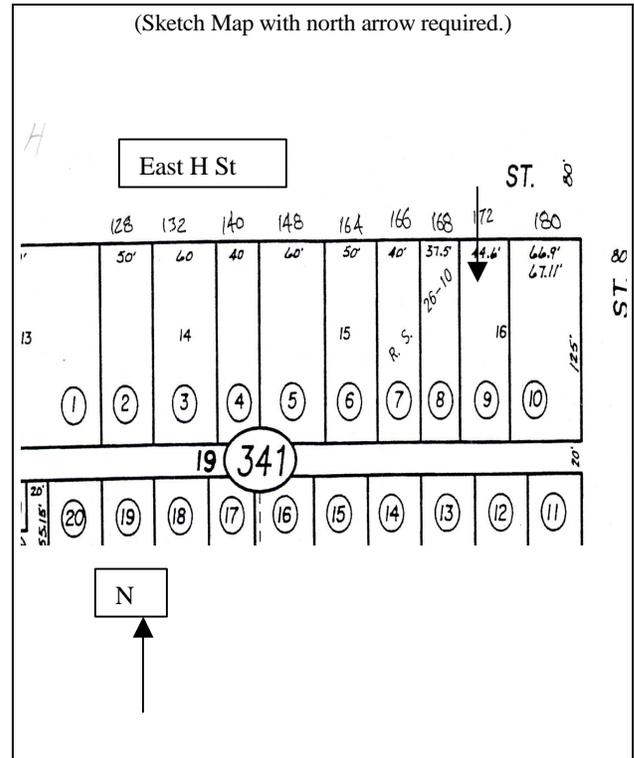
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Remarks: N/A

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



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