

PRIMARY RECORD

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Other Listings _____
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*Resource Name or #: 172 East I Street

- P1. Other Identifier:**
***P2. .Location: *a. County** Solano
b. Address: 172 East I Street
***c. City:** Benicia **Zip** 94510
d. UTM: N/A
e. USGS Quad: Benicia T2N R3W MDM
***f. Other Locational Data (APN #):** 89-052-08

***P3a. Description**

This is a classic Vernacular Pyramid house. This vernacular form originated in the 1870s and persisted through the 1930s. Nearly square in footprint, the style derives its name from the equilateral roof shape. The roof has slight eave overhangs and a plain cornice. A three-quarter length covered porch is centered on the front façade. The porch has a hip roof which is supported on square posts. A closed porch rail spans the front with access on the side near the driveway. The entry door and front windows are arranged symmetrically. Fenestration is double hung with the upper sash decoratively divided by multiple muntins. The entry door is paneled with a circular window. The house is clad with clapboard.

***P3b. Resource Attributes:** HP2

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

P5b. Description of Photo:

Front façade, view south

***P6. Date Constructed/Age:** 1900
 Prehistoric Historic Both

***P7. Owner and Address:**

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



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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 I Street

*NRHP Status Code: 3D

B1. Historic Name: N/A

B2. Common Name:

B3. Original Use:

B4. Present Use: commercial

*B5. Architectural Style: Vernacular

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 house is an excellent example of a simple folk type. It has the characteristic pyramid hip roof, symmetrical arrangement of the façade, spanning porch and modest detail that characterize so called "Pyramidal Houses." It appears to have been little altered. The house is a contributor to the Downtown Historic District and should remain as such.

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.

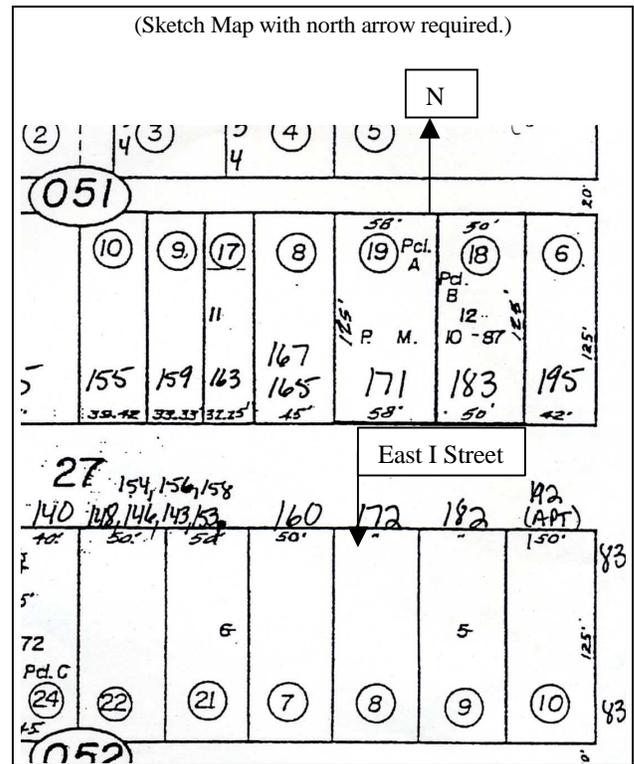
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Remarks: N/A

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



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