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

*Resource Name or 440 West J Street

- P1. Other Identifier: None
*P2. Location: *a. County
b. Address: 440 West J Street
*c. City: Benicia Zip 94510
d. UTM: N/A
e. USGS Quad: Benicia T2N R3W MDM
*f. Other Locational Data (APN #): 89-031-060

***P3a. Description**

This is an L-shape plan Italianate Revival Cottage. It is one-story and is constructed on an elevated foundation. The primary mass of the building is surmounted by a hip roof with a front projecting wing surmounted by a front gable roof. Roofs are moderately pitched with small overhangs. Front gable overhang is supported on molded brackets and has a fascia and eave returns. A full length porch spans the front elevation with a double wide stair on the east side. The porch is enclosed with an open low plain rail. Fenestration consists of paired and single one-over-one double hung windows set into arched casements with brackets and wood awnings. The entry is recessed with a partially glazed and paneled door with an arched transom. A small entry porch roof is supported on brackets. Cladding is lap siding.

- *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: Circa 1880s. Source: Sanborn Maps.
 Prehistoric Historic Both

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



***P7. Owner and Address:**

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*P8. Recorded by:
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*P9. Date Recorded: 9-24-08

*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):

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B1. Historic Name: None

B2. Common Name: None

B3. Original Use: residence

B4. Present Use: residence

***B5. Architectural Style:** Italianate Cottage

***B6. Construction History:** The house was originally constructed circa 1880s. In recent times a large rectangular rear addition has been added.

***B7. Moved?** No Yes Unknown **Date:** **Original Location:** Same

***B8. Related Features:** None

B9a. Architect: Unknown

b. Builder: Unknown

***B10. Significance: Theme:** Benicia Downtown District **Period of Significance:** 1847-1940 **Property Type:**

Single family residence **Applicable Criteria:** A / C

The property is a good example of its style and period. A building of similar form appears on the 1891 Sanborn Map in this location. Although the rear addition is very large in proportion to the original historic structure, it is aligned with the front structure in such a manner that it is not visible from the front elevation. The original portion of the building retains its design, original or replacement-in-kind materials, workmanship, setting, location and association. It currently contributes to the Downtown Benicia Historic District and should continue in this status.

B10.. Additional Resource Attributes: None

***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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B13. Remarks: None

*B14. Evaluator: Carol Roland, Ph.D.

*B15. Date of Evaluation: 7-30-08

