

PRIMARY RECORD

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Other Listings _____
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*Resource Name or #: 472 East H Street

P1. Other Identifier: Barzilla Cox Garden Cottages

*P2. .Location: *a. County Solano

b. Address: 472 East H Street

*c. City: Benicia Zip 94510

d. UTM: N/A

e. USGS Quad: Benicia T2N R3W MDM

*f. Other Locational Data (APN #): 80-171-19

*P3a. Description:

This is one of two small cottages believed to have been built by Barzilla Cox who owned an 1855 two-story house next door. This house was demolished in the 1980s. The cottage is a one-story structure set on a raised foundation. It is simple rectangular building with a front gable roof. It is best characterized as a modest Italianate with detailing added to the front gable. The moderately sloped gable roof has overhanging gables and eaves. The gable is finished with a plain fascia and is supported on curved brackets. A tall corbelled brick chimney pierces the west slope of the roof. The narrow front elevation is occupied on the west side by paired vertically emphasized double hung windows set in pedimented wooden casings with bracketed sills. A recessed entry occupies the east side of the façade. The entry is faced with plain pilasters and has a bracketed flat pediment that covers the entry stoop. The door is a modern replacement but the transom is original. The house is clad with clapboard while the raised foundation is sided with lap siding.

*P3b. Resource Attributes: HP2

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

P5b. Description of Photo:

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



Front façade, view south

*P6. Date Constructed/Age: 1860
 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: 472 East H Street

*NRHP Status Code: 3D

B1. Historic Name: N/A

B2. Common Name:

B3. Original Use: Residence

B4. Present Use: Residence

*B5. Architectural Style: Italianate cottage

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

This small cottage is an excellent example of a simple Italianate Cottage. It retains character defining features of the style in its roof treatment, fenestration, entry, bracketed gable and pediments. It is associated with one of the early settlers of Benicia, Barzilla Cox, and like other houses from the 19th century located along H Street it was built when the street served as the primary route to the Pacific Steamship Company. The house contributes to the Benicia Historic District and should continue to retain the status. In conjunction with its neighboring house at 480 East H Street it might be considered for Landmark status due to its age and association with the Cox family.

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.

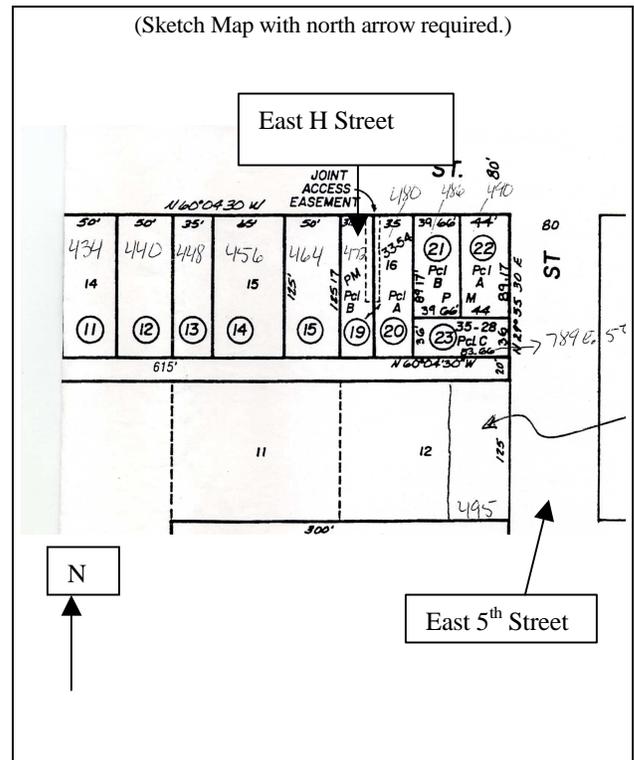
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Remarks: N/A

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



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