

# PRIMARY RECORD

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

\*Resource Name or #: 551 East H Street

P1. Other Identifier:

\*P2. .Location: \*a. County Solano

b. Address: 551 East H Street

\*c. City: Benicia Zip 94510

d. UTM: N/A

e. USGS Quad: Benicia T2N R3W MDM

\*f. Other Locational Data (APN #): 89-072-14

\*P3a. Description

This small cottage appears to be an early example of a Greek Revival residence. According to the 1886 survey the lot on which the house is sited was improved in 1867, a date consistent with the style of this building. The house is rectangular in plan with a front gable roof. The gable has a small overhang with a narrow fascia and a wide verge board and eave returns. The building is unoccupied and boarded and its former porch has been removed, although the shadow of the porch is clearly evident. The center gabled porch was still in place at the time of 1986 survey photo. The original four panel door with transom is still in place, as are part of the window casings and muntins. The windows exhibit a flat pediment. The building is clad in clapboard.

\*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

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: 551 East H Street

\*NRHP Status Code: 3D

B1. Historic Name: N/A

B2. Common Name:

B3. Original Use: Residence

B4. Present Use: Unoccupied

\*B5. Architectural Style: Greek Revival

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

Although very simple in conception and in deteriorating condition, this is among the older residences within the historic district boundaries. It was not listed as a contributor to the district following on the 1986 survey for reasons that are not known. If the building fabric can be salvaged in rehabilitation, the building should be listed as a contributor to the district.

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.

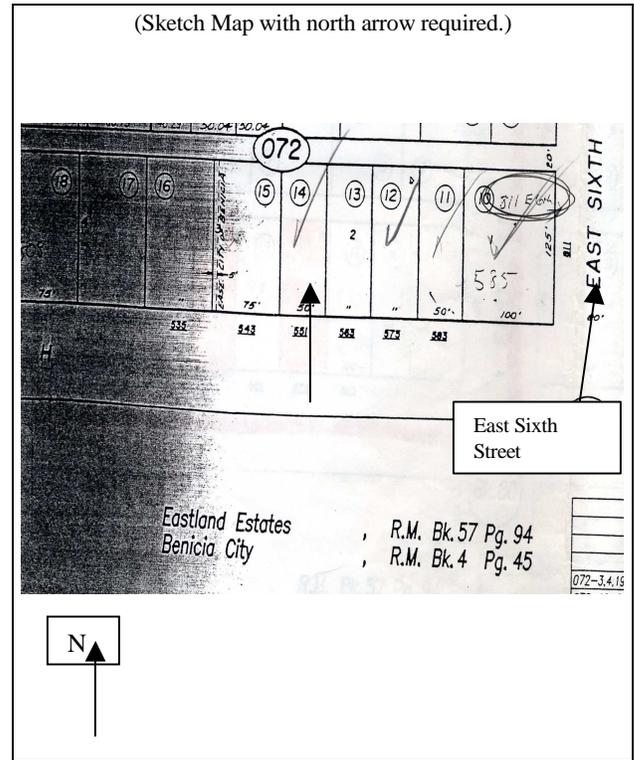
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Remarks: N/A

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



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