State of California — The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

PRIMARY RECORD

Primary #: _____
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Trinomial _____
NRHP Status Code: _____
Other Listings _____
Review Code ____ Reviewer _____ Date __ _____

***Resource Name or #:** 149 East D Street
P1. Other Identifier: none
***P2. .Location: *a. County** Solano
b. Address: 149 East D Street
***c. City:** Benicia **Zip** 94510
d. UTM: N/A
e. USGS Quad: Benicia T2N R3W MDM
***f. Other Locational Data (APN #):** 89-372-15

***P3a. Description:** This is a rectangular plan one and one-half story residence with a shed roof addition at the rear. The side gabled roof is steeply pitched with closed eaves and a prominent gable overhang. The gable is trimmed with decorative latticed facia with the lattice work also applied to the eaves. It is possible that this trim was added later than the original construction, but within the period of significance. Fenestration consists primarily of singly arranged double hung windows that are vertically emphasized. On the west side of the front façade the original window has been replaced and possibly enlarged. Glazing in other windows is also replacement. The window casements are bracketed at the bottom and have narrow bracketed wooden pediments at the top. A small wooden porch projects between the two front windows. The porch is covered by a projecting gable supported on square columns. Turned balusters support the stair rail. The porch gable end is trimmed with the same lattice work as the roof. The house is clad with lap siding.

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

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

***P6. Date Constructed/Age:** 1854
☐ Prehistoric ■Historic ☐ Both
***P7. Owner and Address:**
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***P8. Recorded by:**
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***P9. Date Recorded:** 11-22-04
***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:** 149 East D Street ***NRHP Status Code:** 3D

B1. Historic Name: N/A

B2. Common Name: none

B3. Original Use: Residential **B4. Present Use:** Residential

***B5. Architectural Style:** Vernacular

***B6. Construction History:** According to the 1986 historical survey the house was constructed by Edward Daley or Delley. A house of the same footprint is found in this location on the 1886 Sanborn Map. The principal alterations appear to be the replacement of glazing in several windows including the west front window, which also may have been enlarged. There is a car port addition on the east side of the house. It is possible that the lattice work trim and the front porch were added to the house after its construction, but within the period of significance.

***B7. Moved?** ■ No ☐ Yes ☐ Unknown **Date:** N/A **Original Location:** same

***B8. Related Features**: Car port addition on the east side of the lot.

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 a contributor to the City's Downtown Historic District. It is an early vernacular residence and is significant in the context of the settlement and early development of the town. Under Criterion C it is an example of a surviving vernacular cottage of the hall and parlor type. Such houses were based on a British folk form which spread across the United States with westward expansion in the 19th century. Benicia has several examples of this type of residence which are rare in California. The building is eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources as part of a district and may be individually eligible due to its early construction. Based on the Map of the Downtown District Plan, the building contributes to the Downtown Historic District and should continue in this status.

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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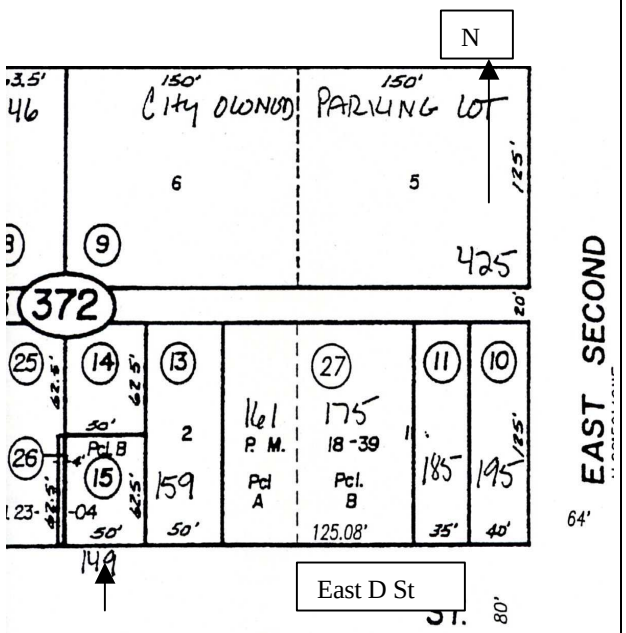
(Sketch Map with north arrow required.)



Remarks: N/A

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

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