

Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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| Inventory No: | CON.AJ |
| Historic Name: | Main Street Area II |
| Common Name: | |
| Address: | |
| City/Town: | Concord |
| Village/Neighborhood: | Concord Center |
| Local No: | |
| Year Constructed: | |
| Architect(s): | |
| Architectural Style(s): | |
| Use(s): | Residential District |
| Significance: | Architecture; Community Planning |
| Area(s): | |
| Designation(s): | |
| Building Materials(s): | |



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Massachusetts Historical Commission
80 Boylston Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

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CONCORD

A5

720-724



CONCORD

Neighborhood or village) _____

Concord center

Area _____ Main Street: 591-661

Use _____ residential

Construction Dates or Period _____ ca. 1906-1930's

Condition _____

good

Intrusions and Alterations _____ modern

houses interspersed

Acreage _____ ca. 8 acres

Recorded by _____ A. Forbes

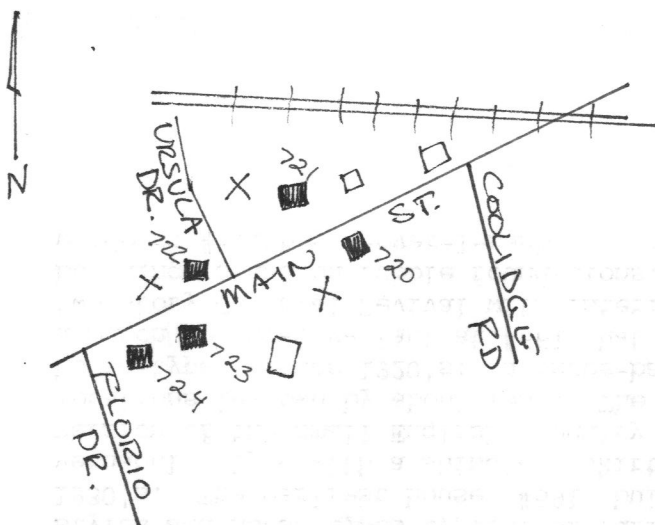
Organization _____ for Concord Histor. Comm.

Date (month/day/year) _____ June, 1992

591 Main Street (CON. 720)

Sketch Map

Draw a map of the area indicating properties within it. Number each property for which individual inventory forms have been completed. Label streets including route numbers, if any. Attach a separate sheet if space is not sufficient here. Indicate North.



AREA FORM

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION ☐ *see continuation sheet*

Describe architectural, structural and landscape features and evaluate in terms of other areas within the community.

In spite of some modern residential construction in the area, this section of Main Street is largely a neighborhood that represents the slow progression of modest styles and house-types typical of various parts of Concord from ca. 1906 through 1930's. The earliest house, #591, built ca. 1906, is a late 2-story Queen Anne vernacular type with a shingled, skirted second story. The latest, #632, is one version of the small English "country cottage" that was appearing at scattered locations in town by about 1930. The other three buildings here are Colonial house-types of the 1920's: a three-bay Dutch Colonial Revival of 1929-30 at #602, a Dutch Colonial variant at #661 that lacks the characteristic shed dormers, and a two-story Colonial Revival with interior end chimneys at #653. Several of the buildings stand on rubble foundations. All the later houses have 6-over-6-sash windows; #591 has 6-over-1-sash.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE ☐ *see continuation sheet*

Explain historical development of the area. Discuss how this area relates to the historical development of the community.

By the first decade of the twentieth century, scattered houses were beginning to appear on properties divided out of the old Wood and Hosmer farms along Main Street west of the railroad.

Further research should reveal the early owners of most of these houses. The earliest building, #591, was apparently built about 1906 by Robertson James. Living at that time off Lexington Road, he owned several rental properties at the center, including the "Dovecote" across the street at #586, and he may have built this house for investment purposes and rented out both buildings.

As is the case throughout Concord, these early modern buildings co-exist not only with earlier historic buildings, but with other historical evidence, as well. A family gravesite behind #602 remains from a 1792 Hosmer family burial, marked by a table tablet. (See #586 Main Street, "The Dovecote.")

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES ☐ *see continuation sheet*

Maps and atlases: 1906.
Town directories.

☐ Recommended as a National Register District. *If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*

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INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

Community

Property

CONCORD

Main St: 591-661

Massachusetts Historical Commission
80 Boylston Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Area(s) Form No.
A5 720-724

AREA DATA SHEET
description

| MHC #/ Parcel # | Address | description | date | condition |
|--------------------|-----------------|--|----------|-----------|
| 720 F9-3970 | 591 Main Street | - late 2 1/2-story Queen Anne vernac. Wood shingle and synthetic siding, with skirted second story. 6/1 windows. | ca. 1906 | fair |
| 721 F9-3860 | 602 Main Street | - Dutch Colonial Revival Wood shakes. 3-bay hip-roofed shingle/ clapboard garage/cottage to rear. | 1930 | good |
| 722 F9-3858 | 632 Main Street | - English Revival cottage Synthetic siding. Prominent steep facade gable and exterior chimney. | ca. 1930 | fair |
| 723 F9-3974 | 653 Main Street | - 2-story Colonial Revival Wood clapboard, rubble foundation. 6/6 windows, interior end chimneys. | 1920's | good |
| 724 F9-3975 | 661 Main Street | - Dutch Colonial Revival Wood clapboard; rubble foundation. | 1920's | fair |

MHC INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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MACRIS No.

CON. AJ

AREA AJ
PL-CONCORD
USGS-CONCORD
SECTION-B

720 - 591 MAIN ST

721 - 602 MAIN ST (ALSO AREA DU-LHD 3/12/62)

722 - 632 MAIN ST

723 - 653 MAIN ST

724 - 661 MAIN ST

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602 Main Street (CON. 721)



838, 844 Main Street (CON. 739 and CON. 741)



622 Main Street



653 and 661 Main Street
(CON. 723)