

## PRIMARY RECORD

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

\*Resource Name or #: 117 East F Street

P1. Other Identifier: none

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

b. Address: 117 East F Street

\*c. City: Benicia Zip 94510

d. UTM: N/A

e. USGS Quad: Benicia T2N R3W MDM

\*f. Other Locational Data (APN#) 89-342-21

This residence was built in the Gothic style which was very popular in the period from 1850-1880. Of the various sub-types within this style, this house falls within one of the most common, the center gabled house. T-shape in plan, the house is set on a raised foundation. It has a steeply pitched side gable roof with enclosed rafters and plain verge board and decorative fascia on the gable ends. A steep cross gable rises over the centered front entry and a lower cross gable extends to the rear of the building. A covered porch with an enclosed rail is centered on the front façade between the two symmetrically arranged front windows. The porch has a hipped roof supported on capped wooden posts. The entry stair is wooden with a plain wooden replacement balustrade. The windows are double hung paired four-over-one and are very narrow. Small windows also have been opened in the half basement story.

Resource Attributes: HP2/HP6

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

P5b. Description of Photo:

Front façade, view north

\*P6. Date Constructed/Age: 1870

☐ Prehistoric ☒ Historic ☐ Both

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



\*P7. Owner and Address:

Mateus/Maria Morais  
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\*P8. Recorded by:

Carol Roland  
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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: 117 East F Street

\*NRHP Status Code: 3D

B1. Historic Name: N/A

B2. Common Name: none

B3. Original Use: Residential

B4. Present Use: Commerical

\*B5. Architectural Style: Gothic Cottage

\*B6. Construction History: This building was constructed circa 1870 and appears to have had few alterations.

\*B7. Moved? ☒ No ☐ Yes ☐ Unknown

Date: N/A

Original Location: same

\*B8. Related Features: none

A small, single story office building or guest house has been constructed in the side yard to the east of the house. It is set back on the lot. It was constructed sometime after 1977.

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 is one of a small number of residences built in Benicia in the Gothic Cottage style. This example is smaller and more modest than either the Frisbie-Walsh or the Wingfield houses. The house embodies most of the basic characteristics of the style including the steeply pitched side gabled roof and centered cross gable, the decorative fascia on the gable ends, the paired elongated fenestration and the one-story porch. The building was recorded by HABS in 1977 as a good example of its style. Since that time the derelict house has been restored and converted from residential to small business usage, a change which has not affected its exterior appearance. The building is a contributor to the Downtown Historic District and retains its integrity of design, materials, workmanship, setting, location, feeling and association. It should continue to contribute 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. HABS, Library of Congress, 1977.

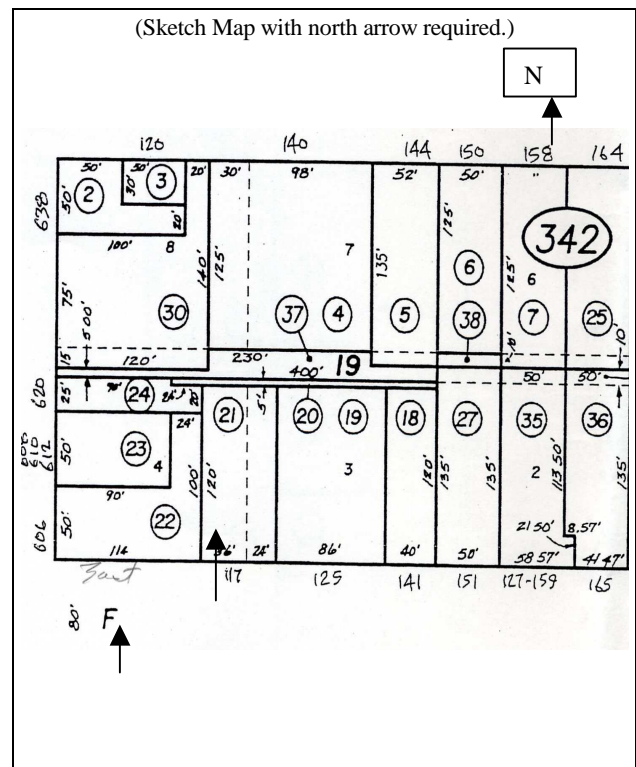
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Remarks: N/A

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



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