

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY - BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

Please send completed form to: Stacey Vairo, National Register and State Register Coordinator,
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* Note: Please attach any additional or expanded information on a separate sheet.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Building Name (Common) 397 Church Street
 Building Name (Historic) Robert S. Maynard House
 Street Address or Location 397 Church Street
 Town/City Guilford Village _____ County New Haven
 Owner(s) Gail and Daniel Kotowski Public Private

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: Residential: single dwelling
 Historic Use: Residential: single dwelling

Accessibility to public: Exterior visible from public road? Yes No

Interior accessible? Yes No If yes, explain _____

Style of building Colonial Revival Date of Construction c. 1900 (Helander)

Material(s) (Indicate use or location when appropriate):

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard | <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding | <input type="checkbox"/> Brick | <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle | <input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone | <input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten | <input type="checkbox"/> Stucco | <input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone | <input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete (Type _____) | <input type="checkbox"/> Cut Stone (Type _____) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | |

Structural System

- Wood Frame Post & Beam Balloon Load bearing masonry Structural iron or steel
 Other _____

Roof (Type)

- Gable Flat Mansard Monitor Sawtooth
 Gambrel Shed Hip Round Other _____

(Material)

- Wood Shingle Roll Asphalt Tin Slate Asphalt Shingle
 Built up Tile Other _____

Number of Stories: 1 1/2 Approximate Dimensions 20' x 30'

Structural Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

Exterior Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

Location Integrity: On original site Moved When? _____

Alterations? Yes No If yes, explain: _____

FOR OFFICE USE: Town # _____ Site # _____ UTM _____

District: S NR If NR, Specify: Actual Potential

PROPERTY INFORMATION (CONT'D)**Related outbuildings or landscape features:**

- Barn Shed Garage Carriage House Shop Garden
 Other landscape features or buildings: _____

Surrounding Environment:

- Open land Woodland Residential Commercial Industrial Rural
 High building density Scattered buildings visible from site

- Interrelationship of building and surroundings:

This property sits on 0.78 acres of land on the east side of Church Street. A driveway extends east off the road, and terminates at a parking area to the northeast of the house. Directly across the street is the Guilford Police Station and Safety Complex. Just to the south is the exit and entrance ramps to I-95. Less than a mile to the south is the Guilford Green. Surrounding the property are commercial properties, nineteenth and twentieth century dwellings.

- Other notable features of building or site (Interior and/or Exterior)

This is a Colonial Revival style, one and a half-story dwelling with an attic and a side-gable roof. The house is sheathed in clapboard siding, the roof is covered with asphalt shingles, and the foundation is stone. The three-bay façade faces west. The main entry is centered on this side and is reached by stone steps. A partial-width, open front porch is centered on the facade. (See continuation sheet)

Architect Unknown Builder Unknown

- Historical or Architectural importance:

Robert S. Maynard was the original owner of the dwelling and it was built c. 1900. Robert Stockdale Maynard was born in 1854 in Old Lyme to Anson Maynard (1830-1896) and Augusta H. Appleby (1835-1909). He married Mary Ellen (1863-1954) in 1883 and they had one son, Elbert Stockdale Maynard (1884-1935). According to the 1900 US Federal Census records, Robert S. Maynard (age 45) was listed as a day laborer living on State Street with his wife and son. By 1910, Maynard and his wife were living on Church Street and he was listed as a farmer in the US Federal Census records. Robert S. Maynard died in 1930.

- Sources:

Guilford Tax Assessor property records accessed at <http://www.propertyrecordcards.com/PropertyResults.aspx?towncode=060&uniqueid=2762> on October 10, 2015. Helander, Joel; "A Treasury of Guilford Places"; Guilford, Connecticut; 2008. Ancestry.com. 1900 United States Federal Census of Guilford, Connecticut. Ancestry.com. 1910 United States Federal Census of Guilford, Connecticut.

Photographer Kristen Nietering Date 4/26/2015
View West view of the house, camera facing east. Negative on File _____
Name Kristen Nietering Date 10/10/2015
Organization Guilford Preservation Alliance
Address 199 PO Box Guilford, CT 06437

- Subsequent field evaluations:

Longitude & Latitude: 41.297336, -72.687428

Threats to the building or site:

- None known Highways Vandalism Developers Renewal Private
 Deterioration Zoning Other _____ Explanation _____

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CONTINUATION SHEET

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Other notable features of building or site

It has a hipped-roof and slender, decorative posts. Fenestration consists of two-over-two double-hung sash windows and two-pane rectangular windows. A brick chimney is centered atop the ridgeline of the roof. Additions are located on the east elevation of the house.

