

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY - BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

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* Note: Please attach any additional or expanded information on a separate sheet.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Building Name (Common) 399 Old Whitfield Street
 Building Name (Historic) Nathaniel F. Baker House
 Street Address or Location 399 Old Whitfield Street
 Town/City Guilford Village _____ County New Haven
 Owner(s) Marianne Holtermann Public Private

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: Residential: Dwelling
 Historic Use: Residential: Dwelling

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

Interior accessible? Yes No If yes, explain _____

Style of building Georgian Date of Construction c. 1840 (Helander)

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

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|--|---|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Vinyl</u> | | |

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: 2 Approximate Dimensions 26' x 31'

Structural Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

Exterior Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

Location Integrity: On original site Moved When? 1849

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:

Located on a .5 acre parcel, this house is located about a quarter of a mile south of the train station and a tenth of a mile from where Old Whitfield Street connects with Whitfield Street at its east end. A driveway extends past the northwest side of the house and ends at the west corner where there is a garage. The area is mainly residential except for the close by railroad station where Amtrak and Shoreline East trains come through.

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

Built c.1840, this two story, Georgian style house is sheathed in grey vinyl siding and sits on a stone brick foundation facing northeast. It has a side gable roof, covered in asphalt shingles, with one center chimney. White shutters enclose three six over six hung sash windows on the second floor and three four over four on second floor. The front entry is located in the center and has a simple entablature on the white door surround with pilasters. (See Cont. Sheet)

Architect Unknown Builder Unknown

- Historical or Architectural importance:

This house was moved from the Chittenden property at 1/29 Broad Street in 1849. Nathaniel F. Baker, a farmer, first owned and re-adapted this house after the move. Later owners were Gilbert Blatchley, also a farmer, who lived there until the 1860s, followed by H. Upham, and Pat Sheehan in 1870, one of the original Irish immigrants in town. By 1852, there were ten dwellings on the street between the railroad tracks and the East River bridge of which only four remain. These houses belonged to many of the original Irish families in town, including Daniel Sullivan (see 345 Old Whitfield). Old Whitfield Street was originally Whitfield Street until 1940 when a federal work project built the street over the railroad, diverting the street into sections, with one now known as New Whitfield Street.

- Sources:

Ancestry.com, United States Federal Census Records, 1870; Helander, Joel, "Treasury of Guilford Places" Self Published: Guilford, CT, 2008; Property card obtained at <http://www.propertyrecordcards.com/PropertyResults.aspx?towncode=060&uniqueid=6856> on July 25, 2015.

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View Northeast, camera facing southwest Negative on File _____
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- Subsequent field evaluations:

Latitude: 41.273777
Longitude: -72.671067

Threats to the building or site:

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

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CONTINUATION SHEET

399 Old Whitfield Street

Notable Features

The front door is green and has two panels on the lower half and a nine pane window on the top half. A stone stoop leads up to the door. A wood deck extends from an enclosed porch, both added in the 1990s, at the rear.

