

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) 105 Union Street
 Building Name (Historic) Calvin H. Norton House
 Street Address or Location 105 Union Street
 Town/City Guilford Village _____ County New Haven
 Owner(s) Eric and Alexandra Dufresne Public Private

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: Residence: Single Family Dwelling
 Historic Use: Residence: Single Family Dwelling

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

Interior accessible? Yes No If yes, explain _____

Style of building Greek Revival Date of Construction 1878 (Helander)

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

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|--|---|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clapboard | <input checked="" 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: 2 Approximate Dimensions 40' x 24'

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:

Located on a .42 acre parcel, this north facing house is on the south side of Union Street, on the corner of Union and Pearl Street. It is also located a quarter of a mile from the intersection with Boston Street and a half mile from the Guilford Green. It is located in a residential area with many homes. A short driveway extends past the east side of the house. It is close to the road and small path leads up to the front door from the sidewalk.

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

Built in 1878, this Greek Revival style house sits atop a stone brick foundation and is sheathed in blue asbestos siding with dark blue trim. The front gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles with two chimneys on the ridgeline. A small horizontal and rectangular window is located at the roof peak. Three two over two hung sash windows are located on the second story level under cornice returns. (See Continuation Sheet)

Architect Unknown Builder John C. Norton (Helander)

• Historical or Architectural importance:

Calvin H. Norton, a blacksmith, was the first owner of this house when it was built in 1878 by his older brother, John C. Norton (1834-1894). He bought this plot of land for \$200 in 1876. Calvin lived here with his wife Ellen and his three children until he died in 1913. A small quarry operated east of the house at the time. John Caldwell Norton was a carpenter who worked for many builders in Guilford including George Seward and William Weld.

• Sources:

Ancestry.com, United States Federal Census Records, 1850; Helander, Joel, House Dating Dossiers, 1991; Helander, Joel Eliot, "A Treasury of Guilford Places," Guilford, CT: Joel Helander, 2008; Property card obtained at <http://www.propertyrecordcards.com/PropertyResults.aspx?towncode=060&uniqueid=428> on August 13, 2015.

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View North, camera facing south Negative on File _____
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• Subsequent field evaluations:

Latitude: 41.285769
Longitude: -72.676745

Threats to the building or site:

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

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CONTINUATION SHEET

105 Union Street

Notable Features

Two of the windows are on the first level with an entry door on the west side of the front facade. The door surround has two pilasters and a large, simple entablature. A stone stoop leads up to the front entry. A small wing is attached to the west elevation with another door entry under a covered porch.

Historical/Architectural Significance

Between 1858 and 1864, he worked for Alfred G. Hull to construct a section of Sachem's Head Hotel on the waterfront. He had a prolific career with seventeen houses surviving in Guilford. His house, that he built, was located at 52 Pearl Street.

