

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) 120 Water Street
 Building Name (Historic) Martin Linskey House
 Street Address or Location 120 Water Street (Formerly 126)
 Town/City Guilford Village _____ County New Haven
 Owner(s) F.J. Corsini II Inc. Public Private

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: Residence: Multi 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 Folk Victorian Date of Construction 1895 (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 checked="" 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: 2.5 Approximate Dimensions 28' x 38'

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 .84 acre parcel, this northwest facing house sits right across from the intersection of Water Street with River Street and on the corner of Water Street and Meadow Street. It is also a quarter of a mile southeast of the Guilford Green. It is in a residential area, with many other houses surrounding it. It sits close to the road and a small asphalt path leads from the sidewalk in front to the front stoop. A small driveway is at the southeast corner, off of Meadow Street.

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

This two and half story Folk Victorian style house built in 1895 sits atop a brick and poured concrete foundation and is sheathed in light green aluminum siding, with patterned shingles in the pediment. The front gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles and has two chimneys, one on the rear ridgeline and one on the east elevation eave wall. A pair of two thin two over two hung sash windows are located near the roof peak. (See Continuation Sheet)

Architect Unknown Builder Unknown

- Historical or Architectural importance:

An earlier house on site built for Jonathan Bishop and Richard Coan but was destroyed by a fire in October of 1894. Martin Linksey, an Irish immigrant, had this house built and lived in it in 1895 with his son and daughter. Previous to that he lived in a house with his family and many other people, possibly the boarding house run by the Blatchley family also on Water Street. As a young man, Linksey came to the United States and became an iron molder. Him and his wife, Ellen Hannon, had fourteen children. He died in 1922.

- Sources:

Ancestry.com, United States Federal Census Records, 1870 & 1900; Hart, Samuel, Ed., Encyclopedia of Connecticut Biography; Genealogical-memorial, Representative Citizens, Vol. 4 accessed on Google Books on August 11, 2015; 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=1028> accessed on August 10, 2015.

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View Northwest, camera facing southeast Negative on File _____
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- Subsequent field evaluations:

Latitude: 41.279397
Longitude: -72.686593

Threats to the building or site:

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

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CONTINUATION SHEET

126 Water Street

Notable Features

Four one over one hung sash windows are on the second story level. Two more windows, both two over two hung sash windows are located on the first floor with a door entry at the east end of the front façade. A one story white decorative porch, with turned spindle supports and lace-like braces, covers the front of the façade. Gray latticework is underneath the porch and a wooden stoop leads up to it.

