

FORM B – BUILDING

Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

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Town: Lexington

Place: (*neighborhood or village*)
North Lexington

Address: 14 Hill Street

Historic Name: Woodworth-McConnell House

Uses: Present: residential

Original: residential

Date of Construction: 1898

Source: deeds

Style/Form: Queen Anne

Architect/Builder: unknown

Exterior Material:

Foundation: fieldstone

Wall/Trim: asbestos shingles

Roof: asphalt shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:
none

Major Alterations (*with dates*):

Date? – asbestos shingles

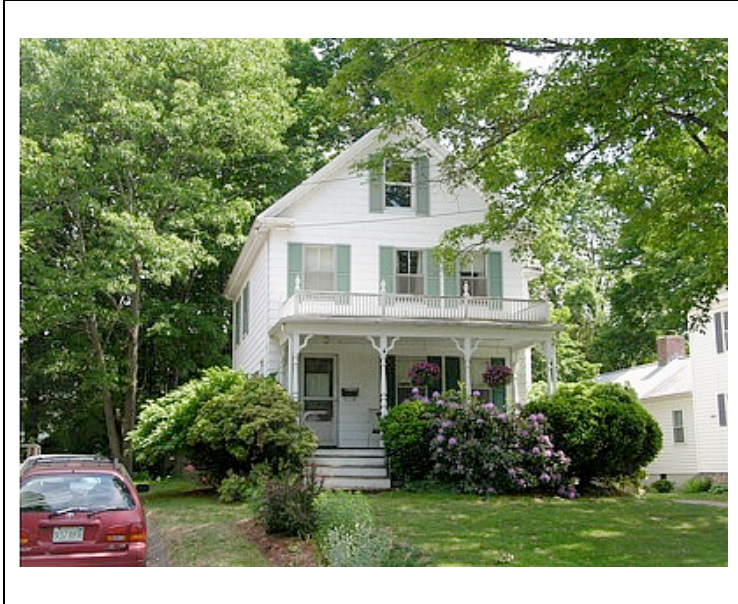
Condition: fair (due to siding)

Moved: no | x | yes | | **Date** _____

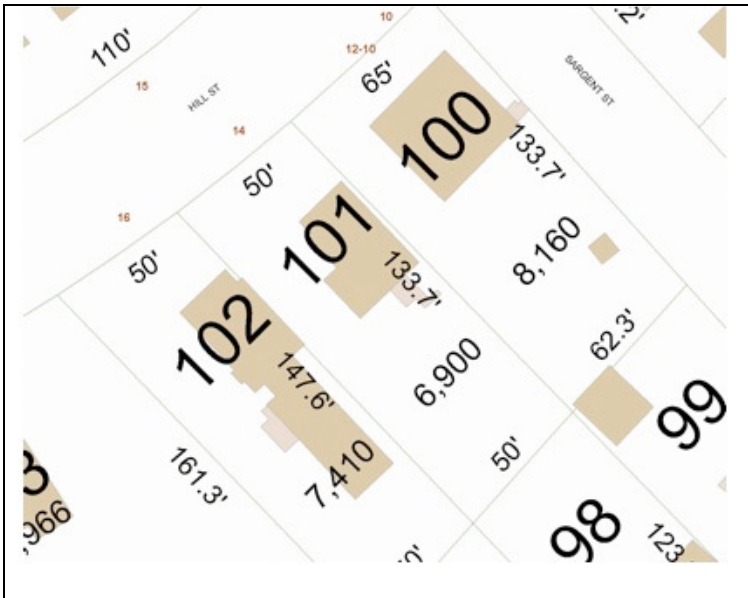
Acreage: 0.16 acre

Setting: mixed residential neighborhood

Photograph



Topographic or Assessor's Map



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Date (*month / year*): May 2008

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

LEXINGTON

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Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.
If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

The house at 14 Hill Street is a simple Queen Anne style structure which is 2 ½-stories in height with a façade which is three bays wide. The roof is sheathed in asphalt with projecting eaves that end in returns and a brick chimney. The gablefront is fronted by a single-story porch supported by turned posts with jigsaw brackets at the top of the posts. The sidehall entrance retains a glass-and-panel door and there are two 2/2 windows adjacent. Crowning the porch roof is a stick balustrade with urned newel posts. With the exception of the 1/1 window in the attic, the windows retain 2/2 sash. There is also a small Queen Anne-style fixed window lighting the front stairhall. A 2 ½-story gable projects from the west elevation – it is a single bay wide and a single bay deep and rests on a mortared stone foundation, like the house.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

This property constitutes Lot 31 of George F. Tewksbury's subdivision, laid out in 1897 (Plan Book 109, Page 22). In December 1897, Tewksbury sold the lot to Marion Woodworth (Book 2616, Page 146). The house (known initially as 12 Hill Street) was probably built soon thereafter. Marion's husband, Sanford, was employed as a carpenter and house painter. The Minute-man reported on April 10, 1909 that the couple had just celebrated their 25th anniversary. The house was later owned and occupied by their daughter Laura who married Roy McConnell. It remained in the Woodworth family until it was sold by Laura McConnell to Frederick and Linda Hopwood in 1975.

The present owners purchased the property in 1980.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

1906 map
Lexington Minute-man, April 10, 1909.
Middlesex South Registry of Deeds, Cambridge, Mass.
Town Directories
U.S. Census, various years.