



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) Barbara and Stephen Wareck Residence

Building Name (Historic) Barbara and Stephen Wareck Residence

Street Address or Location 135 Cliff Street

Town/City New Haven Village Saint Ronan-Edgehill County New Haven

Owner(s) Barbara Cooley Wareck Public Private

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: Single family dwelling

Historic Use: Single family dwelling

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

Interior accessible? Yes No If yes, explain _____

Style of building Modernist Date of Construction 1969

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>Horizontal Wood</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 Rubber Membrane

Number of Stories: 2 Approximate Dimensions 34' x 58' and 13' x 22'

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: Garden walls and landscaping

Surrounding Environment:

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

• Interrelationship of building and surroundings:

Located on the north side of Cliff Street on the Hamden-New Haven town line, the south front and yard are located in New Haven, while the remainder of the house is in Hamden. The house is in a neighborhood of early 20th-century homes where a number of mid-century Modernist homes were constructed on lots subdivided from larger homes and estates.

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

The 2-story building is composed of a series of linked and stacked boxes, with asymmetrically placed windows, clad in a dark stained horizontal wood flush siding, alternating 5" and 9" wide planks and with vertical flush corner boards. The visual center is the 2nd story, taller than the first and projecting over it at the entrance. Wings on either side have floor-to-ceiling windows, partially hidden from the sidewalk by walls that match the exterior of the house and enclose two small garden spaces. A matching two-car garage and a shed are located on the east side.

Architect Daniel Sullivan Builder _____

• Historical or Architectural importance:

The original house was built in the Dutch Colonial Revival style in 1923-24 for a Mr. Steele, a banker, and his wife. In 1969, architect Daniel Sullivan rebuilt, on the same footprint, this house for Barbara and Stephen Wareck, who was President of the New Haven Board of Aldermen from 1980-83. Garden walls close to the sidewalk and shrubs lining the outside of these walls provide private enclosures and a character in which the layout focuses on private areas away from the street, that is characteristic of many Modernist designs, even in a suburban setting with mature trees and gardens. The walls echo the abstract rectangular forms of the house, creating outdoor rooms in the same vocabulary as the building elements.

• Sources: Brown, Elizabeth Mills; *New Haven: A Guide to Architecture and Urban Design*, Yale U.Press, New Haven, 1976,228 pp. Carley, Rachel D., *Tomorrow is Here: New Haven and the Modern Movement* (Privately printed by the New Haven Preservation Trust, New Haven CT) June, 2008.
New Haven Tax Assessor's Record: Map/Block/Parcel: 251/ 1073/012.
Sexton, James, "Study Report: St. Ronan-Edgehill Historic District, New Haven CT," New Haven Historic District Commission, New Haven, April 2008.

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View _____ Negative on File NHPT

Name Arnold Chadderdon - Charlotte Hitchcock Date 9/30/2010

Organization The New Haven Preservation Trust

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• Subsequent field evaluations:

Threats to the building or site:

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

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1. S view from Cliff Street, camera facing north.



2. SE view from Cliff Street, camera facing northwest

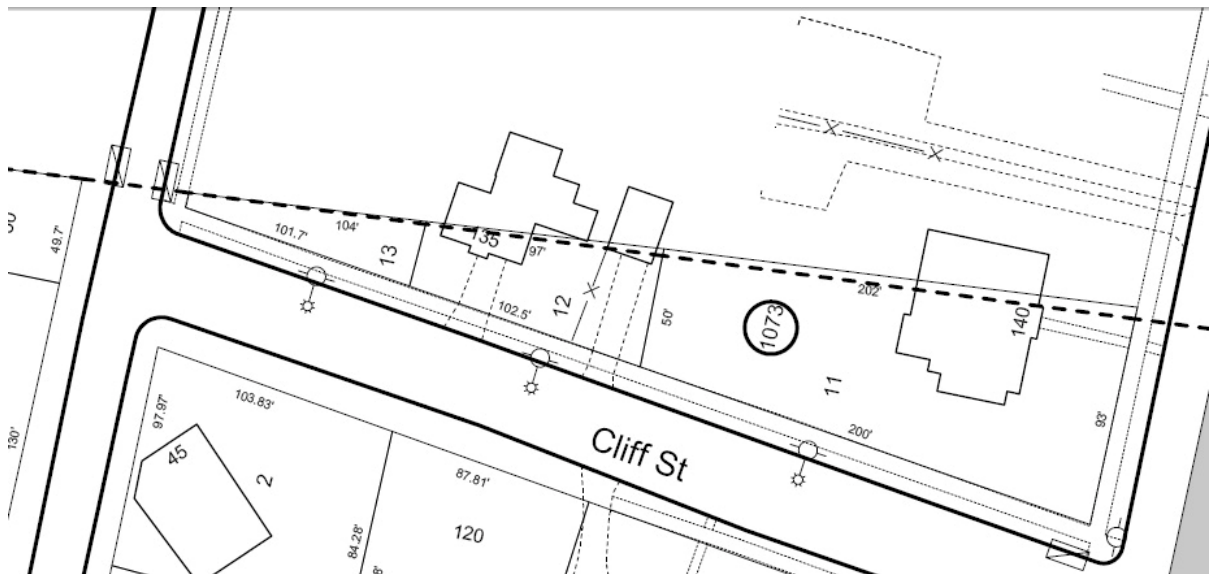
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3. View - neighborhood context – Bing Maps <http://www.bing.com/maps/> accessed 9/30/2010.



4. Site Plan – from City of New Haven Tax Map 251/ 1073/ 012