

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY - BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism, One Constitution Plaza, 2nd Floor, Hartford, CT 06103 * Note: Please attach any additional or expanded information on a separate sheet. **GENERAL INFORMATION** $Building\ Name\ (Common)\ \underline{\ \ } \textbf{Connecticut\ Mental\ Health\ Center}$ ${\color{blue} {\rm Building\ Name\ (Historic)}\ \underline{\ \ \textbf{Connecticut\ Mental\ Health\ Center}}}$ Street Address or Location 34 Park Street _____ County New Haven Town/City New Haven ____ Village __ Owner(s) State of Connecticut Public O Private PROPERTY INFORMATION Present Use: Institutional - Medical Facility Historic Use: Institutional - Medical Facility **Accessibility to public:** Exterior visible from public road? • Yes • No Interior accessible? • Yes O No If yes, explain During business hours by appointment Style of building Modernist __ Date of Construction 1966 **Material(s)** (*Indicate use or location when appropriate*): Clapboard Asbestos Siding **✓** Brick ☐ Wood Shingle Asphalt Siding Fieldstone Board & Batten Stucco ☐ Cobblestone Aluminum Siding Concrete (Type Cast-in-place Cut Stone (Type _____ Structural System Wood Frame Post & Beam Balloon Load bearing masonry Structural iron or steel ✓ Other Reinforced Concrete Roof (Type) Gable **✓** Flat Mansard Monitor Sawtooth Gambrel ☐ Shed ☐ Hip Round Other ____ (Material) Slate Wood Shingle Roll Asphalt Tin Asphalt Shingle Tile **V** Built up Other Number of Stories: 3 to 5 Approximate Dimensions 275' x 225' Structural Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Exterior Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated **Location Integrity:** • On original site • Moved When?

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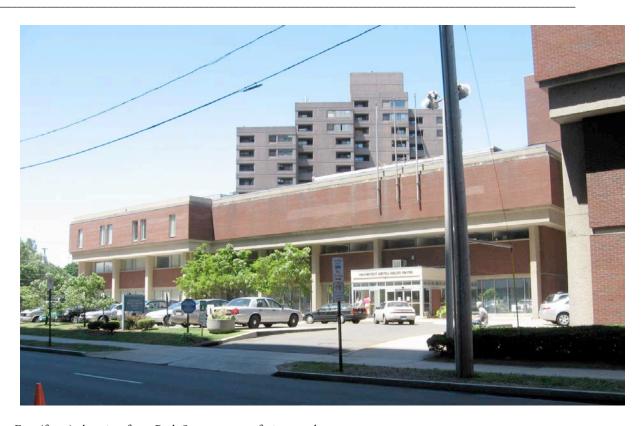
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Alterations? • Yes No If yes, explain: Addition attached on northwest side

Site #

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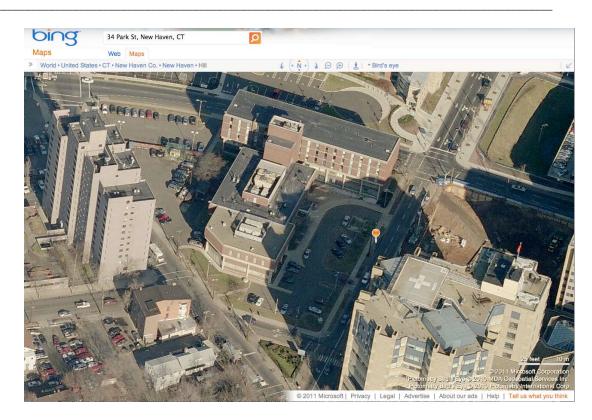
PROPERTY INFORMATION (CONT'D)				
Related outbuildings or landscape Barn Shed Other landscape features or be	☐ Garage ☐	Carriage House	Shop	☐ Garden
Surrounding Environment: Open land Woodland High building density	Residential Scattered building	Commercial It		ural
* Interrelationship of building and surroundings: The building occupies the entire block formed by Park Street, South Street, Howard Avenue, and South Frontage Road. The building is one of several medical facilities nearby, most being of 20th-century construction and affiliated with Yale-New Haven Hospital. Additional medical and research buildings are under construction or recently completed to the north and east. To the south is the residential neighborhood of the Hill. Route 34, a major through route, passes to the north. * Other notable features of building or site (*Interior and/or Exterior*) The complex includes a 5-story block briented east-west along the north edge of the site and a 3-story block oriented north-south, connected to the taller block by a windowless elevator/mechanical tower. The shorter block has a truncated southwest corner along the diagonal of Howard Avenue and is set back from Park Street to allow space for an entry drive. A glass and metal entry projects out from the facade on this east side. The lower 2 floors are recessed behind a row of concrete piers which visually support a concrete lintel carrying the upper floors. The top floor of the 3-story block is clad in brick and has expanses of blank wall and other areas where a series of punched widow openings pierce the brick. The 5-story block's upper 3 floors have concrete slab floors exposed at the surface, and brick cladding alternating with full-height slot window openings on the north and south elevations. A concrete cornice wraps the roof-line. The lower 2 floors emphasize horizontality with full-width glazed bays between piers, full-height at the ground floor and half-height above brick spandrel panels on the 2nd floor. Architect Pedersen and Tilney * Historical or Architectural importance: Construction on the 84,000 square-foot Mental Health Center began in 1963 after the state granted \$4,900,000 to build the facility. The Mental Health Center, the first of seven to be constructed in the state, was one of 3 new health faci				
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1. East (front) elevation from Park Street, camera facing southwest.



2. Southwest (rear) elevation from Howard Avenue, camera facing northeast.



3. South aerial view from Bing Maps http://www.bing.com/maps/ accessed 6/22/2011.

