

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES
 HIST-6 NEW 5 77

618

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
 CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 59 SOUTH PROSPECT STREET, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06106
 (203) 566-3005

Prospect Hill

219-458-6

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Town No.:	Site No.:
UTM	
QUAD:	
DISTRICT	IF NR. SPECIFY
<input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR	<input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential

IDENTIFICATION	1. BUILDING NAME (Common) (Historic)	
	2. TOWN/CITY New Haven	VILLAGE COUNTY New Haven
	3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location) 55 Loomis Place	
	4. OWNER(S) John and Ruth Martin <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	
	5. USE (Present) (Historic) Residence --	
DESCRIPTION	6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No. INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No. IF YES, EXPLAIN	
	7. STYLE OF BUILDING Modern	
	DATE OF CONSTRUCTION 1967	
	8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Clapboard <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding <input type="checkbox"/> Brick <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <u>Unpainted vertical flushboard</u>	
	<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:	
	9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood frame <input type="checkbox"/> Post and beam <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Structural iron or steel	
<input type="checkbox"/> Load bearing masonry <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)		
10. ROOF (Type)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Gable <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Flat <input type="checkbox"/> Mansard <input type="checkbox"/> Monitor <input type="checkbox"/> sawtooth		
<input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel <input type="checkbox"/> Shed <input type="checkbox"/> Hip <input type="checkbox"/> Round <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)		
(Material)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle <input type="checkbox"/> Roll Asphalt <input type="checkbox"/> Tin <input type="checkbox"/> Slate		
<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt shingle <input type="checkbox"/> Built up <input type="checkbox"/> Tile <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)		
11. NUMBER OF STORIES 2 + B		
APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS		
12. CONDITION (Structural) (Exterior)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated		
13. INTEGRITY (Location) WHEN ? (Alterations) IF YES, EXPLAIN		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original Site <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES		
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shed <input type="checkbox"/> Garage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings (Specify) <u>Stepped walkway of gravel and timber to south side door</u>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Carriage house <input type="checkbox"/> Shop <input type="checkbox"/> Garden		
15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT		
<input type="checkbox"/> Open land <input type="checkbox"/> Wood-land <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scattered buildings visible from site		
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> indus-trial <input type="checkbox"/> Rural <input type="checkbox"/> High building density		

16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS
 Site similar to that of 37 Loomis Place. This is the only modern house on the street and its style can be compared and contrasted to the Foote School buildings directly opposite.

17 OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

Asymmetrical, cubic composition with de-emphasized fenestration on facade. Facade is an arrangement of interlocking cubes with flat, weathered flushboard surfaces. Large windows front and rear in the main mass are aligned so that the building can be "seen through" at this point. Bridge with plain, waist high walls on each side connects sidewalk with plain entrance door elevated above the sidewalk level.

18 ARCHITECT

Sidney T. Miller

BUILDER

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

SIGNIFICANCE

Architectural: 55 Loomis Place is one of a group of primarily architect-designed modern residences interspersed throughout the Prospect Hill neighborhood. Many of these residences respond in a positive or at least conscious way to either the surrounding 19th-early 20th century architecture or to the natural environment of the site or both. This house agrees in scale and siting with the other houses on Loomis Place; its design responds above all to the topography of this steeply sloping, woodland site. It can be compared with the slightly earlier, modern Foote School buildings across Loomis Place (see 50 Loomis Place).

SOURCES

Brown, p. 145.

PHOTO

PHOTOGRAPHER

Alan Rutberg

DATE

4/81

VIEW

West

NEGATIVE ON FILE

CHC:NHPT:Sheet no. 52

COMPILED BY

NAME

Susan Ryan

DATE

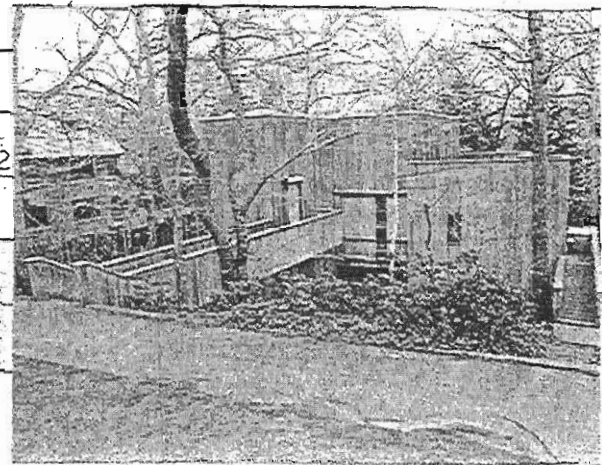
4/81

ORGANIZATION

New Haven Preservation Trust

ADDRESS

P.O. Box 1671, New Haven, CT 06507



20 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS

THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

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