

FORM B - BUILDING

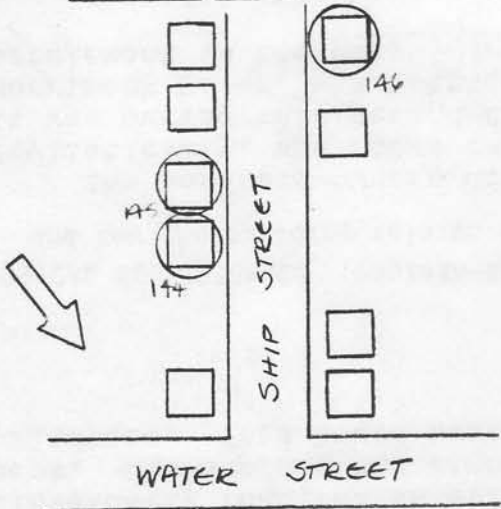
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Boston, MA 02108



Newburyport
 Address 20-22 Ship Street
 Historic Name _____
 Original Residence
 Present Residence
 Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization _____
 Public _____
 Original owner Unknown

Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



DESCRIPTION:

Date Eighteenth Century
 Source _____
 Style Georgian
 Architect Unknown
 Exterior wall fabric Clapboards
 Outbuildings _____
 Major alterations (with dates) doorway altered, window sash replaced (dates unknown)
 Moved _____ Date _____
 Approx. acreage 1809
2191
 Setting in densely built up area in which the predominant building type is that of eighteenth century single family dwellings.

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

This house has the form and architectural details of the early Georgian style. It is two stories with pitched roof and a symmetrical five bay facade. The embellishments of the building are simple yet classically inspired as evidenced by the cornice moulding and window caps. The doorway has also been formalized, being flanked by Doric pilasters. This house probably dates from the early eighteenth century.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

The earliest owners of this house have yet to be documented. Stylistically, the house can be dated to the early eighteenth century. It was during this period that the South End of Newburyport, near the Merrimack River, was settled. It is one of the earlier areas of settlement in the city.

In 1851, this house was owned by Enoch Stickney. Sitckney was probably the son of the Enoch Stickney that was an army musician on Plum Island during the War of 1812. He also signed the petition for the incorporation of Newburyport in 1762.

The Stickney family owned the house until the end of the nineteenth century.

Spring Street was accepted by the town selectmen on September 21, 1797, although it had undoubtedly been laid out before that date. Today 1 Spring Street remains a single family home.

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