

FORM B – BUILDING

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220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

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Town: Dartmouth

Place: Padanaram

Photograph



Address: 149 Elm Street

Historic Name: J.M. Babbit (1856)

Uses: Present: single family home

Original: same

Date of Construction: ca. 1840 (1781 in Tax database)

Source: stylistic

Style/Form: Greek Revival

Architect/Builder:

Exterior Material:

Foundation: not determined

Wall/Trim: clapboard & wood shingle

Roof: asphalt shingle

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures: small garage

Major Alterations (*with dates*):

see architectural description

Condition: Good

Moved: no | X | yes | | **Date**

Acreage: 10,346 s.f.

Setting: village residential

Topographic or Assessor's Map

see continuation sheet

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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:

This structure appears to be a 2-story front-gable side-hall plan Greek Revival house with a 2-story rear ell. The Tax Assessor's database lists the date of the house as 1781, and there are a few features that are associated with that period such as 12/12 and 8/8 windows with splayed lintels. The corner and fascia boards are also narrower than one would expect on a Greek Revival. But all of the windows are modern insulated replacements and an odd assortment of types. The wood clapboard on the front and wood shingles on all the other sidewalls is also "new" making interpretation difficult. There is a deep wraparound porch across the front that is likely a late 19th or early 20th c. addition. A tall brick interior chimney is located near the back corner. There are two small 1-story additions to the right side of the rear ell along the driveway of unknown age. There is a small detached early 20th c. front-gable garage with wood drop siding known as German or Novelty siding.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION:

1856 Map: House shown with name "J.M. Babbit"

1871 Map: House not shown

1895 Map: House shown with name "J.F. Allen"

Tax Card, 1st Entry: 1898, John H. Nickerson, Book 197 Page 326

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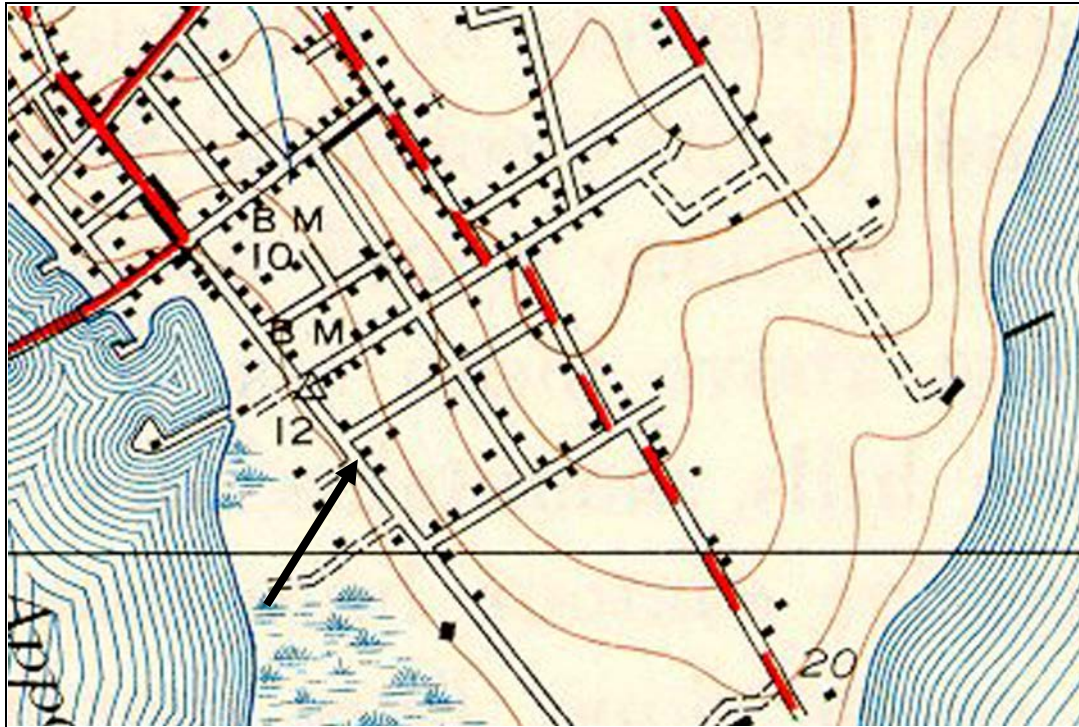
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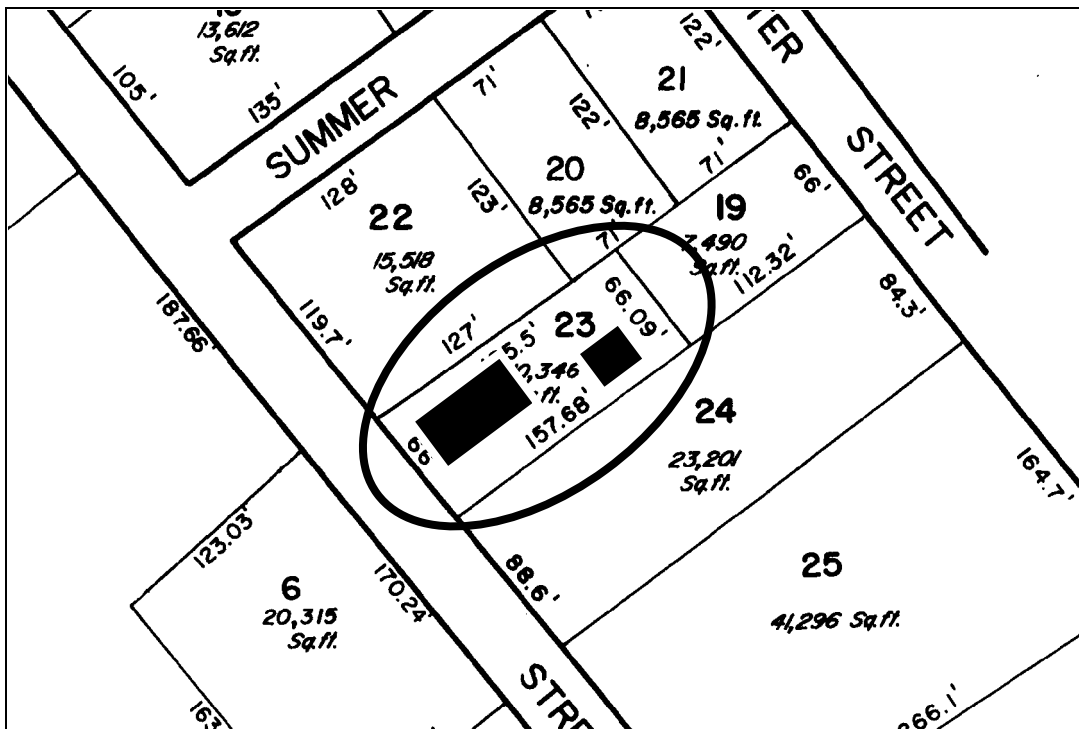
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LOCATION MAPPING



USGS Topographic Map New Bedford South Quadrangle 1941, Revised 1948



Dartmouth Tax Assessors Map

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