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AREA

FORM NO.

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

164

Town SomervilleAddress 237 School StreetHistoric Name Elisha Hopkins HouseUse: Present residentialOriginal residential

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1868Source map research / directoriesStyle ItalianateArchitect noneExterior Wall Fabric synthetic sidingOutbuildings noneMajor Alterations (with dates) synthetic siding, ca. 1970s.Condition fair/goodMoved no Date n/aAcreage less than one acre

Setting Southeast corner of School and
Oakland Streets. Residential neigh-
borhood of late-19th century dwelling

Recorded by Gretchen G. SchulerOrganization Mass. Historical CommissioDate September, 1988

Photo (3"x3" or 3"x5", black and white) Indicate address of property on back of photo. Staple to left side of form.

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s).
Indicate north

See Attached Assessor's Map

UTM REFERENCE 19 - 327/500 - 4695/280USGS QUADRANGLE Boston NorthSCALE 1:25,000

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Elisha Hopkins House is one of the only center gable, Italianate houses remaining in the Winter Hill area. It is important architecturally and retains integrity of location, setting, design, feeling and association. It fulfills Criterion C of the National Register of Historic Places at the local level.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

The Elisha Hopkins House displays an Italianate plan that was popular in the 1850s and 1860s. Although the siding has been changed, the house retains its massing and setting. The three-bay house has a center gable, glazed oculi (round windows) in the gable ends and a full length Colonial Revival porch with turned posts and an unadorned balustrade. One-story projecting bays flank the center entrance on the first floor.

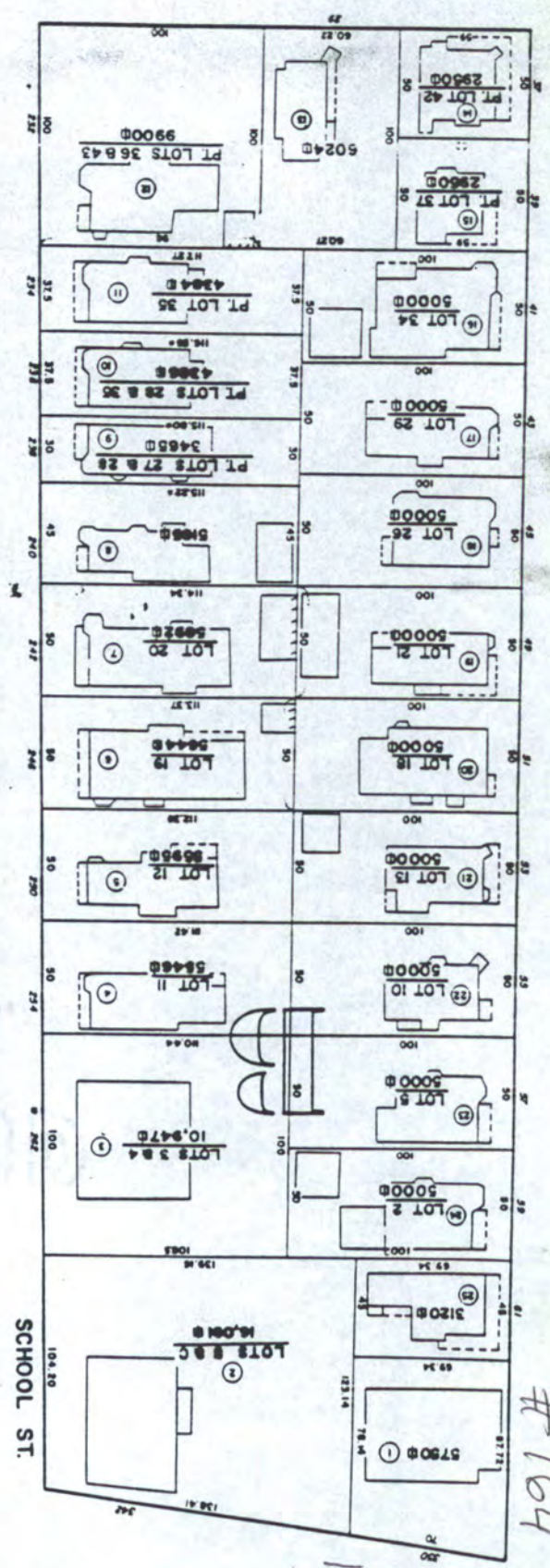
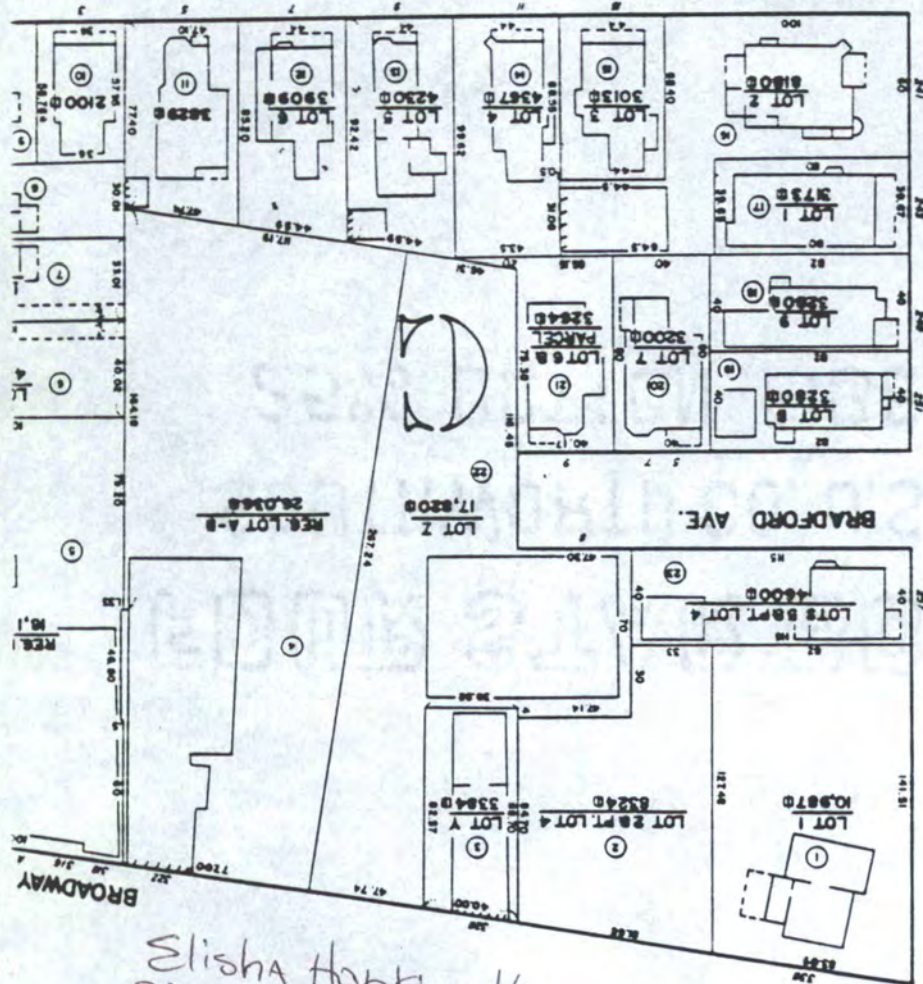
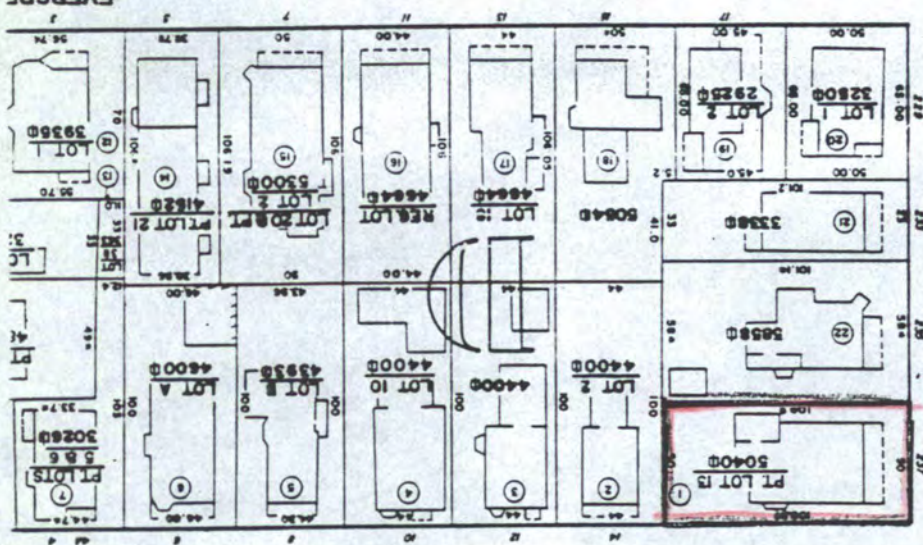
HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

Winter Hill, a 4000 foot drumlin in the north section of Somerville, was settled along Broadway (originally Winter Hill Road) and several rangeways extending south from Broadway. Most of the School Street area between Medford Street and Broadway was not developed until the late-19th century with the exception of a few Italianate and Mansard houses on the east side. The rest was apple orchards belonging to Jonathan Poor. The Elisha Hopkins House, built before 1870, belonged to shipmaster, Hopkins.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Hopkins, G.M. Atlas of the City of Somerville, 1874

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SCHOOL ST.

Elisha Hopkins Ho.
237 School St.
Somerville (MRA), Mass.

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1"=100'

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TEMPLE ST.

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Somerville MPS
State Middlesex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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| 31. | Hopkins, Elisha, House | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | <u>Arlene Byers</u> | <u>9/18/89</u> |
| | | | Attest | _____ | _____ |
| 32. | House at 10 Arlington Street | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | <u>Arlene Byers</u> | <u>9/18/89</u> |
| | | | Attest | _____ | _____ |
| 33. | House at 14 Chestnut Street | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | <u>Arlene Byers</u> | <u>9/18/89</u> |
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| 34. | House at 16--18 Preston Road | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | <u>Arlene Byers</u> | <u>9/18/89</u> |
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| 35. | House at 197 Morrison Avenue | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | <u>Arlene Byers</u> | <u>9/18/89</u> |
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| 36. | House at 21 Dartmouth Street | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | <u>Arlene Byers</u> | <u>9/18/89</u> |
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| 37. | House at 25 Clyde Street | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | <u>Arlene Byers</u> | <u>9/18/89</u> |
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| 38. | House at 29 Mt. Vernon Street | Entered in the
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| 39. | House at 343 Highland Avenue | Entered in the
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| 40. | House at 35 Temple Street | Entered in the
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Hopkins, Elisha, House
NAME:

MULTIPLE Somerville MPS
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex

DATE RECEIVED: 8/04/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 8/15/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 8/31/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 9/18/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89001284

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 9/18/89 DATE

Entered in the
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

___count ___resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

___historic ___current

DESCRIPTION

___architectural classification
___materials
___descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

___summary paragraph
___completeness
___clarity
___applicable criteria
___justification of areas checked
___relating significance to the resource
___context
___relationship of integrity to significance
___justification of exception
___other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

___acreage ___verbal boundary description
___UTMs ___boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

___sketch maps ___USGS maps ___photographs ___presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



237 School

1. 237 School Street
2. Somerville, MA
3. C. Zellie
4. 1984
5. Somerville City Hall
6. looking east
7. # 164

Hepkins, Felisha, Heise
Somerville MA, Ma

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500253