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FORM B - BUILDING

AREA

FORM NO.

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

1667

Town Worcester

Address 76 Fairhaven Road

Historic Name Lars Petterson-Adolph
Carlson Three-Decker

Use: Present residential

Original residential

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

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1918

Source Worcester House Directory

Style Colonial Revival Three-Decker

Architect possibly Lars Petterson

Exterior Wall Fabric wood clapboard and shingle

Outbuildings 4 car garage

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 map.

Major Alterations (with dates) none

Condition excellent

Moved _____ Date _____

Acreage less than 1/4 acre

Setting Early 20th century, urban, single- and multi-family, residential street.

UTM REFERENCE 19/269620/4687650

USGS QUADRANGLE Worcester North

SCALE 1:25,000

Recorded by Michael Steinitz

Organization Clark University

Date February 1981

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Lars Petterson-Adolph Carlson Three-Decker possesses integrity of location design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. It is significant as a representative example of the suburban, multi-family residential development in the Greendale section of northern Worcester in the early 20th century, and for its association with the Swedish community that concentrated in that area in this period, drawn by employment opportunities at the Norton Company and other factories. It is also an unusually well-preserved, well-detailed example of Colonial Revival three-decker design. The Petterson-Carlson three-decker thus meets criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places on the local level.

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

Architecturally, 76 Fairhaven Road is a remarkably well-preserved and finely detailed example of local Colonial Revival style three-decker construction. The gable-roofed building is clad in wood clapboard, with wood shingle bands between stories. The asymmetrical main facade contains a recessed, three-tier porch with paired columns and geometric pattern balustrades. The porch is flanked by a shallow, three-story bay window. The side elevation contains a shallow, square, projecting bay with triple windows, and capped by a small pedimented gable. The roof cornice overhang shelters both modillion blocks and dentils, and a pendant marks the bay window corner of the main facade. Stairwells and front parlor side walls have geometric pattern decorative lights. Window sash is 6/1 with simple surrounds.

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

Built ca. 1918, the Petterson-Carlson Three-Decker was built as part of the suburban subdivision of the Greendale section of north Worcester in the early 20th century. Electric streetcar connections and the growth of nearby industries stimulated a round of single- and multi-family house construction. Many Swedish families located here, and many residents were employed at the nearby Norton Company, which recruited Swedish workers. Both 76 and neighboring 80 Fairhaven were developed by Lars Petterson, a contractor who owned over a dozen houses in the Greendale and Lincoln Street areas in the early 20th century. Residents in 1920 included Cornelius Cashin, a foreman; Eugene Hansen, an emory worker at Norton; and Charles Johnson, a laborer. By 1930, the house was owned and occupied by Adolph Carlson, a drop forger. Tenants in 1930 included Eugene Hansen, and Carl Johnson, a machinist.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

- Worcester Directory, Worcester House Directory, 1918, 1920, 1930.
- L.J. Richards, Atlas of the City of Worcester, 1922.
- J.Callahan et al., Worcester Three-Decker Survey, 1981.

12/26/89

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Worcester Three-Deckers MRA
Worcester County, MASSACHUSETTS

Date Listed

61. Nelson, Christina, Three-Decker

Entered in the
National Register

f Keeper Melrose Byers 2/2/90

Attest _____

62. O'Brien, Richard, Three-Decker

Entered in the
National Register

f Keeper Melrose Byers 2/9/90

Attest _____

63. O'Connor, James, Three-Decker

Entered in the
National Register

f Keeper Melrose Byers 2/9/90

Attest _____

64. O'Connor, James--John Trybowski Three-Decker

Entered in the
National Register

f Keeper Melrose Byers 2/9/90

Attest _____

65. Perry Avenue Historic District Substantive Review

f Keeper Bella L. Sange 02-09-90

Attest _____

66. Petterson, Lars--Adolph Carlson Three-Decker

Entered in the
National Register

f Keeper Melrose Byers 2/9/90

Attest _____

67. Petterson, Lars--Fred Gurney Three-Decker

Entered in the
National Register

f Keeper Melrose Byers 2/9/90

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68. Petterson, Lars--Silas Archer Three-Decker

Entered in the
National Register

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69. Petterson, Lars--James--Ridley Three-Decker

Entered in the
National Register

f Keeper Melrose Byers 2/9/90

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70. Providence Street Historic District

Entered in the
National Register

f Keeper Melrose Byers 2/9/90

Attest _____

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Petterson, Lars--Adolph Carlson Three-Decker
NAME:

MULTIPLE Worcester Three-Deckers MRA
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Worcester

DATE RECEIVED: 12/26/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 1/09/90
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 1/25/90 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 2/09/90
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89002358

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 2/9/90 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
 UTM's boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

Signed _____ Phone _____

Date _____



~~Worcester~~ Three Decker MRA

LARS PETERSON - ADOLPH CARLSON

THREE DECKER

76 FAIR HAVEN ROAD

WORCESTER, MA

MHC #1267

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000305