

FORM B - BUILDING

AREA	FORM NO.
OLD CAM.	II B 28

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108

USGS Map #8

PHOTO: (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)
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Photo number 17-11A

Town Cambridge, Mass.
Cambridge MRA

Address 41-43 Linnaean Street

Historic Name Peabody Court
Apartments

Use: Present residential
Original residential

DESCRIPTION:

Date 1922

Source building permit

Style Colonial Revival

Architect H. Harlow

Exterior wall fabric brick

Outbuildings NA

Major alterations (with dates) none

Moved no Date NA

Approx. acreage 1.095 acres

Setting A residential neighborhood of detached wooden houses, interspersed with an occasional apartment building of which Peabody Court is one of the largest.

SKETCH MAP
Show property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection. Indicate north.

SEE ATTACHED MAP

Recorded by T. Alduino

Organization Cambridge Historical Com.

Date 1985

UTM 19/325050/4694320
USGS Quad: Boston South

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

Peabody Court is a four story H-plan brick building with many bays and projections. It is generously set back from the street and well-landscaped. Architectural elaboration includes a rusticated first story, limestone corner quoins, sills and keystone lintels, a belt course above the basement and first story, and wooden cornice with a brick parapet. The fenestration is generally 6/6.

The courtyard type apartment building originated by Ralph Adams Cram with Richmond Court on Beacon Street in Brookline (1898) was widely followed

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

While most of the surrounding neighborhood was laid out in 1886, the land where Peabody Court is now located was kept as an open field until 1916. Located near Massachusetts Avenue, Peabody Court can be equated with the increased demand for apartment housing near public transportation first displayed by the Montrose and the Dunvegan (1898).

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES (name of publication, author, date and publisher)

SEE ATTACHED BIBLIOGRAPHY

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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Office of the Secretary, Boston

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Architectural Significance con't.

in Cambridge, especially by the firm of Newhall and Blevins (Wadsworth Chambers, 63 Brattle Street, 1908; Burton Halls, 10 Dana Street, 1909;) and many others. Peabody Court is a particularly well-designed example of this courtyard type and so is significant under Criterion C.

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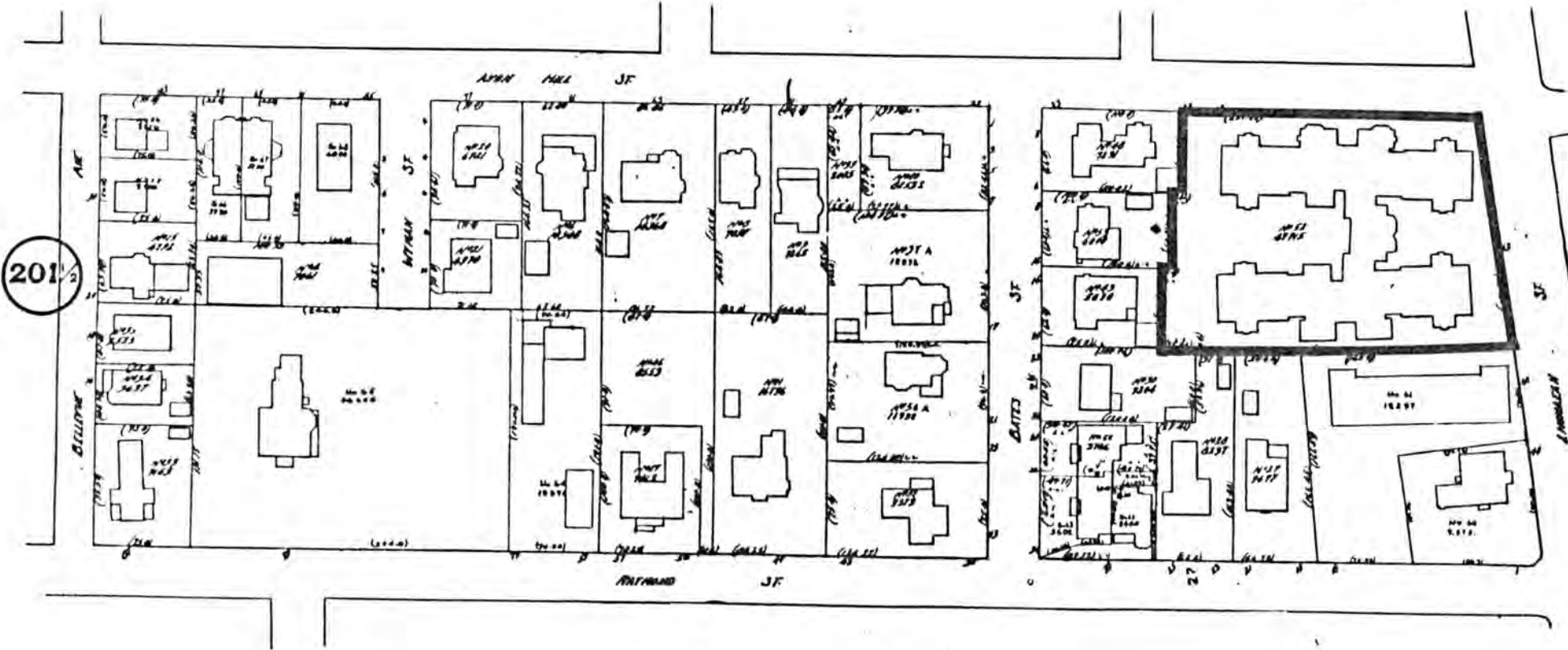
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Cambridge, Mass.
 Cambridge MRA
 PEABODY COURT APARTMENTS



Base: City of Cambridge
 Assessor's Plans

January 1984

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

For NPS use only
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date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Cambridge Multiple Resource Area
State MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

181. Memorial Drive Apartments Hist. Dist.

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Alvina Byers 5/19/86

Attest

182. Montrose, The

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Alvina Byers 5/19/86

Attest

183. Peabody Court Apartments

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Alvina Byers 5/19/86

Attest

184. Shady Hill Historic District

Substantive Review

for Keeper

Patrick Andrews 5/19/86
Beth A. Savage 5-19-86

Attest

185. Stanstead, The

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Alvina Byers 5/19/86

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186. Stickney-Shepard House

Entered in the
National Register

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Alvina Byers 5/19/86

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187. Warren, H. Langford, House

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National Register

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188. Withey, S. B., House

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National Register

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Alvina Byers 5/19/86

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189. Wood, J. A., House

Entered in the
National Register

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Alvina Byers 5/19/86

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190. Biological Laboratory

Substantive Review

Keeper

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DUE/bunch mt 1/26/87

Attest

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Determined Eligible

86001312

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Peabody Court Apartments (Cambridge MRA)
Middlesex County
MASSACHUSETTS

APR 4 1986

Working No. _____

Fed. Reg. Date: 2/3/87

Date Due: 5/1/86 - 5/19/86

Action: ACCEPT 5-19-86

RETURN _____

REJECT _____

Federal Agency: _____

Entered in ~~the~~
National Register

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____

Reviewer _____

Discipline _____

Date _____

_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition

- excellent
- good
- fair
- deteriorated
- ruins
- unexposed

Check one

- unaltered
- altered

Check one

- original site
- moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. 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

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state ____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title _____ date _____

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



Peabody Court Apartments
41-43 Linnaean Street

Cambridge MA, Ma

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000275