UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: REMOVAL

PROPERTY NAME: Adams House

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: LOUISIANA, East Baton Rouge

DATE RECEIVED: 5/01/15 DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 6/16/15
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 98000440

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:	Y	SAMPLE:	N	SLR DRAFT:	N	NATIONAL:	N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

___ACCEPT ___RETURN ___REJECT 6-11-2015 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Moved w/out prior permission
Lacks integrity of Setting, Location, Feeling, Assn.
Diminished integrity of Design, Materials, Workmanship

RECOM./CRITERIA Remove

REVIEWER _____ DISCIPLINE _____

TELEPHONE _____ DATE _____

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

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National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Adams House
Name of Property
East Baton Rouge Parish, LA
County and State
N/A
Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

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1. Adams House Additional Documentation

2. State/Federal Agency Certification

3. As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this ☒ nomination ☐ request for determination of eligibility meets, meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property ☒ meets ☐ does not meet the National Register Criteria.

Pam Breaux 4-22-15

Signature of certifying official/Title: Pam Breaux, State Historic Preservation Officer **Date**

Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism
State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

The purpose of this additional documentation is to remove East Baton Rouge Parish's Adams House from the National Register of Historic Places. The property was added to the National Register on May 8, 1998. It was listed at the local level for it significance under Criterion C: Architecture because it was one of very few Italianate style residences remaining in the city of Baton Rouge.

According to the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 [36 CFR 60.15 (a)(1)], a property may be delisted if it has ceased to meet the criteria for listing in the National Register because the qualities which caused it to be originally listed have been lost or destroyed. Sadly, this is the case for the Adams House, which lost its significance and integrity when, it was moved from its original location to a new location approximately 3.5 miles away in a neighborhood made of up buildings mostly dating from the 1930s and 1940s, but that also has some interspersed new construction. This area is generally known as Mid-City Baton Rouge, which contains several historic neighborhoods that all postdate the Adams House construction date of 1891. These neighborhoods consist mostly of smaller bungalows and houses from the 1930s on.

The Adams House has lost its integrity of location and setting as it no longer sits in an urban, city setting, but rather in a suburban setting. It is no longer bounded on each side by buildings of similar age, but is instead bounded on one side by a creek and on the other side by a 1940s house. Across the street from it are two newly constructed houses and what appears to be a c. 1960 house.

Furthermore, looking at recent Google streetview images of the house (updated in 2015), it appears that the slate roof has been replaced with metal, the front entry doors have been replaced with French doors, the two chimneys were removed and replaced with a single one (likely removed when it was moved), a side addition was added to the left side of the building, and new rear additions were built. Lastly, a letter in our files indicates that the move occurred prior to 2001 when the owner at the time asked for the property to be relisted. In this letter, it states that the Italianate mantles were also lost. These alterations affect the overall integrity of design, craftsmanship, and materials.

While moving a National Register property from its original site in effect delists a property, this document serves to officially remove the Adams House from the Register because of a loss of integrity .

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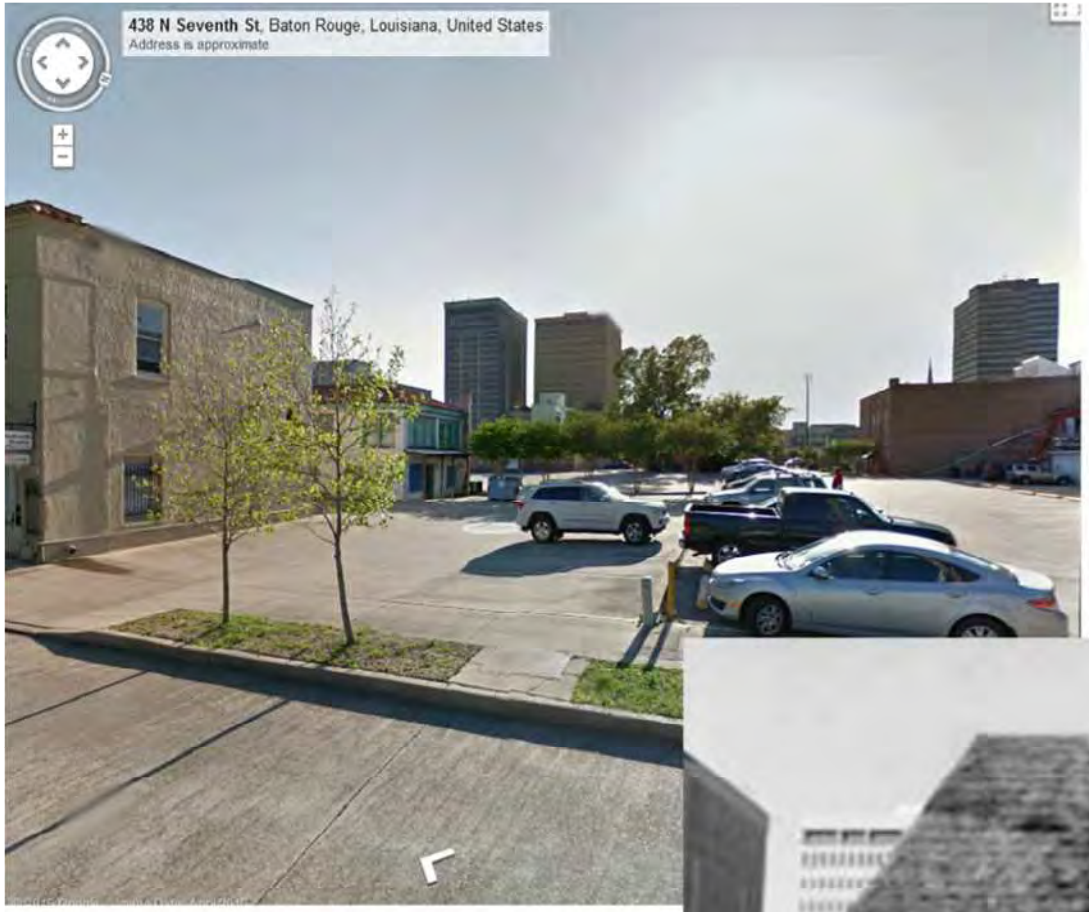
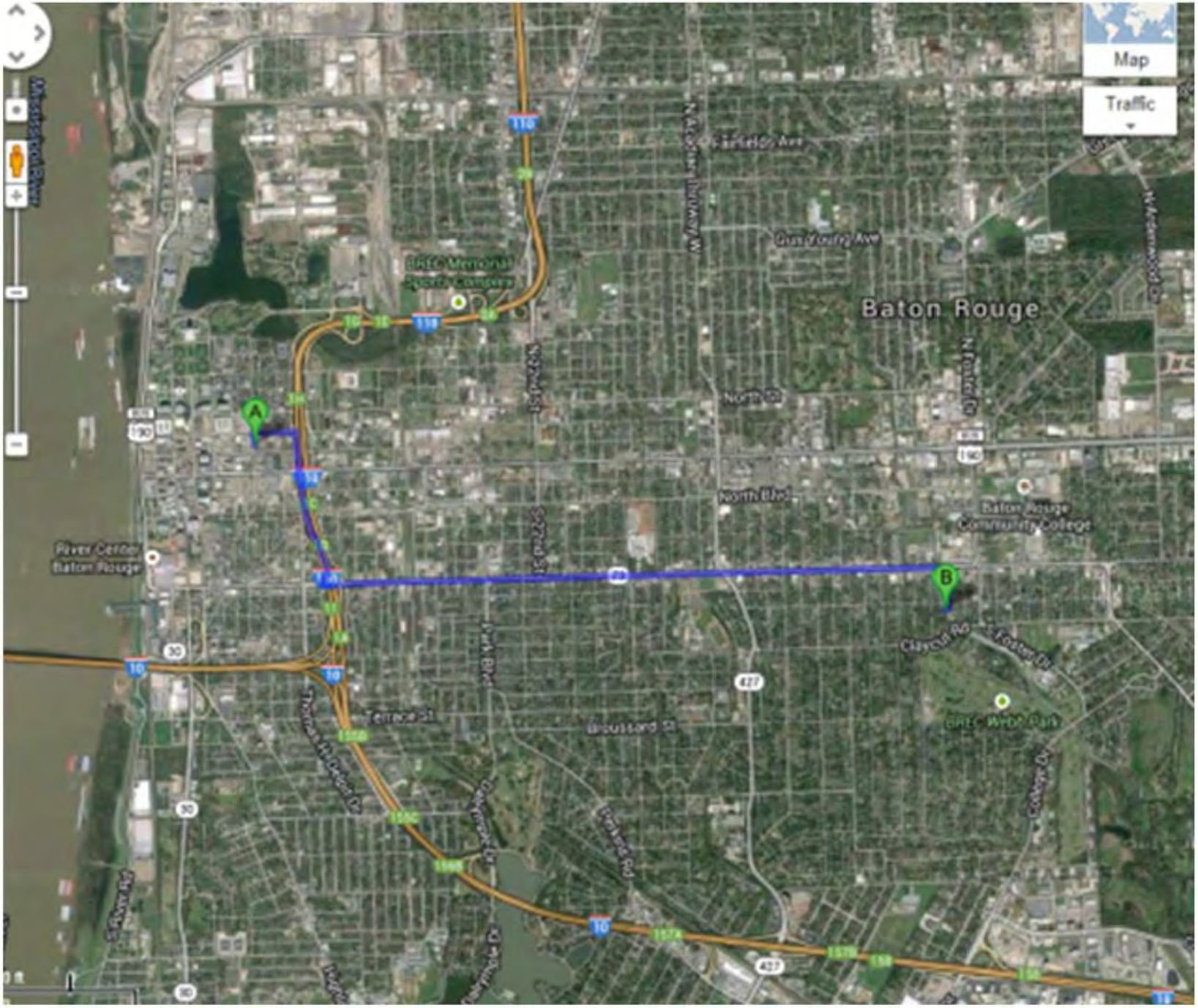


The Adams House has been moved from 421 N. Seventh St in downtown Baton Rouge to 740 Hebert Street in mid-city Baton Rouge.



A is the Adams' House original location and B is the Adams' House new location.

The Adams House in its new location. Image via Google streetview, updated 2015.

Adams House, East Baton Rouge Parish, LA - Original Location

Latitude: 30.450868 Longitude: -91.183575

Adams House, East Baton Rouge Parish, LA - Moved Location

Latitude: 30.441862 Longitude: -91.140646

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES REGISTRATION FORM

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Adams House

other names/site number

2. Location

street & number 421 South Seventh NA not for publication

city or town Baton Rouge NA vicinity

state Louisiana code LA county East Baton Rouge code 033 zip code 70802

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this x nomination ___ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property x meets ___ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant ___ nationally ___ statewide x locally. (___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Gerri Hobdy 4/1/98

Signature of certifying official/Title Gerri Hobdy, Date

LA SHPO, Dept of Culture, Recreation and Tourism

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property ____ meets ____ does not meet the National Register criteria. (____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

✓ entered in the National Register
___ See continuation sheet.
___ determined eligible for the National Register
___ See continuation sheet.
___ determined not eligible for the National Register
___ removed from the National Register
___ other (explain):

for Edson H. Beall

Signature of Keeper Date of Action 5.8.98

Adams House
Name of property

East Baton Rouge Parish, LA
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

_X_ private
___ public-local
___ public-State
___ public-Federal

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

_x_ building(s)
___ district
___ site
___ structure
___ object

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	1	buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
1	1	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

NA

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Cat. Domestic — Sub. Single Dwelling

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Cat. Work in Progress — Sub.

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

Italianate

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation brick
walls weatherboard
roof metal
other

Narrative Description
(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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Built in 1891, the Adams House is a one story frame cottage located in a largely commercial area of downtown Baton Rouge. The house should be viewed within the context of the Italianate taste, due principally to its boldly articulated moldings and other details. Although it has received some alteration and is currently undergoing restoration, its National Register eligibility has not been compromised.

The Adams House is a traditional galleried residence with a hall-less main block containing four rooms and front and rear galleries. This block has a gable end roof (with gable end returns), while the front gallery features solid boxed columns with heavily molded capitals and an entablature with lacks a frieze. The latter features paired brackets (in the Italianate manner), a two-part cornice, and a narrow band of molding between the cornice and the architrave. (This molding appears on the facade but not on the gable end returns.) The cornice is composed of a simple wooden base-like element surmounted by a molded metal gutter. Because the upper portion of the downspout is cast as an integral part of the gutter, it is believed that this gutter is original to the home and was intended as part of the design. Other details of the three-bay facade include a balustrade composed of decoratively cut members, floor-length windows, and two entrances with three light transoms. Original shutters survive on all windows. The house also has its original metal shingle roof.

The cottage has a two-room ell wing. The room directly connecting to the house is original; the second room was added in the 1920s. It appears that part of the original metal gutter was relocated to the rear of the ell when this addition was made.

Four Italianate mantels are located within the home. All feature reeded pilasters with bases highlighted by bull's eye ornamentation, entablatures decorated by unusually shaped panels and a central roundel with bas relief ornament, and undulating mantel shelves. The date 2/25/91 is visible carved into the rear of one of these mantels. Other interior features of note include tall molded baseboards, four panel doors surmounted by three light transoms, and original wooden floors.

In addition to the expansion of the ell noted above, the following alterations have occurred:

1) during the historic period:

   A) One end of the rear gallery was enclosed in the 1920s to create a bath. An exterior window was enclosed as a result of this change. The rest of the rear gallery was screened.

   B) Screen doors were added to the entrances.

2) during the post-1948 period:

   A) Iron bars were placed over the doors and lower portions of the front windows.

CONTINUED

B) The rear (added) ell room received paneling and a dropped tile ceiling.

C) Some interior hardware was stolen.

D) New concrete steps were added to reach the front and rear galleries.

3) during the current restoration:

A) the removal of the plaster (damaged beyond repair) on the main block's walls. (This material will be replaced as accurately as possible.)

Despite these changes, the Adams House remains a viable National Register candidate because all of its original character-defining details remain intact.

Non-Contributing Element

A one-story, metal, two-car garage stands on the southwest rear corner of the property. It is non-historic.

Adams House
Name of property

East Baton Rouge Parish, LA
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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria
(Mark "x" next to the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

___ A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.

___ B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.

_X_ C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.

___ D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations
(Mark "X" next to all that apply.) NA

___ A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.

___ B removed from its original location.

___ C a birthplace or a grave.

___ D a cemetery.

___ E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.

___ F a commemorative property.

___ G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance
(Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

1891

Significant Dates

1891

Significant Person
(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

NA

Cultural Affiliation

NA

Architect/Builder

Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance
(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References
(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS): NA

___ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
___ previously listed in the National Register
___ previously determined eligible by the National Register
___ designated a National Historic Landmark
___ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # ____
___ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # ____

Primary location of additional data:

_X_ State Historic Preservation Office
___ Other State agency
___ Federal agency
___ Local government
___ University
___ Other

Name of repository: _____

Adams House
Name of property

East Baton Rouge Parish, LA
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property less than an acre

UTM References
(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
1	15	674420	3369940	3			
2				4			

__ See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description
(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification
(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title National Register Staff

organization Division of Historic Preservation date February 1998

street & number P.O. Box 44247 telephone (504) 342-8160

city or town Baton Rouge state LA zip code 70804

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A **USGS** map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
A **sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white** photographs of the property.

Additional items
(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Michael W. and Lori J. Manning

street & number 17092 Planchet Road telephone (504) 261-9470

city or town Greenwell Springs state LA zip code 70739

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.).
Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18.1 hours per response including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Chief, Administrative Services Division, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, DC 20013-7127; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reductions Project (1024-0018), Washington, DC 20503.

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The Adams House is locally significant in the area of architecture because it is one of very few Italianate style residences remaining in the City of Baton Rouge. It also illustrates very well the Italianate tradition as it is more typically found in Louisiana--a galleried cottage much like one in the earlier Greek Revival style but with boldly articulated moldings, capitals, brackets, etc.

Although the founding of the community dates to the early eighteenth century, Baton Rouge is in reality a twentieth century city with relatively few historic houses which pre-date the Colonial Revival taste. This situation is due largely to a thriving petro-chemical industry which was established in the city early in the twentieth century and (with the exception of the Depression years) kept local citizens prosperous well into the 1970s. As a result of this prosperity, the community's early homes suffered considerable alteration and demolition. In addition, the area which now forms the Central Business District also contains a number of new buildings, parking lots, and vacant lots where older commercial buildings or houses once stood. The extent of this loss is documented by old photographs, oral accounts, Sanborn maps, a 1984 architectural survey of the CBD, and a recent windshield survey of the city's pre-1900 neighborhoods. This survey revealed that, although the community does have some Italianate style commercial buildings, only seven surviving houses display Italianate motifs. Of this number, three have been remodeled in an insensitive manner, leaving the Adams House as one of only four rare Baton Rouge buildings which reflect the Louisiana residential interpretation of the Italianate style.

This status as a rare example of the way in which the Italianate was commonly found in Louisiana also contributes to the significance of the Adams House. Unlike typical examples of the style found in other regions of the country, characterized by picturesque asymmetry, Louisiana examples are by far rigidly symmetrical. As noted above, and as can be seen in the Adams House, they closely resemble an earlier generation of Greek Revival residences. The difference is in the more lavish details -- for example, elaborate, boldly formed molding profiles and pronounced elements such as column capitals. The Adams House is a textbook example of this version of the Italianate taste.

Historical Note

The property upon which the Adams House stands first appears in legal records in 1875, when it was sold by Antoine L. Gusman of New York to William Holmes of Baton Rouge. Holmes sold the plot to Mary Phillips Adams in January 1891. The previously mentioned date carved into the rear of one of the home's mantels indicates that the dwelling was built shortly after Mrs. Adams assumed ownership. The property changed hands many times over the years until its purchase by Michael and Lori Manning in October 1997. The Mannings are currently restoring the house and plan to rent it as commercial space.

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BIBLIOGRAPHY

Architectural and Historical Survey of Downtown Baton Rouge. Foundation for Historical Louisiana and City of Baton Rouge - Parish of East Baton Rouge, July, 1984.

Deeds recording transfer of property; copies in National Register file.

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, 1885, 1891.

Windshield survey of Baton Rouge pre-1900 historic neighborhoods by National Register staff, February 17, 1998.

Legal Property Description:

A certain fractional lot of ground, together with buildings and improvements thereon, situated in that part of the city of Baton Rouge known as Devall Town, and designated on a map of the city of Baton Rouge as Lot Seven (7), Square Twelve (12) of said Devall Town, the portion herein conveyed being the northern portion of said lot and having a front of fifty (50) feet on North 7th Street (formerly known as St. Anthony Street) by a depth between parallel lines of 84 feeet, five inches, being the same property originally acquired by John Caston Denham from martin P. Miranda on February 19, 1919, as per act of record in Book 74, page 457 of the conveyance records of the Parish of East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Justification: Boundaries follow property lines.

Adams House
Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish, LA
Patricia Duncan
1/88
LASHPO
West
Photo No. 1

dams House
Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish, LA
Patricia Duncan
1198
LASHPO
Southwest
Photo No. 2

Adams House
Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish, LA
Patricia Duncan
1/98
LASHPO
Southwest
Photo No. 3

Adams House
Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish, LA
Michael Manning
10/97
17092 Planchet Road, Greenwell Springs, LA 70739
East
Photo No. 4

Adams House
Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish, LA
Michael Manning
10/97
17092 Planchet Road, Greenwell Springs, LA 70739
West/NW
Photo No. 5

Adams House
Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish, LA
Patricia Duncan
1/98
LASHPO
Northwest
Photo No. 6

Adams House
Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish, LA
Michael Manning
10/97
17092 Planchet Road, Greenwell Springs, LA 70739
Interior
Photo No. 7

Adams House
Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish, LA
Michael Manning
10/97
17092 Planchet Road, Greenwell Springs, LA 70739
Interior
Photo No. 8

BATON ROUGE WEST QUADRANGLE
LOUISIANA
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)
NW/4 BATON ROUGE 15' QUADRANGLE

UNITED STATES
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GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

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7744 I NE (BATON ROUGE WEST)
7744 IV SE (ADDIS)
7744 I SW (PLAQUEMINE)
7744 I SE (ST. GABRIEL)

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Projection and 10,000-foot grid ticks: Louisiana coordinate system, south zone (Lambert conformal conic)
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid, zone 15
1927 North American Datum
The difference between 1927 North American Datum and North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83) for 7.5-minute intersections is given in USGS Bulletin 1875. The NAD 83 is shown by dashed corner ticks
All or part of this quadrangle lies within a subsidence area
Gray tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked

UTM GRID AND 1992 MAGNETIC NORTH DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET

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CONTOUR INTERVAL 5 FEET
NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
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AND LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70804
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

LOUISIANA
QUADRANGLE LOCATION

ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Primary highway, hard surface
Secondary highway, hard surface
Light-duty road, hard or improved surface
Unimproved road
Interstate Route · U. S. Route · State Route

BATON ROUGE WEST, LA.
NW/4 BATON ROUGE 15' QUADRANGLE
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Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish, LA
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
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REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Adams House

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: LOUISIANA, East Baton Rouge

DATE RECEIVED: 4/10/98 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 4/21/98
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 5/07/98 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 5/25/98
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 98000440

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 5-8-98 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

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RECOM./CRITERIA_____

REVIEWER_____ DISCIPLINE_____

TELEPHONE_____ DATE_____

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

KATHLEEN BABINEAUX BLANCO
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

STATE OF LOUISIANA
OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism
OFFICE OF CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT
DIVISION OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

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SECRETARY

GERRI HOBDY
ASSISTANT SECRETARY

March 31, 1998

National Park Service
National Register of Historic Places
Mail Stop 2280, Suite 400
1849 C Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20240

Re: Adams House, East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find a National Register form with supporting materials for the above referenced property. If there are any questions, please call me at 504-342-8160.

Sincerely,

Donna Fricker

Donna Fricker
National Register Coordinator

DF/df

Enclosure

P.O. BOX 44247 ♦ BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70804-4247 ♦ Phone (504) 342-8160 ♦ Fax (504) 342-8173

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August 13, 2001

Ms. Winnie Spruell
1587 College Drive, Apt. 1
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808

RE: Adams House, East Baton Rouge Parish

Dear Ms. Spruell:

Thank you for your recent inquiry concerning having the Adams House re-listed on the National Register of Historic Places. As you know, the dwelling is one of very few examples of the Italianate style surviving in the city, and we were most concerned when we thought the building was to be demolished. You are very much to be commended for saving the house, and especially for having the patience and tenacity to continue the project when the move proved to be so terribly difficult. Thanks to your determination and love for the home, it will now be safe for years to come.

Concerning the possibility of the re-listing, I am afraid I must give you bad news. After carefully evaluating the evidence which Patricia Duncan gathered on-site when she met with you on August 2, we have sadly concluded that we cannot construct a case for the re-listing which the National Register would accept. Unfortunately, the move, the damage and the losses to the house (especially its Italianate mantels) are just too much to overcome as far as a nomination is concerned. Please understand that this evaluation does not mean that the house is no longer important and worthy of preservation. It simply means that it does not meet the criteria for re-listing established by the National Park Service.

I am truly sorry that we cannot move forward with a re-listing. Baton Rouge has lost so many of its historic houses, and this one deserves to be treasured. If our office can provide any restoration advice as you work to make the Adams House your personal home, please do not hesitate to contact Barbara Bacot or Nicole Hobson of our staff at (225) 342-8160.

Sincerely,

Donna Fricker

Donna Fricker
National Register Coordinator

DF:PD/pd

Jessica G. Richardson

From: Carolyn Bennett <carolynbennett@fhl.org>
Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2015 2:22 PM
To: Jessica G. Richardson
Subject: RE: Adams House

Importance: High

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

Hi Jessica,

Off Government. 740 Hebert Street at the end of the block! Carolyn

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From: Jessica G. Richardson [mailto:jrichardson@crt.la.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 12:46 PM
To: Carolyn Bennett
Subject: Adams House

Carolyn,

I am working on delisting properties this year including ones that have been moved. The Adams House was formerly at 421 South Seventh Street (seventh and Laurel). I know that it was moved, but have nothing in our file to even give me a clue as to where. I know that you know Baton Rouge well and figured I'd pick your brain just to see. I attached a photo of the house and a current image of the address (parking). Have you ever seen this house or remember it being moved? I talked with John Sykes and he remembers it being there in 2000. I think it was moved 1-2 years later.

If you can't remember or don't know anything, no worries – I am just trying to do my due diligence and see if I can get anywhere with this one!

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TO: Mr. James Gabbert
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FROM: Jessica Richardson, National Register Coordinator
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RE: Adams House Additional Documentation, East Baton Rouge Parish, LA
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Jim,

The enclosed disk contains the true and correct copy of the additional documentation for the Adams House. Should you have any questions, please contact me at 225-219-4595 or jrichardson@crt.la.gov.

Thanks,

Jessica JR

Enclosures:
__x__ CD with PDF of the National Register of Historic Places nomination form and Correspondence
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