

FORM B - BUILDING

AREA

FORM NO.

339

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02116



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.

Recorded by Betsy Friedberg
Organization Mass. Historical Commission
Date December 1984

Town Arlington, MAAddress 94 Oakland AvenueHistoric Name Allyn HouseUse: Present residentialOriginal residential

DESCRIPTION:

Date ca. 1898Source Arlington mapsStyle Craftsmen styleArchitect UnknownExterior wall fabric stucco with shingle
on dormersOutbuildings NoneMajor alterations (with dates) NoneMoved No Date N/AApprox. acreage less than one acreSetting The house sits on a large tree-shaped lot, set back from Oakland Ave. It is bounded by rubblestone wall.UTM: 19/320740/4698360

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

Irregular in plan, the Allyn House is oriented on a diagonal in the center of a large well-landscaped lot. Stylistically, the house is a fine representative of the Craftsman style. It is covered with light gray stucco, which contrasts with the smooth, dark brown window enframements. The house is crowned by a hip roof, which extends to a broad unenclosed eave overhang, and a two-story bay window dominates the facade. A small porch covers the entryway. On its Oakland Avenue boundary, the lot is defined by a rubble-stone wall.

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

During the 1870s, this house's lot was owned by the Arlington Land Company, the largest developer in Arlington Heights in the late 19th century. The present house was built ca. 1898. For many years, this was the residence of Philip M. Allyn, a book publisher in Boston.

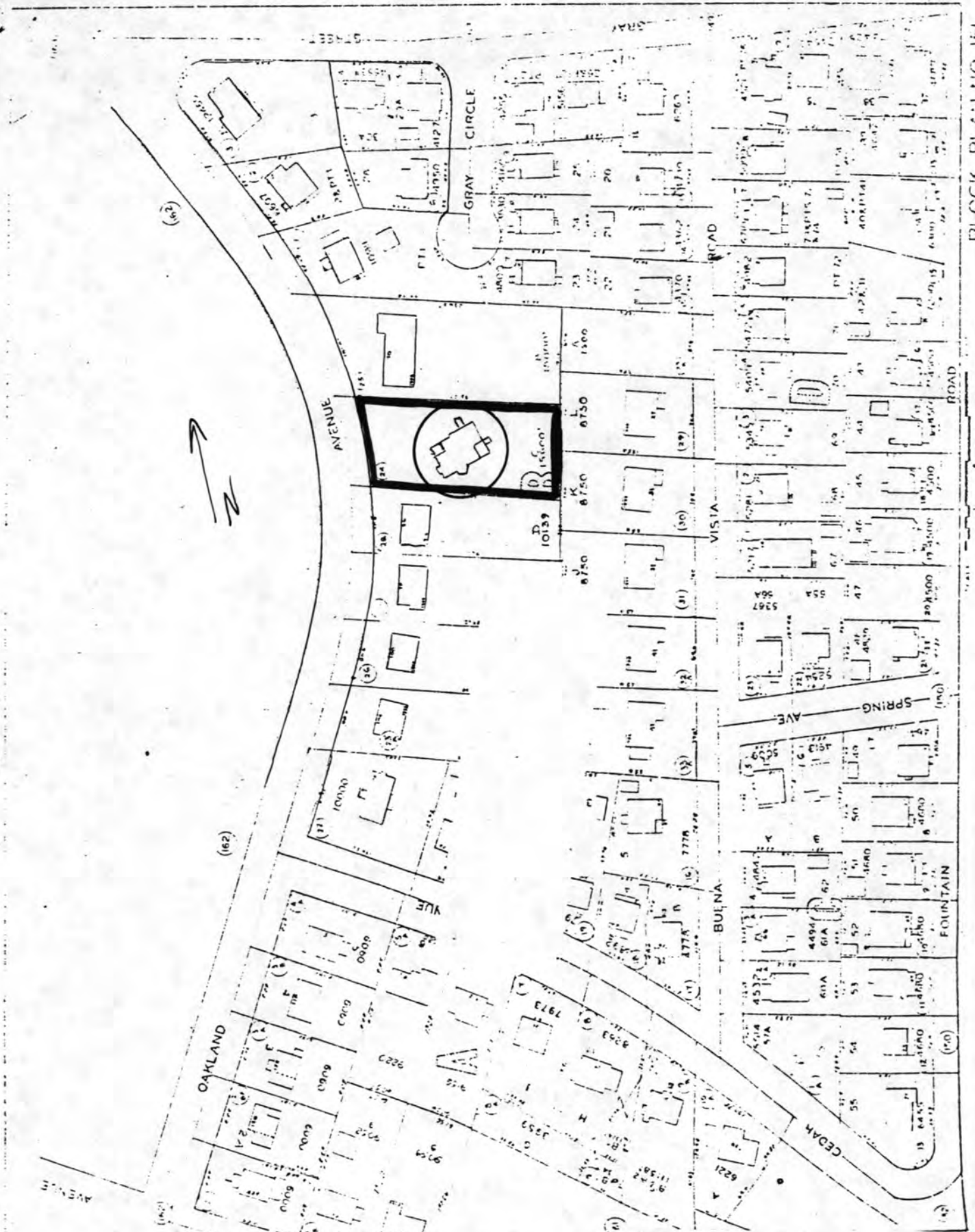
CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION

With well-preserved craftsman-style detailing, the Allyn House possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association. It meets Criterion C of the National Register of Historic Places.

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

- 1875 Beers & Co. Atlas
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Arlington MRA

Frederick Allyn House
94 Oakland Avenue

MAR 6 1985

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Allyn House (Arlington MRA)
Middlesex County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. MAR 6 1985
Fed. Reg. Date: _____
Date Due: 4/4/85 - 4/20/85
Action: ACCEPT
RETURN 4-18-85
REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

- ☐ 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 Public Acquisition	Status Accessible	Present Use
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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 | ☐ deteriorated |
| ☐ good | ☐ ruins |
| ☐ fair | ☐ 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

Map used for defining boundaries unclear — cannot read markings and scale.

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed *W. Byers* Date *4/18/85* Phone: _____

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80 BOYLSTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02116

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PHOTO: (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)
staple to left side of form

Photo number _____

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Organization Mass. Historical Commission
Date December 1984

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Historic Name Allyn House

Use: Present residential
Original residential

DESCRIPTION:

Date ca. 1898

Source Arlington Maps

Style Craftsman style

Architect unknown

Exterior wall fabric stucco with shingles
on the dormers

Outbuildings none

Major alterations (with dates) none

Moved no Date NA

Approx. acreage less than one acre

Setting The house sits on a large tree-
shaded lot, set back from Oakland Avenue.

It is bounded by a rubblestone wall.

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination FormFor NPS use only
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date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

dnr-11

Name Arlington Multiple Resource Area
State Middlesex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

ARLINGTON✓ 1. ~~Town~~ Center Historic District (BOUNDARY INCREASE) Keeper

Attest

Date/Signature

Accept Comm. Meeting 4/18/85
Sharon L. Byers 9/27/85

✓ 2. Pierce Farm Historic District Entered in the National Register Keeper

Attest

Sharon L. Byers 9/27/85

✓ 3. Kensington Park Historic District Entered in the National Register Keeper

Attest

Sharon L. Byers 9/27/85

✓ 4. Orvis Road Historic District Entered in the National Register Keeper

Attest

Sharon L. Byers 9/27/85

✓ 5. Allyn House Entered in the National Register Keeper

Attest

Sharon L. Byers 9/27/85

6. Arlington Coal & Lumber Entered in the National Register Keeper

Attest

Sharon L. Byers 4/18/85

7. Arlington Gaslight Company Entered in the National Register Keeper

Attest

Sharon L. Byers 4/18/85

8. Arlington Pumping Station Entered in the National Register Keeper

Attest

Sharon L. Byers 4/18/859. Arlington Reservoir ~~Submitted for Review~~ Keeper

Attest

Sharon L. Byers 9/27/85

10. Baptist Society Meeting House Entered in the National Register Keeper

Attest

Sharon L. Byers 4/18/85

REF #

85002686

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Allyn House (Arlington MRA)
Middlesex County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. 3/6/85
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/4/86
Date Due: 9/28/85
Action: ☒ ACCEPT 9-27-85
☐ RETURN
☐ REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

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

Entered in the
National Register

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Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



Frederick Allyn House
94 Oakland Street
Arlington MA (MRA)

Neg: with photographer
View E, showing N, W elev.
Photo # 11

Frederick Allyn House
94 Oakland

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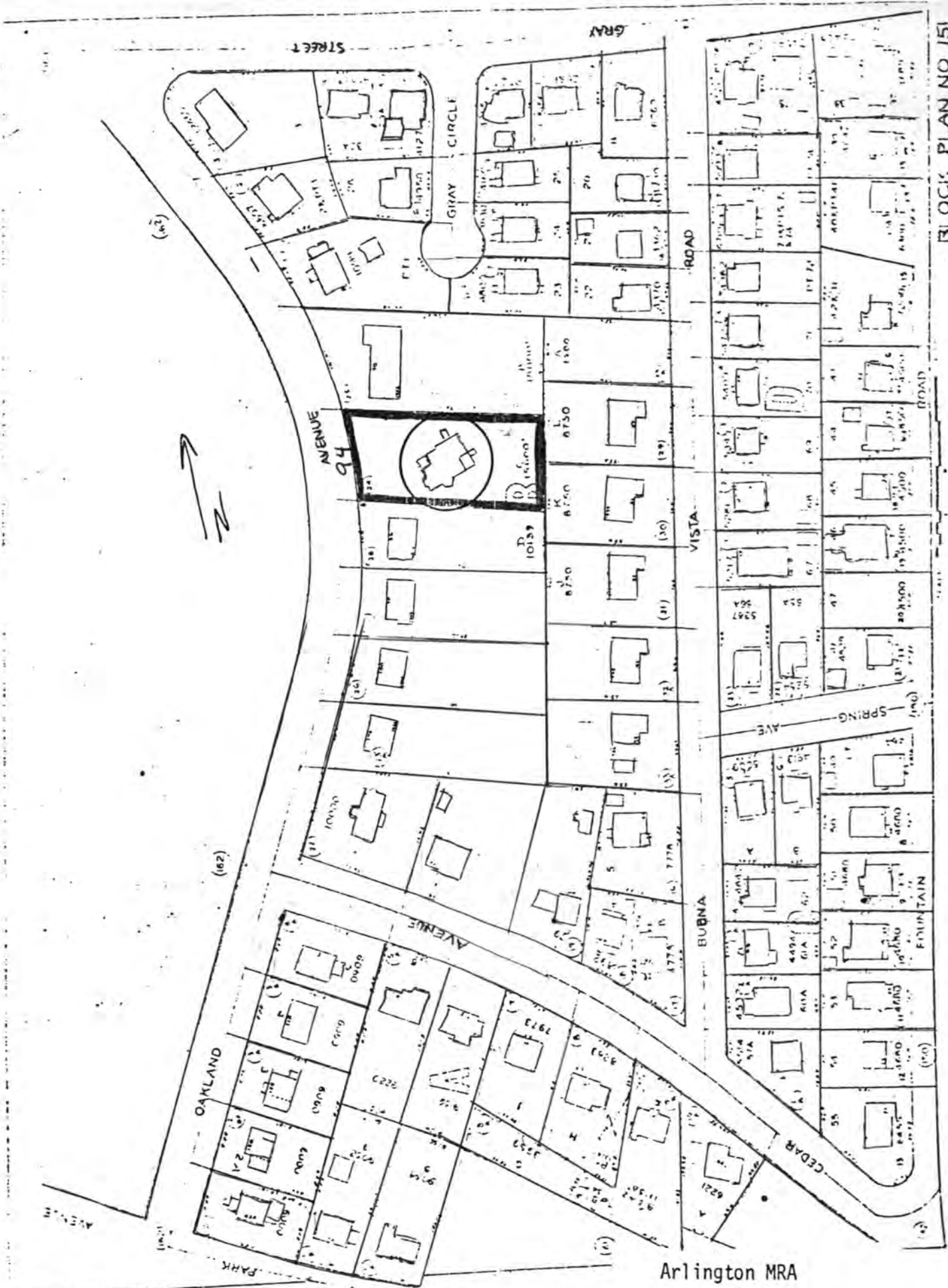
94 Oakland Ave

Frederick Alyn House

Arlington MRA

Massachusetts





BLOCK PLAN NO 151
Arlington Assessors Maps

Arlington MRA

Frederick Allyn House
94 Oakland Avenue

Scale: 1" = 120'

MAR 10 1965
Arlington Town Assessors
Map 174