

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Franklin Historic District (Boundary Increase)

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: LOUISIANA, St. Mary

DATE RECEIVED: 8/03/05      DATE OF PENDING LIST: 8/31/05  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 9/15/05      DATE OF 45TH DAY: 9/16/05  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 05001042

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                         DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

**Entered in the  
National Register**

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept

REVIEWER Edson Beall

DISCIPLINE History

TELEPHONE                     

DATE 9.15.05

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

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Section 1: Franklin Historic District Boundary Increase (Palfrey St.)

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Section 2: 600-608 Palfrey St., Franklin

Section 3: SHPO Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that the following addendum to the Franklin Historic District meets the documentation standards for the National Register and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFT Part 60. In my opinion, the proposed increase meets the National Register criteria.

Jonathan Fricker 7/29/05

Jonathan Fricker, Deputy SHPO
Louisiana Dept. of Culture, Recreation and Tourism

Section 5: new contributing buildings count: 334 (no new non-contributing)

new total number of buildings: 423

Section 7: Description

The Franklin Historic District was listed on the National Register in 1982. The purpose of this addendum is to expand the boundaries of the district to include three residences on Palfrey Street that should have been included in the original submission. An in-progress tax credit project on the middle house, 606 Palfrey, is the immediate reason for the proposed increase. 606 Palfrey is a fairly large, rambling, one story circa 1900 Queen Anne house with cross-gable massing, a front-facing polygonal bay with corner brackets and fishscale shingles, and an Eastlake porch on the facade. Along the side is a porch currently under rehabilitation. The side elevation's jerkinhead gable dates from the the 1910s or '20s. The house is very similar in architectural quality to many within the district boundaries, including a house in front of it on Adams Street within the same viewshed (see map and photo). Clearly 606 Palfrey was left out of the original submission due to error.

The two houses flanking 606 Palfrey are also being included in the proposed boundary increase. While simple in comparison to 606 Palfrey, they are similar in character to dozens of historic houses in the district boundaries. 600 Palfrey is an early twentieth century one story wood frame "no style" cottage with a forward facing gable and two-over-two windows. The porch (located under the gable) is now at grade level. While it is a "no style" house, it supports the district's architectural character in terms of massing, materials, fenestration pattern, etc. 608 Palfrey is a two story red brick house from the 1930s or '40s which at the time would have been considered "colonial" in style. The Colonial Revival detailing is found at the entrance, where there is a small arched porch with a column at each corner and a door with sidelights and an elliptical fanlight. Also contributing to the "colonial" feel are multi-pane windows.

Part 10: Geographical Information

The boundary increase is too slight to effect the overall acreage, the USGS map, or UTM's.

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The boundary increase is shown as a broken line on the attached district map (northwest corner). (The district was originally coded in color. The proposed increase is delineated differently, as shown on the map.)

Justification: Boundaries were chosen to encompass the three houses in question, which were left out of the original district by mistake.