

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

AREAFORM NO.

1668

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

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.

Town Worcester

Address 18 Fairhaven Road

Historic Name Thomas Giguere
Three-Decker

Use: Present residential

Original residential

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1926

Source Worcester House Directory

Style Colonial Revival Three-Decker

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric wood clapboard and shingle

Outbuildings 3-car garage

Major Alterations (with dates) none

Condition very good

Moved _____ Date _____

Acreage less than 1/4 acre

Setting Urban, early 20th century,
single- and multi-family residential
street.

Recorded by Michael Steinitz

Organization Clark University

Date February 1981

UTM REFERENCE 19/ 269400/4687650

USGS QUADRANGLE Worcester North

SCALE 1:25,000

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Thomas Giguere 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 that characterized the Greendale section of northern Worcester in the third decade of the 20th century, when ethnic, working-class families continued to locate here, drawn by employment opportunities in nearby factories. It is also an unusually well-preserved, well-detailed example of Colonial Revival three-decker design. The Thomas Giguere 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, 18 Fairhaven Road is a remarkably well-preserved building representative of the last period of local Colonial Revival three-decker design. The house has a typical side-hall plan, with a gable roof, and is clad in wood clapboard on the first story, and wood shingle on the upper two stories. The asymmetrical main facade has a full-length first story porch that rises to three tiers in the entry bay. This is capped by a pedimented gable portico that projects from the gable pediment of the main facade gable. The porch is supported on each story by triple columns, and has open central balustrades. On each story on the main facade, the porch is flanked by a triple window with 4/1 and 6/1 sash. Triple windows are also located in a column of three oriels that project from the west side elevation.

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. 1926, the Giguere Three-Decker was part of the last phase of three-decker construction in the suburban residential subdivisions of the Greendale area of north Worcester. Electric streetcar connections and the growth of nearby industries had simulated a residential boom in this area in the early 20th century, and many Swedish families located here as a result of the recruiting practices of the Norton Company. By the time of the construction of the Giguere house, automobile commuting was becoming more widespread, and the ethnic character of the neighborhood was also diversifying. The first owner of 18 Fairhaven Road was Thomas Giguere, a machinist. Tenants in 1926 included Marcisse Grobichaud, a molder; and George Billington, an assistant purchasing agent for a downtown firm. Tenants four years later included Arthur Bishop, a helper; Joseph Bishop, a riveter; and Ernest Forsberg, a machinist with the Norton Company.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Worcester Directory, Worcester House Directory, 1926, 1930.

J. Callahan et al., Worcester Three-Decker Survey, 1981.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
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Worcester Three-Deckers MRA
Worcester County, MASSACHUSETTS

Date Listed

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| 21. Elm Street Historic District | Substantive Review | Keeper <u>Shelton Byers</u> | |
| | | Attest <u>Beth Savage 02/09/90</u> | |
| 22. Erikson, Knut, Three-Decker | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper <u>Shelton Byers 2/9/90</u> | |
| | | Attest _____ | |
| 23. Euclid Avenue--Montrose Street Historic District | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper <u>Shelton Byers 2/9/90</u> | |
| | | Attest _____ | |
| 24. Fay Street Historic District | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper <u>Shelton Byers 2/9/90</u> | |
| | | Attest _____ | |
| 25. Flagg, Levi, Three-Decker | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper <u>Shelton Byers 2/9/90</u> | |
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| 26. Fontaine, George, Three-Decker | Entered in the
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| 27. Friberg, Andrew, Three-Decker | Entered in the
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| 28. Giguere, Thomas, Three-Decker | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper <u>Shelton Byers 2/9/90</u> | |
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| 29. Gullberg, Evert, House -Decker | Entered in the
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| 30. Hadley, Gilbert, House -Decker | Entered in the
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Giguere, Thomas, Three-Decker
NAME:

MULTIPLE
NAME: Worcester Three-Deckers MRA

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: 89002356

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 _____

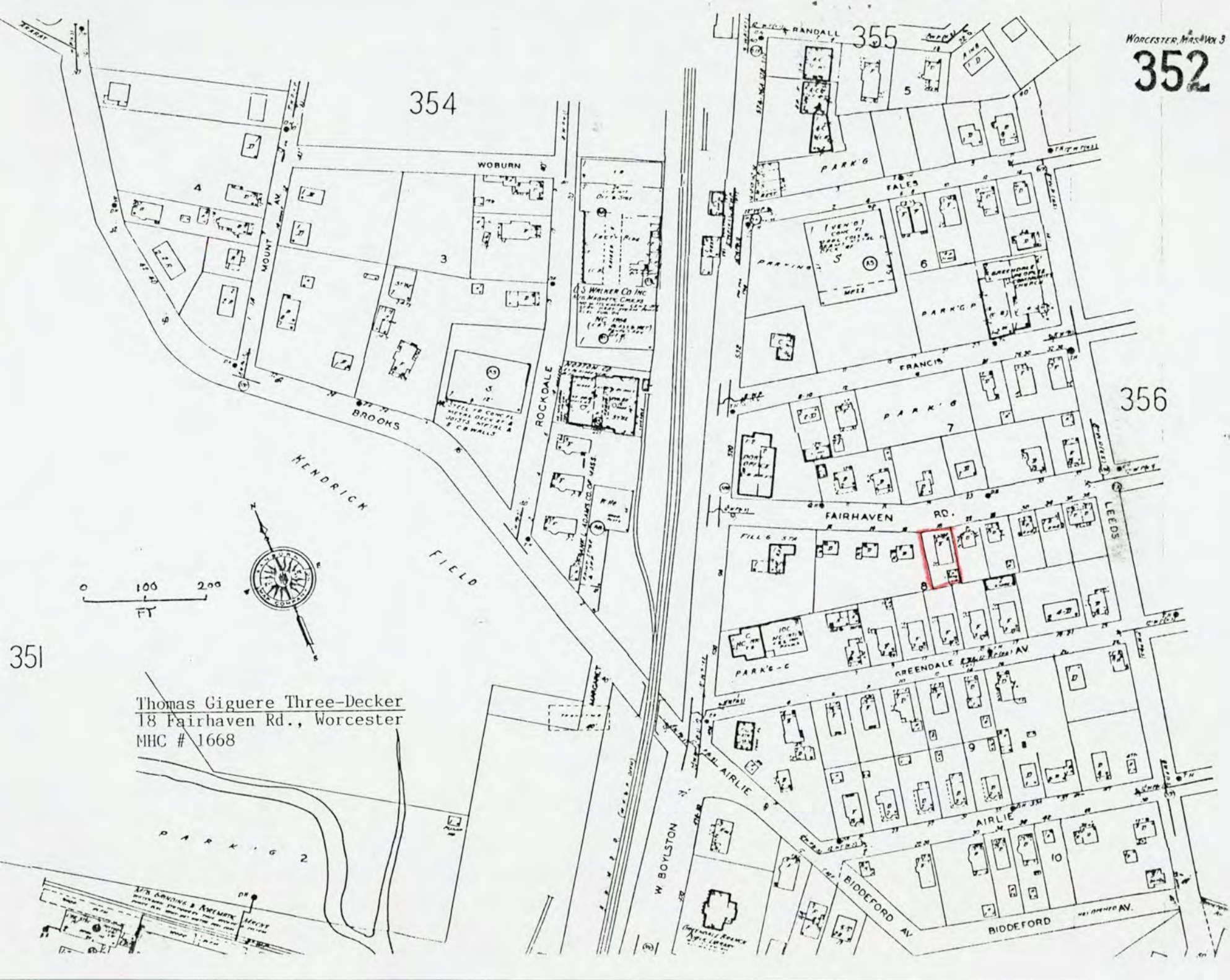
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Worcester Three-Decker's MRA

THOMAS GIGUERE THREE DECKER
18 FAIR HAVEN ROAD
WORCESTER, MA
MHC # 1668





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

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