

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.	Form no.
	43
	215-6

2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
Staple to left side of form
Photo number _____

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location
in relation to nearest cross streets and
other buildings. Indicate north.

1. Town Brookline MRA

Address 665 Washington Street

Name Fire Station #7

Present use fire station

Present owner Town of Brookline

3. Description:

Date 1898

Source blueprints

Style Dutch with Italian Renaissance
Tower

Architect G. Fred Crosby

Exterior wall fabric brick veneer with
masonry trim

Outbuildings (describe) none

Other features Dutch stepped brick gab
masonry and brick voussoirs, mason
ry quoins

Altered left entrance Date 1951

Moved no Date _____

5. Lot size: 6777 sq.ft.

One acre or less x Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 60 feet

Approximate distance of building from street

20 feet

6. Recorded by S.W. Leff and C.W Benka

Organization BHC

Date 1980

(over)

See rear for geographical information.

7. Original owner (if known) Town Of Brookline

Original use fire station

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>x</u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	<u>x</u>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

Fire Station #7 is one of the more interesting fire stations in Brookline and certainly the only one designed with a Dutch gable and an Italian Renaissance tower. Altered in 1951 to accomodate larger fire trucks, it was originally designed by G. Fred Crosby, a native Brooklinite, whose office was located on Tremont Street in Boston.

All work on the building was performed by Brookline mechanics, according to an article in The Suburban which also stated that: "With this new house, known as a three door house, Brookline will be able to boast of as efficient a fire department as any in the state."

Fire Station #7 meets criteria A and C of the National Register. An imposing piece of municipal architecture, the Fire Station is notable for its Dutch/Renaissance Revival styling and as a reflection of Brookline's commitment to municipal improvements and public safety at the end of the nineteenth century.

Newton Quadrangle

UIM Reference: 19/324200/4689380

Map #: 69

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Brookline building department-bay #4, blueprints

Brookline building department-permits-1898

Brookline atlas-1893, 1897, 1900

The Suburban- June 1, 1899, p.3

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Brookline MRA
State MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

21. Elliot, General Simon,
HouseEntered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Attest

Delores Byers 10/17/85

22. Emmett Cottage

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Attest

Delores Byers 10/17/85

23. Fernwood

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Attest

Delores Byers 10/17/85

24. Fire Station #7

Entered in the
National Register

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Delores Byers 10/17/85

25. Fisher Hill Historic District

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Attest

Delores Byers 10/17/8526. Francis, Dr. Tappan Eustis,
HouseEntered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Attest

Delores Byers 10/17/85

27. Fuller, Peter, Building

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Attest

Delores Byers 10/17/85

28. Goddard, John, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

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Delores Byers 10/17/8529. Graffam Development
Historic DistrictEntered in the
National Register

for Keeper

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Delores Byers 10/17/85

30. Green Hill Historic District

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Fire Station #7 (Brookline MRA)
Norfolk County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. SEP 4 1985
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/3/87
Date Due: 10/3/85 - 10/19/85
Action: ☒ ACCEPT 10-17-85
☐ RETURN
☐ REJECT
Entered in the National Register
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	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: _____

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



665 Washington

Fire Station #7

Brookline MRA, MA

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Brookline MRA, MA

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666 Washington St. (43/215-6)
Fire Station #7
Brookline (Ma) MRA
Town of Brookline Map. Jan 1981
Scale 1/2" = 100 ft.

