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NATIONAL PARK SERVICENATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORMPH 0678341
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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS**1 NAME**

HISTORIC Brookline Village Commercial District

AND/OR COMMON

Same

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Multiple

CITY, TOWN

Brookline

VICINITY OF

STATE

Massachusetts

CODE

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
4thCOUNTY
NorfolkCODE
021**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY

☒ DISTRICT☐ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☒ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☒ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☒ COMMERCIAL☒ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☒ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Multiple (see attached property owners' list)

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Brookline

VICINITY OF

STATE

Massachusetts

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Norfolk County Registry of Deeds

STREET & NUMBER

650 High Street

CITY, TOWN

Dedham

STATE

Massachusetts 02026

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Inventory of the Historic Assets of the Commonwealth

DATE

1977

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Massachusetts Historical Commission

CITY, TOWN

Boston

STATE

Massachusetts

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

The Brookline Village Commercial District lies immediately north of the intersection of Boylston (Route 9) and Washington Streets, extending about 2,000 feet northwest on Washington Street to the town hall complex and about 1,000 feet north on Harvard Street to Webster Place. The district extends south of Boylston Street to include the Brookline Village Fire Station which is a crucial visual boundary. Directly across the street from the Fire Station is a large, modern complex excluded from the district. Forty-seven buildings comprise the district, most of which were constructed in the late nineteenth or early twentieth centuries.

Buildings within the district, as the name implies, are commercial in character. Most are three or four stories in height with shops on the ground floor and offices and apartments above. Brick is the predominant building material, frequently used decoratively at cornices, above windows and between stories. The proximity of the buildings to each other and similarities in setback, massing, height, material and period create a striking urban streetscape that has been altered only slightly.

At the corner of Harvard and Kent Streets is the Brookline Trust Company (#4) which was designed by Hartwell and Richardson in 1893. Three stories high, the brick building has segmental-arched windows on the second story and two groups of four round-arched windows on the third story. An iron balcony is below the center window. Extensive alterations by Peabody and Stearns in 1902 included raising the roof eight feet and adding an iron cornice. Their granite first floor facade was replaced by marble in the 1960's.

Across Kent Street is the Rooney Building (#5), built around 1880. Although recent alterations on the first floor detract from its appearance, cast iron columns, sandstone lintels and keystones and ornamental brickwork still characterize the four story brick structure.

Farther south on Washington Street are the Colonnade Buildings (#8,9,10), a group of three attached brick structures. The north and middle buildings (#8 and 9) which were built by John Panter in 1872 are three stories high with mansard roofs. Although recent serious fires have altered the roofs, they are still mansard in form. Both buildings have alternating paired and single windows on their third stories. Second story windows have been changed on the middle building (#9), but the bay division has been retained. The south building (#10), erected three years later, is four stories high. Recent remodeling of the village's post office, located on the first floor, has been in keeping with the building's architectural character. The three buildings are unified by corbeled cornices, segmental-arched windows, fenestration pattern, and storefronts with cast iron Corinthian columns. These details are typical of many of the village's buildings.

Around the corner on Station Street stand the original buildings of the Holtzer-Cabot Electric Company (#11 and 12), Brookline's first and only major manufacturing industry begun in 1888. The brick, four-story buildings contain simplified architectural elements of other village buildings: corbeled cornices and segmental and round-arched windows. A square tower interrupts the facade of #12.

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KEY TO SKETCH MAP AND PROPERTY OWNERS

# ON MAP	PROPERTY	OWNER
# 1-3	Woolworth Building 13-15 Harvard Street Brookline 02146	Irving Trust Company of New York, Trs. c/o F.W. Woolworth Co. Box 1665, Tax Department Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53701 ✓
# 4	Brookline Trust Co. 1-5 Harvard Street Brookline	Brookline Trust Co. 1341 Beacon St., Brookline ✓
# 5	Rooney Building 7-9 Harvard Square Brookline	Morton L. Bardfield, Tr. 879 Beacon St. Boston, MA 02215 ✓
# 6	5-6 Harvard Square Brookline	George Roth 5 Harvard Square ✓
# 7	1-3 Harvard Square Brookline	Jack J. and Barbara I. Scolnick 34 Slocum Road Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 ✓
# 8	Colonnade Building 231-241 Washington St. Brookline	Joseph H. Levin 4 Pond Brook Circle Weston, MA 02193 ✓
# 9	Colonnade Building 217-229 Washington St. Brookline	Lewis J. Pollack et al, Trs. 470 Totten Pond Road Waltham, MA 02154 ✓
# 10	Colonnade Building 207-213 Washington St. Brookline	Lewis J. Pollack See #9 ✓
# 11	5 Station Street Brookline	Clark-Reid Co., Inc. 5 Station St., Brookline ✓
# 12	Holtzer-Cabot Electric Co. 9-21 Station St. Brookline	Edward Sciaba, Jr. et al, Trs. 592 Centre St. Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 ✓

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# ON MAP	PROPERTY	OWNER
#13.	Village Fire Station 140 Washington St. Brookline	Town of Brookline ✓ 333 Washington St.
#14.	Brookline Savings Bank 160 Washington St. Brookline	Brookline Savings Bank ✓
#15.	190-200 Washington St. Brookline	Miriam Glazer Inc ✓ 190 Washington St.
#16.	Village Coach House 202-204 Washington St. Brookline	Tara Realty Co., Inc. ✓ 202 Washington St.
#17.	206-218 Washington St. Brookline	Jacob Furman et al, Trs. ✓ 80 Hammond St. Chestnut Hill, Mass 02167
#18.	The Algonquin 220-224 Washington St. Brookline	Francis Glazer, Tr. ✓ 6 Morseland Ave. Newton Centre, Mass. 02159
#19.	St Andrew Building 236-242 Washington St. Brookline	Linda Cole ✓ 19 Thoreau Rd. Lexington, Mass. 02173
#20.	Davis Mansion 10 Davis Ave. Brookline	Charles Angelopoulos et al. ✓ C/O Kougas. 29 Morey Rd. West Roxbury, Mass. 02131
#21.	McLeod Mansion 14-16 Davis Ave. Brookline	E.E. Gordon, Tr. ✓ P.O. Box 342 Brookline
#22.	Village House Condominium 11-15 Davis Ave. Brookline	Donald F. Anderson et al. James D. and Monique K. Richardson Davis Ave. Associates, C/O Hamburger Buell Hollister Patricia E Lockwood Rainer H. Elting William M. 3rd and Harriet Baldwin

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# ON MAP	PROPERTY	OWNER
#23.	Seaman's Building 256 Washington St. Brookline	Francis J. O'Boy et al. ✓ 2 White Place Brookline
#24.	264 Washington St. Brookline	Brookline Cooperative Bank ✓
#25.	274-278 Washington St. Brookline	Francis J. and Alice O'Boy Box 566, Brookline
#26.	Reuben's Building 280-284 Washington St. Brookline	Carmen Stroschio, Tr. C/O Stroschio Realty ✓ 324 Lowell St. Somerville, Mass. 02145
#27.	288-298 Washington St. Brookline	Loren J. and Hazel Sandler 3 Bartlett Circle ✓ Reading, Mass. 01867
#28.	300-302 Washington St. Brookline	Loren J. and Hazel Sandler See #27. ✓
#29.	306-308 Washington St. Brookline	John Chicos C/O Mallios 21 Hewlett St. ✓ Roslindale, Mass. 02131
#30.	310A-314 Washington St. Brookline	John Chicos C/O Mallios See #29. ✓
#31.	316-320 Washington St. Brookline	Eliot D. and Blanche H. Canter, Trs. 185 Corey Rd. ✓ Brighton, Mass.
#32.	322-326 Washington St. Brookline	Stavis Ambulance Service ✓
#33.	328 Washington St. Brookline	Richard S. Triconi et al, Trs. 71 Deer Grass Lane Concord, Mass. 01742 ✓
#34.	330-332 Washington St. Brookline	Richard S. Triconi et al, Trs. See #33. ✓

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# ON MAP	PROPERTY	OWNER
# 35.	334 Washington St. Brookline	Brookline Municipal Credit Union
# 36.	336 Washington St. Brookline	Robert and Ruth J. Ceder et al. 70 Stanton St., Brookline
# 37.	Fire Station 338-340 Washington St. Brookline	Town of Brookline 333 Washington St. Brookline
# 38.	Brookline Public Library 361 Washington St. Brookline	Town of Brookline 333 Washington St. Brookline
# 39.	Pierce School 33 Pierce St. Brookline	Town of Brookline 333 Washington St. Brookline
# 40.	Brookline Town Hall 333 Washington St. Brookline	Town of Brookline 333 Washington St. Brookline
# 41.	15 Holden St Brookline	Alexander and Nellie H.J. MacLeod
# 42.	11 Holden St. Brookline	Ann Coffin
# 43.	5-7 Holden St. Brookline	Robert W. and Jacalyn M. Wright 37 Harvard St., Brookline
# 44.	311-317 Washington St. Brookline	Robert M. Galluzzo et al, Trs. C/O E.A. Robardt and Sons 1 Holden St., Brookline
# 45.	303-307 Washington St. Brookline	Marcia Wallace 305 Washington St.
# 46.	293-297 Washington St. Brookline	Paul and Gladys B. Gorin 295 Washington St.
# 47.	10-11 Harvard Sq. Brookline	Leo I. Brown et al. C/O Benjamin B. Brown 10 Harvard Sq.

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At the southernmost end of the district is the Brookline Fire Station (#13), an imposing Georgian Revival building with an elaborate hose tower rising from the east elevation. The brick three-story, three-bay station was designed in 1908 by Funk, Freeman and Wilcox. The three engine doors on the first floor of the north elevation are ornamented with sandstone trim. Sandstone quoins and lintels adorn the building's corners and windows, and non-functional balconies protrude from second story windows. Above the copper cornice a brick parapet extends around the flat roof. The attached square tower has a clock on each face above which is a balcony and columned, round-arched openings on each side. Heavy brackets ornament the eaves.

Across from the station lies the Brookline Savings Bank (#14), designed by Brookline architect F. Joseph Untersee in 1922 to fit a triangular corner lot. Classical in design, the two story sandstone structure is articulated by pilasters which carry a stylized entablature and a low parapet. Three large, round-arched windows light the center bays of the side elevations while smaller windows with aedicular frames beneath square windows with cross-tied frames are located in the end bays. Engaged, fluted Doric columns flank the pedimented main entrance. The building stands on a smooth rusticated basement.

To the north on Washington Street is the Village Coach House restaurant (#16), a recently restored three story brick structure. Built by Reuben Chase, a prominent village developer in 1880, the building has segmental-arched windows and doors, diamond-patterned brickwork between the first and second stories, and dropped pendant cornice corbeling.

The St. Andrew Building (#19) was built by John Panter in 1875. Like the facing Colonnade Buildings, the four story structure has ornamented brickwork articulating the cornice, string courses and arched window openings. Although the ground floor has recently been remodeled, the original cast iron Corinthian columns were retained.

At the corner of Washington Street and Davis Avenue stand three brick apartment houses, prototypes for the apartment-oriented community Brookline became. "Davis Mansion" (#20), built by Panter at the same time as the St. Andrew Building, is a four-story Italianate building remarkable for its ornamental brickwork employing a motif of pierced-cross designs.

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Next door, "McLeod Mansion", (#21), built ten years later, greatly resembles its neighbor, but is set back on a small grass terrace. Across the street, the building at 11-15 Davis Avenue (#22) consists of a two bay central section emphasized by a large gable and flanked by three sided projecting bays. It is characterized by segmental-arched windows and elaborate brickwork.

The Seamans Building (#23), designed by Shepley, Coolidge and Rutan in 1888, occupies a corner lot and presents a rounded corner to the intersection. The brick four-story building has two heavy, Richardsonian arched entranceways on the south elevation, segmental-arched windows extending the length of the second and third stories with inset oriels and grouped, round-arched windows with projecting archivolt on the fourth story. Like other buildings in the area, decorative brickwork appears over the window arches and beneath the cornice.

At the center of Brookline Village is an early Art Deco building (#47) that replaced a Greek Revival structure in 1905. A broken scroll pediment crowns the central portion of the two-story building and is its major decorative feature.

West on Washington Street is "The Reubens" (#26), a brick structure built in 1875. Although the building has undergone some alterations, most noticeably the addition of two-story oriel windows and modern storefronts, brick string courses and a corbeled cornice with delicate wrought iron cresting remain. The builder's initials are inscribed in the gable.

At the northernmost end of the district lies Brookline's Town Hall Complex, consisting of the Brookline Public Library, Town Hall and Pierce School. The library (#38) is a Georgian Revival brick building with limestone trim designed in 1909 by R. Clipson Sturgis who was also responsible for the wings of Boston's State House. The Town Hall (#40) is a contemporary seven-story limestone and glass building designed by Anderson, Beckwith and Haible in 1965. The old Pierce Elementary School (#39) was built in 1855 in the Italianate style and thoroughly renovated in 1904 in the popular Colonial Revival style by Julian Schweinfurth, a Brookline architect and chief designer for Peabody and Stearns.

Facing the Town Hall on Holden Street are three frame vernacular houses constructed in the mid-nineteenth century (#41,42,43) typical of the simpler residential housing that surrounds the village district. Two of the houses have been covered with aluminum siding.

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW		
☐ PREHISTORIC	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	☒ COMMUNITY PLANNING	☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	☐ RELIGION
☐ 1400-1499	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	☐ CONSERVATION	☐ LAW	☐ SCIENCE
☐ 1500-1599	☐ AGRICULTURE	☐ ECONOMICS	☐ LITERATURE	☐ SCULPTURE
☐ 1600-1699	☒ ARCHITECTURE	☐ EDUCATION	☐ MILITARY	☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
☐ 1700-1799	☐ ART	☐ ENGINEERING	☐ MUSIC	☐ THEATER
☒ 1800-1899	☒ COMMERCE	☒ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	☐ PHILOSOPHY	☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ 1900-	☐ COMMUNICATIONS	☐ INDUSTRY	☒ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)
		☐ INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Brookline Village Historic District retains integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, and feeling and is associated with events contributing to the broad patterns of our history. The district is significant as being the center of Brookline's nineteenth century development from a rural village to a bustling commercial and residential suburb and for its concentration of fine late nineteenth and early twentieth century brick architecture.

In the early nineteenth century the population center of early Brookline began to shift from the Old Town Green area (potential National Register Historic District) toward the stagecoach stop at the present corner of Washington and Boylston Streets (see sketch map) where the Punch Bowl Tavern offered "refreshment for man and beast" traveling to or from Boston. This celebrated hostelry, demolished in 1833, lent its name to its rural surroundings, then known as Punch Bowl Village. Although Punch Bowl Village, in the early nineteenth century, was surrounded by farmland, the routing of the railroad through the southern end of the village in the 1840's greatly affected the economic life of the community. Small commercial enterprises selling groceries, fruit, cigars, hardware and newspaper sprang up interspersed with wood frame residences. By mid-century two church congregations were established in the Village, and Brookline's second town hall, built in 1845 on the site of the present town hall on Washington Street, transferred local government to the village, thereby confirming the area as the center of Brookline which it remains today.

As occurred in many Massachusetts communities, the decades that followed the Civil War brought a wave a commercial construction to Brookline Village. Over the following twenty years local entrepreneurs such as John Panter, Reuben Chace, James Rooney and Charles Holtzer replaced the wood frame buildings with the panel brick commercial buildings which remain the heart of the village today. Less intensive building continued into the early years of this century, but by the town's 250th anniversary in 1905, Brookline Village appeared much as it does now. With the exception of the Holtzer-Cabot Electric Company, Brookline's first and only major manufacturing industry, the commercial scale of the village remained small and local in scope.

The panel brick architecture of Brookline Village presents a high degree of quality and variety. Although some twentieth century alterations have occurred, the district offers a unified vista of a late nineteenth century commercial area that remains in active use. Recent renovations have been sensitive to architectural details, and local design review ensures future awareness.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 13.66 acres

QUADRANGLE NAME Boston South, Mass.

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000

UTM REFERENCES

A 19 325180 4688990

D 19 325065 4688845

ZONE EASTING NORTHING
C 19 325510 4688460

ZONE EASTING NORTHING
B 19 325545 4688710

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

See attached continuation sheet

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Elizabeth T. Durfee, Inventory Coordinator

with Juliana Boyd and Jean Kramer,
Brookline Historical Commission

ORGANIZATION

Massachusetts Historical Commission

DATE

March 6, 1979

STREET & NUMBER

294 Washington Street

TELEPHONE

617-727-8470

CITY OR TOWN

Brookline

STATE

Massachusetts

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL ☐

STATE ☐

LOCAL ☒

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Robert L. Weschowski 3/9/79

TITLE Executive Director

Massachusetts Historical Commission

DATE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST:

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

DATE

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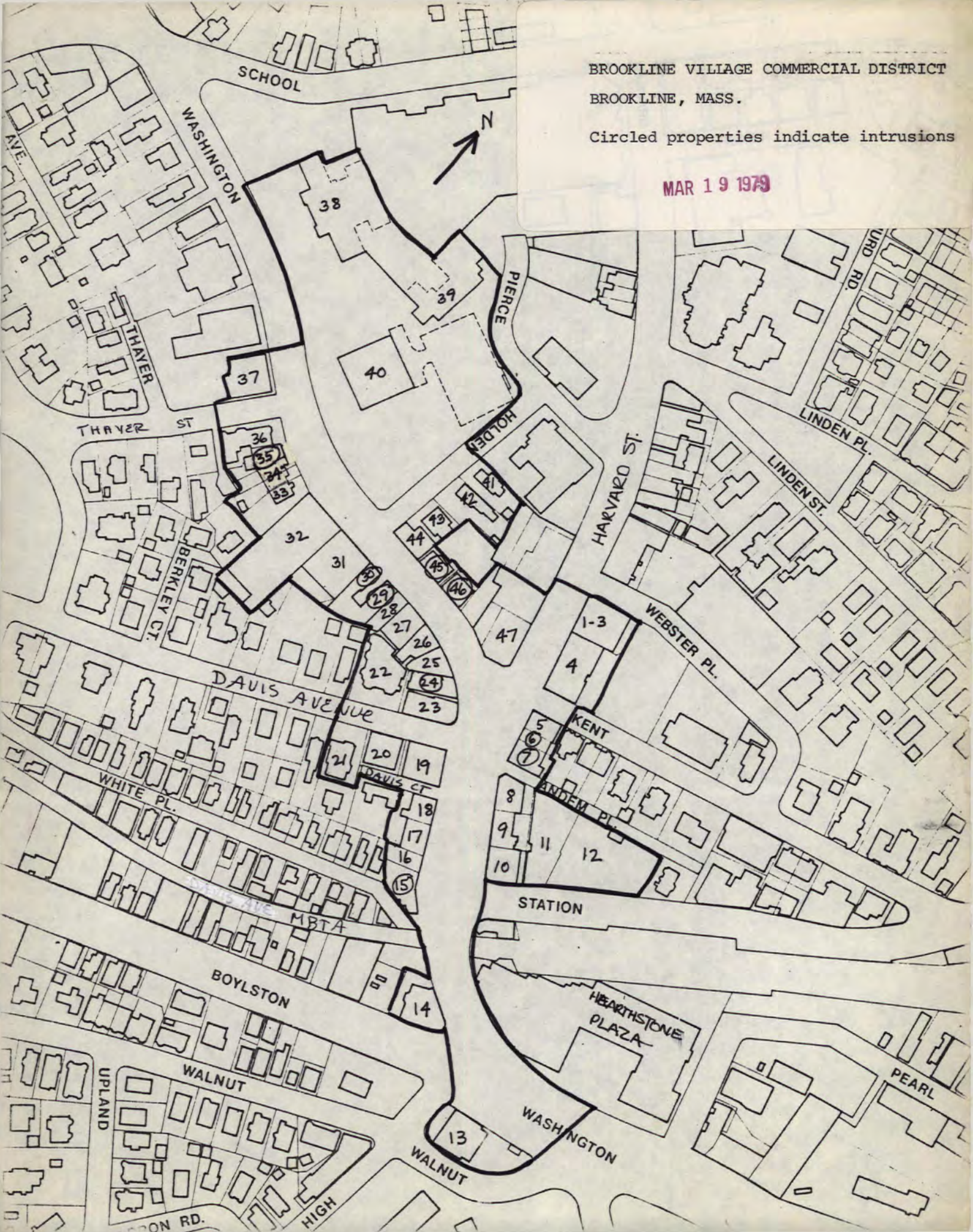
Verbal Boundary Description

on Harvard St.
Beginning at the corner of Webster Place and Harvard Street the boundary runs east along the south side of Webster Place, south along the rear lot lines of #1-7, east along the south side of Andem Place, south along the east lot line of #12, west along the north side of Station Street, southeast along the east side of Washington Street, south, west and north around the lot of #13, northwest across Boylston Street, southwest, northwest and northeast following the lot line of #14, northwest along the southwest side of Washington Street and along the rear lot lines of #15-18, southwest along the south side of Davis Court and the south lot line of #21, north along the west lot line of #21, across Davis Avenue to the northwest corner of the lot of #22, west and northwest following the rear lot lines of #28-36, across Thayer Street, west and north around #37, across Washington Street, west along the north side of Washington Street, north along the west lot line of the Town Hall Complex, east and north along the north lot line of said complex, southeast along the southwest side of Pierce Street, south along the west side of Holden Street, east across Holden Street and continuing along the north lot line of #41, south along the east lot lines of #41 and 42, west along the south lot line of #42, south along the east lot line of #43, east along the north lot lines of #45 and 46, north along the west lot line and east along the north lot line of #47 and across Harvard Street to the beginning point.

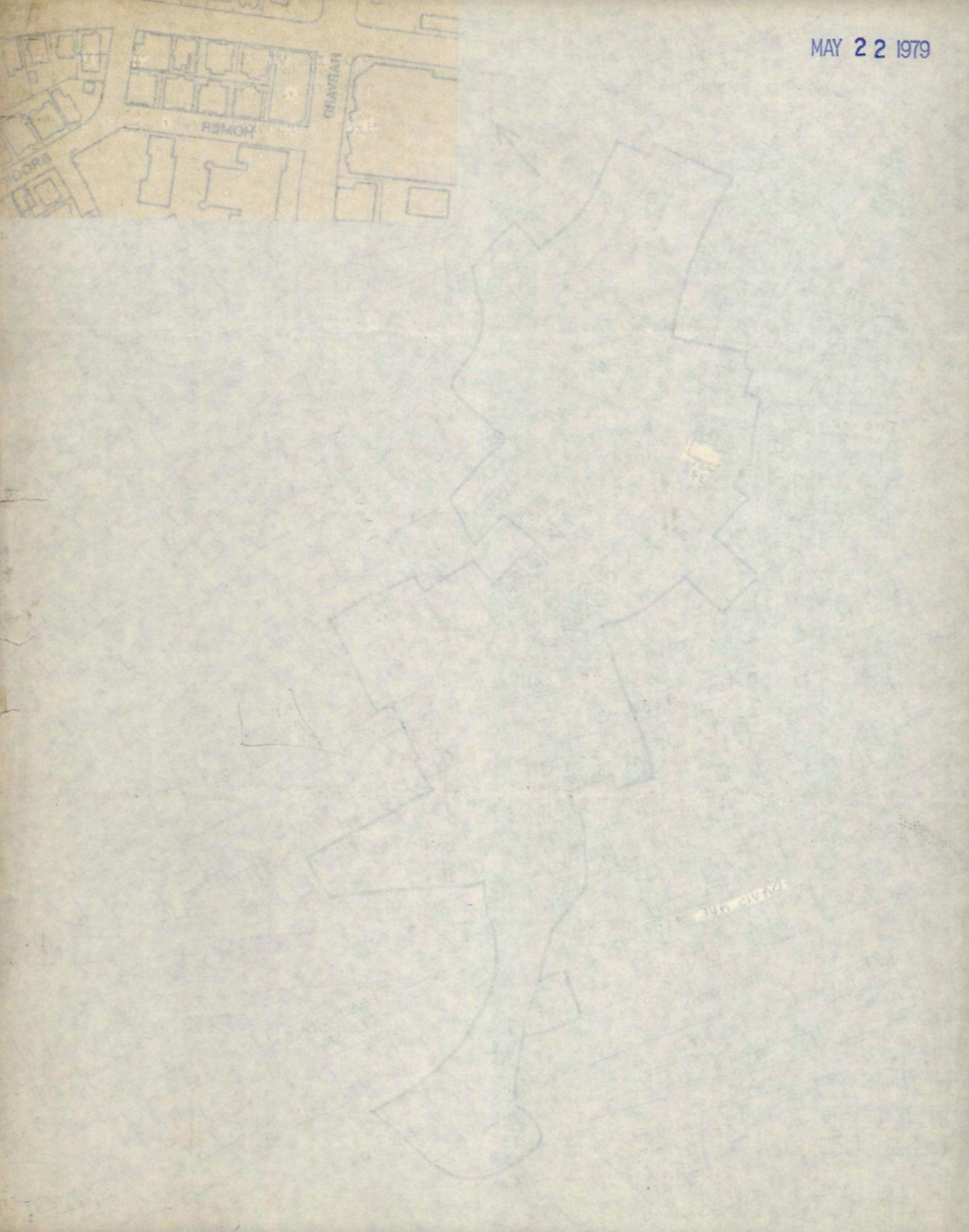
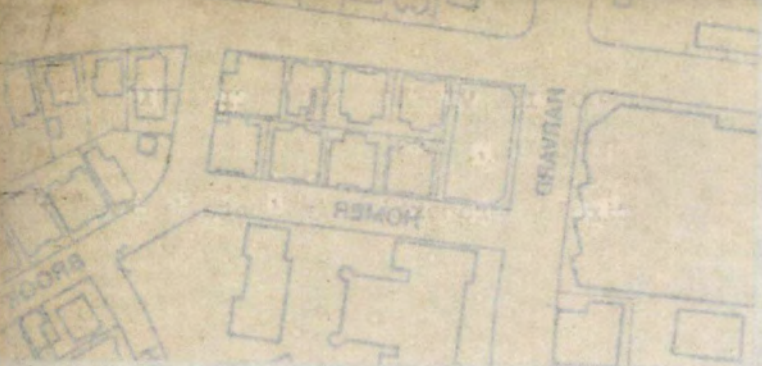
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BROOKLINE, MASS.

Circled properties indicate intrusions

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Property

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State

Mass. (Norfolk)

Working Number

3.19.79.573

TECHNICAL

Photos

Maps

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CONTROL

OK 3.20.79

HISTORIAN

accept

B. Friedman

5/17/79

Discussion of significance + description very clear + concise. Important collection of mid- to late 19th century commercial structures which is/was center of Brookline's commercial + political activity.

However, there is no boundary justification to explain erratic borders. If that is cleared up...

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory _____

Review _____

GOOD DISTRICT BUT BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION IS ~~LACKING~~ LACKING REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

ARE #4 ~~AND~~ #13 DISCONTIGUOUS ELEMENTS OR INDIVIDUALLY ELIGIBLE? SEE 5/22/79 PHONE REPORT

HAR/ACCEPT

MAC DOUGLAS
5/22/79

fire station is visually related,
but I would have preferred
separate nomination

BRANCH CHIEF

Accept

Lebowich

5/22/79

KEEPER

National Register Write-up

Federal Register Entry

7-3-79

Send-back _____

Re-submit _____

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NO PARKING
BUS STOP

Johnny's
BARBER SHOP

BO SHING RESTAURANT

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Reubens
280-284



ACIL
738-0703

C.H. WALLBANK
MANUFACTURE
MBLENS and AWAY

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Brookline, MA

Juliana Boyd, 1978

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Holtzer Electric Company Building (#12),
looking northeast

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Holtzer Electric Co. #12
9-21 Station Street

Norfolk Co.



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Brookline, MA
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St. Andrews Building (#19), looking south-
east
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Norfolk Co.

St. Andrews Building
236-242 Washington Street
#3 19



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Brookline, MA

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Brookline Savings Bank (#14), looking
northwest

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Norfolk Co.

*Bro Savings Bank
160 Union St
SW side of St*

*(~~27~~)
(14)*

photo # 3



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Brookline, MA
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The Colonnade Buildings (#8,9,10), looking
east
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Nonfolk Co.

Colonnade

207-241 Wash. St.

North east side of St.

(8,9,10)

(~~21, 22 and 23~~)

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Brookline, MA
Juliana Boyd, 1978
Brookline Historical Commission
The Village Coach House (#16), looking
west
Photo #6

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*Village Coach Hse
203-4 Main St.
West side of street*

(16) ~~(27)~~

Photographs # 4



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Brookline, MA
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11-15 Davis Avenue (#22), looking north
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11-15 Davis Avenue

#22



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Brookline, MA
Juliana Boyd, 1978
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Washington Street, looking north
(#47 in center background)
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Seaman's Building, (#23), looking
northwest)
Photo #9

Norfolk Co.

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*Seaman's Bldg
356 Wren St.
South west side of st.*

(23) ~~(23)~~

photo # 6



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Brookline, MA
Juliana Boyd, 1978 *Norfolk Co.*
Brookline Historical Commission
Village Fire Station (#13), looking south
Photo #10

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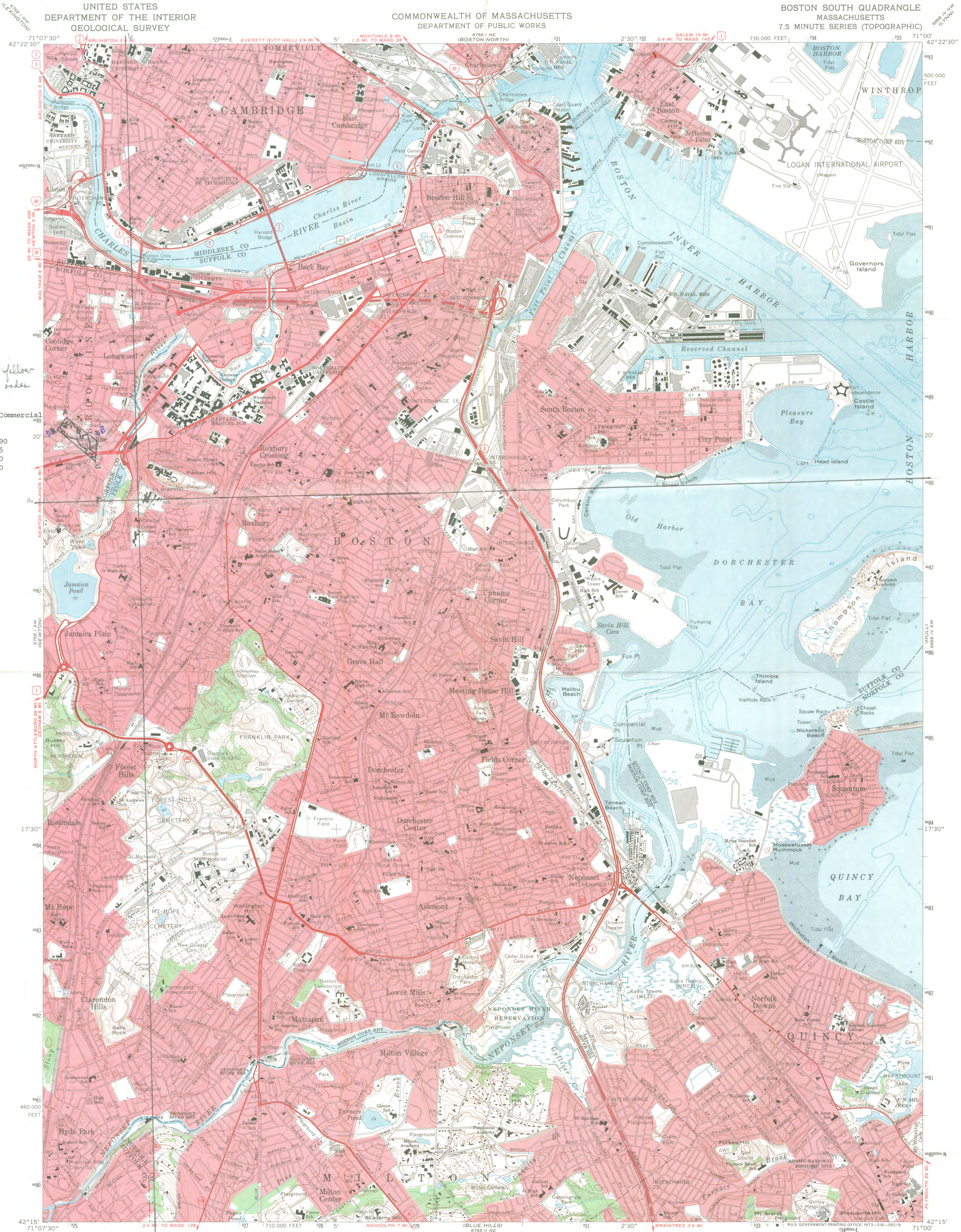
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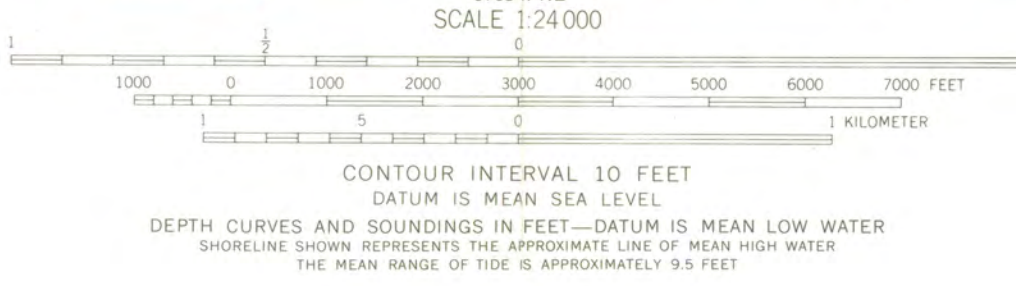
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140 Washington St
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(NE corner)
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Photograph*

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Brookline Village Commercial
District
Brookline, MA
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Boundaries in tidewater areas from information supplied
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Red tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown



ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Primary highway, hard surface
Secondary highway, hard surface
Interstate Route
U. S. Route
State Route
Light-duty road, hard or improved surface
Unimproved road
BOSTON SOUTH, MASS.
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1970
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Brookline Village Commercial
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35 Chestnut Place
Brookline, MA 02146
March 18, 1980

Ms. Carol D. Schull
Acting Keeper of the
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U.S. Department of
the Interior
Heritage Conservation
and Recreation Service
Washington, DC 20240

RE: 661

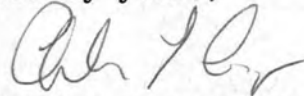
Dear Ms. Shull:

I was very pleased to receive your letter of March 11 indicating that our property, located at 35 Chestnut Place in the Brookline Town Green Historic District in Brookline, MA is being considered for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. Since the original nomination, this property has been sold by Mary R. Sweet (to whom your letter was addressed) to my wife, Ms. Margaret Mary Reiser, and I, Dr. Charles L. Cooney. I would appreciate your making this change in the records.

The Town Green Historical District is a unique area of Brookline and includes not only the original sites of the town center but, also, very many buildings exemplifying the architectural styles and characteristics of the period.

We strongly support the nomination of this District for listing in the National Register.

Sincerely yours,



CHARLES L. COONEY

CLC:rsa

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THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

APR 4 1980

DATE REC'D

INDIVIDUAL RESPONSE (ATTACHED)

INFORMATIVE MATERIAL SENT

TELEPHONE CALL (ATTACHED)

DATE ACTION TAKEN

INITIALS





United States Department of the Interior

HERITAGE CONSERVATION AND RECREATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20243

IN REPLY REFER TO:
H32-NR

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Dear Property Owner:

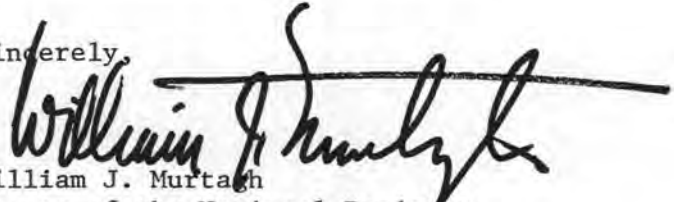
The property you own is located in a historic district that has been nominated for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The National Register is the government's official list of historic buildings and other cultural resources worthy of preservation. This nomination is pending in our office.

If your property is depreciable and the district is listed in the National Register, there are certain benefits and provisions of the Tax Reform Act of 1976 that may apply to you. We are enclosing information about this law and a general description of the National Register program.

Soon we will be considering whether the district should be listed, using as our guidelines the "Criteria for Evaluation" shown in the enclosed material. If you wish to comment on whether the district should be listed, we would be pleased to hear from you. Send your comments within 30 days of the date of this letter to me, Dr. William J. Murtagh, Keeper of the National Register, Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, Department of the Interior, Pension Building, 440 G Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20243 (Attn: NOM). Please include the name of the district (as shown on the address label on this letter) and property address. If you have questions about the National Register program or the enclosed material, you should also address them to me.

In the enclosed material you will note references to standards for rehabilitating old buildings. These standards are a list of do's and don'ts for people who are fixing up old buildings. If the owner of a building listed in the National Register, either individually or as part of a district, wishes to take advantage of the Tax Reform Act benefits, these standards must be followed. A copy of these standards is available from Technical Preservation Services, Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, Department of the Interior, Pension Building, 440 G Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20243. Questions about the standards should also be addressed to that same office.

Sincerely,


William J. Murtagh
Keeper of the National Register

Robert M. Galluzzo et al, Trs.
c/o E. A. Robardt & Sons
1 Holden St.
Brookline, MA 02146

RE: Brookline Village Commercial District
311-317 Washington St.

TELEPHONE REPORT

OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

PROJECT: BROOKLINE VILLAGE H.D.

TO/FROM: CANDY JENKINS

DATE: 5/22/79

ADDRESS: MASS. SHPO

PHONE:

STAFF MEMBER: MAE DOUGAN

DIVISION: N.R.

REPORT:

QUESTIONED BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION -- PARTICULARLY SE. EDGE.

SHE SAID THAT THERE IS AN EXTREMELY STRONG VISUAL LINK WITH THE REST OF THE DISTRICT AND THAT THE FIRE STATION (13) IS THE TERMINUS OF THE VISTA DOWN WASHINGTON STREET.

THE REASON HEARTHSTONE PLAZA IS NOT INCLUDED^{IS} BECAUSE OF ITS AGE, SCALE, MATERIALS AND MASSING. THE MOTA STATION IS ALSO NEW.

SHE HAD ASKED THE ~~VISTA~~ PERSON WHO HAD PREPARED THE NOMINATION FOR A PHOTO OF THE VISTA BUT DID NOT GET ONE.

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE MASSACHUSETTS

Date Entered MAY 22 1979

Name

Location

Brookline Village Commercial District

**Brookline
Norfolk County**

Also Notified

Honorable Edward M. Kennedy
Honorable Paul G. Tsongas
Honorable Robert F. Drinan

State Historic Preservation Officer
Mrs. Patricia L. Weslowski
Executive Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission
294 Washington Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02108

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Byers/yls

5/25/79

For further information, please call the National Register at (202)343-6401.