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FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

AREA

FORM NO.

577

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

UTM REFERENCE 19/333,990 E/4,680,990 NUSGS QUADRANGLE Boston South, MASCALE 1: 25,000Town Quincy, MA / MRAAddress 111 Beale StreetHistoric Name Wollaston Fire StationUse: Present fire stationOriginal fire station

DESCRIPTION

Date 1900Source Mood. QFD, p.69.Style ItalianateArchitect unknownExterior Wall Fabric BrickOutbuildings none

Major Alterations (with dates) _____

replacement of central doors (1957)Condition GoodMoved no Date n/aAcreage less than one acre: 17,690 sq.ft.

Setting The station is located at the base of Wollaston Hill on busy Beale Street; its tower is a local landmark.

Recorded by Fannin and Lehner / J. JohnsonOrganization Quincy Historical CommissionDate July 1, 1986 / May 1987

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Wollaston Fire Station is associated with municipal improvements undertaken in Quincy in the late 19th century in response to the City's expanding residential neighborhoods. A well preserved example of Italianate design, the Fire Station retains integrity of design, location, setting, materials, feeling and association and fulfills 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.

SEE INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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

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BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Building permit.

Paul Robert Lyons. Quincy: A Pictorial History, 1983, p.162.

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INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: QUINCY, MA	Form No: 577
Property Name: <i>Wollaston Fire Station</i>	

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE -- 111 BEALE STREET
WOLLASTON FIRE STATION

The rapid growth of Quincy in the late-19th century demanded the construction of several large neighborhood fire stations. Built to replace outmoded wooden structures in Atlantic, Quincy Center, and Wollaston, the Wollaston Station is the only one from this period to survive. Constructed in 1900, the station replaced an earlier building that was moved to Hough's Neck in 1886. The Wollaston fire station is still in active use.

The history of fire protection in Quincy began in 1644 when all townspeople were ordered to have a ladder leaning up against their chimneys. In 1792, just after Quincy became a town, the "Quincy Fire Society" was formed among the inhabitants for the mutual protection of property in case of fire. In 1812, Quincy acquired a hand pump, its first major piece of fire apparatus. The first act to establish a Fire Department in Quincy was accepted at the Town Meeting in 1854. The \$3800 purchase of a steam pump, a house for its shelter, and piping the streets was approved at town meeting in 1878.

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE -- 111 BEALE STREET
WOLLASTON FIRE STATION

The Wollaston Fire Station is a fine example the Italianate style applied to a public building. Built in 1900, the building is the oldest extant fire station in Quincy. Sited on the edge of a hill, the fire station has a granite foundation and basement with brick at the first and second story levels. Basically rectangular in plan, with a slate hip roof, the structure is dominated by a tall square tower. The tower is replete with Italianate details: a low pitch pyramidal tile roof, an arched arcade and windows, and corbelling under the eaves and atop the two recessed brick panels of the walls. The station's roof is pierced by one tall chimney and hipped dormers. The fenestration of the main block is composed of large regularly spaced arched windows on the ground floor and smaller rectangular windows on the second floor; the levels are divided by a granite string course. Originally the first floor door openings on the Beale Street facade were arched; in 1957 rectangular entry doors replaced these openings to accomodate new firetrucks. The alteration has not compromised the building's architectural integrity.

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

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National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Quincy MRA
State Norfolk County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

71. White, Charles E., House
Entered in the
National Registerfor Keeper Melorus Byers 9/20/89

Attest _____

72. Winfield House
Entered in the
National Registerfor Keeper Melorus Byers 9/20/89

Attest _____

73. Wollaston Branch, Thomas Crane
Public Library
Entered in the
National Registerfor Keeper Melorus Byers 9/20/89

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74. Wollaston Fire Station
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National Registerfor Keeper Melorus Byers 9/20/89

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75. Wollaston Theatre
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National Registerfor Keeper Melorus Byers 9/20/89

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76. Wollaston Unitarian Church

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77. Baxter--King House

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78. Masonic Temple

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79. Pettengill, C.F., House

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80. Woodward Institute

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81. Smith, A.C., & Co. Gas Station

Seely St.
Review

2/23/90

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Wollaston Fire Station
NAME:

MULTIPLE Quincy MRA
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Norfolk

DATE RECEIVED: 8/07/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 8/22/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 9/07/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 9/21/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89001317

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 9/20/89 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
 UTMs boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

 sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

Phone

Signed

Date



Wollaston Fire Station

111 Beale St. Quincy Ma

Julie Johnson July 87

planning Dept

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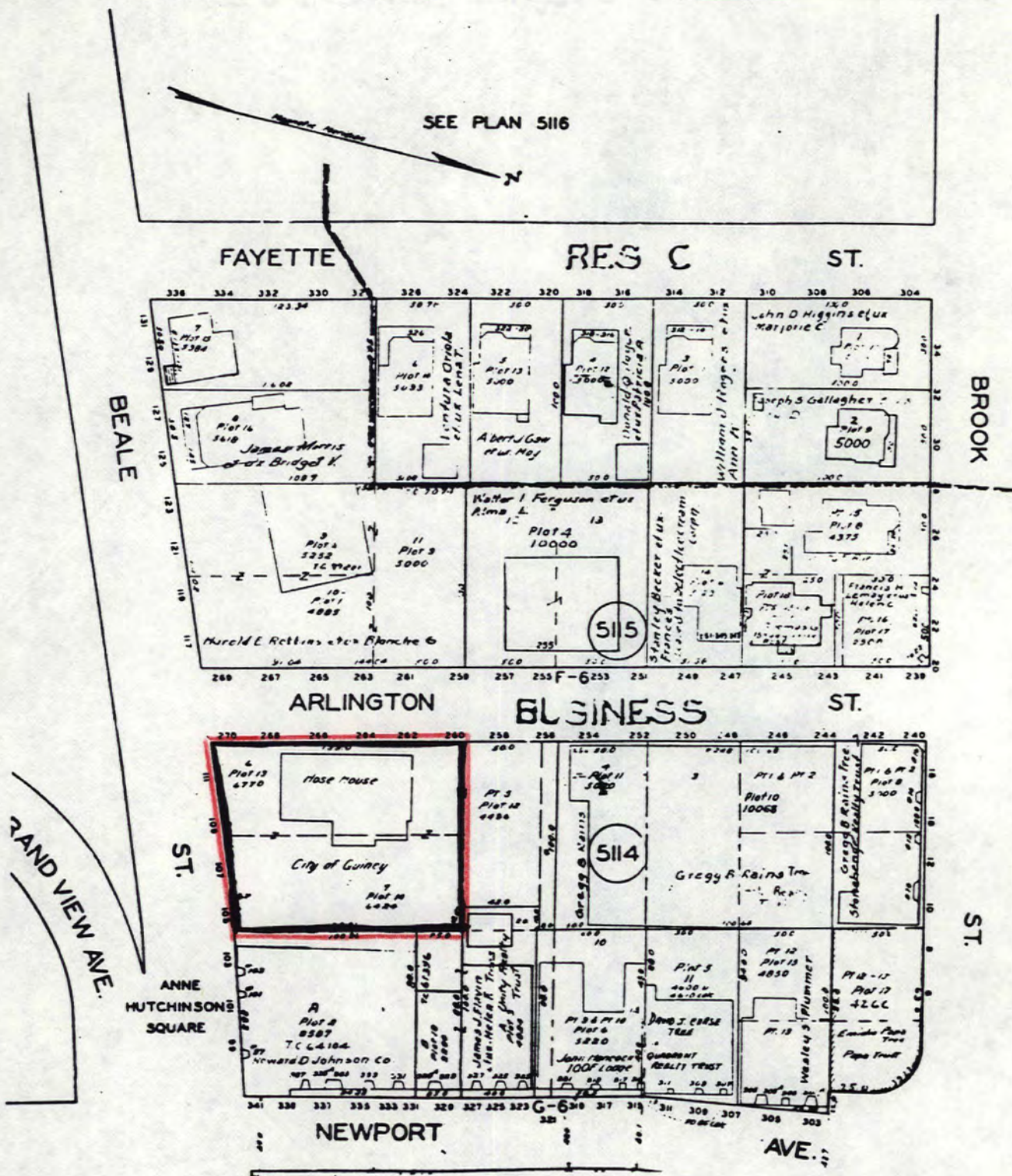
Quincy, MA, Ma



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Address 111 Beale Street
Wollaston Fire Station

QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS / MRA

Assessors Map # 5114-5

1979

Scale: 1 inch equals 80 feet

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000289