

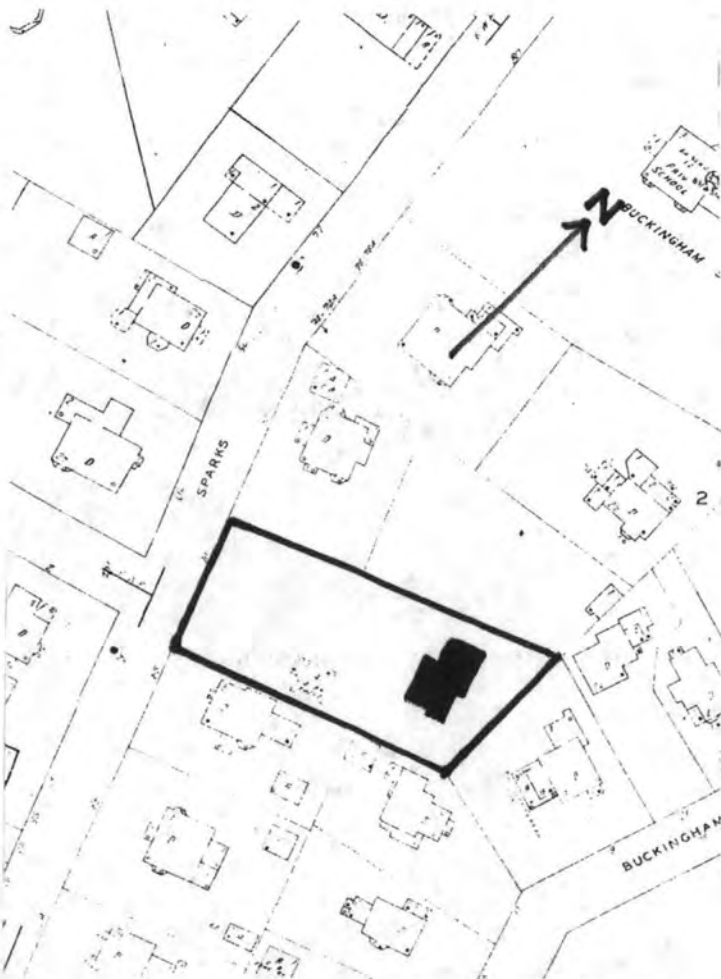
FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
Old Camb.	02 IIB20

2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
Staple to left side of form
Photo number 1099-19

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



Assessor # 226-62

1. Town Cambridge
Address 70 Sparks Street
Name Edward Dodge House
Present use residential
Present owner Soren & Gwendolyn N. Rong

3. Description:

Date 1878
Source deed records
Style Queen Anne
Architect Longfellow and Clark
Exterior wall fabric wood
Outbuildings (describe) -----
Other features flank-gabled, oriel window
2nd floor of front gable, cornice with
diamond pattern between 1st and 2nd
floor
Altered Yes-interior Date 1901, 1909,
only 1944, 1948.
Moved No Date -----

5. Lot size:

One acre or less Over one acre XX
Approximate frontage 95 feet
Approximate distance of building from street
145 feet

6. Recorded by Bainbridge Bunting
Organization Cambridge Historical Comm.
Date 1964

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7. Original owner (if known) Edward Dodge

Original use residential

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates same

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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

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

Dodge House is an outstanding example of the domestic Queen Anne style, romantically nestled in a hollow. The house is set back about 150 feet from Sparks Street in a small depression and is surrounded by large trees. The property is approximately two acres.

The two-and-a-half story structure is characterized by asymmetrical massing and half-timbered gables. The half-timbering derives from the work of Norman Shaw and others in England during the 1860s. Various kinds of finely crafted surface decoration and surface materials are used to enliven the design, including vertical boarding, molded brick consoles and diaper work.

70 Sparks Street was built for a son of the family that lived next door at 72 Sparks Street. Number 72 was moved forward on its lot so that each house could overlook an ample side yard, rather than a closely adjoining building.

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

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Cambridge Multiple Resource Area
State MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

121. Worcester, Frederick, House

Determined Eligible

✓ Keeper

Thomas M. Bragdon 6-30-82

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Attest

122. Porcellian Club

Substantive Review

✓ Keeper

Thomas M. Bragdon 6-30-82

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123. Lowell School

Substantive Review

✓ Keeper

William H. Brachman 4-13-82

Attest

124. Frost, Elizabeth, Tenanthouse

Substantive Review

✓ Keeper

Thomas M. Bragdon 6-30-82

Attest

125. Wyeth, Augustus, House

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Keeper

Ret 6/10/82

Attest

Harvard

126. Brattle Hall

Substantive Review

✓ Keeper

William H. Brachman 4-13-82

Attest

127. Frost, Robert, House

Substantive Review

✓ Keeper

William H. Brachman 4-13-82

Attest

128. Stedman, Samuel, House

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Keeper

Ret 6/10/82

Attest

Harvard

129. Mount Auburn Hospital -

Surgical Building

Determined Eligible

Substantive Review

✓ Keeper

Thomas M. Bragdon 6-30-82

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Attest

130. Dodge, Edward, House

✓ Keeper

William H. Brachman 4-13-82

Attest

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

EVALUATION / RETURN SHEET

Property: Dodge, Edward, House (Cambridge Multiple Resource Area)
State, County: MA - Middlesex
Federal Agency: _____

Working No. 11-14-80-2863
Fed. Reg. Date: _____
Date Due: 4-17-85
Action: ☒ ACCEPT 4/13/82
☐ RETURN
☐ REJECT

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

photos 1
maps _____

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☒ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Outstanding example of Queen Anne domestic architecture.

Recom./Criteria C
Reviewer Braun
Discipline 4-2-82 *archt*
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	Check one	Check one
☐ excellent	☐ deteriorated	☐ unaltered
☐ good	☐ ruins	☐ altered
☐ fair	☐ unexposed	☐ 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 _____

USMT 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: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



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Cambridge MRA, Ma

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70 Sparks St.

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000275