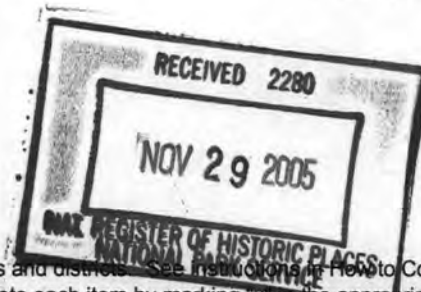


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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form



This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions on how to complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "X" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name West Main Street HD (2005 Boundary Increase)

other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number roughly bounded by Charles, Forbes, South and Cross Sts. N/A not for publication

city or town Westborough N/A vicinity

state Massachusetts code MA county Worcester code 027 zip code 01581

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this ☒ nomination ☐ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property ☒ meets ☐ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant ☐ nationally ☐ statewide ☒ locally. (☐ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Brona Simon Nov. 22, 2005
Signature of certifying official/Title Brona Simon, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer Date
Massachusetts Historical Commission

State or Federal agency and bureau _____

In my opinion, the property ☐ meets ☐ does not meet the National Register criteria. (☐ See continuation sheet for additional Comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title _____ Date _____

State or Federal agency and bureau _____

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

- ☒ entered in the National Register
 - ☐ See continuation sheet.
- ☐ determined eligible for the National Register
 - ☐ See continuation sheet.
- ☐ determined not eligible for the National Register
- ☐ removed from the National Register
- ☐ other (explain): _____

Edson H. Beall 1.11.06
Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

W. Main St. HD (2005 Extension)
Name of Property

Worcester, MA
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply)

☒ private
☒ public-local
☐ public-State
☐ public-Federal

(Check only one box)

☐ building(s)
☒ district
☐ site
☐ structure
☐ object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing

Noncontributing

200

43

building

2

2

sites

4

1

structures

objects

206

46

Total

Name of related multiple property listing

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single, multiple dwellings

FUNERARY: cemetery

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single, multiple dwellings

FUNERARY: cemetery

INDUSTRY: manufacturing facility

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

Colonial Federal Greek Revival Second Empire

Italianate Late Victorian Queen Anne Stick Style

Colonial Revival

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation stone, brick

walls shingle, weatherboard

roof asphalt

other _____

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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The 2005 Boundary Increase area is one of three areas that collectively make up the West Main Street Historic District. The two other areas have already been listed in the National Register as the "West Main Street Historic District" (233 resources; 1987) and "West Main Street Historic District Increase" (38 resources; 1990). The present increase enlarges the boundaries of the West Main Street Historic District and includes roughly 160 resources (exclusive of outbuildings and other secondary resources) and two vacant lots. The Pine Grove cemetery in the southeastern corner of this boundary increase is included as a noncontributing element of the 1988 Cedar Swamp Archaeological District. Outside the district the character of the streetscapes is much different. To the south, west, and north are additional residential areas but the historic character is not retained due to later additions and intrusions. Directly east of the extension area is a cohesive residential neighborhood of 19th and early 20th century homes with historical associations distinctly different than those of the West Main Street Historic District. This district, known as Vintonville, will be the subject of its own forthcoming National Register district nomination. The area northeast of the district along East Main Street is dominated by modern commercial buildings.

All principal buildings within this extension area are currently residences; there are also two historic cemeteries. The majority of residences are single-family dwellings, although there are a few small multi-family buildings. One building is known to have originally been a factory and it is likely that some others were former workshops, although this is difficult to document. All but one of the dwellings in this extension area are considered contributing elements to the district.

Buildings in the district represent a wide range of architectural styles, including Colonial, Federal, Greek Revival, Second Empire, Italianate, Queen Anne, Stick Style, Victorian Gothic, and Colonial Revival. Two-thirds were constructed in the second half of the 19th century and construction essentially ceased after 1930 when available lots were all but exhausted and the Depression brought on financial hardship. Outbuildings within the district are predominantly garages and sheds, many of which were constructed within the period of significance. Alterations within the district are generally minor; typically small additions, door and window replacement, and residing. House lots are of varying sizes but typically average about one-quarter of an acre. Houses have a relatively uniform setback (generally about 25 feet) and are well landscaped.

While the bulk of the building stock was erected in the 19th century, there are two notable exceptions, the **Ruggles House** (17 Ruggles Street - 1795) and the **John Sanborn House** (9 Cross Street - 1793), which are excellent examples of Colonial style houses. The extension area is also noteworthy for

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having a number of well-preserved Federal style houses. Typical of these are the **Lt. Col. Nathan Fisher House** (58 South Street – ca. 1803 - **Photo 13**) and the **Brigham/Griggs House** (86 South Street – ca. 1830). The Greek Revival and Italianate style homes are the most common in the extension area, accounting for nearly half the buildings. The Greek Revival style was typically used for 1½ and 2½ story gable-front houses, like those at **2 Cross Street** (ca. 1860 - **Photo 10**) and **13 School Street** (ca. 1850 - **Photo 8**). There are also a number of houses from the mid-19th century that follow the earlier two-story, five-bay, center-entry format but replace Colonial and Federal period detailing with Greek Revival features, such as wide corner boards, box cornices above high fascias, deep eaves with prominent returns on gable ends, and entry surrounds with wide pilasters supporting an entablature. Examples include **98 South Street** (ca. 1840), **26 School Street** (ca. 1850 – **Photo 4**), and **6 Harrison Avenue** (1869 – **Photo 1**). The area includes numerous excellent examples of Italianate dwellings, most of which are fairly modest one or two-story gable-front houses with bracketed door hoods, bracketed cornices, or bay windows. These include the **Austin C. Sterns House** (34 Cross Street - 1870 - **Photo 19**), the **2nd George E. Hartwell House** (8 Charles Street – 1874 – **Photo 11**), and the **Arthur R. Higgins House** (20 Ruggles Street – 1878).

A few residences in the extension area expand upon the basic Italianate house format through more extensive use of high-style elements, such as porches, multi-story bay windows, or projecting window hoods. Among these are the **Harrison M. Brigham House** (11 Ruggles Street – 1873 – **Photo 12**), the house at **9 Myrtle Street** (ca. 1875), and the **Daniel P. Day House** (7 Charles Street - 1877 - **Photo 21**). Of particular note is the **Alden L. Boyden House** at 5 School Street (1883), which has a four-story tower, decorative porch across the façade, and full bracketed pediment.

About a dozen houses incorporate elements of both Greek Revival and Italianate design. These gable front houses typically have wide cornerboards, full bracketed pediments, prominent entry surrounds with sidelights and window hoods. Examples include the **George B. Brigham House** (11 Cross Street – ca. 1853), the **G.C. Sanborn House** (63 South Street – ca. 1865 - **Photo 7**), and **Mrs. B.F. Forbush House** (31 Charles Street – 1877 - **Photo 22**).

Another popular style in the second half of the 19th century was the Second Empire, for which there are a number of fine examples in the extension area, the most intact being the **2nd Joseph H. Fairbanks House** (3 Cross Street – 1878 - **Photo 23**), the **Addison J. Turner House** (9 Central Street - 1880), and **Mrs. Otis Newton House** (17 Charles Street – 1872 - **Photo 20**). The Second Empire designs employ much the same detailing as the earlier Italianate dwellings but have the distinctive mansard roof.

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At this same time, the Victorian Gothic style was gaining in popularity and was used for a handful of houses in the extension area, including the **Bower C. Hathaway House** (4 Charles Street - 1869) and the **Daniel F. Newton House** (9 School Street - 1853). The steep gables, pointed arch windows, cross gables, and irregular plans of these houses are typical of the style.

Out of the Victorian and Carpenter Gothic styles evolved the Stick Style in which the inner structure of a building was expressed through exterior ornament, typically a series of intersecting boards applied over the clapboard surface. The popularity of the Stick Style was short lived and only two examples exist in the extension area, the **James A. Kelley House** (47 South Street - 1881 - **Photo 23**) and the **Hubbard Wilson House** (9 Charles Street - 1886 - **Photo 18**).

Toward the end of the 19th century, most of the lots had been developed and construction in the area slowed considerably. Of the 12 houses that survive from the 1890s, five were designed in the Queen Anne style, a style characterized by contrasting materials, complex roofs with projections, turrets, verandas, balconies, decorative chimneys, and stained glass windows. Particularly noteworthy examples of Queen Anne architecture are the **James H. Boland House** (79 South Street - 1892) and **Mrs. William B. Frost House** (13 Charles Street - 1895 - **Photo 25**).

Other surviving houses from the 1890s are simple Vernacular dwellings. With construction tapering off in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, only a small number of houses were erected in the district after 1900. Among these are scattered examples of Colonial Revival and Craftsman style dwellings. The Colonial Revival examples include the four-square house type (**16 Myrtle Street** - ca. 1920 and **54 South Street** - ca. 1920) and smaller cottages with limited detailing (**26 Cross Street** ca. 1930 and **69 South Street** - ca. 1930). By 1930 there were only a few scattered undeveloped lots remaining but construction essentially came to a halt at the start of the Depression.

There are two 19th century cemeteries in the extension area, **Midland Cemetery** (1810 - **Photo 14**) and **Pine Grove Cemetery** (1844 - **Photos 5 and 15**). The older of the two, Midland, contains just over an acre of land and is situated between South and School Streets. It is enclosed by a modern chain link fence set on a low historic stone wall. Pine Grove, the larger of the two cemeteries, encompasses roughly 13 acres and includes two small brick structures: a Greek Revival style mausoleum (c. 1875) and the Romanesque Revival style Jonas A. Stone Memorial Chapel (1904). It was previously listed on the National Register in 1988 as part of the Cedar Swamp Archaeological District.

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Archaeological Description

While no ancient Native American sites are located within the West Main Street Historic District Boundary Extension, sites may be present. Twenty-six sites are known in the general area (within one mile). Most of the 2,675-acre Cedar Swamp National Register Archaeological District (NR 1988) lies immediately east of the West Main Street Historic District and encompasses the southern portion of the extension, including the Pine Grove Cemetery. Archaeological research conducted in the Cedar Swamp district demonstrates the presence of Native settlement in the area for over 8,000 years. Thirty known and thirteen potential sites identified in the Cedar Swamp NR District are located in areas exhibiting similar locational criteria to the West Main Street Historic District Boundary Extension. Environmental characteristics of the boundary extension locale represent locational criteria (slope, soil drainage, proximity to wetlands) that support the presence of ancient sites. The boundary increase area includes a number of excessively drained, level to moderately sloping terraces, knolls, and plains located within 1,000 feet of Cedar Swamp and its tributary brooks and streams. The area forms the headwaters of the Sudbury River within the larger Merrimack River drainage. Most of the areas described above are concentrated on outwash plains along the southern fringe of the boundary extension and include the Pine Grove Cemetery. The entire northern and central portions of the boundary extension also meet the locational criteria described above with the exception that soil types in this area fall within the characteristics of an urban land complex. Filling or grading for urban works and structures has altered natural soils in these areas. Most of the area includes residential lots of 0.25 acres. Given the information presented above, a high potential exists for locating ancient Native American resources in the district extension in fringe areas along the southern district boundary where open space exists and in the Pine Grove Cemetery. Both of the latter areas lay within the National Register Cedar Swamp Archaeological District where numerous sites have been identified and where a high potential exists for additional sites to be found.

A high potential also exists for locating historic archaeological resources in the West Main Street Historic District Boundary Extension area, although much of that potential has yet to be demonstrated. While specific sites have yet to be identified, known settlement patterns and surviving buildings in the district extension indicate the potential for structural survivals of residences dating from the 18th through the 20th centuries. Archaeological evidence of occupational-related features (trash pits, privies, wells) and structural evidence of outbuildings should also survive with extant buildings and at archaeological sites. A small number of 18th and early 19th century houses survive in the district extension today. Many of these houses may have originally been associated with farmsteads, since Westborough remained an agrarian community well into the 19th century. Most buildings from this period may actually survive

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within archaeological contexts. The majority of residential buildings in the district extension were constructed during the second half of the 19th century with construction ceasing by ca.1930 when most available lots were built upon. It is unknown how many building sites may survive as archaeological sites from this period; however, a number of buildings were probably demolished or destroyed with later houses built on the same lots. Only two vacant lots survive in the district extension today. Additional historic research may help identify the sites of houses in the district extension from the mid-19th century to early 20th century period.

Structural evidence of outbuildings and detailed analysis of the contents of occupational related features associated with extant houses and archaeological sites in the district extension may contribute important information on Westborough's industrial development from its early associations with the town's agrarian economy to later industry and commerce. While specific sites associated with these developments have yet to be identified, Westborough's continuation as an agrarian community well into the 19th century and its home to a significant cottage industry in straw hats, sleighs, boots, and shoes from the mid-18th to mid-19th century supports the potential for locating industrial sites associated with these occupations. Large-scale manufacturing developed in Westborough in the mid-19th century, and some evidence exists indicating buildings associated with this level of industry survive as extant buildings and possibly as archaeological sites. Although now an apartment building, the building at 12 Cross Street (1839) functioned as the Daniel Newton Boot and Shoe Factory from 1840-1860.

Two cemeteries located in the district extension area may also contain important archaeological resources associated with funerary activities and maintenance at each cemetery. Midland Cemetery (1810), the oldest and smallest, includes slightly over one acre between South and School Streets. Pine Grove Cemetery (1844), the larger of the two cemeteries, includes approximately 13 acres off South Street. Both cemeteries may contain unmarked graves that include a grave shaft, coffin, human remains, and personal items associated with the deceased. Known burials may contain similar items. Some marked graves may serve a memorial function and lack human remains. Post holes, stone walls, and other evidence of boundary markers may also exist, delineating family plots and different stages of growth for each cemetery.

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Name of Property

Worcester, MA

County and State

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- ☒ **A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- ☒ **B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- ☒ **C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- ☐ **D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- ☐ **A** owned by religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- ☐ **B** removed from its original location.
- ☐ **C** a birthplace or grave.
- ☐ **D** a cemetery.
- ☐ **E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- ☐ **F** a commemorative property.
- ☐ **G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- ☐ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- ☐ previously listed in the National Register
- ☐ previously determined eligible by the National Register
- ☐ designated a National Historic Landmark
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Community Planning and Development

Period of Significance

1700-1955

Significant Dates

N/A

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

John Ruggles

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

N/A

Primary location of additional data:

- ☒ State Historic Preservation Office
- ☐ Other State agency
- ☐ Federal agency
- ☐ Local government
- ☐ University
- ☐ Other

Name of repository:

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The 2005 Boundary Increase area of the West Main Street Historic District possesses integrity of design, location, setting, materials, and workmanship, and is significant for its association with the development of Westborough Center from a rural agrarian village to the commercial, industrial, civic, and institutional focus for the town. The surviving historic resources help define Westborough's rich history and remain a cohesive collection of well-preserved historic homes. The district further attains significance as an intact collection of buildings representing a full range of architectural styles. This extension area relates closely to the previous West Main Street Historic District in its historical associations. The original district includes a large number of commercial and institutional buildings that document the development of downtown Westborough as the focus of town life throughout history. Buildings within the 2005 Extension area represent the coinciding residential development. The 2005 Extension area is of local significance and meets Criteria A and C for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

Formerly part of the town of Marlborough, Westborough was known as Chauncy Village until it was incorporated as an independent town in 1717. The first meetinghouse was located in the northern part of town off Milk Street in what was then the area of densest settlement, along the line of the earliest stage route (today's Route 9). Rich fertile land around Chauncy Pond, in the northern part of town, attracted the first settlers from Marlborough and Sudbury. In 1749 a new meetinghouse was constructed, on the north side of West Main Street closer to the geographic center of Westborough. This resulted in increased development in and around that location.

Among the earliest roads in the town center were Milk Street and Main Street, which remain major crossroads today. In the late 18th century a commercial district began to emerge along West Main Street, west of Lyman Street. The West Main Street axis was also established as the social and religious focus for the community, with construction of several churches and stores there. The earliest residential development in the town center was along West Main, South, and School Streets. By 1830 there was a concentration of roughly 75 buildings at the center. The only streets in the extension area at the time were South and School Streets, and the section of Cross Street connecting them. In addition to this cluster at the center, there were numerous houses scattered throughout the remainder of the town. While most of the buildings at the center in the 1830s were residences, there were also the meetinghouse, the Evangelical Society Meetinghouse, the Baptist Church, a schoolhouse, Brigham's Tavern, a meeting hall (Union Hall), several small stores, a hotel, and the **Midland Cemetery** (1810 – **Photo 14**), which lies within the extension area. Midland Cemetery remained in use until it was clear

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that a larger burial ground was needed for the growing community. **Pine Grove Cemetery (Photos 5 and 15)** was opened in 1844 nearby, off South Street.

A small number of 18th and early 19th century houses remain in the extension area today. The house at **6 School Street** is known as the **Breck Parkman House** (ca. 1782). Parkman was proprietor of the first village store, located on West Main Street between the meetinghouse and the parsonage. According to The History of Westborough, Massachusetts (DeForest/Bates) Parkman lived in a portion of the building containing the store and the structure was later moved to South Street where it was occupied by Patrick Chronican (in the late 19th century). Chronican lived at **72 South Street** and, although there have clearly been additions on the site, it may be that the existing house includes the 18th century Parkman store. One of the more intact 18th century houses in the area is **17 Ruggles Street** (1795), which was occupied by several generations of the Ruggles family. Isaac Ruggles was active in town affairs and served as a selectman from 1810 to 1812 and in 1814. His son, John Ruggles, was known as the "Father of the Patent Office". John was a U.S. Senator and served as chairman of the committee that created the current Patent Office in 1836. He was also the first to receive a patent under the new system, for a geared locomotive wheel. Another 18th century residence, **9 Cross Street** (1793), was the home of John Sanborn, who was very active in town government, serving as a selectman (1805-08, 1810) and town treasurer (1811-14). He also held considerable property in town, his heirs being among those paying the highest taxes in 1830. Nathan Fisher, a prominent resident and the town's first postmaster, lived at **58 South Street** (ca. 1803 – **Photo 13**).

The town's population grew steadily from 922 in 1800 to 1,438 by 1830. By 1850 the number of residents had reached 2,371. Construction of the Town Hall in 1842 and the Unitarian Church in 1850 further secured the center as the focal point of town life. In 1854 the first high school in town was built, situated within the extension area at the corner of School and Myrtle Streets (replaced by houses in 1949). Development at the center of town was greatly encouraged with the opening of the Boston & Worcester Railroad in 1835. The rail line crossed West Main Street near its intersection with South Street, at the geographic center of town, and very quickly the principal commercial and industrial district emerged in close proximity.

Throughout much of its history Westborough was an agrarian community, remaining so well into the 19th century. Despite this, only a small number of farmers are known to have lived in the extension area, likely the result of the small lot sizes there. The railroad allowed greater access to markets, resulting in Westborough's transformation from an agriculture-based community to one dominated by manufacturing. Early statistics are sketchy, but the number of farms gradually decreased during the

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period in which manufacturing was rapidly growing. The number of farms dropped from 184 in 1865 to 155 in 1885, although milk production remained an important industry for Westborough into the late 19th century. The economic change had a direct impact on development in the community, particularly the dense development around the town center. Francis W. Bullard, a farmer by trade, who was wounded while serving in the Civil War, eventually settled at **5 Central Street** (1875) and served as postmaster for a time. In the 1870s farmer Austin D. White occupied the house at **12 Myrtle Street** (1869), while Joseph Jennison, also a farmer, lived at **10 Harrison Avenue** (ca. 1865).

As early as the mid-18th century, Westborough was home to significant cottage industries that produced straw hats, sleighs, boots, and shoes. Many residents had small shops attached to their homes or as outbuildings on their house lots. Large-scale manufacturing did not occur until the mid-19th century when small factories were erected in the town center and elsewhere. By 1837 boot and shoe manufacturing, the town's largest industry, employed roughly 575 men and women. Other prominent industries that year were straw goods (hats and bonnets), wagons and sleighs, and hides (tanned and curried), all of which employed far fewer workers than did the boot and shoe makers. Many Westborough manufacturers set up operations at the center of town, near the hub of industry, transportation, and commerce. As would be expected, many of the residents of the town center were associated with local manufacturing. From 1840 until 1860 Daniel F. Newton manufactured boots and shoes in the building at **12 Cross Street** (1839), now containing apartments. George B. Brigham, who had been superintendent of Newton's factory for many years, began manufacturing for himself in 1858 on Milk Street. Brigham lived at **11 Cross Street** (ca. 1853). Thomas Stone, another of the town's early shoemakers, lived at **18 Cross Street** (ca. 1830). Shoe manufacturer Justin N. Parker lived at **13 Cross Street** (ca. 1845) in the early 1860s.

Sleigh making was also important to Westborough residents, providing winter work for local blacksmiths and carpenters. Sleigh making was customarily undertaken in a cooperative manner. Carpenters would spend the early winter months completing the woodwork, which was then sent along to a blacksmith for the shoes and braces. Subsequently, a painter would provide the finish work. In 1832 Westborough sleigh makers produced some 400 sleighs. Between 1870 and 1880 the average annual output had reached a high of 3,000, but production dropped off rapidly in the 1890s. Sleigh maker Joseph H. Fairbanks owned the houses at **45 South Street** (1866) and **3 Cross Street** (1875 – **Photo 23**); his shop was located on the South Street property. There were a large number of carpenters living in the district and it is likely that many were involved in sleigh making. These included Bower C. Hathaway, who built the houses at **4 Charles Street** (1869) and **78 South Street** (1868). George Hartwell built the

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houses at **8** and **10 Charles Street** (1874 and 1867 – **Photo 11**). Another carpenter, G.C. Sanborn owned the house at **63 South Street** (ca. 1865 – **Photo 7**), while John Brown owned the house at **27 Ruggles Street** (ca. 1890). Another resident of the extension area, E. L. Wood, was a carriage and sign painter who lived at **13 Ruggles Street** (1870 – **Photo 12**). Among the less known manufacturers was Tristram Libby, who made piano movements in an old sleigh shop on South Street and resided at **92 South Street** (1836).

The healthy 19th century industrial economy allowed many other businesses to thrive in the town center. Commercial blocks were constructed along West Main Street (near South Street) and local residents and businessmen enjoyed prosperity throughout much of the 19th century. The house at **6 Harrison Avenue** was built for Benajah Wadsworth, a teamster, in 1869. Charles F. Manning, who worked as a clerk, occupied the house at **4 Harrison Avenue** (built ca. 1875) in the 1890s. Straw worker George W. Roper lived at **8 Harrison Avenue** (built ca. 1885) in the 1890s. Many of the town's prominent merchants and businessmen also lived in the town center. Edwin Bullard was an active businessman with interests in hotels and stables and also served as second president of the Westborough Savings Bank. His home was located at **11 Central Street** (ca. 1850). Alden Boynton, who lived at **5 School Street** (1883), ran a successful meat and provisions store on West Main Street. The house at **13 Charles Street** (1895 – **Photo 25**) was built for merchant William B. Frost and his wife in 1895. Uriel Montague, local dealer in stoves, pipes, lead and tinware, made his home at **5 Charles Street** (1871). Dr. Samuel Griggs, a physician and dealer in stoves and tinware, lived at **86 South Street** (ca. 1830) in the 1850s and 1860s. The **Baptist Parsonage** at 6 Central Street was erected in 1869. Members of the Brigham family, one of the oldest and largest Westborough families, are associated with many houses in the extension area. The house at **12 Central Street** was built for Theodore F. Brigham in 1875. Harrison M. Brigham, a farmer and Civil War veteran, owned the houses at **32 Cross Street** (ca. 1855 – **Photo 19**) and **11 Ruggles Street** (1873 – **Photo 12**). Boot and shoe manufacturer John L. Brigham lived at **82 South Street** (1884). Mrs. H.A. Brigham occupied the house at **4 Forbes Street** (ca. 1885). In the 1870s B.M. Brigham owned the residence at **22 Cross Street** (ca. 1850 – **Photo 16**). Harrison F. Brigham built the house at **67 South Street** in 1867.

It appears that only a small number of houses in the extension area were constructed for speculative development. The three cottages at **35, 37, and 39 Charles Street** were erected by Charles H. Warren in 1874. Warren also owned a tenement house in Westborough. Lawyer A. Franklin Brown built the two houses at **29 and 33 Ruggles Street** (1891 and 1886). Dr. Edwin B. Harvey, a well-respected local physician, had a fine home on West Main Street and built two other dwellings on his house lot, including **3 Central Street** (1881).

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Manufacturing continued to be the mainstay of the community through the nineteenth century. In 1885 products manufactured in Westborough amounted to slightly more than \$2 million, ranking a modest 64th in the state. The 1885 census indicates that boot and shoe making employed most men in town (355), followed by farmers, farm laborers (338), and straw workers (197). Women made up the bulk of the workforce for straw products (398), while a much smaller number of women were employed in boot and shoe making (45).

The first two decades of the 20th century saw little change in the town's population, which grew from about 5,400 in 1900 to only 5,789 in 1920. Despite the decline in boot and shoe manufacturing, the industry continued to play a significant role in Westborough's economy around the turn of the century. By 1891 only two major boot and shoe manufacturers remained in Westborough. Hat manufacturing was also on the decline yet continued to employ many of the town residents at the turn of the century. By 1900 new industries, including bicycles, steam automobiles, metal bedsteads, cloth tape, and ladies lingerie gathered prominence as some of the earliest businesses declined. Westborough remained a thriving industrial community, with the concentration of factories and workshops in the town center, and vast farmland and woods toward the perimeter. Throughout the first half of the 20th century, manufacturing continued to become more diversified. The largest employers between 1920 and 1940 were Bay State Abrasives (second largest grinding wheel manufacturer in the country), Westborough Underwear Company, Rasmussen Shoe Company, Kenworthy Brothers (parts for the shoe industry), Marcus Mason Company (plantation equipment), Montan Treating Company (treated railroad ties and telephone poles), and J.S. Mason Narrow Fabrics. Despite a slump in business during the Depression, the local economy recovered and manufacturing continued to support many residents. During the 1950s local manufacturers included Alden Electronics, Carlstrom Pressed Metal, Duplicon Metal Stampings, and Chase Paper.

Advancements in transportation, particularly railroad expansion, provided the opportunity for town residents to find employment outside of Westborough and set the stage for the town becoming a commuter suburb by the mid-20th century. In 1899 the rail tracks were straightened and rerouted a short distance to the north away from the busy Westborough Square, increasing speed and efficiency. A spur track continued to operate into the center to serve the factories. By 1900 there were daily passenger trains to and from Boston and Worcester. In 1901 the first trolley was introduced in the center of Westborough, providing access to Worcester. Further expansion of the trolley system connected Westborough to the nearby communities of Northborough, Marlborough, Hopkinton, and Milford. After 1920 the popularity of the automobile greatly influenced residential development in Westborough. Automobile travel was facilitated by improvements in the roadways, one of the more significant

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advancements being the construction of a new modern highway (Rt. 9) along the route of the old Boston and Worcester Turnpike, in the northern part of town.

Despite increasing development pressures, Westborough farmers continued to thrive in the first half of the 20th century. Between 1920 and 1940 there were still about 50 farms and dairies operating on the outskirts of town. As late as 1950 there were 30 dairies, six poultry farms, and two pig farms, in addition to nine orchards growing apples and peaches. Farms still lined Route 9, but in 15 years time they would largely be gone.

As transportation advancements made Westborough more accessible and local businesses continued to attract workers, the demand for housing increased toward the mid-20th century. Between 1950 and 1960 744 houses were constructed in town. The population increased from 6,655 to 8,130 in the ten-year period between 1945 to 1955. Today Westborough is largely a commuter suburb for Boston and Worcester.

While most house lots in the extension area had been developed by 1900, there were a few that remained vacant into the 20th century. In most cases the vacant lots were the result of larger parcels being subdivided into smaller house lots. A number of the houses along Forbes Street were built in the 1920s in this way, including those at **7, 11, 14 and 15 Forbes Street**. The houses at **26 and 28 Cross Street** were erected around 1930 after the estate of Josiah Jackson was subdivided. The last major construction in the district extension area occurred in 1949 when the old high school property was subdivided and matching two-family homes were built at **5 Forbes Street, 2 and 4 Myrtle Street, and 35, 39 and 41 School Street**.

Archaeological Significance

While recent research over the last 25 years and National Register listing of the Cedar Swamp Archaeological District (NR 1988) have increased the number of known sites and our knowledge of general patterns of Native settlement in the Westborough and West Main Street Historic District Boundary Extension locale, systematic studies that identify the limits of sites and their internal configuration are lacking. Research conducted as part of the National Register nomination process for the Cedar Swamp Archaeological District has stated that "even those sites which have been more than 50% disturbed are capable of yielding significant information concerning settlement and subsistence patterns over time." Given the above, urban development throughout most of the extension area, and

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the fact that the least disturbed area of the extension is part of the Cedar Swamp District, any ancient sites that survive in the extension area may potentially be significant. Relatively intact and disturbed ancient sites in the area may be capable of making important contributions to the Native American history of the area. Ancient sites in the extension area may contribute further corroboration or alternatives to the settlement model identified in the Cedar Swamp nomination. That model identifies a settlement pattern keyed to the extent of Glacial Lake Sudbury as it drained from levels at the 300-foot contour during Paleo-Indian to Middle Archaic times. Systematic study of ancient sites in the West Main Street Extension area may contribute important information appropriate to address several research topics identified in the Cedar Swamp Archaeological District including the relationship of land use to environmental change in an upland setting, changing settlement and subsistence systems through time, inter- and intra-regional group relationships, and the technical aspects of lithic and ceramic technologies.

Historic archaeological resources described above have the potential to contribute important social, cultural, and economic information that helps document and explain the role inhabitants in the West Main Street Expansion locale played in the development of Westborough Center from a rural agrarian village to the commercial, industrial, civic, and institutional focus of the town. Historic research and extant properties in the expansion area indicate that this area may contribute specifically to research topics related to rural agrarian settlement and its development into 19th century residential settlement and the town's commercial and industrial economy.

Additional historic research combined with archaeological survey and testing may help locate additional examples of 18th and early 19th century settlement in the expansion area and the details of the agrarian economy that characterized that early settlement. Careful mapping and identification of outbuildings associated with archaeological sites and extant buildings may help identify the full range of activities present at early farmsteads and residences and their relationship with cottage industries that developed in the mid to late 18th century period. Structural evidence associated with residences, outbuildings and detailed analysis of the contents from occupational-related features may help identify exactly when and under what conditions straw hat, sleigh, and boot and shoe manufacturing developed and their relationship to later larger scale industrial production. Important information may exist that explains the growth of industry at the expense of cottage industries, or the co-existence of cottage industries with larger-scale industry.

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Archaeological resources associated with the Midland and Pine Grove Cemeteries may contribute important information related to the evolution, structure, and maintenance of each cemetery and the inhabitants of Westborough. Identification and mapping of unknown burials together with known burials may identify the earliest burials at each cemetery and patterns of interment through time. Detailed archaeological study of the overall context of burials and osteological study of human remains may contribute valuable information relating to the social, cultural, and economic characteristics of individuals, ethnic groups, and the overall Westborough population. Identification of unknown burials may contribute important information on the general treatment of paupers, unknown persons, and other indigents. Osteological analysis may also contribute information related to the physical characteristics of the Westborough population through time including the general health and pathologies that affected the town's population. Much of the above information combined with identification and mapping of post holes, wall fragments, and other boundary markers may also help identify the boundaries of each cemetery through time. Structural evidence of outbuildings may contribute information related to cemetery operations, including burial activities and maintenance.

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W. Main St. HD
Name of Property

Worcester, MA
County, State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property ca. 60 acres

UTM References See continuation sheet.

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

1. 19 284080 4682330
Zone Easting Northing

3. 19 284420 4682070
Zone Easting Northing

2. 19 284350 4682060
Zone Easting Northing

4. 19 284420 4682140
Zone Easting Northing

— See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

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Submit the following items with the completed form:

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A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name multiple

street & number _____ telephone _____

city or town _____ state _____ zip code _____

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UTM Coordinates (cont.)

E: 19 284630 4682180
F: 19 284650 4682090
G: 19 284810 4682110
H: 19 284860 4682030
I: 19 285090 4682040
J: 19 285100 4682340
K: 19 284720 4682270
L: 19 284550 4682610
M: 19 284410 4682650

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundaries of the West Main Street Historic District 2005 Boundary Increase are delineated with a bold line on the attached district map.

Boundary Justification

The West Main Street Historic District includes structures and sites associated with the development of Westborough center from the late 17th century to the mid-20th century. The 2005 Boundary Increase area is one of three areas that contribute to the West Main Street Historic District. Resources within the 2005 Boundary Increase area are a cohesive collection of historic residences that, once added to the district, will complete what was the historic town center. Outside the district the character of the streetscapes is much different. To the south, west, and north are additional residential areas, but the historic character in these areas is not retained due to later additions and intrusions. Directly east of the extension area is a fairly cohesive residential neighborhood, but the level of alteration here is much greater and the houses are uniformly more modest in their size and architectural detail. The area to the northeast, along East Main Street, is dominated by modern commercial buildings.

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Subject: 2005 Boundary Increase (West Main Street Historic District)
Location: Westborough, MA
Photographer: Christine Beard
Date of Photo: September, 2002
Negative Location: Tremont Preservation Services
Topsfield, MA

All buildings in the photos are identified from left to right in the following descriptions.

- Photo 1:** 4, 6, & 8 Harrison Avenue
View southwest showing principal elevations (northwest & northeast)
- Photo 2:** 60 & 62 South Street
View southeast showing facades (southwest elevations)
- Photo 3:** 47 South Street
View southwest showing façade (northeast elevation)
- Photo 4:** 26 School Street
View north showing façade (west elevation)
- Photo 5:** Pine Grove Cemetery
View east showing mausoleum and chapel
- Photo 6:** 87 South Street
View southwest showing façade (east elevation)
- Photo 7:** 65, 63, & 61 South Street
View northwest showing principal elevations (northeast & southeast)
- Photo 8:** 13 School Street
View west showing façade (northeast elevation)
- Photo 9:** 24 Ruggles Street
View north showing principal elevations (southwest & southeast)

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- Photo 10:** 2, 4, 6, & 8 Cross Street
View southwest showing facades (northeast elevations)
- Photo 11:** 8 & 10 Charles Street
View north showing facades (southwest elevations)
- Photo 12:** 13 & 11 Ruggles Street
View south showing facades (northeast elevations)
- Photo 13:** 58 South Street
View northeast showing façade (west elevation)
- Photo 14:** Midland Cemetery
View southeast from School Street
- Photo 15:** Pine Grove Cemetery
View east near chapel
- Photo 16:** 22 Cross Street
View southwest showing façade (northwest elevation)
- Photo 17:** 100 & 102 South Street
View southeast showing principal elevations (west & north)
- Photo 18:** 8 & 10 School Street
View north showing facades (southwest elevations)
- Photo 19:** 32 & 34 Cross Street
View southwest showing facades (northeast elevations)
- Photo 20:** 17 Charles Street
View west showing façade (northeast elevation)
- Photo 21:** 9 & 7 Charles Street
View northwest showing principal elevations (northeast & southeast)

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- Photo 22:** 33 & 31 Charles Street
View northwest showing facades (northeast elevations)
- Photo 23:** 3 Cross Street
View northwest showing façade (southeast elevation) and side (northeast) elevation
- Photo 24:** 30 & 32 Ruggles Street
View east showing facades (southwest elevations)
- Photo 25:** 15 & 13 Charles Street
View south showing facades (northeast elevations)

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Map	MHC	Street Address	Historic Name	Date	Style	Type /Status
1		3 Central Street	Dr. E. B. Harvey House	1881	Second Empire	B/C
2		5 Central Street	Francis W. Bullard House	1875	Second Empire	B/C
			garage	ca. 1960		B/NC
3		6 Central Street	Baptist Parsonage	1869	Greek Revival	B/C
4		8 Central Street		ca. 1870	Italianate	B/C
			shed	ca. 1970		B/NC
5	109	9 Central Street	Addison J. Turner House	1880	Second Empire	B/C
			barn	late 19 th c.		B/C
			shed	ca. 1920		B/C
6		10 Central Street	Thomas M. Morse House	1865	Italianate	B/C
			shed	ca. 1970		B/NC
7	110	11 Central Street	Edwin Bullard House	ca. 1850/1870	Greek Rev./Ital.	B/C
			barn	late 19 th c.		B/C
8		12 Central Street	Theodore F. Brigham House	1875	Second Empire	B/C
			garage	early 20 th c.		B/C
9	111	4 Charles Street	Bower C. Hathaway House	1869	Victorian Gothic	B/C
10	112	5 Charles Street	Uriel Montague House	1871	Italianate	B/C
11		6 Charles Street	J.W. Miller House	1871	altered	B/C
			barn	late 19 th c.		B/C
12	113	7 Charles Street	Daniel P. Day House	1877	Italianate	B/C
			barn	ca. 1880		B/C
13	114	8 Charles Street	2 nd George Hartwell House	1874	Italianate	B/C
14	115	9 Charles Street	Hubbard Wilson House	1886	Stick Style	B/C
15		10 Charles Street	1 st George Hartwell House	1867	Second Empire	B/C
16		13 Charles Street	Mrs. William B. Frost House	1895	Queen Anne	B/C
			garage	early 20 th c.		B/C
17		14 Charles Street	Henry Forbes House	1876	altered	B/C
			garage	early 20 th c.		B/C
18		15 Charles Street	John D. Babcock House	1878	Second Empire	B/C
			garage	ca. 1930		B/C
19		16 Charles Street	George P. Smith House	1878	Italianate	B/C
			garage	ca. 1980		B/NC

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			shed	ca. 1930		B/C
20		17 Charles Street	Mrs. Otis Newton House	1872	Second Empire	B/C
			garage	ca. 1980		B/NC
21		18 Charles Street	J.M. Young House	1875	Italianate	B/C
22		22 Charles Street	George B. Searles House	1872	Italianate	B/C
			garage	ca. 1970		B/NC
			shed	ca. 1930		B/C
23		23 Charles Street		ca. 1875	altered	B/C
			shed	ca. 1980		B/NC
24		24-26 Charles Street		ca. 1895	altered	B/C
			shed	ca. 1980		B/NC
25		27 Charles Street		ca. 1890	altered	B/C
			garage	ca. 1970		B/NC
26		29 Charles Street	Charles A. Harrington House	1876	Vernacular	B/C
			garage	ca. 1970		B/NC
27		31 Charles Street	Mrs. B.F. Forbush House	1877	Gr Rev./Italianate	B/C
			shed	ca. 1970		B/NC
28		33 Charles Street		ca. 1875	Gr. Rev./Italianate	B/C
29		35 Charles Street	Warren Cottage #1	1874	Italianate	B/C
			garage	ca. 1960		B/NC
30		37 Charles Street	Warren Cottage #2	1874	Greek Revival	B/C
31		39 Charles Street	Warren Cottage #3	1874	Italianate	B/C
32		2 Cross Street		ca. 1860	Greek Revival	B/C
			garage	ca. 1960		B/NC
33		3 Cross Street	2 nd Joseph H. Fairbanks House	1878	Second Empire	B/C
			garage	early 20 th c.		B/C
34		4 Cross Street	John E. Hastings House	1867	altered	B/C
			shed	ca. 1970		B/NC
35		5 Cross Street		ca. 1850-60	Gr. Rev./Victorian	B/C
			well	ca. 1930		ST/C
			shed	ca. 1960		B/NC
36		6 Cross Street		ca. 1850-75		B/C

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			shed	ca. 1970		B/NC
37		8 Cross Street		ca. 1860	Greek Revival	B/C
38	93	9 Cross Street	John Sanborn House	1793	Colonial/Fed.	B/C
39		11 Cross Street	George B. Brigham House	ca. 1853	Gr. Rev./Italianate	B/C
40		12 Cross Street	Dan. Newton Boot/Shoe Factory	1839	altered	B/C
41		13 Cross Street	Joseph Hill House	ca. 1845	Greek Revival	B/C
			shed	ca. 1970		B/NC
42		15 Cross Street		ca. 1855	Greek Revival	B/C
			shed	ca. 1970		B/NC
43	130	18 Cross Street	Thomas Stone House	ca. 1830	Federal	B/C
44		19 Cross Street		ca. 1850	Greek Revival	B/C
45		22 Cross Street		ca. 1850	Greek Revival	B/C
			garage	ca. 1960		B/NC
46		26 Cross Street		ca. 1930	Colonial Revival	B/C
			garage	ca. 1930		B/C
47		27 Cross Street	Vacant lot			SI/NC
48		28 Cross Street		ca. 1930	altered	B/C
			garage	early 20 th c.		B/C
49		32 Cross Street		ca. 1855	Greek Revival	B/C
			garage	early 20 th c.		B/C
50		34 Cross Street	Austin Stearns House	1870	Italianate	B/C
			lean-to	ca. 1970		ST/NC
51		36 Cross Street	Lewis Day House	1877	Italianate	B/C
			shed	ca. 1960		B/NC
52		3 Forbes Street	Luther P. Claflin House	1873	Italianate	B/C
			shed	ca. 1970		B/NC
53		4 Forbes Street	Mrs. H.A. Brigham House	ca. 1865	Gr.Rev./Italianate	B/C
54		5 Forbes Street		1949	No style	B/C
55		7 Forbes Street		ca. 1925	Craftsman	B/C
			garage	ca. 1925		B/C
56		11 Forbes Street		ca. 1925	altered	B/C
			garage	ca. 1930		B/C
57		14 Forbes Street		ca. 1920	Craftsman	B/C

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58		15 Forbes Street		ca. 1925	altered	B/C
59		18 Forbes Street		ca. 1875	Italianate	B/C
			shed	ca. 1970		B/NC
			garage	ca. 1970		B/NC
			shed	ca. 1960		B/NC
60		20 Forbes Street		ca. 1880	altered	B/C
			garage	ca. 1925		B/C
61		3-5 Harrison Avenue		ca. 1875	altered	B/C
62		4 Harrison Avenue		ca. 1875	Italianate	B/C
			garage	ca. 1930		B/C
63		6 Harrison Avenue	Benajah Wadsworth H.	1869	Greek Revival	B/C
			barn	19 th c.		B/C
64		8 Harrison Avenue		ca. 1885	Italianate	B/C
65		9 Harrison Avenue		ca. 1875	Italianate	B/C
			barn	late 19 th c.		B/C
66		10 Harrison Avenue	Joseph Jennison House	ca. 1865	Greek Revival	B/C
67		2 Myrtle Street		1949	no style	B/C
68		4 Myrtle Street		1949	no style	B/C
69		5 Myrtle Street		ca. 1960	Cape	B/NC
70		6 Myrtle Street	Lucy Howard House	1881	Gr. Rev./Col. Rev.	B/C
71		8 Myrtle Street	Azariah J. Benner House	1892	vernacular	B/C
72		9 Myrtle Street		ca. 1875	Italianate	B/C
73		10 Myrtle Street	Andrew Hewitt House	ca. 1888	Italianate	B/C
74		11 Myrtle Street		19 th c.	altered	B/C
75		12 Myrtle Street	Austin D. White House	1869	Gr.Rev./Italianate	B/C
76		16 Myrtle Street		ca. 1920	Colonial Revival	B/C
77		9 Ruggles Street	vacant lot			SI/NC
78		11 Ruggles Street	Harrison Brigham House	1873	Italianate	B/C
			garage	ca. 1930		B/C
79		13 Ruggles Street	E.L. Wood House	1870	Italianate	B/C
80		14 Ruggles Street		ca. 1850	Cape	B/C
81		15 Ruggles Street		ca. 1869	Gr.Rev./Italianate	B/C
			garage		altered	B/NC

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82		16 Ruggles Street		ca. 1870	Italianate	B/C
83	19	17 Ruggles Street	Ruggles House	1795	Colonial	B/C
84		18 Ruggles Street	James E. Bowman House	1872	Second Empire	B/C
			garage	ca. 1930		B/C
85		19 Ruggles Street		ca. 1875	altered	B/C
			shed	ca. 1970		B/NC
86		20 Ruggles Street	Arthur R. Higgins House	1878	Italianate	B/C
			barn	ca. 1870s		B/C
87		21 Ruggles Street	G.J. Hallock House	1873	Italianate	B/C
88		22 Ruggles Street	David P. Hardy House	1873	Italianate	B/C
			barn	ca. 1870s		B/C
89		23 Ruggles Street	Amon White House	1874	Gr.Rev./Italianate	B/C
			shed	ca. 1960		B/NC
90		24 Ruggles Street	J.F. Bussey House	1872	Second Empire	B/C
91		27 Ruggles Street	John P. Brown House	ca. 1890	Queen Anne	B/C
			garage	ca. 1930		B/C
92		28 Ruggles Street	J.G. Ferrin House	1878	Gr. Rev./Italianate	B/C
93		29 Ruggles Street	2 nd A. F. Brown House	1891	Queen Anne	B/C
			shed	ca. 1970		B/NC
94		30 Ruggles Street	John Barbour House	1876	Italianate	B/C
			garage	ca. 1960		B/NC
95		32 Ruggles Street		ca. 1879	Italianate	B/C
96		33 Ruggles Street	1 st A.F. Brown House	1886	Italianate	B/C
			garage	ca. 1925		B/C
97		36 Ruggles Street	John Costello House	1874	altered	B/C
			shed	ca. 1970		B/NC
98	128	5 School Street	Alden L. Boynton House	1883	Italianate	B/C
			barn	1884		B/C
99	129	6 School Street	Breck Parkman House	ca. 1782	altered	B/C
100		8 School Street		ca. 1900	altered	B/c
			garage	ca. 1930		B/C
101	201	9 School Street	Daniel F. Newton House	1853	Vict. Gothic	B/C
102		10 School Street		ca. 1865	Vernacular	B/C

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			garage	ca. 1930		B/C
103		12 School Street		ca. 1850	altered	B/C
			garage	ca. 1930		B/C
104		13 School Street		ca. 1850	Greek Revival	B/C
			garage	ca. 1930		B/C
105		14 School Street		ca. 1850	Greek Revival	B/C
			shed	ca. 1960		B/NC
106		19-21 School Street		19 th c.	altered	B/C
107		20-22 School Street		ca. 1850	altered	B/C
108		23 School Street	H.A. Jenks House	1865	altered	B/C
			shed	ca. 1970		B/NC
109		24 School Street		19 th c.	altered	B/C
110		26 School Street		ca. 1750	Colonial	B/C
			garage	ca. 1925		B/C
111		29 Second Street	Vital White House	1871	altered	B/C
112		33 School Street	Willard F. Morse House	1872	Italianate	B/C
			playhouse	ca. 1980		B/NC
113		34 School Street	L.H. Bullard House	1868/ca. 1890	Gr.Rev./QA	B/C
114		35 School Street		1949	no style	B/C
115		36 School Street		ca. 1830	Federal	B/C
116		37 School Street		1949	no style	B/C
117		38 School Street		ca. 1875	altered	B/C
118		39 School Street		1949	no style	B/C
119		41 School Street		1949	no style	B/C
120		43 School Street		ca. 1860	Greek Revival	B/C
			shed	ca. 1960		B/NC
121		41 South Street	Moses Wood House	ca. 1846	Greek Revival	B/C
122		43 South Street	Uriah Searles House	1877	Second Empire	B/C
			barn	late 19 th c.		B/C
123		44 South Street		ca. 1896	Queen Anne	B/C
124		45 South Street	Joseph Fairbanks House	1865	Second Empire	B/C
125		46 South Street		ca. 1890	altered	B/C
126		47 South Street	James A. Kelley House	1881	Stick Style	B/C

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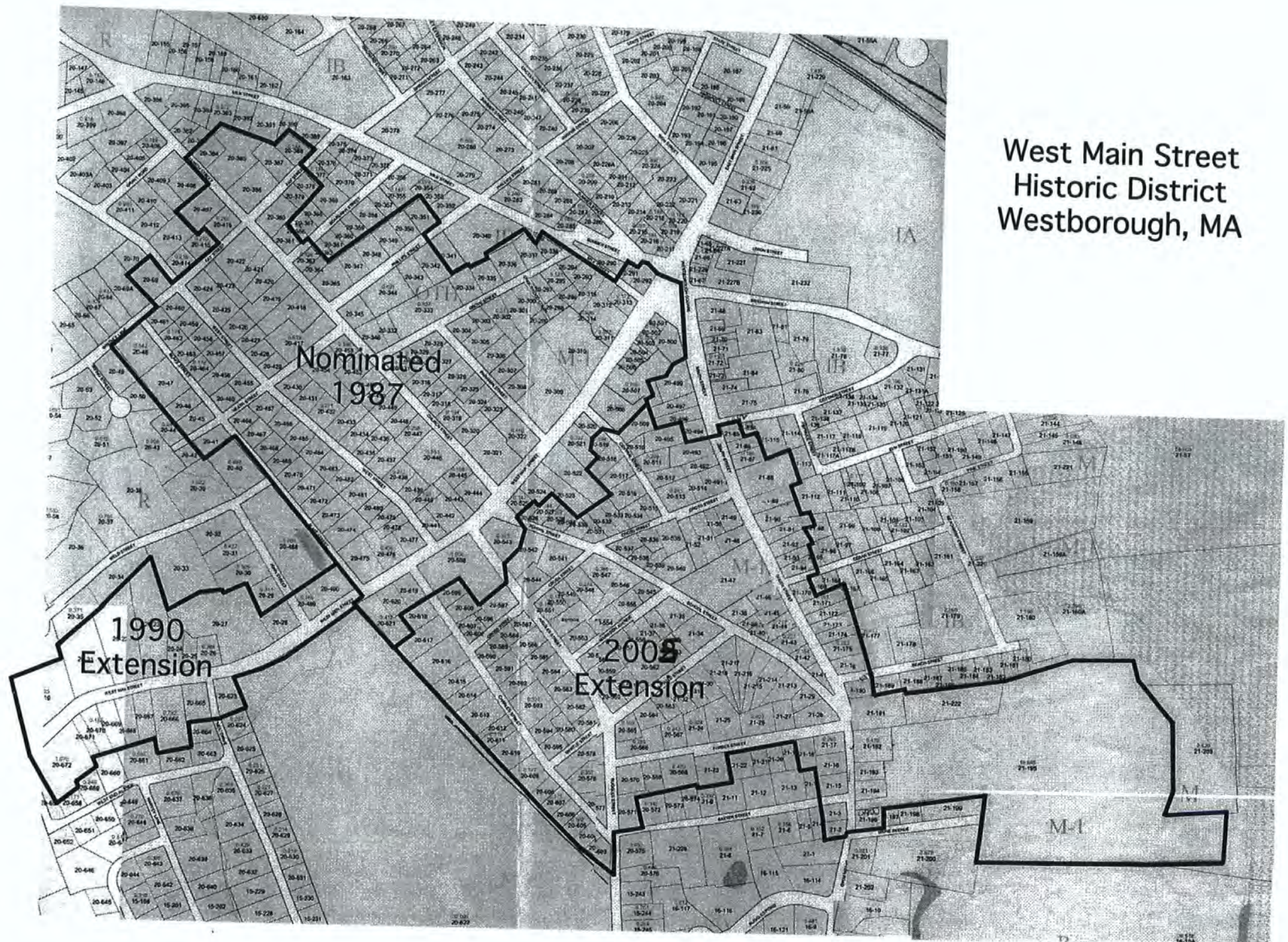
Map	MHC	Street Address	Historic Name	Date	Style	Type /Status
127	202	49 South Street	Jabez Fisher House	1864	Gr.Rev./Italianate	B/C
			barn/garage	late 19 th c.		B/C
128		South Street	Midland Cemetery	1810		SI/C
			stone walls	19 th c.		ST/C
			wrought iron fence	19 th c.		ST/C
129		54 South Street		ca. 1920	Colonial Revival	B/C
			shed	ca. 1970		B/NC
130	15	58 South Street	L/C Nathan Fisher House	ca. 1803	Federal	B/C
			garage	ca. 1960		B/NC
131		60 South Street	Rawson/Wesson House	ca. 1840	Greek Revival	B/C
			shed	ca. 2000		B/NC
132		61 South Street	Lincoln Wood House	1867	Greek Revival	B/C
			garage	ca. 1930		B/C
133		62 South Street		ca. 1880-30	Federal	B/C
134		63 South Street	G.C. Sanborn House	ca. 1865	Gr.Rev./Italianate	B/C
			shed	ca. 1970		B/NC
135		64 South Street		ca. 1870	altered	B/C
136		65 South Street	Frank A. Faulkner House	1873	Victorian	B/C
			garage	ca. 1930		B/C
137		66 South Street		ca. 1875	Second Empire	B/C
			shed	ca. 1990s		B/NC
138		67 South Street	Harrison Brigham House	1867	Greek Revival	B/C
			shed	ca. 1970		B/NC
139		68 South Street	2 nd George Fitch House	1875	Italianate	B/C
140		69 South Street		ca. 1930		B/C
			garage	ca. 1960		B/NC
141		70 South Street	1 st George Fitch House	1868	Greek Revival	B/C
142		71 South Street	Braley House	ca. 1850	Greek Revival	B/C
			barn	ca. 1860		B/C
143		72 South Street	Patrick Chronican House	pre 1930	Vernacular	B/C
144		74 South Street	McIntire/Howe House	1875	Italianate	B/C
145		75 South Street		ca. 1865	Italianate	B/C
			shed	late 19 th c.		B/C

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146		77 South Street	Charles A. Pierce House	1877	Italianate	B/C
147		78 South Street	B.C. Hathaway House	1868	Italianate	B/C
148		79 South Street	James H. Boland House	1892	Q.A. Cottage	B/C
			garage	ca. 1960		B/NC
149		80 South Street		ca. 1820	Federal	B/C
			garage	early 20 th c.		B/C
			shed	ca. 1930s		B/C
150		81 South Street		ca. 1890	Vernacular	B/C
151		82 South Street	John L. Brigham House	1884	Vict. Gothic	B/C
152		84 South Street		ca. 1860	Vernacular	B/C
153		86 South Street	Brigham/Griggs House	ca. 1830	Federal	B/C
154		87 South Street	Harding House	ca. 1890	Queen Anne	B/C
155		88 South Street		ca. 1890	Vernacular	B/C
156		89 South Street		ca. 1870	Greek Revival	B/C
157	90	92 South Street	Tristram Libby House	1836	Federal	B/C
158		98 South Street		ca. 1840	Greek Revival	B/C
159		100 South Street	Timothy Hastings House	ca. 1850	Greek Revival	B/C
			garage	ca. 1930		B/C
160		102 South Street		ca. 1950	Cape	B/C
161		108 South Street	S. Austin Harrington H.	1874	Italianate	B/C
162		South Street	Pine Grove Cemetery	1844		SI/C
			mausoleum	ca. 1875		ST/C
			Stone chapel	1904		B/C

	Contributing	Noncontributing
Buildings	200	43
Structures	4	1
Sites	2	2
Totals	206	46

West Main Street
Historic District
Westborough, MA



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: West Main Street Historic District (Boundary Increase II)

MULTIPLE
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Worcester

DATE RECEIVED: 11/29/05 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 12/14/05
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 12/29/05 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 1/12/06
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 05001516

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 1.11.06 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Entered in the
National Register

RECOM./CRITERIA _____

REVIEWER _____ DISCIPLINE _____

TELEPHONE _____ DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.



46, 58 Harrison Ave.
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2002 EXTENSION
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17 South St.
WEST MAIN STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT
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26 School St.
WEST MAIN STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

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Pine Grove Cemetery
West Main Street Historic District

2002 Extension

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87 SOUTH ST.
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65,63 561 South St
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13 School St.
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24 TRUSLES ST.
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2,4,6,8 CROSS ST.
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8 & 10 Charles St.
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135 11 Ruggles St.
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MIDLAND CEMETERY

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PINE GROVE CEMETERY

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22 CROSS STREET

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100 & 102 SOUTH STREET

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32 & 34 SOUTH STREET

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17 CHARLES STREET

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917 CHARLES STREET

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33 & 31 CHARLES STREET

WEST MAIN STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

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3 CROSS STREET

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30 & 32 RUGGLES STREET

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15 & 13 CHARLES STREET

WEST MAIN STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

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**Property Map
Town of Westborough
Worcester County,
Massachusetts**

Assessor Map Legend

- Buildings
- Parcels
- Railroads
- Streams
- Zoning 2001
- Surface Water Areas
- Pond/Lake
- River
- Wetland

2002 EXTENSION
ON ASSESSORS
MAPS 20B
20D
21C



100 0 100 200 Feet

Historic District Phase II

*For assessment purposes; not to be used for conveyances.
Revised through January 1, 2002*





The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth
Massachusetts Historical Commission

November 22, 2005

Dr. John Roberts, Acting Chief
National Register of Historic Places
Department of the Interior
National Park Service
1201 Eye Street, NW, 8th floor
Washington, DC 20005



Dear Dr. Roberts:

Enclosed please find the following nomination form:

West Main Street HD (2005 boundary extension), Westborough (Worcester), MA

The nomination has been voted eligible by the State Review Board and has been signed by the State Historic Preservation Officer. The owners of the property were notified of pending State Review Board consideration 30 to 45 days before the meeting and were afforded the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betsy Friedberg".

Betsy Friedberg
National Register Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission

enclosure

cc: Christine Beard, consultant
Jacqueline Tidman, Westborough Historical Commission
Denzil Drewry, Board of Selectmen
James Robbins, Westborough Town Planner