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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORMSEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Church of the First Religious Society (Unitarian) + Parish Hall

AND/OR COMMON

Unitarian Church and Parish Hall

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 26 Pleasant Street

CITY, TOWN

Newburyport

VICINITY OF

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Massachusetts

CODE

025

COUNTY

Essex

CODE

009

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

First Religious Society (Unitarian)

STREET & NUMBER

26 Pleasant Street

CITY, TOWN

Newburyport

VICINITY OF

STATE

Massachusetts 01950

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

First Religious Society (Unitarian)

STREET & NUMBER

26 Pleasant Street

CITY, TOWN

Newburyport

STATE

Massachusetts 01950

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Inventory of the Historic Assets of the Commonwealth
Historic American Buildings Survey (MASS-473, 623)

DATE

1969 (Massachusetts)
1940, 1945 (HABS)☒ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Massachusetts Historical Commission; Library of Congress

CITY, TOWN

Boston

(Washington, DC)

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 Church of the First Religious Society, Unitarian, is located in downtown Newburyport near Market Square (National Register 2/25/71) but not contiguous to it. The church faces Pleasant Street and is set back 25 feet from the street line. The Parish Hall next door is situated approximately 60 feet from the street and is fronted by a small lawn. The sidewalk in front of the buildings is red brick, and utility poles have been removed and wires installed underground. The surrounding buildings on Pleasant Street are commercial and derive principally from the late nineteenth century.

The Church of the First Religious Society was built and dedicated in 1801. Although the architect is unknown, the design of the building bears a striking resemblance to a Samuel McIntire church in Salem which has a similar spire. Historian John J. Currier has speculated that the church may have been the work of Timothy Palmer who designed the Essex Merrimac bridge.

The church is two stories high and is built on a granite block foundation. The exterior walls are sheathed in clapboard, and the ridge roof is covered with dark asphalt shingles. A single brick chimney rises through the rear of the roof slightly to the left of the ridge line.

The church has as its prototype the famous St. Martin's-in-the-Fields in London, designed by James Gibbs in about 1700. The magnificent spire of the Newburyport church was described by McIntire himself as the "... rival [of] anything in New England."¹ The central entrance is surmounted by a handsome fanlight and pediment and is balanced by two doors on either side. Over the main entrance is a Palladian window, above which there is a fanlight pediment. The church is seven bays deep, and the shuttered windows have twelve over twelve lights on both the first and second stories. The exterior of the building has been virtually unchanged since the time of its construction.

On the interior the Palladian motif of the exterior is echoed on the wall behind the pulpit. Corinthian pilasters support the pediment which surmounts the window. Also of interest are the box pews, some of which have drawers which were used to hold bread boards on which the lunch was placed. The interior has undergone several minor alterations. In 1839 the pulpit was lowered approximately one foot and was moved back about eight feet against the wall. The chandeliers and sounding board were removed around the same time. Gas illumination was installed in subsequent years, and when in this century electricity was put in, the older gas fixtures were used as housings.

Next door to the church is the Parish Hall, built in 1873. This building resembles its neighbor in its use of white clapboards, shuttered windows, and fluted corner pilasters.

¹J. M. Howells, The Architectural Heritage of the Merrimac.

8. SIGNIFICANCE

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 1801 (1873 Parish Hall) BUILDER/ARCHITECT Attributed to Timothy Palmer

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Church of the First Religious Society, Unitarian in Newburyport is significant as a fine example of Federal architecture and for its associations with outstanding citizens of Newburyport and Massachusetts. The church was built in 1801 and replaced an earlier and more modest church which had stood in nearby Market Square. The handsome design of the new church, no doubt inspired by the work of Samuel McIntire in Salem, is Federal architecture at its finest. Elegant detail, particularly in the central entry and the Palladian window on the facade, attests to the refinement inherent in the more sophisticated examples of the Federal period.

The first minister of the church was the Reverend John Lowell whose descendants are listed among the country's most distinguished authors, educators and professional men. Reverend Lowell's son, Judge John Lowell was responsible for the clause "All men are born free and equal" being written into the Constitution of Massachusetts.

Another important clergyman of the church was Reverend Thomas Wentworth Higginson, friend of Theodore Parker and William Lloyd Garrison. According to church records, visitors to the First Religious Society included John Quincy Adams and Theodore Parker. Among the church's many distinguished parishioners were the eminent lawyer Theophilus Parsons, wealthy merchant Nathaniel Tracy and many others important in Newburyport history such as Theophilus Bradbury and Colonel Edward Wigglesworth.

The church is also proud of its 1834 organ built by Joseph Alley of Newburyport. An Act of Parliament clock of the 1790's hangs in the church, and the communion silver contains silver tankards dating from 1743 to 1805. The baptismal bowl was created from silver dollars donated by parishioners and was made in 1804 by the famous Moulton firm of silversmiths of Newburyport.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Coffin, Joshua. History of Newburyport.

Currier, John J. History of Newburyport.

Howells, John Mead Hull. Architectural Heritage of the Merrimack. Architectural Book Publishers, Inc., 1941.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .6 acre

UTM REFERENCES

A 19 346960 4741280
ZONE EASTING NORTHING
C

B
ZONE EASTING NORTHING
D

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE CODE COUNTY CODE

STATE CODE COUNTY CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Judy D. Dobbs, National Register Editor and Rev. Bertrand H. Steeves, First Religious Society
Howard H. Fairweather, Newburyport Historical

ORGANIZATION

Massachusetts Historical Commission

DATE

February 11, 1976 Commission

STREET & NUMBER

294 Washington Street

TELEPHONE

617-727-8470

CITY OR TOWN

Boston

STATE

Massachusetts 02108

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL X

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

Elizabeth Reed Amador

TITLE

Executive Director, Massachusetts Historical Commission

DATE

Feb. 13, 1976

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

Acting

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

Robert B. Relling

DATE

4/2/76

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Acting

DATE

3-29-76

Property

*Church of the First Religious
Society (Unitarian)**Church and Parish Hall*

State

Mass.

Working Number

*2,24, 76, 2599**ESSEY*

TECHNICAL

Photos

2

Maps

*2**Talked with Judy Dobbs 3-11-76, OK'd name change to Rowland**Statement of significance could be more explicit, but
great building*

CONTROL

*OK**am**3.12.76*

HISTORIAN

*Accept**W. Pluce**3/15/76*

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

*ACCEPT**3.15.76**LEBOVITZ*

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory _____

Review _____

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

*Accept**Colz**3.17.76*

BRANCH CHIEF

*accept
Hugo**3.23.76*

KEEPER

*Accept
Rettig (for Murtagh)**3-29-76*

National Register Write-up

5-4-76

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Federal Register Entry

Re-submit

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Newburyport

VICINITY OF

COUNTY

Essex

STATE

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3 PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT

William Lane

DATE OF PHOTO 1974

NEGATIVE FILED AT

Unitarian Church, 26 Pleasant Street, Newburyport, MA 01950

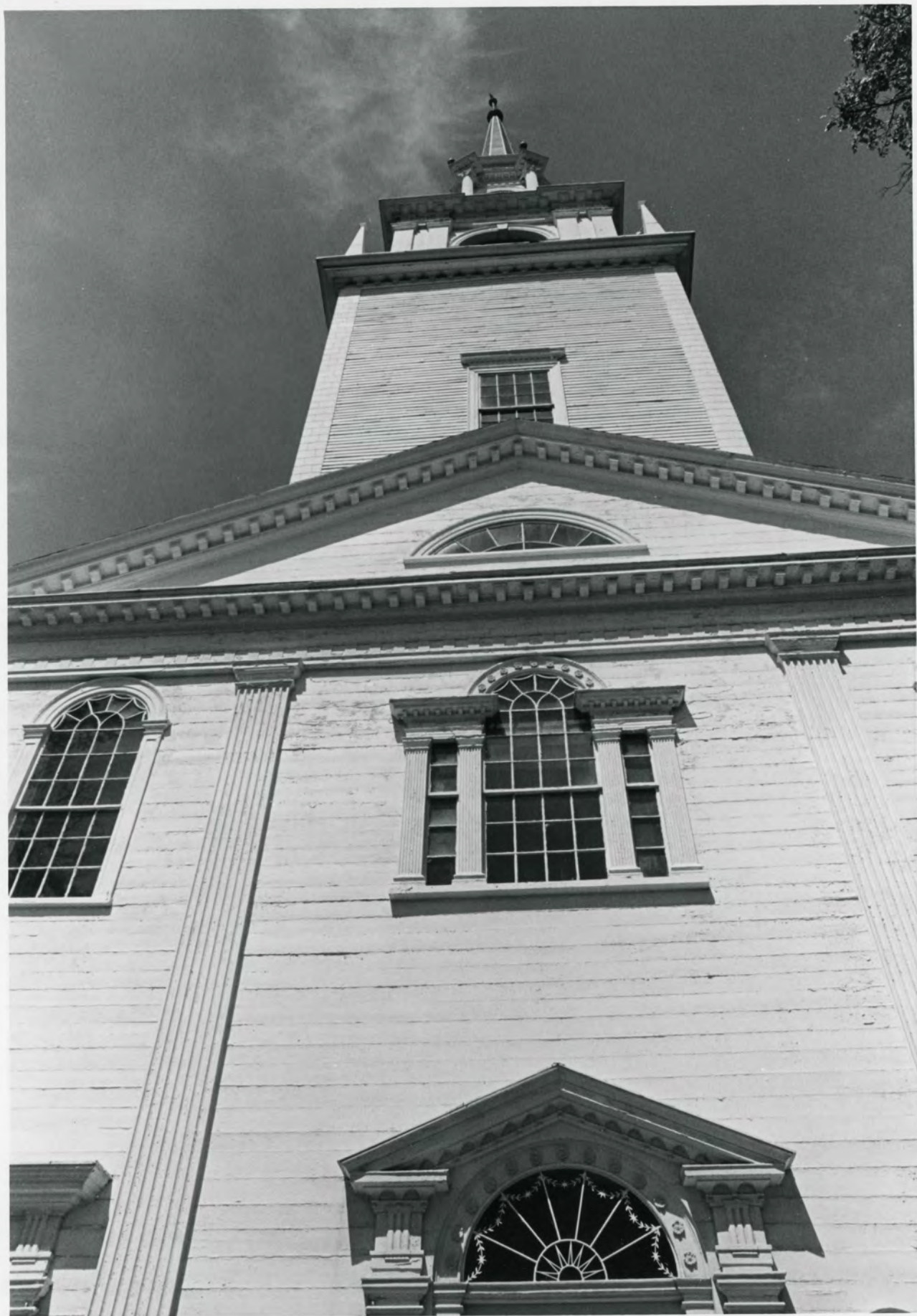
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DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. IF DISTRICT, GIVE BUILDING NAME & STREET

Southwest facade of church.

PHOTO NO 1

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PHOTO NO 2

Detail of main (south) facade of church.

Society

Newburyport, Mass



UNITARIAN CHURCH
NEWBURYPORT, MASS.

— Name
— address
— Owner
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Unitarian Ch
26 Pleasant Street
First Religious Society (Unitarian)
Newburyport, Mass.
Refreshments
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Interior of church, looking from balcony north toward altar.
PHOTO NO 3



UNITARIAN CHURCH
NEWBURYPORT, MASS.

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Interior of church, looking south toward entrance.

PHOTO NO 4



Parish Hall
1st Religious Society, Newburyport, Mass.

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PHOTO NO 5

Looking north at Parish Hall.

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3 MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE USGS, Newburyport East Quadrangle

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4 REQUIREMENTS

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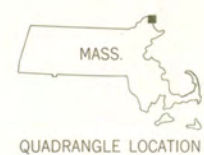
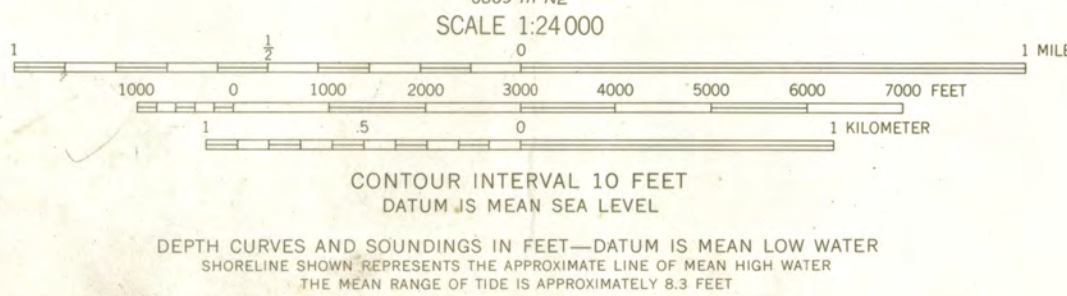
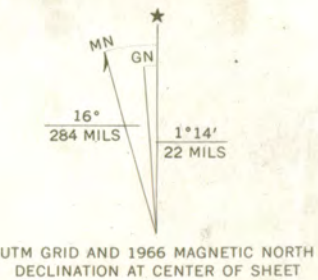
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2. NORTH ARROW
3. UTM REFERENCES



Newburyport
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and 1206 (1966). This information is not intended for navigational
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Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
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mainland zone, and New Hampshire coordinate system
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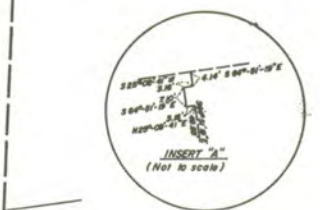
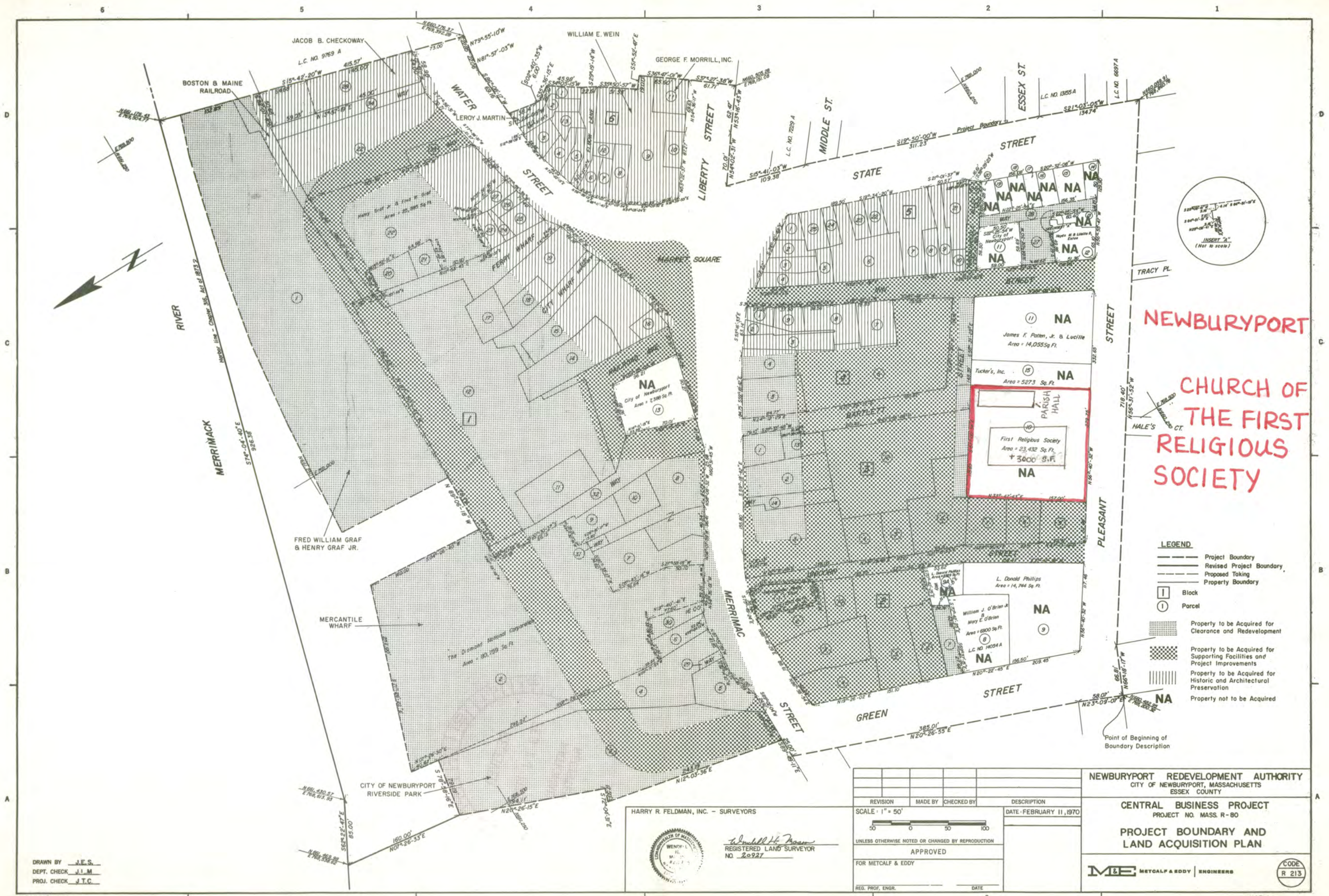


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NEWBURYPORT
CHURCH OF
THE FIRST
RELIGIOUS
SOCIETY

- LEGEND**
- Project Boundary
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 - Block
 - Parcel
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 - Property to be Acquired for Supporting Facilities and Project Improvements
 - Property to be Acquired for Historic and Architectural Preservation
 - Property not to be Acquired

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NEWBURYPORT REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
CITY OF NEWBURYPORT, MASSACHUSETTS
ESSEX COUNTY

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PROJECT NO. MASS. R-80

**PROJECT BOUNDARY AND
LAND ACQUISITION PLAN**

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3 MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE Newburyport Redevelopment Authority map

SCALE 1" = 50'

DATE 1970

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PAUL GUZZI

*Secretary of the
Commonwealth*

*The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Office of the Secretary*

*Massachusetts Historical Commission
294 Washington Street Boston, Massachusetts 02108
(617) 727-8470*

February 18, 1976

Mr. Charles Herrington, Chief
Registration
National Register
National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior
Washington, D.C. 20240



Dear Charles:

Enclosed please find two nomination forms for the following properties:

1. Chicopee, Dwight Manufacturing Company Housing District
2. Newburyport, Unitarian Church and Parish Hall

These properties have been voted eligible for submission by the Massachusetts Historical Commission (State Review Board) and have been signed by the State Historic Preservation Officer, Elizabeth Reed Amadon.

Sincerely yours,

Pat

Patricia L. Weslowski
Survey Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission

PLW/mw
Enclosures

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE MASSACHUSETTS

Date Entered APR 2 1976

Name

Location

**First Religious Society Church
and Parish Hall**

**Newburyport
Essex County**

Also Notified

Hon. Edward M. Kennedy
Hon. Edward W. Brooke
Hon. Michael J. Harrington

Regional Director, North Atlantic
Region

State Historic Preservation Officer
Mrs. Elizabeth R. Amadon
Executive Director, Massachusetts
Historical Commission
294 Washington Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02108

PR MOTT:djb 4/8/76

NATIONAL REGISTER DATA SHEET

1 NAME as it appears on federal register: First Religious Society Church and Parish Hall		2 OTHER NAMES: Unitarian Church and Parish Hall <i>sec.</i>		3 date of entry: 4-2-76	4 county code: 009
5 LOCATION street & number 26 Pleasant St.		city / town Newburyport	vicinity of MA	county Essex	6 NPS REGION: North Atlantic
7 OWNER ☒ PRIVATE ☐ STATE ☐ MUNICIPAL ☐ COUNTY ☐ MULTIPLE ☐ FEDERAL (agency name)				8 ADMINISTRATOR:	
9 EXISTING SURVEYS ☒ NAB ☐ HAER ☐ NHL		10 FUNDED? ☒ YES ☐ NO		11 CONGRESS DISTRICT 6th	
12 SOURCE of NOMINATION ☒ STATE ☐ FEDERAL		if state who prepared form?			
13 WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? ☒ YES NAME: ☐ NO		14 WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK? ☒ YES NAME: ☐ NO		15 ACRES 0.6	
16 CONDITION ☒ excellent ☐ good ☐ fair ☐ deteriorated ☐ ruins ☐ unexposed ☐ unexcavated		☒ altered ☐ unaltered ☐ reconstructed ☐ excavated ☒ original site ☐ moved ☐ unknown		17 features: INTERIOR: ☒ SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-1 ☐ NOT INTACT-0 ☐ UNKNOWN-4 ☐ NOT APPLICABLE-7 EXTERIOR: ☒ SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-2 ☐ NOT INTACT-0 ☐ UNKNOWN-5 ☐ NOT APPLICABLE-8 ENVIRON: ☒ SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-3 ☐ NOT INTACT-0 ☒ UNKNOWN-6 ☐ NOT APPLICABLE-9	
18 ACCESS ☒ YES-Restricted ☐ YES-Unrestricted ☐ No Access ☐ Unknown		19 ADAPTIVE USE ☐ YES ☒ NO		20 SAVED? ☐ YES ☐ NO	
21 AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: ☐ ARCHEOLOGY-prehistoric-2 ☐ COMMERCE-6 ☐ ARCHEOLOGY-historic-1 ☐ COMMUNICATIONS-7 ☒ AGRICULTURE-3 ☒ ARCHITECTURE-4 ☐ ART-5 ☐ ENGINEERING-11 ☐ ENTERTAINMENT-26 ☐ EXPLORATION-12 ☐ HEALTH-27 ☐ ECONOMICS-9 ☐ EDUCATION-10		☐ LANDSCAPE ARCH.-15 ☐ LAW-16 ☐ LITERATURE-17 ☐ MILITARY-18 ☐ MUSIC-19 ☐ PHILOSOPHY-20 ☐ POLITICS/GOVT.-21 ☐ RELIGION-22 ☐ SCIENCE-23 ☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN-24 ☐ SOCIAL/CULTURAL-30 ☐ TRANSPORTATION-25		22 CLAIMS: explain 'first' ☐ 'oldest' ☐ 'only' ☐	
23 functions WHEN HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT: CHURCH CURRENTLY: CHURCH		24 dates of initial construction: 1801 (church); major alterations: 1873 (parish hall) historic events:		25 ETHNIC GROUP ASSOCIATION	
26 architectural style(s): Federal		27 architect: 2 attr. to Timothy Palmer		28 master builder:	
29 landscape architect / garden designer:		30 interior decorator:		31 artisan: Joseph Alley-organ builder	
32 NAMES give role & date PERSONAL: John Lowell 1st Minister, of prominent family. EVENTS: INSTITUTIONAL:					
33 NATIONAL REGISTER WRITE-UP FRAME, clapboarding, GRANITE FOUNDATION; 2 STORIES, RECTANGULAR, GABLED ROOF, INTERIOR CHIMNEY, 3 FRONT CENTER ENTRANCES EACH WITH ARCHITRAVE, CENTER ENTRANCE WITH PEDIMENT AND FANLIGHT IN SLIGHTLY PROJECTING PAVILION WITH PALLADIAN WINDOW AND GABLE LUNETTE; SURMOUNTING 4-STAGE BELL TOWER WITH ROUND-ARCHED OPEN BELFRY, PINNACLES, 2-STAGE GLAZED OCTAGONAL LANTERN AND PIRE SPIRE; REFINED INTERIOR WITH U-SHAPED GALLERY AND ELEVATED PULPIT; ADJACENT PARISH HALL, 1873. EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF FEDERAL STYLING; CONGREGATION'S FIRST MINISTER WAS REVEREND JOHN LOWELL OF PROMINENT LOWELL FAMILY.					