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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108

Town Stoneham ✓ Roll 5:26A

Address Jonathan Green House

Historic Name 63 Perkins Street ✓

Use: Original residential

Present residential

Ownership: Private individual E. Emerson
 Private organization _____

Public _____

Original owner Jonathan Green

PHOTO (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)
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DESCRIPTION:

Date c. 1720

Source maps, local tradition, va

Style Colonial Vernacular

Architect unknown

Exterior wall fabric shingle

Outbuildings no

Major alterations (with dates) no

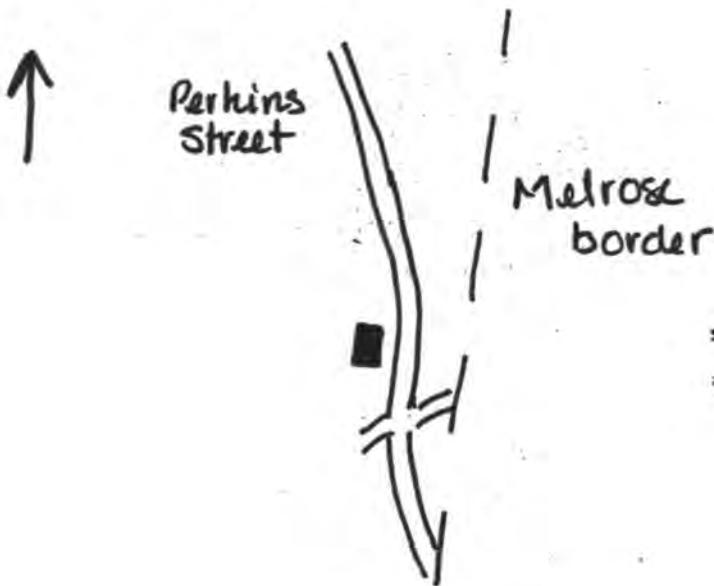
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Approx. acreage 12,947 sq. feet

Setting 20th century residential with
some early houses; Melrose border

SKETCH MAP

Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



Recorded by Carole Zellie (ed. Candace Jenkins, MHC)

Organization Landscape Research

Date April 1979

Assessor's Map #3-193

Boston North Quad 1:25,000
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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

The Jonathan Green House is one of only two structures in Stoneham preserving a nearly intact early eighteenth century form. (The other is the Millard-Souther-Green House #116.) Constructed c. 1720, it is a five bay, center entry house of one room depth which rises two stories to a pitched roof. The roof, now covered in asphalt, is pierced by a center chimney. One story ells extend from the northeast and northwest corners of the rear elevation. The house rests on a granite foundation and is sheathed in clapboards with a boxed cornice, simple corner boards and slightly projecting window architraves. Sash is 12/8 at the first story, 9/6 at the second story and in the ells, and 6/6 in the attic gables. The entry is framed by strip pilasters, a wide frieze board and a projecting lintel. The house faces south with its east end to Perkins Street in a residential area of mixed date.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

The Jonathan Green House possesses integrity of location, design, materials and workmanship; it is significant as one of Stoneham's best preserved early houses and for its long term associations with the prominent Green family. It meets criteria B and C of the National Register of Historic Places.

One of the best known historic houses in Stoneham, this residence is connected with an important founding family. Green Lane, now Perkins Street, appears on early maps with several Green family houses along it. William Stevens, in the History of Stoneham, writes:

"During the first century of the town, hardly any family exerted a wider influence or furnished more leading citizens than the Greens . . . Jonathan Green came from Malden in the early part of the eighteenth century. From then until now (1891) the old homestead has been occupied in each generation by a Jonathan Green . . ."1

Captain Jonathan Green (1719-1795), Jonathan's son, was a delegate to the Concord convention of 1786, and to Boston in 1788 to ratify the constitution. Stevens called Captain Green "the most active man in Stoneham in public affairs." He was town clerk and treasurer from 1748 to 1769.

According to an account of 1870, part of the house was used as a stable in the eighteenth century.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

- ¹Stevens, History of Stoneham, p.29.
Dean, Silas. History of Stoneham, 1870.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service
National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Stoneham Multiple Resource Area
State Middlesex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

31. Gilmore, Onslow, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 4/13/84

Attest

32. Green, Jonathan, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 4/13/84

Attest

33. Hawkins, Lorenzo D., House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 4/13/84

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34. Hibbard, Benjamin, House

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35. Hill, Sidney A., House

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36. House at 6 S. Marble St.

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National Register

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Delores Byers 4/13/84

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37. House at 19 Tremont St.

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38. House at 391 Williams Street

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39. House at 114 Marble Street

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National Register

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40. House at 269 Green Street

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Green, Jonathan, House (Stoneham MRA)
Middlesex County
MASSACHUSETTS

FEB 28 1984

Working No. _____

Fed. Reg. Date: 2/5/86

Date Due: 3-29-84 - 4-13-84

Action: ACCEPT 4-13-84

RETURN _____

REJECT _____

Federal Agency: _____

Entered in the
National Register

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

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____

Reviewer _____

Discipline _____

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

- 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

- 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 _____
UTM 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: _____



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TOWN OF STONEHAM - ASSESSOR'S MAP (PRESENT DATE)

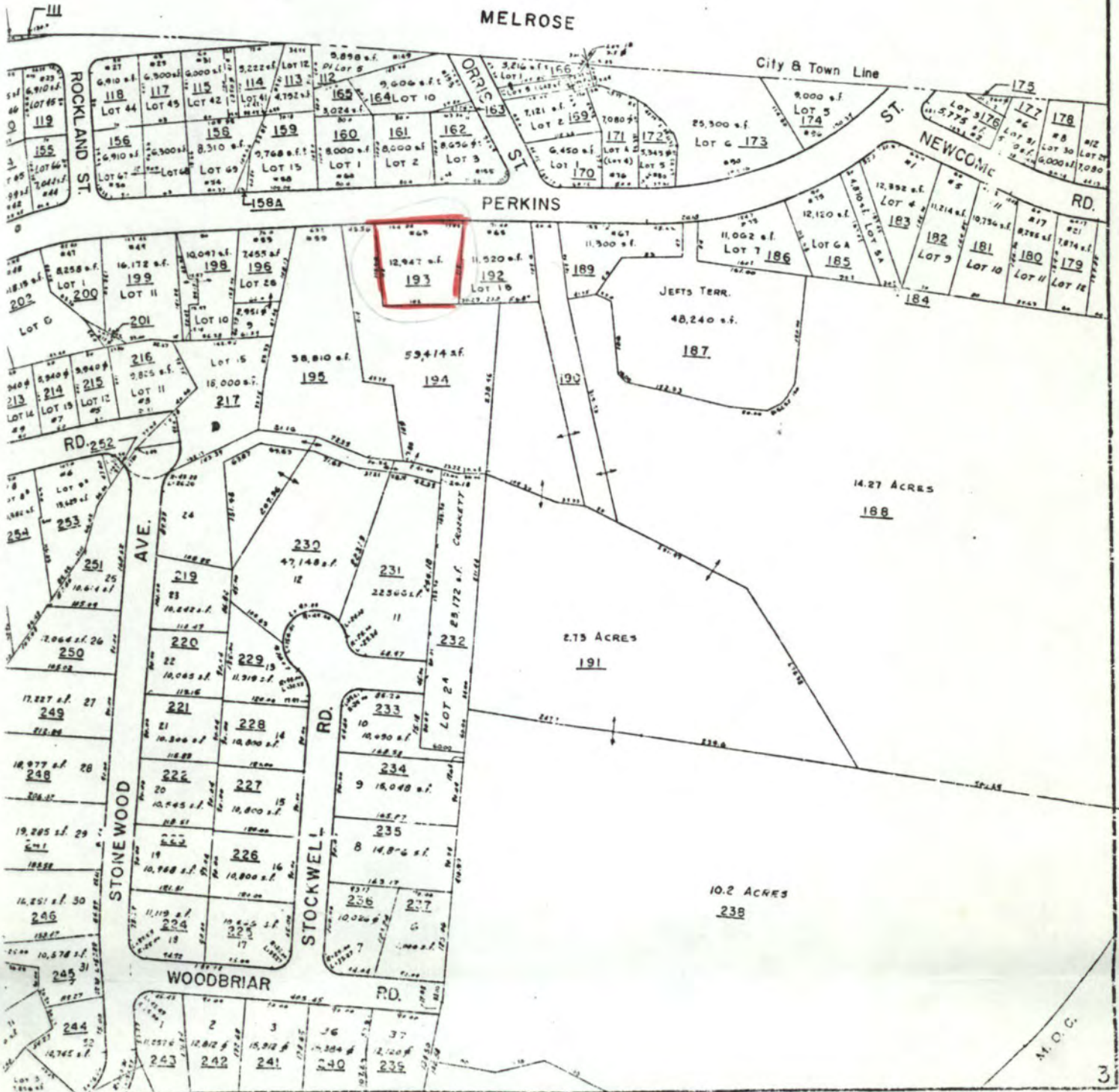
DATE - PRESENT

SCALE - 200' = 1"

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INVENTORY NO. 11



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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000295