

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
99 South Prospect Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06106
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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY FORM
for Buildings and Structures

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY			
TOWN NO.:	SITE NO.:		
UTM: 18/	/	/	/
QUAD:			
DISTRICT:	S	NR:	ACTUAL POTENTIAL

IDENTIFICATION

- 1. BUILDING NAME: Common: _____ Historic: Isaac Warner House
- 2. TOWN/CITY: Middletown VILLAGE: _____ COUNTY: Middlesex
- 3. STREET & NUMBER (and/or location): 33 Ferry Street
- 4. OWNER(S): Salvatore Damiata PUBLIC PRIVATE
- 5. USE: Present: Residential (apartments) Historic: Residential
- 6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: yes no
Interior accessible: yes, explain with owner's permission no

DESCRIPTION

- 7. STYLE OF BUILDING: Federal DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1817
- 8. MATERIAL(S) (indicate use or location when appropriate):

<input type="checkbox"/> clapboard	<input type="checkbox"/> asbestos siding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> brick
<input type="checkbox"/> wood shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> asphalt siding	<input type="checkbox"/> fieldstone
<input type="checkbox"/> board & batten	<input type="checkbox"/> stucco	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> cobblestone
<input type="checkbox"/> aluminum siding	<input type="checkbox"/> concrete: type: _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> cut stone: type: <u>brownstone</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____		<u>sills and lintels, porch platform</u>
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:
 wood frame: post and beam balloon
 load bearing masonry structural iron or steel
 other: _____
- 10. ROOF: type:
 gable flat mansard monitor sawtooth
 gambrel shed hip round other _____
material:
 wood shingle roll asphalt tin slate
 asphalt shingle built up tile other: _____
- 11. NUMBER OF STORIES: 2½ APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 29'x27' (wings 22'x33', 26'x15')
- 12. CONDITION: Structural: excellent good fair deteriorated
Exterior: excellent good fair deteriorated
- 13. INTEGRITY: Location: on original site moved, when: _____
Alterations: no yes, explain: Entrance porch widened; front entrance moved; wings added in rear; front facade openings changed.
- 14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES:
 barn shed garage other landscape features or buildings: small yard in rear; driveway on east side of property.
 carriage house shop garden
- 15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:
 open land woodland residential scattered buildings visible from site
 commercial industrial rural high building density
- 16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS: The distinctive features of this small scale, high density neighborhood are its 2 to 3 story buildings on high foundations placed close to the street on small lots. Many have large front porches and/or storefront additions. The Isaac Warner House, which dates from the early development of the street, is typical in these respects.

17. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior):

SIGNIFICANCE

Architect: _____

Builder: _____

18. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: The house was built for Isaac Warner, probably soon after he bought the property in 1817. By the mid-eighteenth century Ferry Street had been developed as a residential neighborhood by persons associated with Middletown's riverport activities. The Warner House was built during a period of economic recovery in Middletown's port trade following the war of 1812. It is one of the few brick examples of a three-bay house with ridge to the street in Middletown. The house displays Federal decoration such as flat arch fanlights in the gable ends, cornice with mutules, and a fanlight arch over the original entrance opening. The Italianate doorway and door are later. The house is an important reminder of the early development which formed the neighborhood's character. Its later use as an apartment building reflects the role of the area in the nineteenth century as the home of Irish and Italian immigrant groups.

PHOTOGRAPH

photographer: Wayne Svec
date: 1/78 view: north-east
negative on file: Roll 7 #4A

COMPILED BY:

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19. SOURCES: Middletown Land Records; Middletown Probate Court Records; 1825 Barnum Map; 1859 Walling Map; 1851 Clark Map; 1877 Bailey Map.



20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS:

21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE:

none known highways vandalism developers other: _____
 renewal private deterioration zoning explanation: Building for sale

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CONTINUATION SHEET
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