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Item #182

IDENTIFICATION

1 BUILDING NAME (if common): Joel Thrall Homestead

2 TOWN, CITY: Windsor — VILLAGE: Palisado — COUNTY: Hartford

3 STREET AND NUMBER: 299 Palisado Avenue

4 OWNER: Frederick & Maryann Pleva — ☐ Public ☐ Private

5 USE: 1 family residential — OWNER'S ADDRESS: same

6 ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: EXTERIOR ONLY FROM PUBLIC ROAD ☒ Yes ☐ No — INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE ☐ Yes ☒ No — IF YES, EXPLAIN

7 STYLE: Greek Revival — DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: c. 1840

DESCRIPTION

8 MATERIAL: ☒ Clapboard ☐ Asbestos Siding ☒ Brick (foundation) ☐ Other (Specify) ☐ Wood Shingle ☐ Asphalt Siding ☐ Fieldstone ☐ Board & Batten ☐ Stucco ☐ Cobblestone ☐ Aluminum Siding ☐ Concrete Type ☐ Cut stone Type ☒ Wood frame ☐ Post and beam ☐ balloon ☐ Load bearing masonry ☐ Structural iron or steel ☐ Other Specify

9 ROOF: ☒ Gable ☐ Flat ☐ Mansard ☐ Monitor ☐ sawtooth ☐ Gambrel ☐ Shed ☐ Hip ☐ Round ☐ Other (Specify) — Material: ☐ Wood Shingle ☐ Roll Asphalt ☐ Tin ☐ Slate ☒ Asphalt shingle ☐ Built up ☐ Tile ☐ Other (Specify)

10 NUMBER OF STORIES: 2 + attic and basement — APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 30'x53'

11 CONDITION: ☐ Excellent ☒ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Deteriorated — INTERIOR: ☒ Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Deteriorated

12 SITE: ☐ On original site ☐ Moved — WHEN? — INTERIOR ALTERED? ☒ Yes ☐ No — IF YES, EXPLAIN: rear 1 story addition

13 RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES: ☐ Barn ☐ Shed ☐ Garage ☐ Other landscape features or buildings (Specify) ☐ Carriage house ☐ Shop ☐ Garden

14 SURROUNDINGS (Environment): ☐ Open land ☐ Wooded land ☒ Residential ☐ Scattered buildings visible from site ☐ Commercial ☐ Industrial ☐ Rural ☐ High building density

15 DESCRIPTION OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:
On the northwest corner of Palisado Avenue and Old Kennedy Road, this building is surrounded by other single family residences.

(OVER)

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

2½ story frame dwelling, 3 bays wide by 4 bays long, with pitched roof. Gable-end faces the street. House has a box cornice with complete return across the gable-end. Corner pilasters rise from ground level to the cornice. Fenestration is symmetrical. Each window has 6 x 1 sash in a simple surround. Entry is off-centered and has trabeated surround. Entry has long sidelights. Attached to the rear is a 1 story addition. Attached to the south side is a porch addition.

SIGNIFICANCE

16 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE — BIBLIOGRAPHY:

This house has features typical of Greek Revival style buildings of the 1830's and 40's. The temple-front with complete return and pilasters as well as the trabeated entry with sidelights are of that period. However it is not known whether this house is an earlier dwelling with Greek Revival era improvements (a common practice at the time) or whether the entire building dates from the period. A house does appear on this lot in the 1798 map, belonging to Jonathan Ellsworth. However in the Windsor Land Records this building is known as the Joel Thrall homestead. Earliest known owners are Harriet and Hiram Thrall about 1860. They sold the house to James G. Thrall in 1866.

SOURCES

Town of Windsor Assessor's Office

1798 and 1869 Maps
Windsor Land Records: Vol. 45, pg. 262

PHOTO

PHOTOGRAPHER: Michael K. O'Leary — DATE: 4-15-81
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17 THREATS TO BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS: ☒ None known ☐ Highways ☐ Vandalism ☐ Developers ☐ Other ☐ Renewal ☐ Private ☐ Deterioration ☐ Zoning ☐ Explanation