

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Ser. No. _____
HABS _____ HAER _____ NR 5/SDSHL Loc X
UTM: A 10/627364/4096272 B _____
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IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: _____
2. Historic name: _____
3. Street or rural address: 7251 Forest Street
City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 841001111
5. Present Owner: Adelina Guerra Address: 7251 Forest Street
City Gilroy Zip 95020 Ownership is: Public _____ Private X
6. Present Use: Residence Original use: Residence

DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: Pioneer
- 7b. Briefly describe the present *physical description* of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

This simple side gable one story structure is sheathed in horizontal board siding. The full front porch is created by an overhang supported by posts with ornamental braces. The porch and house are raised 18" from the ground. The entry is in the center with a window on each side.



8. Construction date:
Estimated '870 Factual _____
9. Architect _____
Unknown
10. Builder _____
Unknown
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
Frontage 88 Depth 112
or approx. acreage _____
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
Mar. 1986

13. Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated No longer in existence
14. Alterations: _____
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land Scattered buildings Densely built-up
Residential Industrial Commercial Other: _____
16. Threats to site: None known Private development Zoning Vandalism
Public Works project Other: _____
17. Is the structure: On its original site? Moved? Unknown?
18. Related features: _____

SIGNIFICANCE

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)

Robert Grant, an early developer of rental housing in Gilroy, built four houses on a tract of land on a block he owned in the southeast corner of the city. Known as the Grant Tract, the houses were used for rental purposes for low to middle income tenants. He also built a fifth house on the southeast corner of the block at the same time. That house has been modified so much that its original "square Pioneer" definition has been lost.

The four Grant Tract houses are not identical except for 7231 and 7251. 7221 is the opposite of the first two and 7241 is similar to 7221 except for the back being extended and the right side porch being enclosed prior to 1892.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)
 Architecture Arts & Leisure
 Economic/Industrial Exploration/Settlement
 Government Military
 Religion Social/Education

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).

A Field Guide to American Houses
McAlister

Sanborn Map 1888,1908

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