

# FORM B – BUILDING

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220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD  
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

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**Town:** Tewksbury

**Place:** (*neighborhood or village*)  
North Tewksbury

**Address:** 1547 Andover Street

**Historic Name:** John Mullen House

**Uses:** Present: Single-Family Residential  
Original: Single-Family Residential

**Date of Construction:** c1890

**Source:** Deed Research, Historic Maps & 1890

**Valuations:**

**Style/Form:** No Style

**Architect/Builder:**

**Exterior Material:**

Foundation: Granite

Wall/Trim: Vinyl Siding

Roof: Granite

**Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:**

**Major Alterations** (*with dates*):

**Condition:** Fair

**Moved:** no | X | yes | | **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

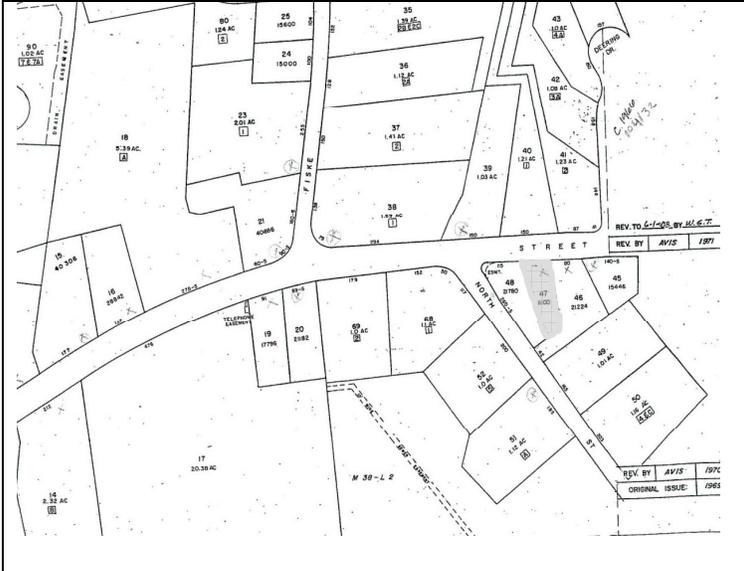
**Acreage:** 0.26

**Setting:** Set close to busy Route 133 on a flat site. The area is predominately residential to the west, but increasingly commercial to the east towards Exit 49 on I495

## Photograph



## Topographic or Assessor's Map



**Recorded by:** Julie Ann Larry

**Organization:** ttl-architects

**Date** (*month / year*): March 2010

# INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

TEWKSBURY

1547 ANDOVER STREET

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\_\_\_ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

*If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*

*Use as much space as necessary to complete the following entries, allowing text to flow onto additional continuation sheets.*

## ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

*Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.*

The house at **1547 Andover Street** is located very close the sidewalk on the south side of Andover Street. The five by one bay building rests on a granite foundation and is rectangular in plan. The house is clad in unpainted vinyl siding. The side gable roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles. A shed roof wall dormer extends nearly the entire width of the front and rear slopes of the gable roof. A narrow brick chimney extends from the south slope of the roof. Fenestration includes 1/1 replacement sash windows. The centrally located entrance door is flanked by small pieces of vinyl siding that would indicate the house probably had a wider central entrance, possibly with sidelights on either side of the door.

## HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

*Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.*

No house appears on the 1889 map of North Tewksbury. The house was owned by John Mullen, a farmer c1890. Mullen owned a house, barn, a small lot and a horse in the 1890 valuations. The house was owned by a secession of people until 1910 when it was purchased by Henry H Hilton of Illinois who summered in his family's home on Andover Street (TEW.35). In 1924 Hilton sold the house to Omer Blanchard who operated a service station and bus service on Main Street in Tewksbury. The Blanchards moved to 1462 Andover Street when they sold 1547 Andover Street in 1949.

Additional owners include: John Mullen (1890-1892); Mary Brown (1892-1893); Alonzo Bartlett (1893); Chasie Duran of Lowell (1893-1895); Mattie Nye of Nashua, NH (1895-1897); Josiah & Sarah [Lord] Barker (1897-1909); Henry Ruitter (1909-1910); Henry H Hilton (1910-1924); Omer Blanchard (1924-1949); Charles & Juanita Wagner (1949-1950); C Abbott Battles (1950-1951); Harriet and Elton Durrell (1951-1973); Edward & Mina Becker (1973-1975); Kenneth & Edwina Mitchell (1975-1980); Catherine & Ronald Robinson (1980-1982); Joseph Marques (1982-2009).

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