

# FORM B – BUILDING

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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
 MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING  
 220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD  
 BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

**Town:** Tewksbury

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

**Address:** 1411 Andover Street

**Historic Name:** Frederick Silk House

**Uses:** Present: Single Family Residential

Original: Single Family Residential

**Date of Construction:** c1889

**Source:** Historic Maps & Atlases

**Style/Form:** Colonial Revival

**Architect/Builder:**

**Exterior Material:**

Foundation: Concrete

Wall/Trim: Wood Shingles/Clapboards

Roof: Asphalt Shingles

**Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:**

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

**Condition:** Good

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

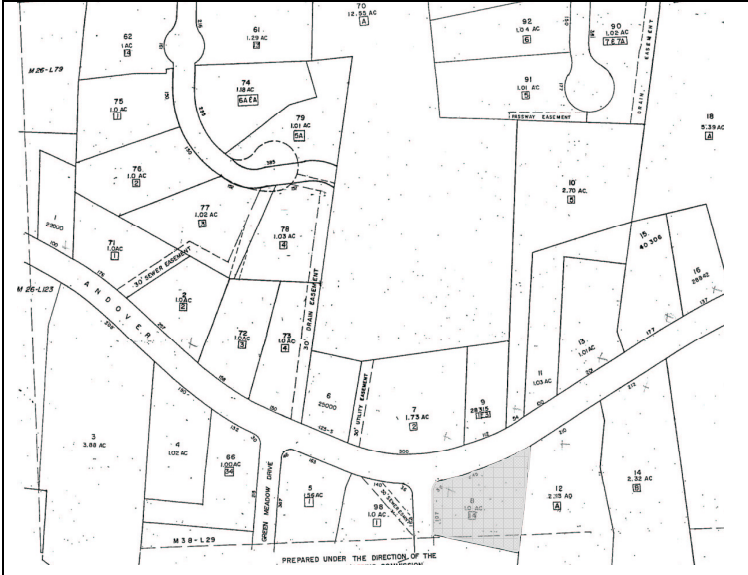
**Acreage:** 1.0 Acres

**Setting:** Located in a primarily single family residential area on a major travel corridor to Lowell.

## Photograph



## Topographic or Assessor's Map



**Recorded by:** Julie Ann Larry

**Organization:** ttl-architects

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

# INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

TEWKSBURY

1411 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 1411 Andover Street is a rectangular dwelling on a brick foundation. The hip roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles. A brick chimney projects from the west slope of the roof near the roof's center. The dwelling's walls are clad in wood clapboards. An addition projects from the side (west) elevation. The two story addition has a hip roof and features a band of sash windows on each level. A wrap around porch shelters the centrally located main entrance. The porches hip roof is supported by round columns. The door is a single width swinging door with a simple surround. To either side of the entrance are two, 8/1 sash windows. Additional 6/1 and 8/1 sash windows are centered directly above the first floor openings. Windows are typically flanked by shutters. Two hip roof dormers, one on the north and one on the south, project from the large hip roof. Each dormer features a pair small rectangular sash windows.

A two car garage is located to the southwest of the dwelling. A low stone wall with a granite cap separates the yard from the street.

## 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.*

According to census records and historic maps and atlases, between 1880 and 1889 Frederick C Silk and his family moved to Tewksbury from Lowell and purchased the former Thomas Bridge farm (c1875). The Bridge house predated 1852. Silk may have constructed a new home closer to the road in the contemporary style. His is the only house south of Andover Street c1889. Frederick Silk owned 49 acres, a house and barn in 1890. He acquired an additional 50 acres from the heirs of Jesse Blake to the north of his existing property. He operated a small dairy farm. Silk moved to Worcester c1912.

In the 20<sup>th</sup> century the house was owned by Alfonso (1906-1993) and Mary Tavares (1908-1996). The Tavares owned the house, barn and by 1948 a garage and camp. Between 1948 and 1965 they sold 11 acres of the house lot. Alfonso Tavares was a storekeeper in the 1940s. After his widow's death, his heirs sold the land to Presidential Development Corporation in 1998 and the land was subdivided into residential lots.

Additional owners include: Jay & Susan Timmons (1998-2009)

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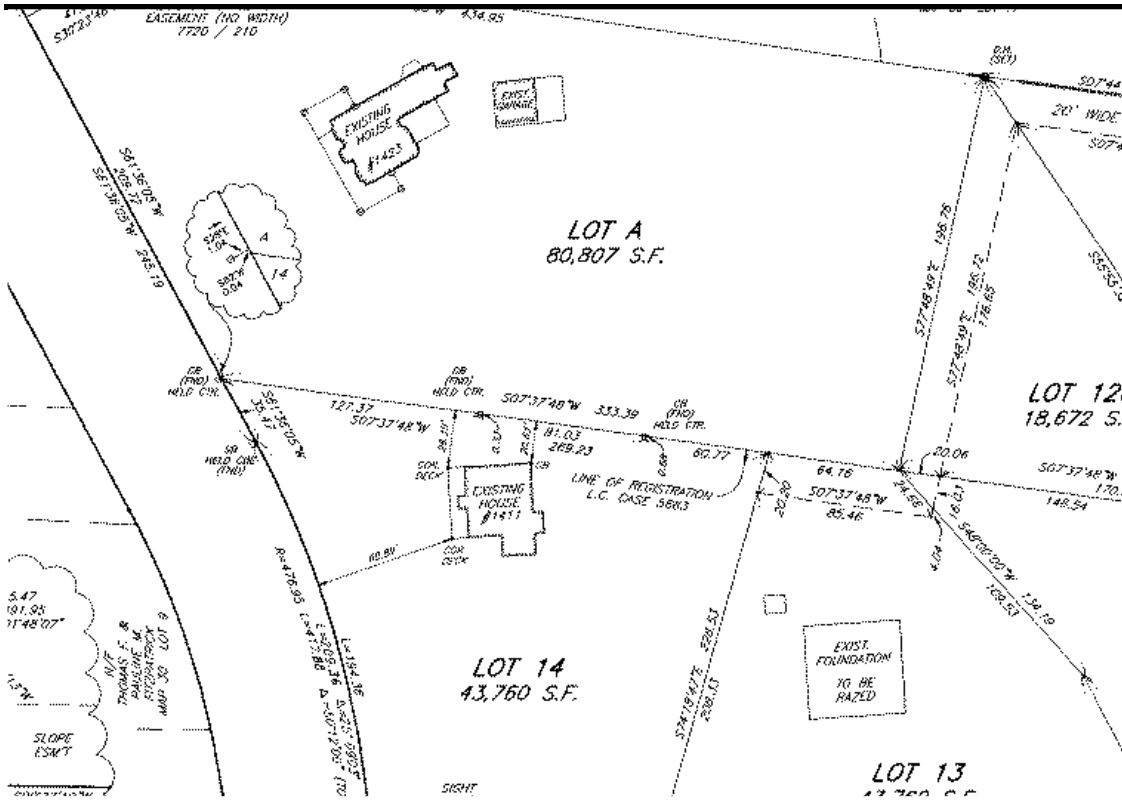
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