

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

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YOUR NAME: Town of Islip/SPLIA DATE: April 1990

Town Hall, 655 Main St.

YOUR ADDRESS: Islip, L.I., N.Y. 11751 TELEPHONE: 516.224.5450

ORGANIZATION (if any): Dept. of Planning, Housing, and Development

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S): Monzet's Inn/Tavern on the Tracks

2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: Islip

3. STREET LOCATION: 1 Commack Rd., SE corner Moffit Blvd.

4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private

5. PRESENT OWNER: _____ ADDRESS: _____

6. USE: Original: hotel Present: restaurant

7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No

Interior accessible: Explain by app't.

DESCRIPTION

8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____

9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: (if known) a. wood frame with interlocking joints
b. wood frame with light members
c. masonry load bearing walls
d. metal (explain) _____
e. other _____

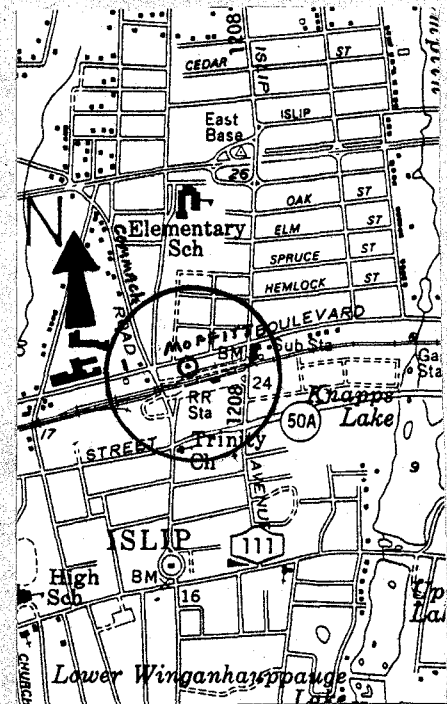
10. CONDITION: a. excellent b. good c. fair d. deteriorated

11. INTEGRITY: a. original site b. moved if so, when? _____
c. list major alterations and dates (if known): _____

Single story shed roof addition on the north

12. PHOTO: Neg. KK XXIV-26, fm. SE south facade facing railroad

13. MAP: NYS DOT Central Islip Quad



14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known b. zoning c. roads
 d. developers e. deterioration
 f. other: _____
15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:
 a. barn b. carriage house c. garage
 d. privy e. shed f. greenhouse
 g. shop h. gardens
 i. landscape features: _____
 j. other: cottage to east, railroad to south
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):
 a. open land b. woodland
 c. scattered buildings
 d. densely built-up e. commercial
 f. industrial g. residential
 h. other: Islip railroad station to SE
17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:
 (Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)
 Monzet's Inn is located on the north side of the Long Island Rail Road tracks diagonally opposite the present station in a mixed commercial and residential area at the important crossroads of Commack Rd. and Moffit Blvd.. The hotel faces south towards the trackbed on a parking lot.
18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):
 Monzet's Inn is a large, 2½ story, five bay, gable roof stick-style building. A prominent three-story engaged tower with a pyramidal roof is centered on the principle (south) facade. A sweeping shed roof porch on brackets wraps the SE corner of the ground story. A smaller, 2½ story, clipped gable roof wing is attached to the west. Period details include variegated shingle cladding, 2/2, and Queen Anne style windows. Pedimented dormers mark the roof.
- SIGNIFICANCE**
19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: late 19th century (prior to 1902)
 ARCHITECT: _____
 BUILDER: _____
20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:
 The Monzet Inn is historically and architecturally significant. In the development of the community it represents the period when city dwellers travelled by train to Islip and boarded during the summers at hotels such as this.
 Architecturally the Monzet Inn is of special note because it is one of the rare stick-style buildings that exists on Long Island today. It is a fine example and its integrity is excellent.
 It was the Ada Four Hotel on the 1902 map and Eliz. Monzet on the 1915 map.
21. SOURCES:
 E. Belcher Hyde. Atlas of the Ocean Shore of Suffolk County, L.I. (western section), 1902.
 Ibid, 1915.
22. Interview, Mr. Sandles (Sandles Funeral Home), 6/7/1990.
 THEME:

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Neg. KK XXIV-25, fm. NE, Moffit Blvd. facade.