

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 10305.000739
QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

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YOUR NAME: Town of Islip/SPLIA DATE: February 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

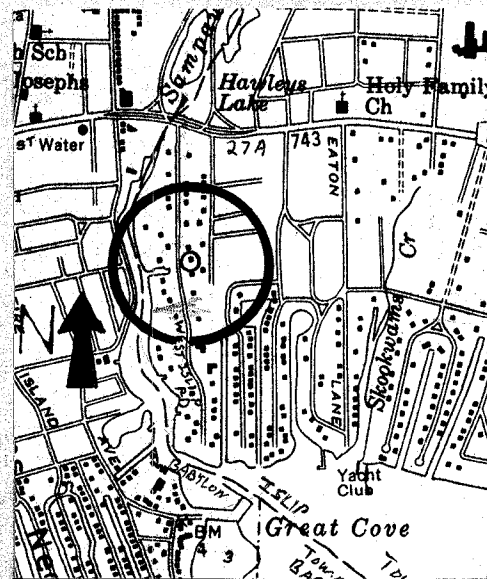
- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): Walker House
- 2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: West Islip
- 3. STREET LOCATION: West Islip Rd., east side
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: _____ ADDRESS: _____
- 6. USE: Original: residence Present: residence
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain private residence

DESCRIPTION

- 8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints
(if known) 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): _____

12. PHOTO: Neg. KK XI-10, fm. NW

13. MAP: NYS DOT Bay Shore West Quad



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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 London Plane Sycamore trees line the
 j. other: semi-circular drive and street line.
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: _____

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

(Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

The Walker's House is located atop a slight elevation surrounded by predominantly modern residences with some early 20th century houses interspersed. The house stands east of the Babylon Town Line and is the most architecturally significant house on the street.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):

The Walker's House is a large, 2½ story, rectangular, five bay, gable roof Neo-Colonial house with flanking one story, flat roof porches on the north and south. These feature Chippendale style rails and paired Tuscan columns. The roof is distinguished by pedimented dormers with round arch windows, keystone motif, and pilasters. A Greek key pattern entablature is featured on the house, including the interior surface of the porch.

SIGNIFICANCE _____
 19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: _____ c. 1913

ARCHITECT: _____

BUILDER: _____

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

It is believed that this house was built as a summer home as were the other large houses in this area. It is in the Colonial style that was typical of that era. Its integrity is good.

The house was built for Harford Walker.

21. SOURCES:
 E. Belcher Hyde. Atlas of the Ocean Shore of Suffolk County, N.Y. (west-
 erly section), 1915.

Interview, owner Mrs. Hemingway, 5/21/90.

22. Interview, Frank Garvey, Babylon, 5/21/90.