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Property No. 12

Historic Resources of Stamford

Stamford Historic Structures Survey Identification number, STA-087

Name of property- Residence, 501 N. Swenson

Address of property- 501 N. Swenson

Owner of property- Mrs. Olivia Williamson

Owner's Address- 501 N. Swenson
Stamford, TX 79553

Acreage- Less than one acre

Verbal Boundary Description- (Legal Description) Original Town;
Block 90, Lots 1, 2

UTM Coordinates- 14/424920/3645860

Description (unaltered, good condition)

The small frame house at 501 N. Swenson is typical of the type of permanent housing first built in Stamford. It is an example of the simplified Queen Anne style popular in the late nineteenth century and built in West Texas as late as the early 1900s.

The house has a central, hipped and wood-shingled section with two projecting gables forming an L-shaped plan. A small shed addition at the rear and an asymmetrical corner porch complete the structure.

Two decorative elements add a Queen Anne look to an otherwise simple structure. The gable ends have a full-shingled return, wide bargeboards, and decorative shingle siding. A sunburst-patterned panel accents each gable.

This small attached porch has turned columns, a spindle frieze, and decorative brackets all contributing to a modest, but intact, version of late Victorian styling.

The house is located in a mixed residential/commercial area on U.S. Hwy 277.

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Significance: local level, architecture, c. 1905

The small house at 501 N. Swenson is a good example of a small frame dwelling built in Stamford in its first few years, and one of the few surviving examples of the simplified Queen Anne style in the city. It is even more unusual in that it has survived eight decades of use with little or no alteration.

This dwelling was built between 1900 and 1908, probably between 1904 and 1906. The simplified Queen Anne style was beginning to lose popularity during that period, and few such structures were being built in Stamford, especially small ones. Thus this house was unusual when constructed, and it is quite rare in Stamford today.

The fact that this little house is virtually original in every detail adds to its rarity. It is the only small, simplified Queen Anne, unaltered, and non-deteriorated example in the city. As such it stands as one of the town's more significant dwellings.

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

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Name Stamford Multiple Resource Area

State Jones County, TEXAS

Substantive Review *Con* Accept Patrick Andrus 9/24/86
Attest Bruce J. Noble, Jr. 9/24/86
Date/Signature

Nomination/Type of Review

1. Astin, J.P., House

**Entered in the
National Register**

for Keeper
Attest

Melvin Byers 9/24/86

2. Buena Vista Hotel

Substantive Review

for Keeper
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Patrick Andrus 9/24/86

Bruce J. Noble, Jr. 9/24/86

3. Bunkley, Dr. E.P.,
House and Garage

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4. First Baptist Church

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5. House at 501 North Swenson

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6. House at 502 South Orient

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for Keeper
Attest

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Bruce J. Noble, Jr. 9/24/86

7. House at 610 Oliver

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National Register**

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Melvin Byers 9/24/86

8. House at 709 East Reynolds

Substantive Review

for Keeper
Attest

Patrick Andrus 9/24/86

Bruce J. Noble, Jr. 9/24/86

9. House at 710 East McHarg

Substantive Review

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Determined Eligible
for Keeper
Attest

Eligible Patrick Andrus 9/24/86

Bruce J. Noble, Jr. 9/24/86

10. House at 719 East Reynolds

Substantive Review

for Keeper
Attest

Patrick Andrus 9/24/86

Bruce J. Noble, Jr. 9/24/86

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

House at 501 North Swenson (Stamford MRA)
Jones County
TEXAS

Working No. AUG 11 1986
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/3/87
Date Due: 9/11/86 - 9/25/86
Action: ACCEPT 9-24-86
 RETURN
 REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

Entered in the
National Register

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____
Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

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9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____
Quadrangle name _____
UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state ____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

title _____ date _____

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



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Historic Resources of Stamford, Texas
Jones County, Texas

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Property No. 12 (Sta-087), Residence at
501 N. Swenson, looking NW

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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

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