

**United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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Site No. 111

NAME Austin Copeland House I COUNTY Harris BLOCK 228
ADDRESS 921 Arlington CITY Houston LOT 7
UTM 268560/3297480
ARCHITECT/BUILDER Austin Copeland DATE 1905 PERIOD 1900 -
OWNER Addis Turner Parker, Jr. STYLE Vernacular with Queen Anne influence
939 Arlington, Houston, TX 77008 THEME _____
DESCRIPTION One-story frame cottage faces east on brick piers; combination hipped and intersecting gable-front roof cover basic rectangular plan; 4-bay principal facade has 2-over-2 windows in first, third, and fourth bays; second bay with large upper rectangular window with lower panelled door; porch on southeast corner has rounded corner and covers first and second bays with two Doric columns supporting; closed gable-front above third and fourth bays is highlighted with tripartite window (center light larger than flanking ones) and surrounded by fish-scale shingles.
Building material: wall frame, clap- roof composition
Physical condition excellent board site: original X or moved date
Alterations Sympathetic enclosure of rear service porch; modern detached carport
SIGNIFICANCE The Austin Copeland House I is significant as a small vernacular dwelling that is particularly well preserved making it an important representative of this type of housing. Further significance is gained because Copeland built this house as his own residence and lived there from 1905 to 1914. This makes it one of the few houses built by its owner for his own home.

Area of significance architecture Level of significance local
DESIGNATION: NR NHL RTHL HABS HAER HESI HSI OTHER _____
ORIGINAL USE residence PRESENT USE residence
RELATIONSHIP TO SURROUNDINGS House is located in the middle of the west side of a residential street surrounded by similar properties. Driveway on the south side of lot.
ACREAGE/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION less than one acre
BIBLIOGRAPHY Tax Rolls; Sanborn Maps
RECORDED BY Catherine Parker-Harrison INFORMANT Margaret (Copeland) Wood
DATE August 1987 PHOTO DATA 35mm b&w and slides (6), THC
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CONTINUATIONS:

Alterations cont.
with utility room is not contributing.

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Houston Heights MRA
State Harris County, TEXAS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

110. Copeland, Austin, House I
Substantive ReviewKeeper Linda McClelland 1/15/88
Attest _____111. Copeland, Austin, House II
Entered in the
National RegisterKeeper Melvin Byers 1/15/88
Attest _____112. Fluegel, William F., House
Substantive ReviewKeeper Linda McClelland 1/15/88
Attest _____113. House at 1217 Harvard
Entered in the
National RegisterKeeper Melvin Byers 1/15/88
Attest _____114. House at 1220 Harvard
Substantive ReviewKeeper Linda McClelland 1/15/88
Attest _____115. House at 1435 Heights
Boulevard
Entered in the
National RegisterKeeper Melvin Byers 1/15/88
Attest _____116. Kennedy, Marshall W., House
Substantive ReviewKeeper Linda McClelland 1/15/88
Attest _____117. Lindenberg, Emil, House
Substantive ReviewKeeper Linda McClelland 1/15/88
Attest _____118. McCain, Henry Hicks, House
Substantive ReviewKeeper Linda McClelland 1/15/88
Attest _____119. Morton Brothers Grocery
Entered in the
National RegisterKeeper Melvin Byers 1/15/88
Attest _____

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Copeland, Austin, House I (Houston Heights
MRA)
Harris County
TEXAS

Substantive Review

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

Working No. DEC 2 1987
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/7/89
Date Due: 12/31/87 - 1/16/88
Action: ☒ ACCEPT 1-15-88
☐ RETURN
☐ REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

Substantive Review: ☒ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

This house is significant as a well-preserved small vernacular dwelling which serves as a particularly good example of this housing type.

It would appear that the "modern detached carport with utility room" should be coded in the database as a non-contributing structure.

Recom./Criteria Accept - C
Reviewer Noble
Discipline Historian
Date 1/15/89
____ 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"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	
	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	
	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	

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

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: _____



Historic Resources of Houston Heights
Site No. 111, Copeland House I, 921 Arlington
Houston, Harris County, Texas

Photo by Catherine Parker Harrison, 1987, neg.
with photographer, Houston, Texas.

Front facade; camera looking west

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000847