Borgstrom House

NAME: Borgstrom House
ADDRESS: 1401 Cortlandt
ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Gustaf M. Borgstrom
STYLE: 1-story, frame, Queen Anne cottage, hip roof with projecting gable end bay (fishscale and square shingles on gable), attached porch with square spindles and cutout brackets, brick pillars, shutters on all windows.

DESCRIPTION: Excellent example of early cottage-type in Heights. Built by Gustaf Borgstrom, a tailor by profession, for his family. Still occupied by his daughter-in-law.

BUILDING MATERIAL: wall: good-qual. signif.
PHYSICAL CONDITION: SITE: original or moved
ALTERATIONS:
SIGNIFICANCE: LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:
AREA OF SIGNIFICANCE: RELATIONSHIP TO SURROUNDINGS:
DESIGNATION: NR NHL RTHL HABS HAER HESI HSI OTHER:
ORIGINAL USE: residence PRESENT USE: residence
ACREAGE/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

BIBLIOGRAPHIC DATA:
SEE INFO/CORRESPONDENCE FILES:
RECORDED BY: KLL INFORMANT: Mrs. E. K. Borgstrom
DATE: 4/23/80 PHOTO DATA: 1-35mm (rev. 6-79)
Site No. 24

NAME Borgstrom House
ADDRESS 1401 Cortlandt St.
ARCHITECT/BUILDER Gustaf M. Borgstrom
OWNER Mrs. E. K. Borgstrom
1401 Cortlandt, Houston, Tex. 77008

DESCRIPTION One-story frame cottage; L-shaped plan; hipped roof with projecting gable end bay (fishscale and square shingles on gable); attached porch with turned posts, friezes and balustrades with rectangular members; shutters on all windows; brick piers.

Building material: wall frame/clapboard roof diamond-shaped composition shingles
Physical condition good-significant site: original X or moved date
Alterations unknown
SIGNIFICANCE Excellent example of early cottages built in Heights. Built by Gustaf M. Borgstrom, a tailor by profession, for his family. Still occupied by his daughter-in-law. Unusually well-preserved.

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 SURROUNDS Very large corner lot; very well kept with lawn, trimmed hedge, bushes and trees; residential neighborhood.
ACREAGE/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION less than one acre
BIBLIOGRAPHY
RECORDED BY K. L. London
INFORMANT Mrs. E. K. Borgstrom
PHOTO DATA 1 - 35 mm., Tex. Hist. Commission

Date April 23, 1980
Borgstrom House (Houston Heights MRA)  
Harris County  
TEXAS

Working No. MAY 9 1983
Date Due:  
Action: ACCEPT  
Federal Agency:  

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

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

7. Description

Condition: excellent deteriorated unaltered original site  
good ruin altered moved date  
new unexposed

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection
8. Significance

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- 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

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

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

Signed Alphonso Byars

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet.
United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

Continuation sheet

Name: Houston Heights Multiple Resource Area
State: Texas

Nomination/Type of Review

1. All Saints Roman Catholic Church
   - Keeper: Margaret Byars 6/22/84
   - Attest: [signature]

2. Allbach House
   - Substantive Review
   - Keeper: Margaret Byars 6/22/84
   - Attest: [signature]

3. Banta House
   - Entered in the National Register
   - Keeper: Margaret Byars 6/22/84
   - Attest: [signature]

4. Borgstrom House
   - Entered in the National Register
   - Keeper: Margaret Byars 5/4/83
   - Attest: [signature]

5. Building at 430 Harvard Street
   - Entered in the National Register
   - Keeper: Margaret Byars 6/2/83
   - Attest: [signature]

6. Burge House
   - Entered in the National Register
   - Keeper: Margaret Byars 6/2/83
   - Attest: [signature]

7. Burnett House
   - Substantive Review
   - Keeper: Elgie Boll Cannavan 6/2/83
   - Attest: [signature]

8. Cole, Judge Robert L., House
   - DOE/OWNER OBJECTION
   - Keeper: Elgie Boll Cannavan 6/2/83
   - Attest: [signature]

9. Coop, Dr. B. F., House
   - Entered in the National Register
   - Keeper: Margaret Byars 5/24/84
   - Attest: [signature]

10. Countryman House
    - Entered in the National Register
    - Keeper: Margaret Byars 6/12/83
    - Attest: [signature]
Borgstrom House (Houston Heights MRA)
Harris County
TEXAS

Working No. 5/1/84
Fed. Reg. Date: 5/1/84
Date Due: 5/1/84
Action: ACCEPT

Federal Agency: ________________________________

Reviewer's comments: ________________________________

Recom./Criteria: ________________________________
Reviewer: ________________________________
Discipline: ________________________________
Date: ________________________________

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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
excellent
good
fair
deteriorated
ruins
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altered
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date

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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

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title date

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Signed ___________________________ Date ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________

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Houston Heights
Site No. 24, Borgstrom House, 1401 Cortlandt
Houston, Texas 77008
On file, Texas Historical Commission
Front facade, looking west

Photo 31 of 127
Please refer to the map in the Multiple Property Cover Sheet for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000847