

# CITY OF STILLWATER ARCHITECTURE- HISTORY INVENTORY FORM

Historic Name: Josiah and Lydia Staples House

Address: 402 North 4th Street

Current Owner:

Inventory No. WA-SWC-414

County: Washington

PIN: 10690-5100

City/Township: Stillwater

Review/Compliance No:

Township: T30N Range: R20W, Section 28 (SW 1/4 NE 1/4)

U.S.G.S. Quad Map: Stillwater, Minn-Wisc., 1967, photorevised 1980

U.T.M.: 15 514840 4989260

Architect/Contractor:

Style: Greek Revival

Date Built: 1883 (1868) Pre-1884 (S)

Photo Number(s): Roll 012536

Frame(s) 2, 3, 4

Survey Name: Stillwater North Hill (Original Town) Survey: HRI File #1369

Form prepared by: Norene Roberts, Historical Research Inc.

Date Surveyed: February-May, 1995

**Physical Description:** This Greek Revival-style residence has a wide frieze, cornerboards, and tabbed windows. It has a full limestone basement in front, and a two-bay limestone tuckunder garage on the north. It has an iron pole railing in front, and a tripartite Greek Revival front entry and sidelights. There is a deteriorated, multi-sided gazebo-like structure to the west (rear); it may be an old tool shed or covered well.

**Significance:** This house is \_\_\_\_ is not X preliminarily eligible to the National Register of Historic Places. This study is a preliminary determination because it is the first of the Stillwater neighborhoods to be surveyed.

**Statewide Historic Contexts:** St. Croix Triangle Lumbering, 1843 -1914; Early Agriculture and River Settlement, 1840-1870.

**Local Historic Context:** Development of Residential Neighborhoods in Stillwater, 1850s-1940s.

**National Register Eligible (prelim.):** \_\_\_\_ Yes X No \_\_\_\_ Insufficient Information

**Date listed on the National Register:**

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Present Use: Residential, single family

Zoning District: RB-2 family residential

Integrity:

☒ Excellent  
☐ Good  
☐ Fair  
☐ Poor

Condition:

☐ Excellent  
☐ Good  
☒ Fair  
☐ Poor

Stories: 1 1/2

Roof style or shape: Gabled

Structural System: Wood-framed

Windows: 6-over-6 and 2-over-2 in the second story rear

Foundation: Limestone block

Wall Treatment: Weatherboard

Alterations: New roof; chimney is not original; aluminum storm windows

Legal Description: Original Town, Block      Lot

Historic Information: For bio. information on Josiah and Lydia Staples, see Folsomm, Fifty Years in the Northwest 1888), p. 80.

Sources:

Open to the public:      ☐ Yes      ☒ No      ☐ Limited