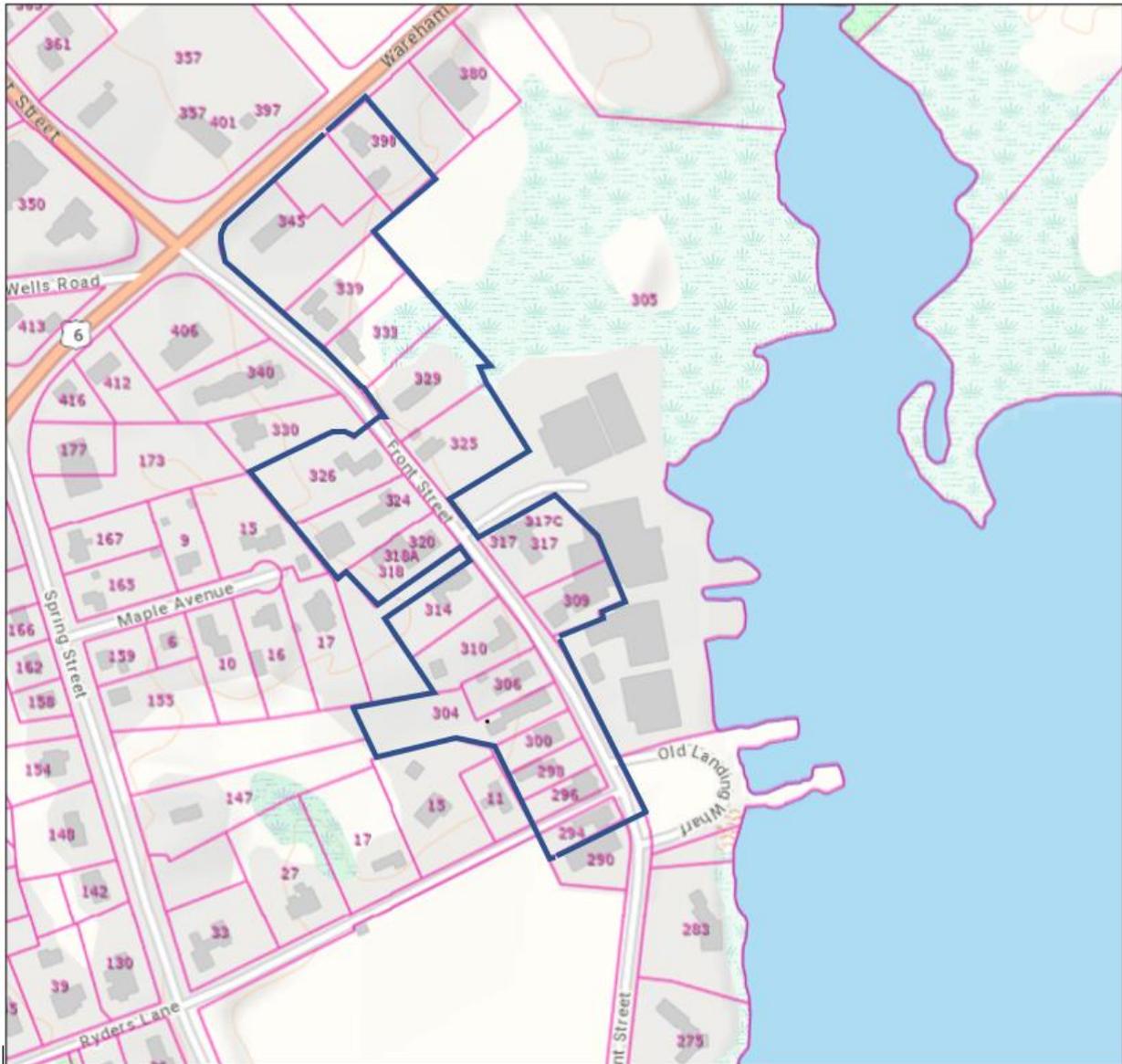


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OLD LANDING AREA DATA SHEET

The Village of Marion, the commercial and residential center of the town, is set on the western shore of Sippican Harbor which leads into Buzzards Bay. The northern portion of the Village running along Front Street has been referred to historically as Old Landing. While there are several late 18th century buildings in the area, most of the houses along this northern section of Front Street were built in the first half of the 19th century. With a very few exceptions, the first owners of the houses were seamen. Maritime industries were dominant in Marion until the mid-19th century, when the advent of rail service began to facilitate tourism. At the same time, new cultural and educational institutions endowed by the founder of the nearby Tabor Academy, Elizabeth P. Taber, dramatically enriched the town. With this economic shift, some of the properties on Front Street became summer residences for city dwellers. Others were acquired by Tabor Academy for use as dormitories and several became commercial properties, including the boatyard complex on the harbor side of Front Street. Note that 329 Front Street, an historically and architecturally significant property that was not included in the first survey of the area in 1998, was added to the area. A four-story condominium building and two small houses comprise the infill properties in this area.

Photograph	Historic Name Arch. Style/Form	Address	Parcel #	Year	MHC #
	William C. Mendell House Federal See MHC Building Form B MRN.123	294 Front Street	13-41	ca.1820	MRN.123
	Ward P. Delano House Georgian/Federal See MHC Building Form B MRN.124	296 Front Street	13-34	ca. 1780	MRN.124
	Susan Hadley Johnson House Half Cape See MHC Building Form B MRN.125	298 Front Street	13-33	18th c.	MRN.125
	John Bassett House Federal, altered See MHC Building Form B MRN.126	300 Front Street	13-32	ca. 1850	MRN.126

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Photograph	Historic Name Arch. Style/Form	Address	Parcel #	Year	MHC #
	David Hathaway House Greek Revival See MHC Building Form B MRN.127	304 Front Street	13-31	ca. 1856	MRN.127
	Joseph & Enuity Blankinship House Greek Revival See MHC Building Form B MRN.128	306 Front Street	13-29	ca. 1850	MRN.128
	Pardon Tripp House Greek Revival See MHC Building Form B MRN.129	309 Front Street	13-9	ca. 1850	MRN.129
	James C. Delano House Federal See MHC Building Form B MRN.130	310 Front Street	13-28	ca.1790	MRN.130
	Capt. Henry Delano House Greek Revival See MHC Building Form B MRN.131	314 Front Street	13-27	ca. 1840	MRN.131
	Capt. Peleg Blankinship House Greek Revival See MHC Building Form B MRN.132	317 Front Street	13.7	ca. 1842	MRN.132

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Photograph	Historic Name Arch. Style/Form	Address	Parcel #	Year	MHC #
	Anna Eliza Hadley House Queen Anne See MHC Building Form B MRN.133	318 Front Street	13-25	1880-1890	MRN.133
	Condominium Contemporary	324 Front Street	13-24	2018	MRN.559
	Thomas M. Bassett, Sr. House Federal See MHC Building Form B MRN.135	325 Front Street	13-5	1780-1800	MRN.135
	John R. Preble House No style See MHC Building Form B MRN.136	326 Front Street	13-23	ca. 1840	MRN.136
	William Gifford House Craftsman See MHC Building Form B MRN.553	329 Front Street	13-4	ca.1910	MRN.553
	House New Traditional	333 Front Street	13-1E	2008	MRN.560

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Photograph	Historic Name Arch. Style/Form	Address	Parcel #	Year	MHC #
	House Colonial Revival	339 Front Street	13-1A	1958	MRN.561
	Capt. Stephen D. Hadley House Greek Revival/Italianate See MHC Building Form B MRN.138	345 Front Street	13-1B	ca. 1845	MRN.138
	John D. Allen House Greek Revival See MHC Building Form B MRN.139	390 Wareham Road	13-2	ca. 1842	MRN.139

National Register of Historic Places Criteria Statement Form

Check all that apply:

- Individually eligible Eligible **only** in a historic district
 Contributing to a potential historic district Potential historic district

Criteria: **A** **B** **C** **D**

Criteria Considerations: **A** **B** **C** **D** **E** **F** **G**

Statement of Significance by _____ Lynn Smiledge _____

The criteria that are checked in the above sections must be justified here.

The Old Landing Area (MRN.I) is recommended as eligible for listing as a National Register District at the local level under Criterion A for Social History and Criterion C for Architecture. Old Landing is among the oldest neighborhoods in Marion, with development dating to the 18th century. Historically a maritime community with two wharves and a boat yard near the head of Sippican Harbor, the Old Landing area is a linear development of residences extending from Tabor Academy's campus on the south to Wareham Road (Rte. 6) on the north. The potential district's boundaries are those defined in the 1998 MHC survey for the Old Landing Area (MRN.I).

Under Criterion A, the area is recommended as eligible at the local level for its association with Marion's the maritime industry, upon which the economy of Marion depended from the 18th century to the mid-19th century. Home to two wharves and many mariners in the 19th century, the area today maintains its connection to the sea with the active operation of Burr Brothers Boatyard located on Sippican Harbor along the eastern boundary of the area.

Under Criterion C, the area is recommended as eligible at the local level in the area of Architecture for its nearly intact collection of houses that provides a sense of the progression of architectural styles from the late 18th through the early 20th centuries. The Old Landing Area contains mostly moderate- to large-scaled, one-and-one half to two-story wood-frame dwellings on generous lots in the Georgian, Federal, Greek Revival, and Queen Anne styles. Along with several high-style examples of these styles, the area also includes several earlier dwellings that pre-date the building boom that began in the second half of the 19th century.

The majority of the resources here retain substantial integrity of location, setting, materials, workmanship, design, feeling, and association. The district would likely meet criteria A and C at the local level, with areas of significance in social history and architecture.