

# HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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## IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: William Hanna House
2. Historic name: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Street or rural address: 7321 Egleberry Street  
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 79900820
5. Present Owner: Maria Ramirez Address: 7321 Egleberry St  
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 Ownership is: Public \_\_\_\_\_ Private X
6. Present Use: Residence Original use: Residence

## DESCRIPTION

Pioneer

- 7a. Architectural style: \_\_\_\_\_
- 7b. Briefly describe the present *physical appearance* of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

This two story clapboard house marked by two high gables with enclosed eaves is one of the earliest pioneer homes in Gilroy. It has a decorated lintel in the second story window, an open veranda porch with square columns, and fancy, turned balusters on the railing.



8. Construction date: Estimated \_\_\_\_\_ Factual pre-1870
9. Architect: \_\_\_\_\_  
Unknown
10. Builder: \_\_\_\_\_  
Unknown
11. Approx. property size (in feet)  
Frontage 50 Depth 140  
or approx. acreage \_\_\_\_\_
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)  
Mar. 1986

13. Condition: Excellent  Good \_\_\_\_\_ Fair \_\_\_\_\_ Deteriorated \_\_\_\_\_ No longer in existence \_\_\_\_\_
14. Alterations: Modifications over time
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land \_\_\_\_\_ Scattered buildings \_\_\_\_\_ Densely built-up   
Residential  Industrial \_\_\_\_\_ Commercial \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
16. Threats to site: None known  Private development \_\_\_\_\_ Zoning \_\_\_\_\_ Vandalism \_\_\_\_\_  
Public Works project \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
17. Is the structure: On its original site?  Moved? \_\_\_\_\_ Unknown? \_\_\_\_\_
18. Related features: Large trees

**SIGNIFICANCE**

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)

This is one of the most historically important structures in Gilroy. The significance is attributed to the association of the property with William Hanna, a very important local personage.

William Hanna came to Gilroy from Indiana in 1860. He built this pioneer style home in the 1870's. It is one of the earliest such styled houses in Gilroy. Hanna was an early day lumberman in Gilroy and served as mayor of the town from 1876 to 1878. Hanna had the first logging and milling operation in the redwood forests west of Gilroy. In 1869 Hanna built the Gilroy Planning Mill in Gilroy itself. Active in civic affairs, Hanna was not only Mayor of Gilroy, but was also elected to serve in the state legislator.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)  
Architecture 3 Arts & Leisure \_\_\_\_\_  
Economic/Industrial \_\_\_\_\_ Exploration/Settlement 1  
Government 2 Military \_\_\_\_\_  
Religion \_\_\_\_\_ Social/Education \_\_\_\_\_

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).

Gilroy Museum File- Hanna Family  
A Field Guide to American Houses  
McAlister

Sanborn Map 1888,1908

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