HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION
1. Common name: 

2. Historic name: 

3. Street or rural address: 7820 Church Street
   City: Gilroy Zip: 95020 County: Santa Clara

4. Parcel number: 79900118

5. Present Owner: Robert E. Taylor
   Address: 7201 Monterey Road
   City: Gilroy Zip: 95020 Ownership is: Public Private X

6. Present Use: Residence Original use: Residence

DESCRIPTION
7a. Architectural style: California Bungalow

7b. Briefly describe the present physical appearance of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

This bungalow style house has a double low gable roofline with exposed rafters at the eaves and other very craftsman touches like the wood slats in the gable and the stickwork around the tops of the columns. The stucco siding and the large, square columns on the recessed porch are strictly California Bungalow style and mark this house, like many others in this neighborhood, as one which was built in the early 1920's.

8. Construction date:
   Estimated 1923 Factual

9. Architect Unknown

10. Builder Unknown

11. Approx. property size (in feet)
   Frontage 45 Depth 86
   or approx. acreage

12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
   Mar. 1986

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The booming years after World War I were centered around agriculture in the valley around Gilroy. Food processing and the various related businesses grew and brought additional population to the area. Many new residents were people who valued the natural feeling of bungalows and enjoyed the comfort of a California style. Gilroy has retained a full range of bungalow styles that are concentrated in the area, bound by First Street on the north, Fifth Street on the south, Monterey Road and Hanna Street. Within the context of this area are found homes of industry employees, merchants, bankers, doctors, and education. A full cross section of community life is still visible in the size, style and complexity of these residences.

Locational sketch map (draw and label site and surrounding streets, roads, and prominent landmarks):

NORTH

Sanborn Map 1888, 1908

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