

CharlestonWISE Impact Project Historic House Information

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Location Address: Isaac Reeves House
 44 Society Street
 Charleston, SC 29401

House Data Sheet

Construction Date: 1840
Sq. Ft: 2,839
No. of Stories: 2
Bldg. Orientation: Society St façade faces SSE; large yard btwn street & bldg.
HCF Easement / Covenant Property: Yes



System	Material / Type	Notes
Exterior Walls	Brick, CMU & Stucco	Brick on original house, CMU & Stucco on additions
Roof	Metal	
Framing	n/a	
Windows	Wood	Multiple types w/ different light (pane) numbers
Foundation	n/a	Appears low, at ground level, no crawlspace or basement
Piazza / Porch	Wood	2-story piazza on West Elevation

Sanborn Maps:

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps from 1884 and 1888, show the original 2-story main house with a 2-story piazza on its west elevation. In both these years, a small 1-story rear addition is located at the back right corner of the main house. By 1902, this 1-story addition had been removed. The 1944 Sanborn Map shows the 2-story piazza to wrap around the front (south) side of the structure. In 1951, the piazza is still shown on the south side and there is once again a 1-story addition on the rear of the main house.

Additions / Alterations:

HCF purchased the property and carried out a major rehabilitation project in 1960-61 (plans & specs on file). At this time, the kitchen and room with bay window were added on the back of the house, which closed-in a portion of the 1st floor piazza. These walls were constructed of 8" CMU, brick and stucco. The foundation in this area is a 4" concrete slab. In 1993, another rear addition was constructed; it included a 1st floor dining room and a 2nd floor bedroom, laundry and bathroom (sketches on file). It is assumed this addition is also constructed with CMU and stucco to match the 1960s addition. Note #30 on the sketches stated the new HVAC unit was to be specified by Owner.