

CITY OF BOTHELL LOCAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC LANDMARKS NOMINATION FORM

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. For aid in completing this nomination form, see applicable instructions in "Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms" (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking an "x" in the appropriate space or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable". For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. Please use the official continuation sheets if additional space is needed. This form must be type written and have a 4" x 6" black and white photo of the property nominated attached above. DO NOT ENTER INFORMATION IN SHADED AREAS.

Name of Property (Common) <u>Beckstrom Log Cabin</u> (Historic) <u>Beckstrom Log Cabin</u>
Street Address <u>Park at Bothell Landing, Bothell Way and NE 180th Street</u>
Parcel No. <u>947-0093</u> Plat Name <u>Bothell Landing Park</u> Block <u>N/A</u> Lot <u>N/A</u>
Present Owner Name and Mailing Address <u>City of Bothell, 18305 101st Avenue NE, Bothell,</u>
WA 98011

Signature:			

Arch	nitect N/A	Builde	r Andrew Olaf Bec	kstrom
Pres	ent Use <u>Historic Exhibit a</u>	t Park	 	
1.	Classification of Proper	rty	Number of Resour	rces within Property:
	Ownership:	Category:	Contributing	Noncontributing
	private	x building(s)	1	
	x public (local)	district		-
	public (state)	site		-
	public (federal)	object		
		structure	1 1000	
		Totals:	1	
	Number of contributing	resources previously li	sted on the:	
	0 Local Register	1 State Reg	ister <u>0</u> I	Federal Register
	Name of related multipl (Example: Historic Res	e property listing: <u>Hist</u> sources of Bothell, Was	toric Resources of B hington)	othell, WA
2.	Function or Use (see in	nstructions for assistar	ace)	
	Historic Functions Residence		rent Function xhibit	
3.	Description			
	Architectural Classificat	tion (see instructions fo	r assistance)	
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3. Description (continued)

Materials used in (see instructions for assistance)
Foundation Wood Block
Walls Log w/Gables in Horizontal Shiplap
Roof Wood Shake
Other

Describe present and historic physical appearance:

The Beckstrom Log House is rectangular, roughly 16 feet wide and 12 feet deep. It has a medium gabled wood shingle roof with no roof features. The cabin has the consistent features of an early settlers' cabin in the western Washington area. This consists of squared cedar logs with dovetail or Norwegian joints. Cracks are chinked. The gable ends are faced with horizontal shiplap siding. It is a one-story structure on wood blocks. The windows are double-hung with two panes of glass in each. Two windows flank the front door and one is centered on the east side of the cabin. The main door is made from vertical wood boards. There is no porch.

The Beckstrom Log Cabin was moved from its original location (the Beckstrom homestead off of what is now 100th Avenue NE just north of the present day St. Brendan's Catholic Church in Bothell at NE 195th St) in 1969 to the rear of 10222 Main Street and finally to the Park at Bothell Landing in 1978. It is presently located just south of the Bothell Historical Museum in the Park at Bothell Landing.

4. Statement of Significance

The City of Bothell Landmark Preservation Board has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: ___ Nationally $\underline{\times}$ Statewide $\underline{\times}$ Locally

	Ple	ase check which of the following statements apply:
	1.	It is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of national, state or local history.
	2.	It embodies the distinctive architectural characteristics of a type, period, style or method of construction, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction.
	3.	It is an outstanding work of a designer, builder or architect who has made a substantial contribution to the art.
	4.	It exemplifies or reflects special elements of the City's cultural, special, economic, political, aesthetic, engineering or architectural history.
_x	5.	It is associated with the lives of persons significant in national, state or local history. (check and circle which one or ones)
	6.	It has yielded or is likely to yield important archaeological information.
x	7.	It is a building or structure removed from its original location, but which is significant primarily for architectural value, or which is the only surviving structure significantly associated with an historic person or event.
	8.	It is a birthplace or grave of a historical person of outstanding importance and is the only surviving structure or site associated with that person.
	9.	It is a cemetery which derives its primary significance from age, from distinctive design features, or from association with historic events, persons or cultural patterns.
	10.	It is a reconstructed building that has been executed in an historically accurate manner on the original site.
_ X	11.	It is a creative and unique example of folk architecture and design created by persons not formally trained in the architectural or design professions, and which does not fit into formal architectural or historical categories.

Applicable National Register Criteria	A	_x B	_ <u>x</u> _c	D	
Criteria Considerations (exceptions)	А	<u>X</u> B	c	DE	FG

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4. Statement of Significance (continued)

List areas of significance (see instructions Architecture Exploration/Settlement Ethnic Heritage (Swedish)	for assistance)	Period of Significance: 1885-1895
		Significant Dates: 1885
Cultural Affiliation: N/A	Architect/Bui	lder:
Person(s) of Significance in Local, State of Andrew and Augusta (Nelson) Beckstrom		ory:

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above:

The Beckstrom Log Cabin takes its primary significance from its illustration of the earliest housing types and architectural styles during the settlement period of the Bothell area. Of almost equal importance is the family associated with the cabin. Andrew and Augusta Beckstrom came with Andrew's father Olaf to Seattle in 1883 and built their cabin in 1885. Their son John was the first white birth recorded in the area.

Andrew was a native of Smoland, Sweden, born on June 29, 1852, the son of Olaf and Anna Beckstrom. He learned the painter's trade and when he was 18 left for America. He worked from about a year in the Chicago area and studied at night school and took courses at a business college. In 1871 he moved to Topeka, Kansas where he met and married Augusta Nelson in 1879. She was the daughter of Andrew and Christina (Pierson) Nelson and her family came to America in 1868. Andrew and Augusta had 16 children. They were: Francis (1880), Anna (1881), Carl (1883), John (1885), Ulrich (1887), Selma (1889), Inga (1890), Julia (1892), Nina (1893), Tina (1895), Elva (1897), Stella (1899), Albert (1901), Rudolph (1903), Theodore (1905), and Bror (1907). Andrew died on October 12, 1926. Andrew's father Olaf died in 1895 and is buried in the Bothell Pioneer Cemetery.

5.	Major Bibliographical References
	"A History of the State of Washington", <u>The American Historical Society</u> , <u>Inc.</u> , July 3, 1937.
	"Beckstrom Log House Now Located at Museum", <u>Bothell Historical Quarterly</u> , vol. 1, no. 2, (1969), 6-7.
	"Beckstrom Log House Moved to Bothell", Northshore Citizen, July 1, 1969.
	"Beckstrom Reunion Will Celebrate 100 Years in Bothell", Northlake News, June 28, 1983.
	Amy Eunice Stickney and Lucile McDonald, Squak Slough, Evergreen Printing Company, Seattle, WA 1977
	See continuation sheet
Previ	ous documentation on file (NPS):
	Preliminary determination of individual listing has been requested (36 CFR 67)
·	Previously listed in the Bothell Register
	Previously determined eligible for the Bothell Register
<u>x</u>	Recorded in Bothell Inventory of Historic Resources (Site No. 38-407E)
<u>x</u>	Previously designated a National or State Historic Landmark (check and circle one)
Prima	ary location of additional data:
<u>x</u>	State Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation
-	Other State Agency (Name:)
	Federal Agency (Name:)
<u>x</u>	Local Government Agency (Name: City, Dept of Comm. Dev.)
_	University (Name:)
X	Other (Name: Bothell Library (King County System)

6. Geographical Data

Acreage N/A

UTM References:

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___ See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary of this historic property is comprised of the building footprint of the log cabin which is located within the City's Park at Bothell Landing. The Park is located on lot 11 of the Wilson Garden Tracts, Section 8, Township 26 N, Range 5E, near and east of the southeast corner of the intersection of NE 180th Street and Bothell Way NE. The Cabin is 100 feet south of NE 180th Street and approximately 25 feet east of the Sammamish River.

Boundary Justification

The Cabin does not sit on its own, independent lot, but is a contributing structure to a grouping of historic structures in the Park at Bothell Landing.

Form prepared and submitted by:

Date Completed 9-21-93

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Organization: City of Bothell Landmark Preservation Board

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List Photographs Included:

Cover:

North Elevation, front of cabin 1.

Other:

- Detail of construction style and material. East elevation, side of cabin. 2.
- 3.

Nomination Form Reviewed by:

Director, Community Development

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While in Topeka, Andrew became friends with Peter John Quartman. The two men were interested in migrating to the Northwest and in 1883 a party of the Beckstrom's (with children Anna and Carl and grandfather Olaf Beckstrom) and the Quartmans arrived in Seattle. They had become part of a migration train to San Francisco, setting up housekeeping in a train box car for the journey from Kansas to San Francisco.

From San Francisco they caught a boat to Seattle and arrived on April 29, 1883. For a time, Andrew and Peter worked in Seattle, but in May 1883, they filed a preemption claim at what is now Bothell, There were no established roads to the area and the closest mail delivery was made to Woodinville by steamboat. A rowboat was purchased and a small sail was added for the trip up-river. Cargo had to be kept to a minimum of necessities, such as tools, firearms, clothing, bedding, a stove, kitchen utensils and a sewing machine. The family was allowed to occupy a cabin once used by lumbermen until they built this, their own cabin in 1885. Crude furniture was made from shakes split from the timber. Land had to be cleared and crops planted. Bear and deer were thankfully plentiful. Grandfather Beckstrom assumed charge of the planting. Andrew sought outside work traveling as much as 30 miles one-way. During the first year the rowboat was the only means of transportation, but it was soon stolen.

Mrs. Beckstrom became the acknowledged nurse and doctor to the district which was long without a private physician. Her knowledge was derived from an old family book of medical information which was supplemented by her experience and common sense. She was considered particularly skillful at setting broken bones and tying off severed arteries in addition to caring for her garden and her growing brood of children.

The Beckstroms made important contributions to the early settlement and development of Bothell through clearing the land and establishing a way of life and set examples of courage and enterprise which are represented here by the family cabin.

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