



**Address:** 36-38 South Main Street

**Contemporary Building Name:** 36-38 South Main Street

**Historic Building Name:** Sherman C. Lord House

**Present Use:** Residential

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**Architectural style:** Greek Revival

**Date constructed:** c. 1840 (Baber)

**Description:** The three-bay front elevation of the Sherman C. Lord House is oriented toward the street in the manner of the Greek Revival temple form. The recessed doorway in the south bay is flanked by narrow four-pane sidelights and plain pilasters which support plain architrave, frieze, and molded cornice. Windows are 6-over-6. Plain pilasters at the house corners lead up to a frieze that runs around the building under the eaves. A horizontal window in the pediment above is glazed in a plaid pattern with muntins parallel with and near the window casing and central vertical paired muntins. A central chimney rises from the roof ridge. On the north side elevation, first floor, fenestration is two pairs of windows, at the second floor two pairs plus a single window.

**Significance:** The Sherman C. Lord House features a typical example of a Greek Revival temple-front facade. Its doorway surround, corner pilasters, pediment, and characteristically muntined horizontal tympanum window follow the mode. The fenestration on the south side elevation may not be original, as paired windows were not used in the Greek Revival and the continuous length of 39 feet, compared with the 23-foot facade, is greater than was customary. Both the 1855 map and 1869 atlas indicate that the house belonged to Sherman C. Lord.

**Sources:** Baber, David. Capitol Region Council of Governments Historic Resource Survey of Marlborough, 1978.

Ransom, David. Historical and Architectural Resources Survey, Town of Marlborough, Connecticut. April 1998.

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