

The following exterior features of the James T. Baker House, 1444 Maine St., are among those protected by City Ordinance No. 8451 approved July 24, 1990:

The house has unusually large scale double brackets under the soffits along with elaborate dentil molding in one of the most ornate designs to be found. This includes the raised flat elliptical ornament. Unique rope molding surrounds the window frames on the main portion of the house. The West wing of the house is more austere with non-ornamented lintels, window trimmings, and scaled down bracketing. A curved bay west of the rear entrance, part of the original dining room, is a departure from the ordinary box usually associated with the basic Italianate house. The front porch had 4 sets of double columns and corresponding pilasters. The railing is made up of balusters with a cap top. The frieze of the porch had dentil moldings and double brackets and is topped with an ornate gallery which is repeated in the roof gallery. The East porch is a smaller version of the main porch with the same detailing, but smaller in size. There is also a lavishly detailed bay window on the east side of the rear entrance. The house has 6 chimneys with detailed caps.