

= Fifth Ward Wardroom =

The Fifth Ward Wardroom is a historic meeting hall at 47 Mulberry Street in Pawtucket , Rhode Island . It is a single @-@ story red brick building , with a low @-@ pitch hipped roof . Basically rectangular , an enclosed entry pavilion projects from the main block . The building was designed by William R. Walker & Son and built in 1886 . Originally used as a polling place and meeting hall , it was later used as a school and by veterans organizations before being converted into a single family residence during its National Register of Historic Places nomination . It was listed on the historic register in 1983 .

= = Design = =

Designed by William R. Walker & Son and constructed by S. Mason & H. A. Smith in 1886 , the one story red brick Queen Anne style building is basically rectangular with a low @-@ pitched hipped roof . The red bricks are laid in dark red mortar and is contrasted by the granite sill course and brownstone belt course at window sill level . The building has a central closed entry pavilion which projects out and has two porches oriented to face Mulberry and Cedar Street . The building has three lunette windows on the sides of the main block , each divided into thirds , and a smaller windows on the pavilion 's pedimented end . The rear ell has double hung two @-@ over @-@ two sash windows . At the time of the nomination , during the renovations to a single family home , the house had its Cedar Street porch closed in with plywood and the smaller lunette windows were boarded in , but the exterior wooden trim was largely extant .

= = Use = =

The Fifth Ward Wardroom was constructed and used as a polling place and meeting hall in a critical time when Pawtucket was incorporated as a city before later being used as a school and eventually a legion post . At the time it was nominated to the National Historic Register , the house was undergoing renovations to become a private single family residence . Prior to its conversion it was the Henrietta I. Drummond Post No. 50 of the American Legion . According to public records , the house remains a private residence .

= = Significance = =

The Fifth Ward Wardroom is historically significant as a historical reminder of the pivotal time in which Pawtucket was incorporated as a city and gave up its town @-@ meeting form of governance . The building is also architecturally significant as a rare type of building , wardrooms , and is one of three extant examples in Rhode Island . William R. Walker & Son constructed three such structures in Pawtucket with the First Ward Wardroom being extant and the third example having been demolished . Though both constructed by William R. Walker & Son , the two Pawtucket wardrooms are related , but not identical in construction and show variations by the firm . Another wardroom , with a bungalow style , is located in the Cato Hill Historic District in Woonsocket , Rhode Island . The Fifth Ward Wardroom was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1983 .