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Esimesed andmed hoonete kohta kinnistul pärinevad 15. sajandi algusest, mil siin asus Vigala mõisnike Uexküllide linnaelamu – nn Vigala maja. Ühekorruseline hoone jäi Toompea 1684.a. hiidtulekahjus puutumata. Vahepeal mitu korda omanikke vahetanud elamu sai oma tänini säilinud mõõtmised 18. sajandi II poole põhjalikus ümberehituses, vaid uus trepikoda hoone ette ja teine sisesse on rajatud hiljem, 1908.a. Aastatel 1921 kuni 1940 tegutses hoones Riigi Statistika Keskbüroo. Nõukogude ajal oli siin palju pisikesi kortereid. Aadlielamu-aegne sisekujundus ei ole säilinud. Praeguseks peremeheks on Kanada saatkonna esindus.

The building was first mentioned in the early 15th century when this was the location of the town residence of the Uexküll family, who owned the Vigala Manor in the countryside, hence the name “Vigala House”. The one-storey building survived the great fire on Toompea Hill in 1684. The residence, having changed owners many times, achieved its present-day dimensions in the course of a comprehensive reconstruction undertaken in the second half of the 18th century. Only the new staircase in front of the building and another one inside were built later, in 1908. From 1921-1940 the building housed the Central Bureau of National Statistics. During the Soviet period there were many small apartments. The decor of the nobility residence has not been preserved. The current proprietor is the Office of the Embassy of Canada to Estonia.