

Architectural Inventory Form

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Official eligibility determination (OAHP use only)

Date _____ Initials _____
 Determined Eligible- NR
 Determined Not Eligible- NR
 Determined Eligible- SR
 Determined Not Eligible- SR
 Need Data
 Contributes to eligible NR District
 Noncontributing to eligible NR District

I. Identification

1. Resource number: 5ME.14772
2. Temporary resource number: 570.ORB
3. County: Mesa
4. City: Grand Junction
5. Historic building name: n/a
6. Current building name: n/a
7. Building address: 570 Orchard Ave.
8. Owner name and address: Thomas W Blake
425 Ridgewood Ln Grand Junction, CO 81505-7049

II. Geographic Information

9. P.M. Ute Principal Meridian Township 1 South Range 1 West
SW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of section 11
10. UTM reference
Zone 1 2 ; 7 1 0 7 9 7 mE 4 3 2 9 0 1 6 mN
11. USGS quad name: Grand Junction Quadrangle
Year: 1962 rev.1973 Map scale: 7.5' X 15' *Attach photo copy of appropriate map section.*
12. Lot(s): 11 Block: 7
Addition: Bookcliff Park Year of Addition: 1946
13. Boundary Description and Justification: Legal description of the site is: Lot 11 Blk 7
Bookcliff Park
Assessors Office Parcel ID # 2945-112-06-011
This description was chosen as the most specific and customary description of the site.

III. Architectural Description

14. Building plan (footprint, shape): Rectangular Plan
15. Dimensions in feet: Length 38' x Width 46'
16. Number of stories: 1
17. Primary external wall material(s) (enter no more than two): Asphalt Siding
18. Roof configuration: (enter no more than one): Hipped Roof
19. Primary external roof material (enter no more than one): Asphalt Roof
20. Special features (enter all that apply): Carport, Chimney

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21. General architectural description: This is a simple wood frame house with a low pitched hipped roof. The short ridge runs east/west and the principal façade faces south. The west portion of the façade consists of a shallow hipped roof projection, which is cut out on the east side creating a covered area at the main entry. The projection shares the west wall and roof planes with the main volume. A pair of double hungs are located on the west corner. The entry sits on the wall of the main volume with a single casement style window to the left. A single post supports the overhanging roof and slats infill the space between the post and the main wall. Contrasting vertical siding infills the wall from the roof support to the inside corner of the ell and a concrete landing fills the same width with several steps running to the grade. A picture window sits on the east corner with a double hung adjacent to it on the left. The west side has a single double hung on the front corner and a single double hung further down the wall. The east side also has a double hung at the front corner. The double hung windows have a single horizontal muntin in each sash. A flat roofed carport extends off the east side continuing the eave line of the main roof. The flat roof is supported by a series of thin columns on the east edge. A brick chimney sits off the ridge to the rear. A shed roof enclosed porch extends off the rear of the house.
22. Architectural style/building type: Ranch Type
23. Landscaping or special setting features: A large street tree sits at the front of the lot and several shrubs front the house. A dirt driveway runs to the carport on the east, other wise the yard is predominantly lawn.
24. Associated buildings, features, or objects: none

IV. Architectural History

25. Date of Construction: Estimate: 1949 Actual: _____
Source of information: Mesa County Assessors Office
26. Architect: unknown
Source of information: _____
27. Builder/Contractor: unknown
Source of information: _____
28. Original owner: Gerald J. Ashby
Source of information: 1951 Polk Directory
29. Construction history (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): No major alterations are apparent.
30. Original location Moved _____ Date of move(s): _____

V. Historical Associations

31. Original use(s): Domestic, Single Dwelling

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32. Intermediate use(s): _____
33. Current use(s): Domestic, Single Dwelling
34. Site type(s): Residential Neighborhood
35. Historical background: Gerald J. Ashby is shown as owner in the directories of 1951 through 1957. This building is part of Bookcliff Park developed in 1946. The owners were Gertrude B. Smith, Claude D. Smith, later the U. S. Bank of Grand Junction, and Thomas L. Brownson, Mabel L. Brownson, Bruce Brownson and Mary F. Brownson.
36. Sources of information: Mesa County Assessors Office; Museum of Western Colorado Archives; Polk Directories 1951, 1955, 1956, 1957

VI. Significance

37. Local landmark designation: Yes No Date of designation: _____
Designating authority: _____
38. Applicable National Register Criteria:
 A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad pattern of our history;
 B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;
 C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
 D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in history or prehistory.
 Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G (see Manual)
 Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria
39. Area(s) of significance: Architecture, Community Development and Planning
40. Period of significance: 1949; 1943 to 1957 Uranium Boom
41. Level of significance: National State Local
42. Statement of significance: The development in this area is a direct result of the nation's involvement in WWII and the drive for the development of nuclear weapons. The discovery of significant sources of Uranium in the region initiated development in Grand Junction that supported both the mining of the materials and the administration of programs related to the development of weapons. The building types, materials and neighborhood layout are all indicative of the national trends which were driven by the proliferation of the automobile and the enormous demand for single family homes. House designs departed from the romantic and revival styles that were prevalent in the earlier part of the 20th century and took on a California inspired design that was

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characterized by simple horizontally proportioned forms. Houses were typically mass produced on previously undeveloped tracts of land at the periphery of earlier development. These groups of houses were typically based on one or two plan types with a limited number of roof and exterior finish variations, further reinforcing the characteristics of mass production. In this particular subdivision there are examples of both repetitive house types and more high style individualized houses. The curvilinear street layout is characteristic of national planning trends and is unusual in this community, where new development tended to extend the existing street grid.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance: The house appears to be intact in original form.

VII. National Register Eligibility Assessment

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:

Eligible Not Eligible Need Data

45. Is there National Register district potential? Yes No

Discuss: The Bookcliff Park Subdivision lies on the periphery of the historic city center and was originally established by single group of investors. The sites were built out to accommodate the rapid growth associated with the Uranium Boom over a short period of time. The architectural styles present in the area represent a significant concentration and continuity of dwellings and a subtle transition of styles over the building period. Few intrusions have been made into the original neighborhood and it retains a high level of integrity.

If there is National Register district potential, is this building: Contributing

Noncontributing

46. If the building is in existing National Register district, is it: Contributing

Noncontributing

VIII. Recording Information

47. Photograph numbers: Roll # 11 Frame # 4

Negatives filed at: City of Grand Junction Planning Dept.

48. Report title: Grand Junction Phase 3 Survey 49. Date(s): March 2005

50. Recorder(s): Suzannah Reid, Patrick Duffield and Lydia Herron

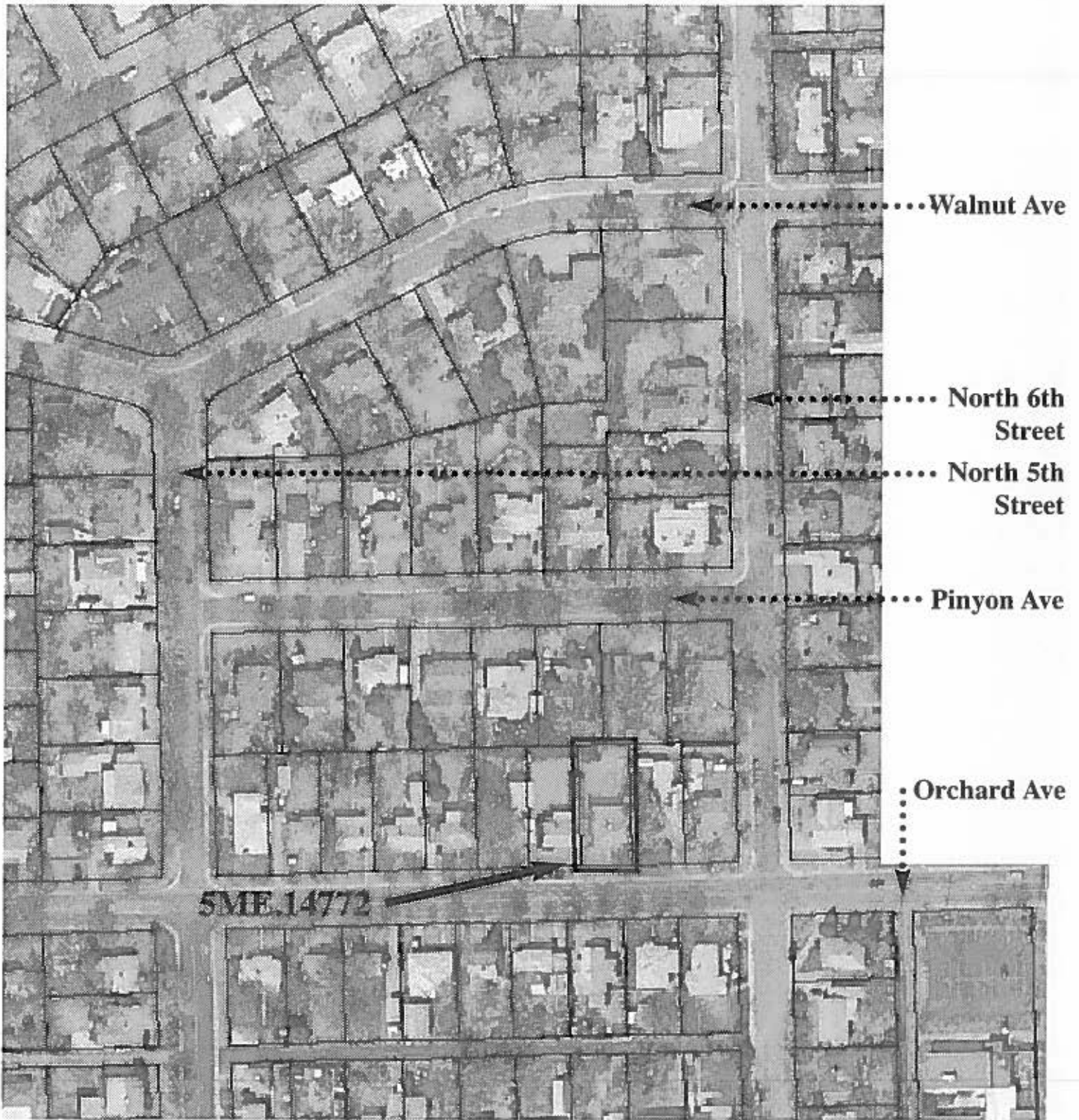
51. Organization: Reid Architects, Inc.

52. Address: PO Box 1303 Aspen, Colorado 81612

53. Phone number(s): 970 920 9225

NOTE: Please attach a sketch map, a photocopy of the USGS quad. map indicating resource location, and photographs.

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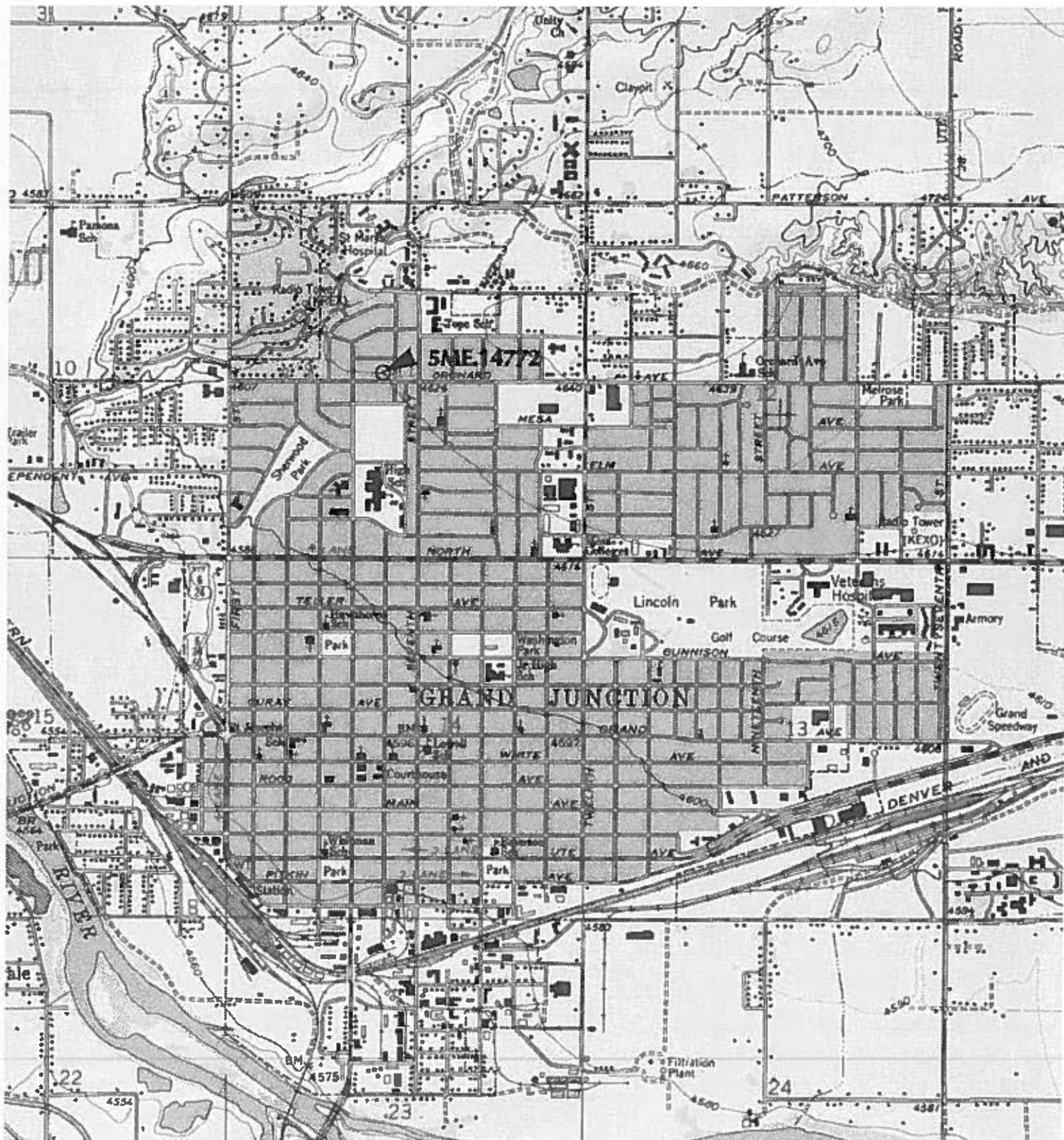
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North

Grand Junction, Colorado
image from 2002 aerial map

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Looking south

Grand Junction, Mesa County, CO

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