

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

# 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.14882
2. Temporary resource number: 171.ORB
3. County: Mesa
4. City: Grand Junction
5. Historic building name: n/a
6. Current building name: n/a
7. Building address: 171 Orchard Ave.
8. Owner name and address: Rosie Roberts  
171 Orchard Ave Grand Junction, CO 81501-2153

## II. Geographic Information

9. P.M. Ute Principal Meridian Township 1 South Range 1 West  
NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of section 11
10. UTM reference  
Zone 1 2; 7 1 0 2 2 0 mE 4 3 2 8 9 5 5 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): 6 & 7 Block: 3  
Addition: Sherwood Addition Year of Addition: 1950
13. Boundary Description and Justification: Legal description of the site is: E 33ft Lot 6 + W 34ft Lot 7 Blk 3 Sherwood Addition  
Assessors Office Parcel ID # 2945-113-01-006  
This description was chosen as the most specific and customary description of the site.

## III. Architectural Description

14. Building plan (footprint, shape): Irregular plan
15. Dimensions in feet: Length 37' x Width 55'
16. Number of stories: 1
17. Primary external wall material(s) (enter no more than two): Aluminum, Brick
18. Roof configuration: (enter no more than one): Gable-on-Hip Roof
19. Primary external roof material (enter no more than one): Asphalt Roof
20. Special features (enter all that apply): Car port

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21. General architectural description: This is a horizontally proportioned house with two main volumes. The main volume ridge runs east/west and small gables are revealed at the ridge ends. The principal façade faces north. The main entry is located off center to the right with a picture window, flanked by casements, further right. Two pairs of horizontally proportioned casement windows are distributed along the wall to the left. An applied brick surface runs from the window sills to the ground. The brick is interrupted by the entry door and resumes on the right side to the lower height of the picture window sill. Vertical board and batten siding fills the remainder of the wall above the brick. An aluminum shed roof covers the area of the entry to the far right side. This roof is supported by thin decorative metal supports. The east side has pairs of casements similar to the façade, as well as the brick wainscoting. The west side has a carport located toward the rear of the side. This flat roofed volume wraps the southwest corner and connects to an addition on the rear.
22. Architectural style/building type: Ranch Type
23. Landscaping or special setting features: A wide driveway runs to the house and carport on the west side. Several trees and planting areas are located in the front yard.
24. Associated buildings, features, or objects: none seen

**IV. Architectural History**

25. Date of Construction: Estimate: 1956 Actual: \_\_\_\_\_  
Source of information: Mesa County Assessors Office
26. Architect: unknown  
Source of information: \_\_\_\_\_
27. Builder/Contractor: unknown  
Source of information: \_\_\_\_\_
28. Original owner: unknown  
Source of information: \_\_\_\_\_
29. Construction history (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Probable window and siding replacement, addition at rear; dates unknown.
30. Original location  Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date of move(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**V. Historical Associations**

31. Original use(s): Domestic, Single Dwelling
32. Intermediate use(s): \_\_\_\_\_
33. Current use(s): Domestic, Single Dwelling
34. Site type(s): Residential Neighborhood

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35. Historical background: Although no specific information was found on this building, it is part of Sherwood Addition on property owned in 1950 by the Columbine Company. The following individuals were party to the development: C. D. Smith, Jr., Frank Hall for Columbine Co., and William and Dorothy Knoch, John F. Thompson, Robert and Nora Kyle, Charles Bernal Howard, William and Belva Cross and E. D. Parmiter.
36. Sources of information: Mesa County Assessors Office; Museum of Western Colorado Archives; Polk Directories 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: 1956; 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 characterized by simple horizontally proportioned forms. Houses were typically mass produced on previously undeveloped tracts of land at the periphery of earlier

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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.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance: Alterations have moderately impacted the integrity.

**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:

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 # 10 Frame # 13

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

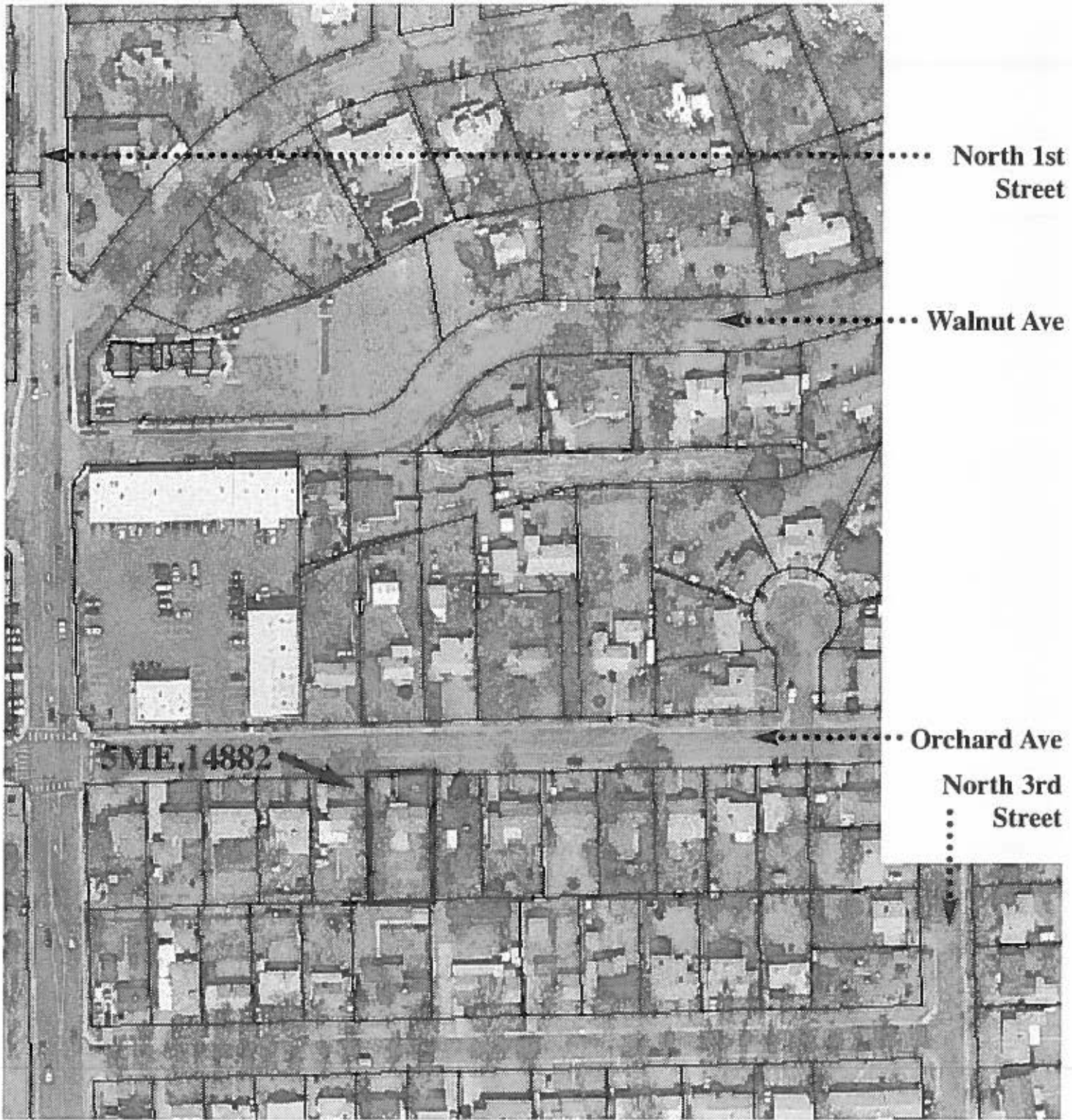
51. Organization: Reid Architects, Inc.

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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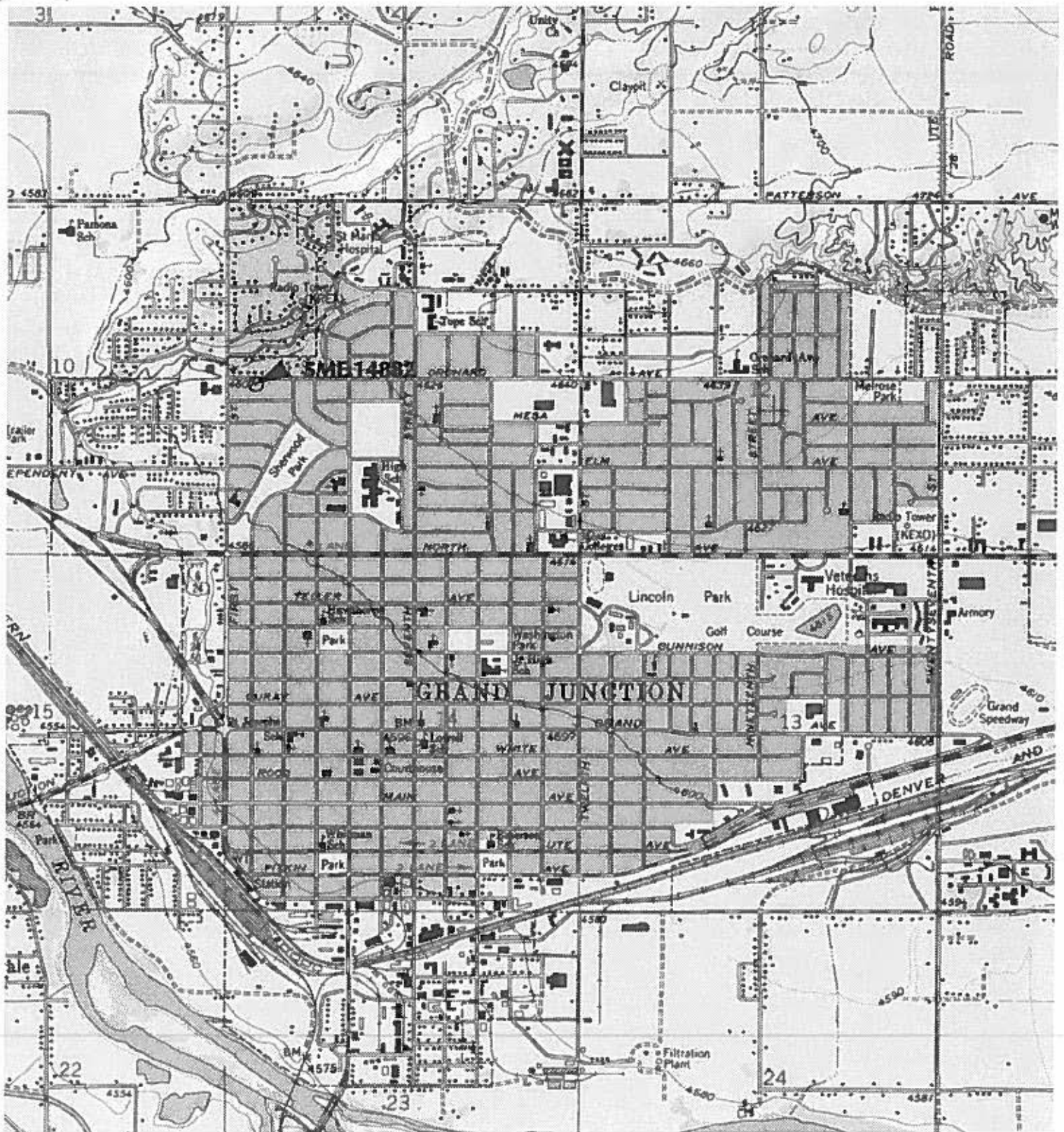
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North

Grand Junction, Colorado  
image from 2002 aerial map

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*Phase Three Historic Survey*

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Looking south

Grand Junction, Mesa County, CO

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