

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.14891
2. Temporary resource number: 1450.ESER
3. County: Mesa
4. City: Grand Junction
5. Historic building name: n/a
6. Current building name: n/a
7. Building address: 1450 E. Sherwood
8. Owner name and address: Irene O Learn
1450 E Sherwood Dr Grand Junction, CO 81501-7548

II. Geographic Information

9. P.M. Ute Principal Meridian Township 1 South Range 1 West
NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of section 11
10. UTM reference
Zone 1 2 ; 7 1 0 5 0 2 mE 4 3 2 8 5 6 0 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): 5 Block: 9
Addition: Sherwood Addition Year of Addition: 1950
13. Boundary Description and Justification: Legal description of the site is: Lot 5 Blk 9
Sherwood Addition
Assessors Office Parcel ID # 2945-113-13-005
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 69' x Width 67'
16. Number of stories: 1
17. Primary external wall material(s) (enter no more than two): Brick, Wood Vertical 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): Chimney, Porch, Attached Garage, Carport

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21. General architectural description: This is a complex wood frame house with a low pitched hipped roof. The house has a main ridge that runs northeast/southwest and the principal façade faces northwest. The central section has a series of hipped roof volumes which extend off the main roof in various directions. The primary extension runs to the northwest and sits closest to the street. It has a large picture window on the right corner, with a large double hung on the left side of the picture window and a brick base which creates a planter the length of the window group. The brick base/planter turns the right hand corner and runs back toward the main volume on the southwest facade of the projection. About half way along the wall a rectangular brick chimney interrupts the planter, sharing the outside wall plane and the brick materials. The chimney runs up through the roof plane. A double hung sits on the corner of the wall to the left of the chimney and the main entry sits to the right of the chimney. A section of planter also runs along the wall on the right side of the chimney to the concrete entry walkway that runs along the wall of the main hipped volume. A pair of windows with a high sill sit on the main façade, near the right side. The main volume also extends to the left beyond the above described projecting volume. Two large fixed windows are equally spaced on the street facing wall. Another hipped roof projection extends off the southwest wall of the main volume. This section has a lower ridge and continues the street facing wall plane adjacent to the entry door. This results in a deep overhang running to the entry. The corner of the main roof is supported by a trio of pipe columns that sit on the end of the concrete porch area. A flat roof projects from the front of the garage, creating a carport area. This roof is supported by simple wood posts on either side. The house has a variety of siding treatments, which vary from areas of contrasting brick to areas of vertical siding. The double hungs have a single horizontal muntin in each sash.
22. Architectural style/building type: Ranch Type
23. Landscaping or special setting features: The house has several shrubs and planting areas that front the house and run along the driveway to the southwest. Otherwise the yard is predominantly lawn.
24. Associated buildings, features, or objects: none

IV. Architectural History

25. Date of Construction: Estimate: 1955 Actual: _____
Source of information: Mesa County Assessors Office
26. Architect: unknown

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- Source of information: _____
27. Builder/Contractor: unknown
Source of information: _____
28. Original owner: Bernard A. Buescher
Source of information: 1955 Polk Directory
29. Construction history (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Siding alterations, addition of carport, 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
35. Historical background: Bernard A. Buescher is shown as the owner in the 1955 and 1956 directories. The Buescher's owned the house until 1970 when the current owner purchased the property. Bernie Buescher (son of the original owner) is now a State Representative. This building 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, Information also provided by Irene Learn, current owner.

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

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- 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: 1955; 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 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. This house is an example of the more substantial and individualized homes that skirt Sherwood Park.
43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance: Alterations have added design elements which are not original to the character of the house. Along with the addition of the carport the integrity has been moderately compromised.

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 _____

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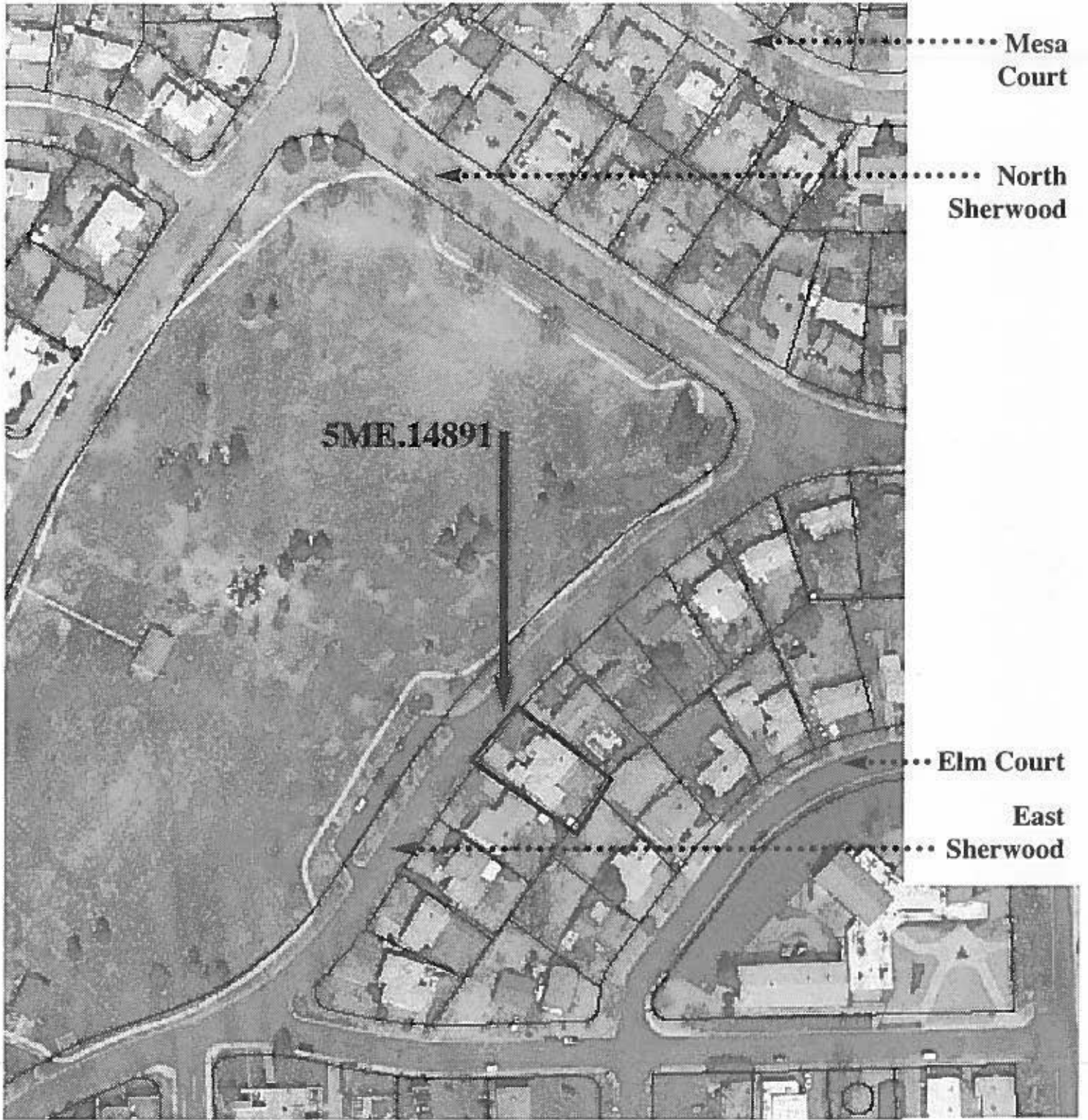
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VIII. Recording Information

47. Photograph numbers: Roll # 13 Frame # 12
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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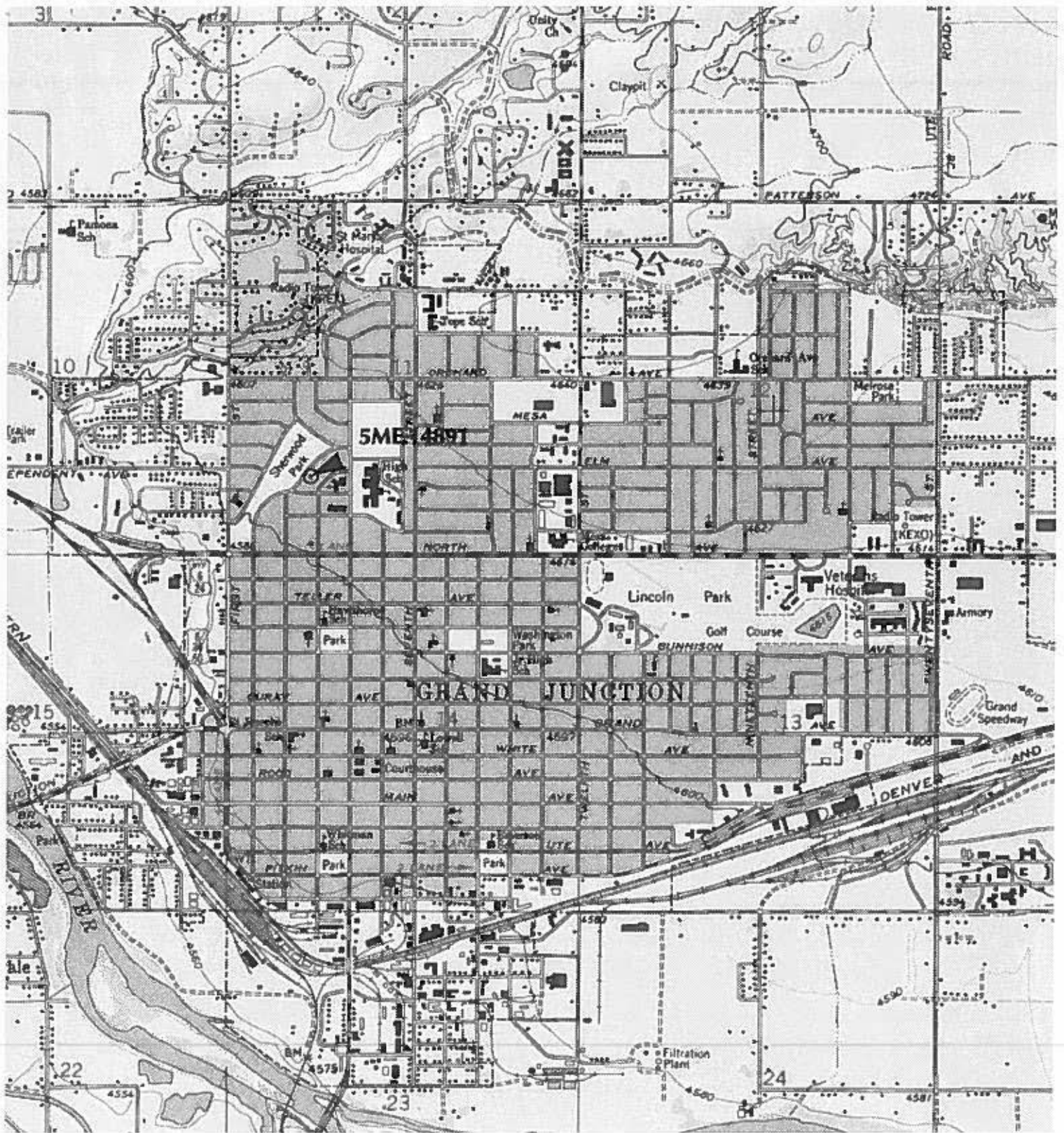


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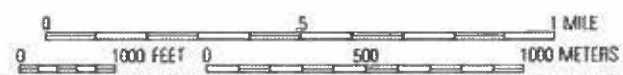


Grand Junction, Colorado
image from 2002 aerial map

City of Grand Junction • Phase Three Survey
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Looking southeast

Grand Junction, Mesa County, CO

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