

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.14870
2. Temporary resource number: 200.KEN
3. County: Mesa
4. City: Grand Junction
5. Historic building name: n/a
6. Current building name: n/a
7. Building address: 200 Kennedy Ave.
8. Owner name and address: Robert L Ruth  
200 Kennedy Ave Grand Junction, CO 81501-2140

## II. Geographic Information

9. P.M. Ute Principal Meridian Township 1 South Range 1 West  
NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of section 11
10. UTM reference  
Zone 1 2 ; 7 1 0 2 1 4 mE 4 3 2 8 4 9 3 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): 9 Block: 8  
Addition: Sherwood Addition Year of Addition: 1950
13. Boundary Description and Justification: Legal description of the site is: Lot 9 Blk 8  
Sherwood Addition  
Assessors Office Parcel ID # 2945-113-05-009  
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 26' x Width 75'
16. Number of stories: 1
17. Primary external wall material(s) (enter no more than two): Brick
18. Roof configuration: (enter no more than one): Gabled Roof
19. Primary external roof material (enter no more than one): Ceramic Tile Roof
20. Special features (enter all that apply): Chimney, Attached Garage, Glass Block

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21. General architectural description: This is a long horizontally proportioned wood frame house with a primary side gabled form. The main ridge runs east/west and the principal façade faces south. The main side gable is divided into two sections by a small step in the roof and ridge plane, near the center of the full length of the side gable. The main entry sits to the west of the step in the roof and shares the wall plane with a large picture window, flanked by casements, that sits to the left of the door. Beyond the picture window is a smaller picture unit flanked by casements and a vertical strip of glass block, which sits near the center of the remaining wall to the west. A front gable projects from the southwest corner, on an angle to the west; the ridge aligns with the gable end of the main side gable. A single car garage door is centered on the front gable. To the right of the entry, the roof plane steps down slightly and the eave line pulls in, but the wall plane remains constant. Two horizontally proportioned windows with high sills sit near the left side and a long horizontally proportioned window, with the same sill height, runs along the east end of the wall and wraps the corner onto the east façade. A similar window wraps the northeast corner on to the north elevation. The gable ends are infilled with vertical siding above the eave line. A large rectangular brick chimney straddles the ridge and runs down the south side of the main roof plane, on a line between the two picture windows.
22. Architectural style/building type: Ranch Type
23. Landscaping or special setting features: The house sits on a corner lot with a large area of lawn. Several shrubs front the house and the site has a number of large street trees on the perimeter. A large area of driveway runs to the garage on the west and to the detached garage.
24. Associated buildings, features, or objects: A very tall front gable garage sits on the west side of the house, near the street.

**IV. Architectural History**

25. Date of Construction: Estimate: 1955 Actual: \_\_\_\_\_  
Source of information: Mesa County Assessors Office
26. Architect: unknown  
Source of information: \_\_\_\_\_
27. Builder/Contractor: unknown  
Source of information: \_\_\_\_\_
28. Original owner: Warren E. Gardner  
Source of information: 1955 Polk Directory

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29. Construction history (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Roof material alteration, possible alterations to the fascia and roof over the attached garage; 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: Warren E. Gardner is shown as owner in the directories of 1955 and 1956. 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

**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: 1955; 1943 to 1957 Uranium Boom
41. Level of significance: National  State  Local

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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.
43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance: The house is generally intact in its original form. Change in type of roof materials and details with other minor alterations to attached garage have somewhat impacted the integrity of the house.

**VII. National Register Eligibility Assessment**

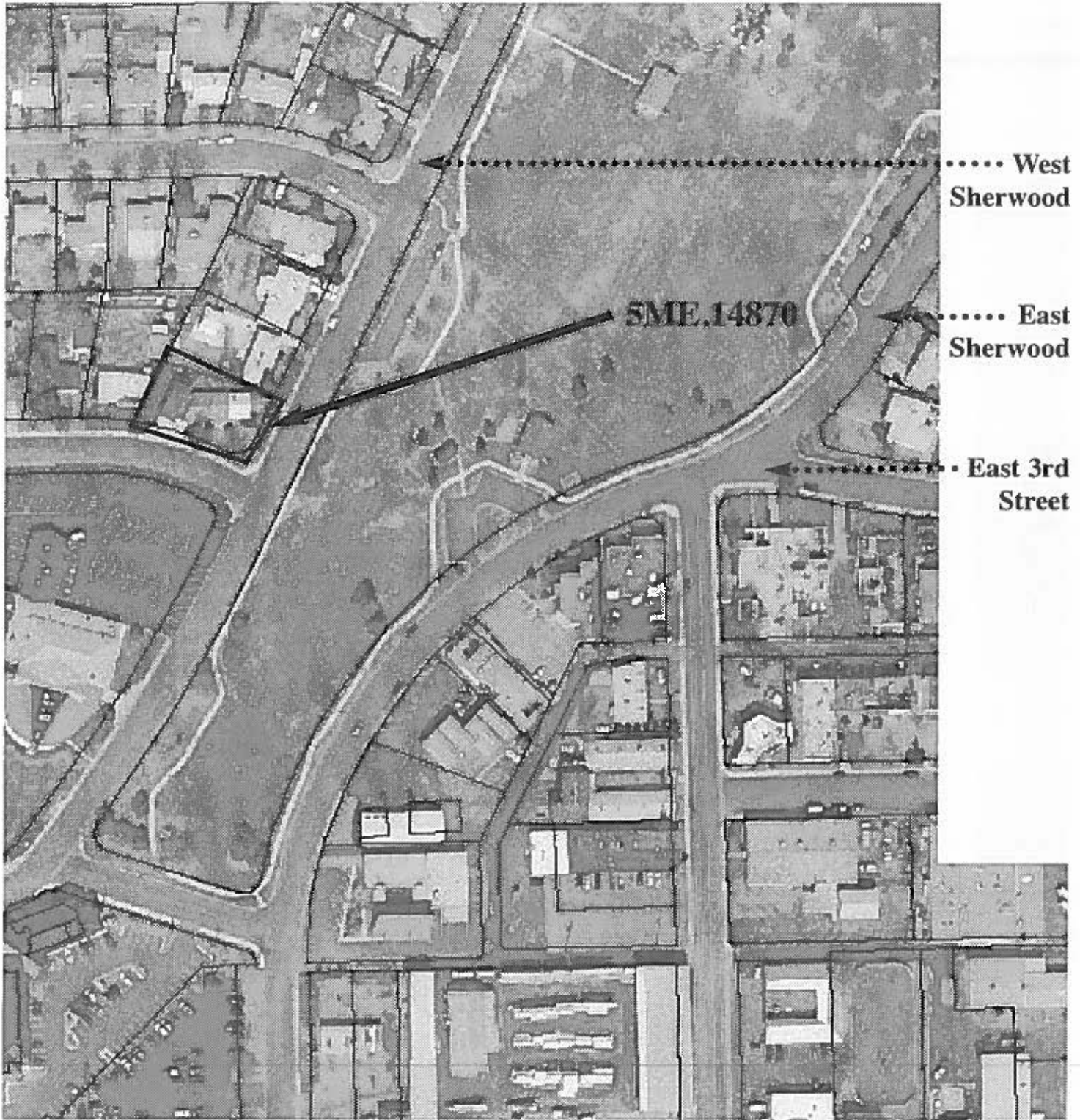
44. National Register eligibility field assessment:  
Eligible  Not Eligible  Need Data
45. Is there National Register district potential? Yes  No  Discuss: \_\_\_\_\_  
If there is National Register district potential, is this building: Contributing \_\_\_\_\_  
Noncontributing \_\_\_\_\_
46. If the building is in existing National Register district, is it: Contributing \_\_\_\_\_  
Noncontributing \_\_\_\_\_

**VIII. Recording Information**

47. Photograph numbers: Roll # 13 Frame # 18  
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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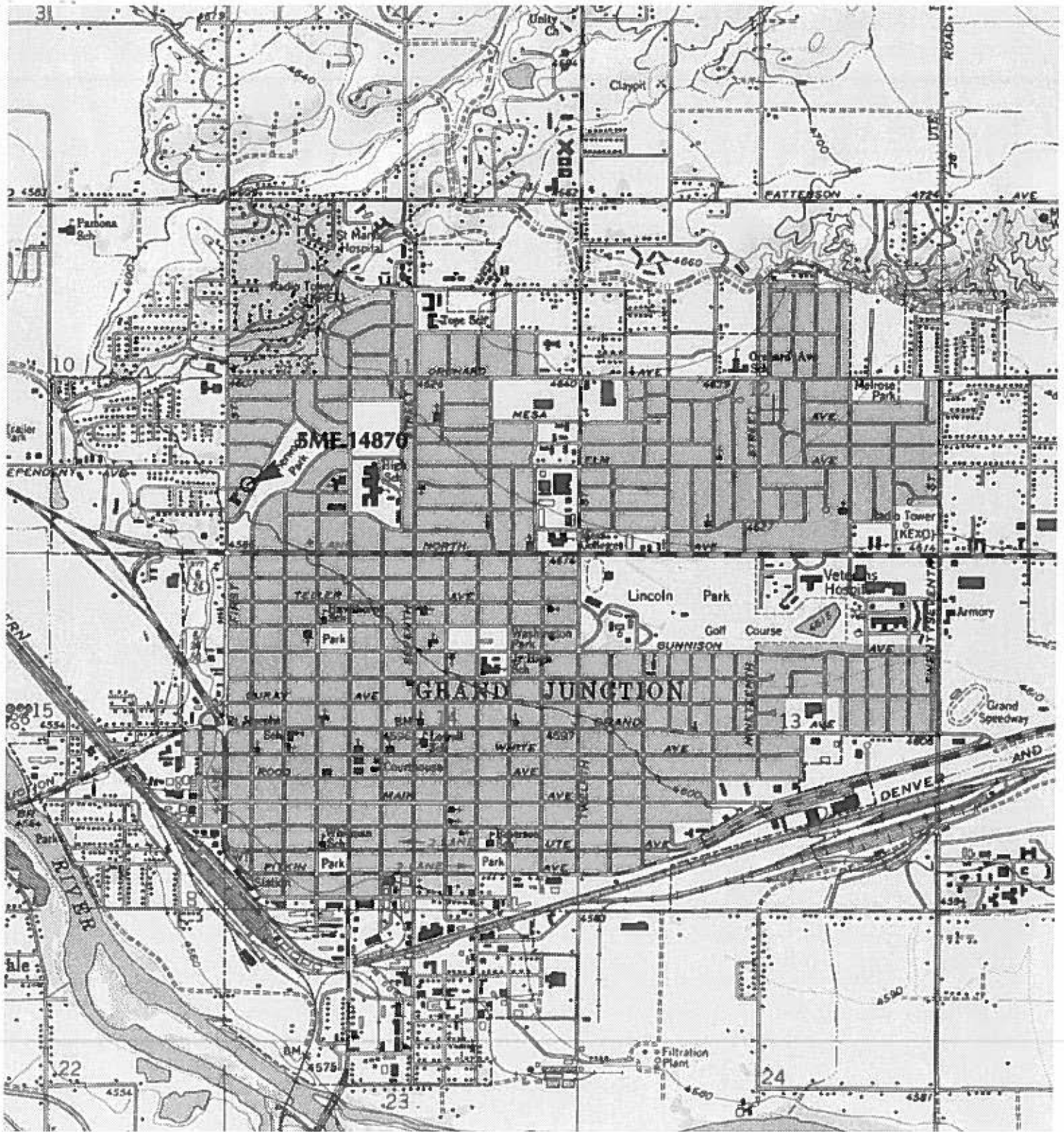
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North

Grand Junction, Colorado  
*image from 2002 aerial map*

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2004



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2004

SME.14870

200 Kennedy Ave.

Roll # 13 Frame # 18

Looking north

Grand Junction, Mesa County, CO

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