

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.14932
2. Temporary resource number: 1940.NOR
3. County: Mesa
4. City: Grand Junction
5. Historic building name: Frontier Motor Lodge
6. Current building name: Frontier Motor Lodge
7. Building address: 1940 North Ave.
8. Owner name and address: Marianna Ujwary
1940 North Ave Grand Junction, CO 81501-6425

II. Geographic Information

9. P.M. Ute Principal Meridian Township 1 South Range 1 West
SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of section 12
10. UTM reference
Zone 1 2 ; 7 1 2 6 0 0 mE 4 3 2 8 2 8 7 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): 16 & 17 Block: 6
Addition: Arcadia Village Refile Year of Addition: 1940
13. Boundary Description and Justification: Legal description of the site is: Lots 16 & 17 Blk
6 Arcadia Village Refile Sec 12 1s 1w
Assessors Office Parcel ID # 2945-124-25-025
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 220' x Width 40'
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): Flat Roof
19. Primary external roof material (enter no more than one): Synthetic Roof
20. Special features (enter all that apply): Port Cochere

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21. General architectural description: This is complex of two similar buildings that face each other across a court yard. The eastern building sits closest to the street with a full glass façade sitting on a low brick wall. The windows have three mullions and have diamond muntin pattern. The windows wrap the two corners and sit on a deep sloped sill. A vertical metal panel mansard roof wraps the whole façade and has an extended overhang on the courtyard side, creating a covered drive through. The extended overhang is supported by three thin steel columns the north and south of which are sloped outwardly. The remainder of this building and the adjacent building have a repeating pattern of window and door groups. The single solid door has a multi-pane metal window adjacent to it. The window has a central large pane with a casement to either side. A horizontal muntin creates a transom across the top, which is subdivided into four panes. This window assembly is repeated at each location. The western building has the same pattern with the same metal mansard roof canopy. On this building the canopy is supported by a series of brick fins which corbel outward from the base and define each room area. The street end roof is supported by two sets of metal columns similar to the drive through area.
22. Architectural style/building type: Modern Movements
23. Landscaping or special setting features: The buildings are arranged around an asphalt courtyard with a pool in the center.
24. Associated buildings, features, or objects: none

IV. Architectural History

25. Date of Construction: Estimate: 1948 Actual: _____
Source of information: Mesa County Assessors Office
26. Architect: unknown
Source of information: _____
27. Builder/Contractor: unknown
Source of information: _____
28. Original owner: Herbert H. Stover
Source of information: Polk Directory
29. Construction history (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Possible alterations to the roof edge, dates unknown
30. Original location Moved _____ Date of move(s): _____

V. Historical Associations

31. Original use(s): Domestic, Hotel
32. Intermediate use(s): _____

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33. Current use(s): Domestic, Hotel
34. Site type(s): Commercial Strip
35. Historical background: The Polk Directory lists the Frontier Motor Lodge, Herbert H. Stover in 1949. From 1951 to 1956 the same lodge name is associated with Frank W. Chambers. This site is part of Arcadia Village, platted in 1947.
36. Sources of information: Mesa County Assessors Office; Museum of Western Colorado Archives; Polk Directories

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: 1948; 1943 to 1957 Uranium Boom
41. Level of significance: National State Local
42. Statement of significance: This building is significant for its position in the expansion of the commercial activities of the community. The motel use/type is unique to the early part of the 20th century when a more mobile society required inexpensive lodgings located along popular travel routes. It is particularly associated with rapid expansion of business and residential development driven by the Uranium Boom and unique in that it has been the same business since its construction in 1948. The architecture of the building is characteristic of the streamlined, modern influences that came along with the automobile culture.
43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance: Some alterations have impacted the character of the building, however the form, pattern, and many details remain. The integrity is somewhat compromised.

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VII. National Register Eligibility Assessment

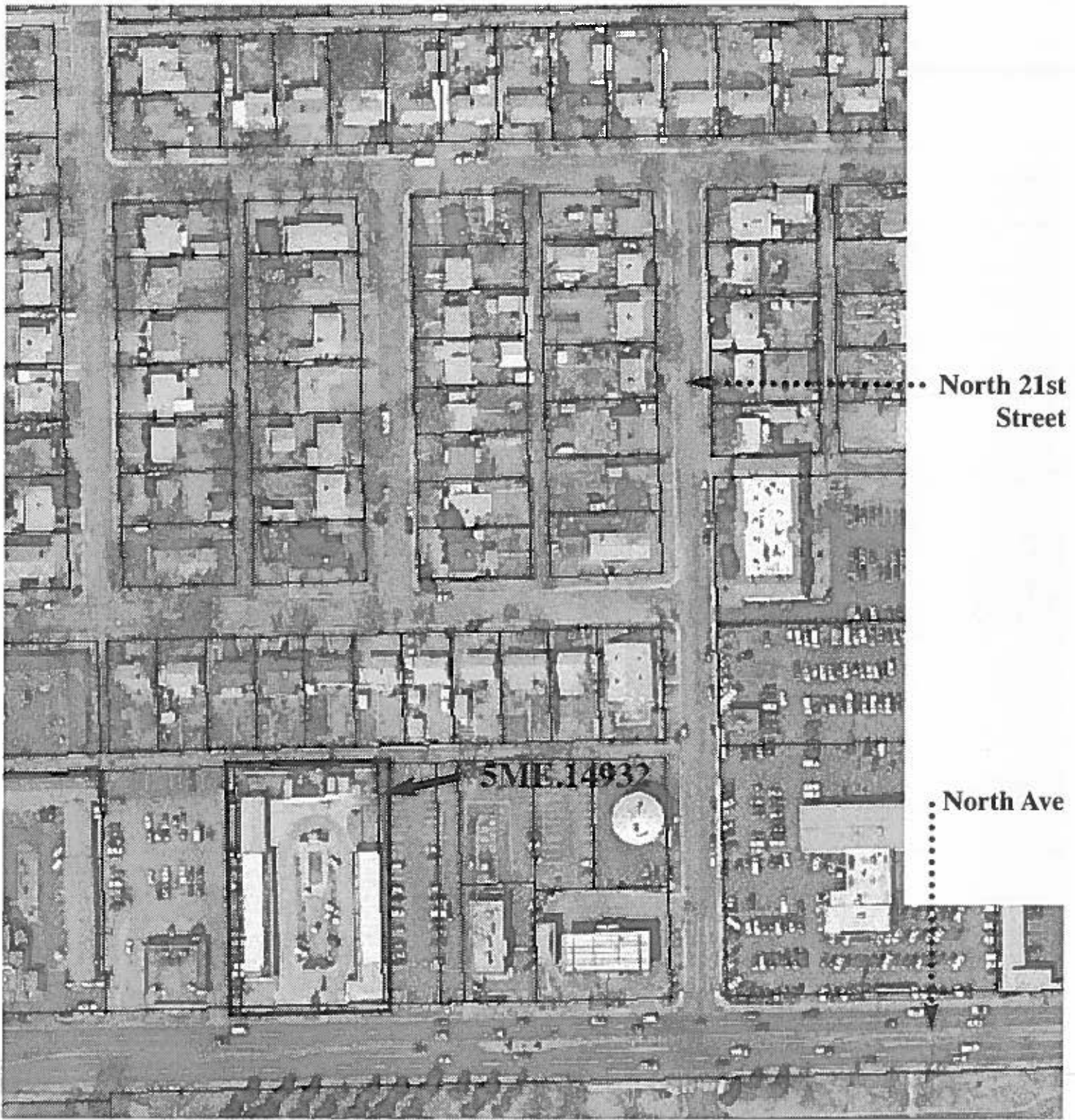
44. National Register eligibility field assessment:
Eligible Not Eligible Need Data
45. Is there National Register district potential? Yes No Discuss: _____
If there is National Register district potential, is this building: Contributing _____
Noncontributing _____
46. If the building is in existing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

VIII. Recording Information

47. Photograph numbers: Roll # 9 Frame # 13 & 14
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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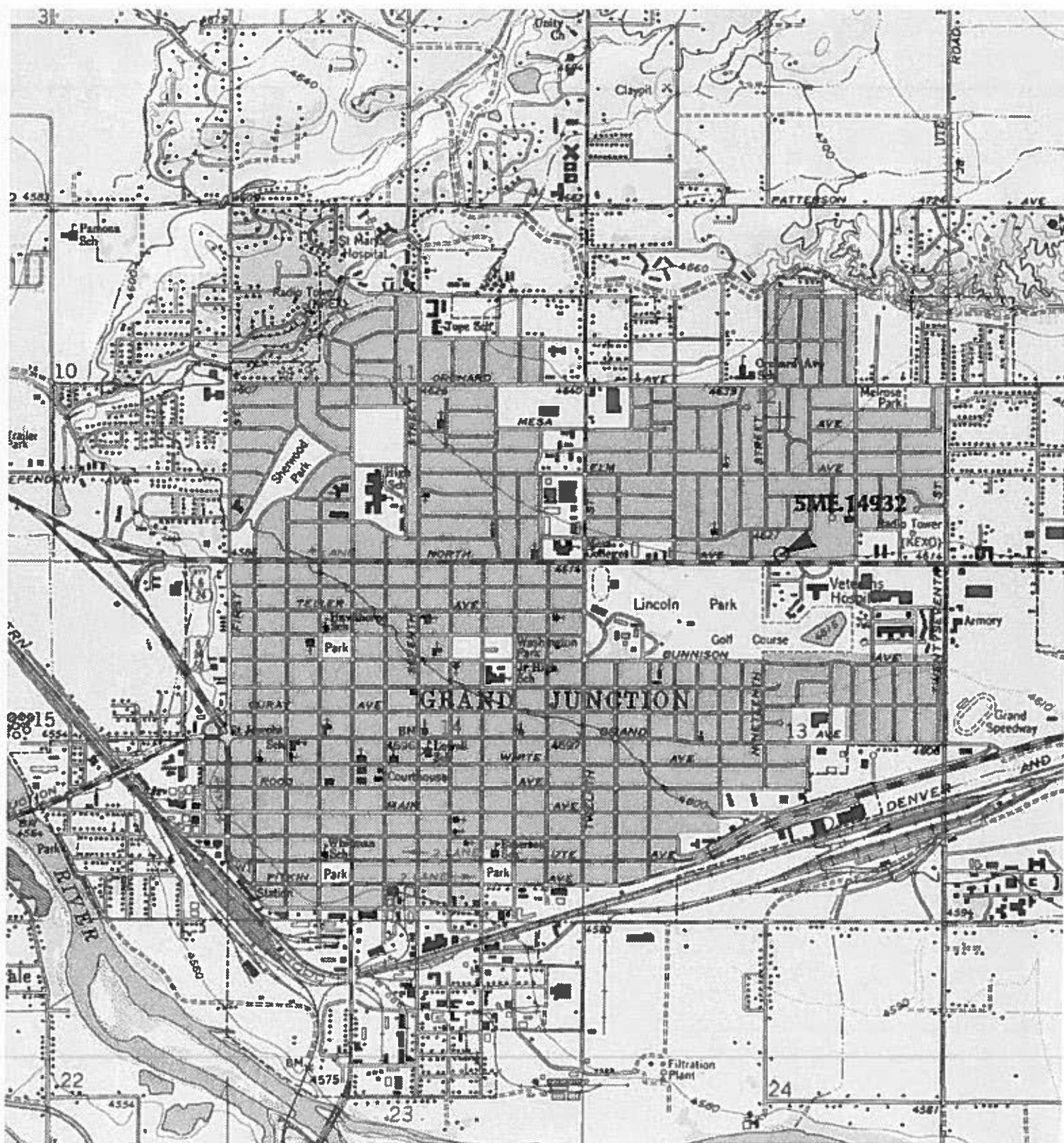
1940 North Ave.



North

Grand Junction, Colorado
image from 2002 aerial map

City of Grand Junction • Phase Three Survey
2004



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Phase Three Historic Survey
2004



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Roll # 9 Frame # 13
Looking northwest
Grand Junction, Mesa County, CO

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Looking northwest
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