

**Architectural Inventory
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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.14664
2. Temporary resource number: 1215.MES
3. County: Mesa
4. City: Grand Junction
5. Historic building name: n/a
6. Current building name: n/a
7. Building address: 1215 Mesa Ave.
8. Owner name and address: Richard L Berkey
1705 Ptarmigan Ridge Cir. Grand Junction, CO 81506-5229

II. Geographic Information

9. P.M. Ute Principal Meridian Township 1 South Range 1 West
NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of section 12
10. UTM reference
Zone 1 2; 7 1 1 7 5 3 mE 4 3 2 8 7 9 4 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): 2 Block: 1
Addition: Prospect Park Year of Addition: 1947
13. Boundary Description and Justification: Legal description of the site is: Lot 2 Blk 1
Prospect Park Sec 12 1s 1w Exc N & S 10ftas Desc In B-550 P-253 & 279 Mesa Co Recd
Assessors Office Parcel ID # 2945-123-12-002
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 27' x Width 50'
16. Number of stories: 1
17. Primary external wall material(s) (enter no more than two): Aluminum
18. Roof configuration: (enter no more than one): Side Gabled Roof
19. Primary external roof material (enter no more than one): Asphalt Roof
20. Special features (enter all that apply): Attached Garage

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21. General architectural description: This is a simple wood frame house with a side gable roof. The main ridge runs east/west and the principal façade faces north. The west side of the façade has a shallow projection with a low front gable roof that covers the single car garage door and a recess for the entry door. The entry door sits on the main wall of the house and has a large picture window with narrow double hungs on each side. On the remainder of the façade a single double hung is centered on the space between the picture window and a pair of double hungs near the west corner. The west side has two double hungs near the center and a vent at the peak. The roof has a minimal overhang throughout. A large covered porch is located on the rear. The double hungs have a single horizontal muntin in each sash.
22. Architectural style/building type: Ranch Type
23. Landscaping or special setting features: Shrubs sit in front of the house with a large street tree at the edge of the lot. Otherwise the yard is predominantly lawn.
24. Associated buildings, features, or objects: none

IV. Architectural History

25. Date of Construction: Estimate: 1950 Actual: _____
Source of information: Mesa County Assessors Office
26. Architect: unknown
Source of information: _____
27. Builder/Contractor: unknown
Source of information: _____
28. Original owner: Carl J. Organ
Source of information: Polk Directory 1951
29. Construction history (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Siding materials replaced; 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: Carl J. Organ is shown as owner in the 1951 directory. George R. Simpson and Frances A. Simpson are associated with the property on the Prospect Park Plat Map of 1947. Lester G. Schlangen is shown as owner in the directories of 1955 through 1957. This building is part of Prospect Park subdivision of

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about 1947 developed by a group of thirty-one owners for the 81 lots and included a park. This area was originally part of the larger Grandview Subdivision.

36. Sources of information: Mesa County Assessors Office; Museum of Western Colorado Archives; Polk Directories 1955, 1956, 1957; Prospect Park Plat Map

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: 1950; 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.

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43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance: The siding changes have altered the original character of the house. Integrity is somewhat 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

VIII. Recording Information

47. Photograph numbers: Roll # 2 Frame # 29

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

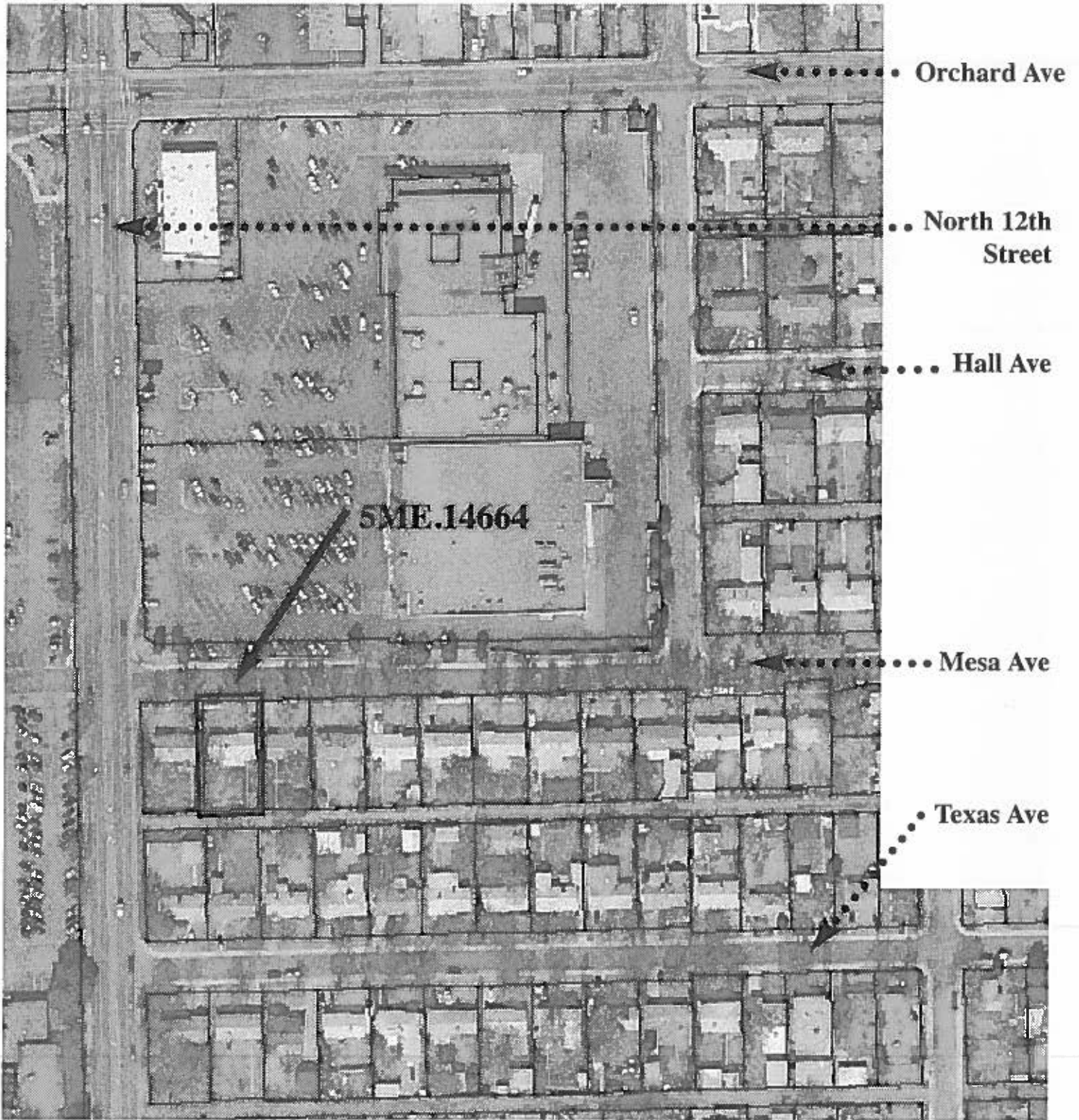
51. Organization: Reid Architects, Inc.

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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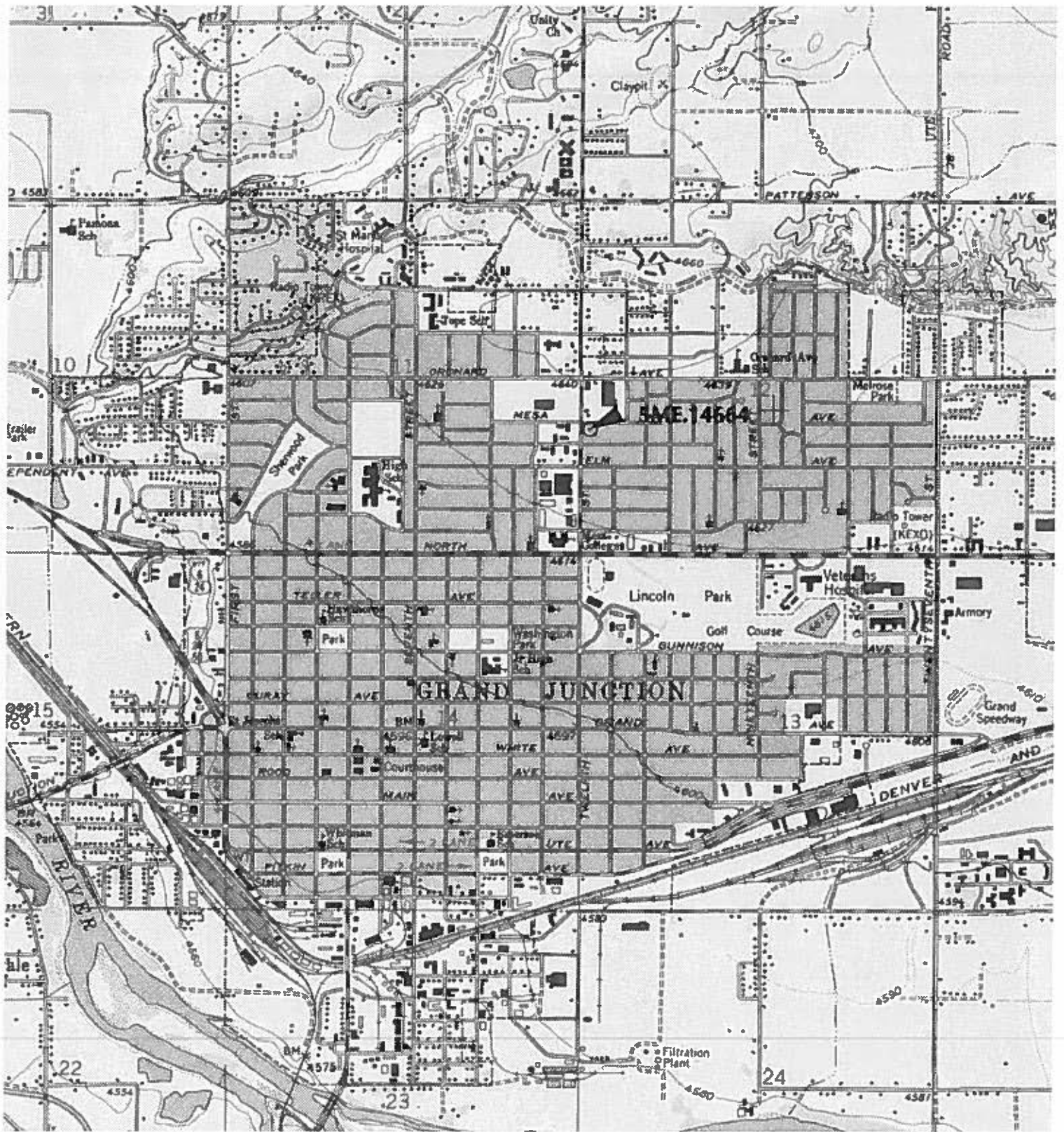
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North

Grand Junction, Colorado
image from 2002 aerial map

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Looking southeast

Grand Junction, Mesa County, CO

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