

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

- Resource number: 5ME.14792
- Temporary resource number: 566.WAL
- County: Mesa
- City: Grand Junction
- Historic building name: n/a
- Current building name: n/a
- Building address: 566 Walnut Ave.
- Owner name and address: Elizabeth C Elam
566 Walnut Ave Grand Junction, CO 81501-7438

II. Geographic Information

- P.M. Ute Principal Meridian Township 1 South Range 1 West
SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of section 11
- UTM reference
Zone 1 2 ; 7 1 0 7 7 9 mE 4 3 2 9 2 5 1 mN
- USGS quad name: Grand Junction Quadrangle
Year: 1962 rev. 1973 Map scale: 7.5' X 15' *Attach photo copy of appropriate map section.*
- Lot(s): 15 Block: 5
Addition: Bookcliff Park Year of Addition: 1946
- Boundary Description and Justification: Legal description of the site is: Lot 15 Blk 5
Bookcliff Park
Assessors Office Parcel ID # 2945-112-03-015
This description was chosen as the most specific and customary description of the site.

III. Architectural Description

- Building plan (footprint, shape): Rectangular Plan
- Dimensions in feet: Length 43' x Width 62'
- Number of stories: 1
- Primary external wall material(s) (enter no more than two): Asphalt
- Roof configuration: (enter no more than one): Cross Gabled Roof
- Primary external roof material (enter no more than one): Asphalt Roof
- Special features (enter all that apply): none

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21. General architectural description: This is a generally rectangular wood frame house with a low pitched gable roof. The ridge of the side wing runs east/west and the principal façade faces south. A front gable projects from the east end of the side wing and has two pairs of casement windows equally spaced on the front gable wall. The side wing has a large picture window, flanked by casements, on the main wall and the entry door sits on the western most end of the side wing. Another short side gable section is applied to the wall on the west side. The wall steps in slightly, which is reflected in the step in the roof plane and ridge. A large picture window, flanked by casements, is centered on the width of the wall. This section and the front gable section has horizontal siding while the main side wing wall has vertical siding. The front gable end is infilled with vertical siding above the eave line. A shed roof addition extends off the rear.
22. Architectural style/building type: Ranch Type
23. Landscaping or special setting features: Several large trees and shrubs are located on the lot and a wide driveway runs to the small volume on the west.
24. Associated buildings, features, or objects: none seen

IV. Architectural History

25. Date of Construction: Estimate: 1949 Actual: _____
Source of information: Mesa County Assessors Office
26. Architect: unknown
Source of information: _____
27. Builder/Contractor: unknown
Source of information: _____
28. Original owner: Lloyd M. Jones
Source of information: 1951 Polk Directory
29. Construction history (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Window alterations and replacement, relocated entry door, infill of original garage on west side, addition on 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

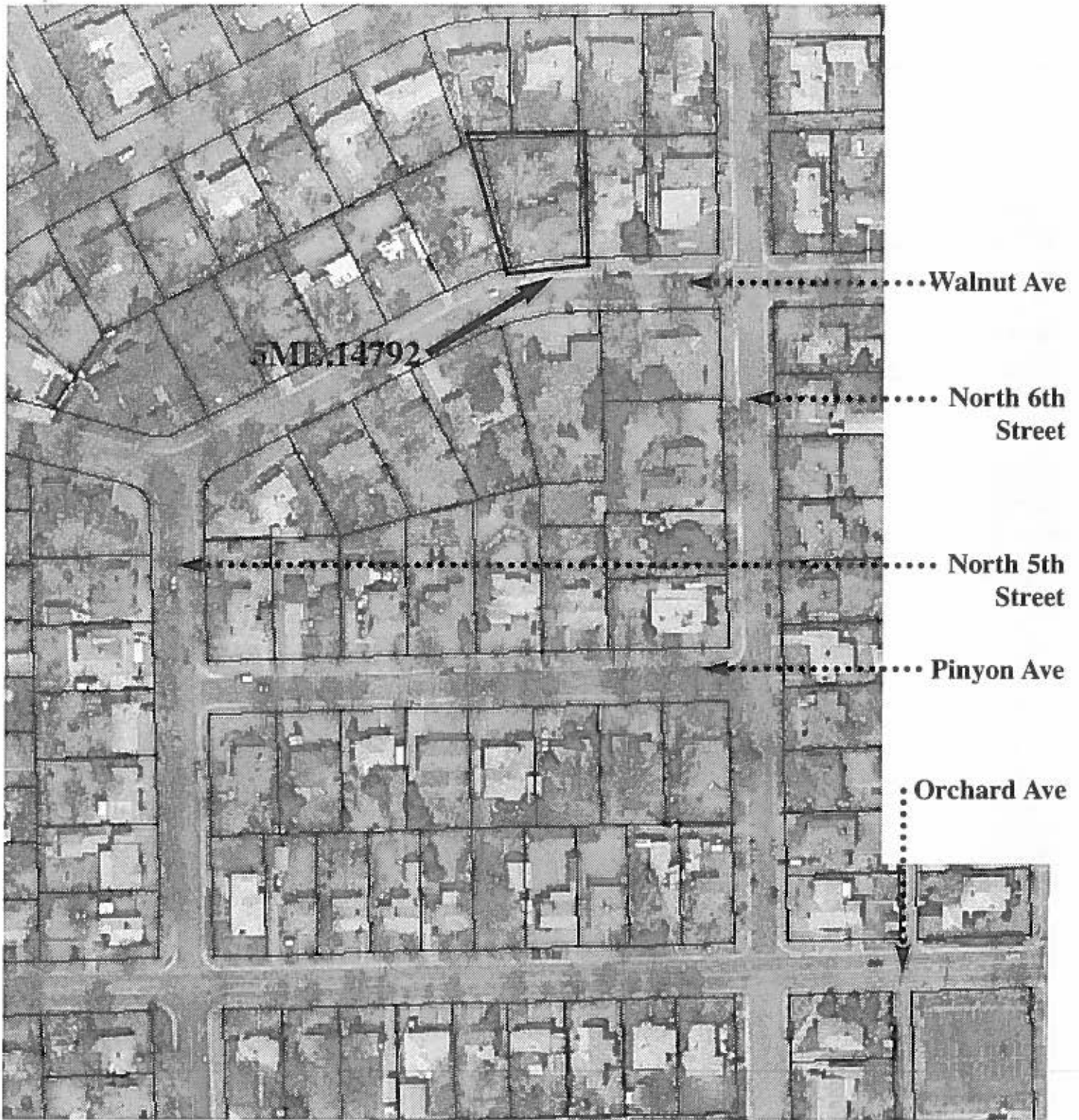
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35. Historical background: Lloyd M. Jones is shown as owner in the 1951 directory. Lester O. Halvorson, reported to be a manager at J. C. Penny, is shown as owner in the directories of 1955 through 1957. This building is part of Bookcliff Park developed in 1946. The owners were Gertrude B. Smith, Claude D. Smith later the U. S. Bank of Grand Junction, and Thomas L. Brownson, Mabel L. Brownson, Bruce Brownson and Mary F. Brownson.
36. Sources of information: Mesa County Assessors Office; Museum of Western Colorado Archives; Polk Directories 1951, 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: 1949; 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



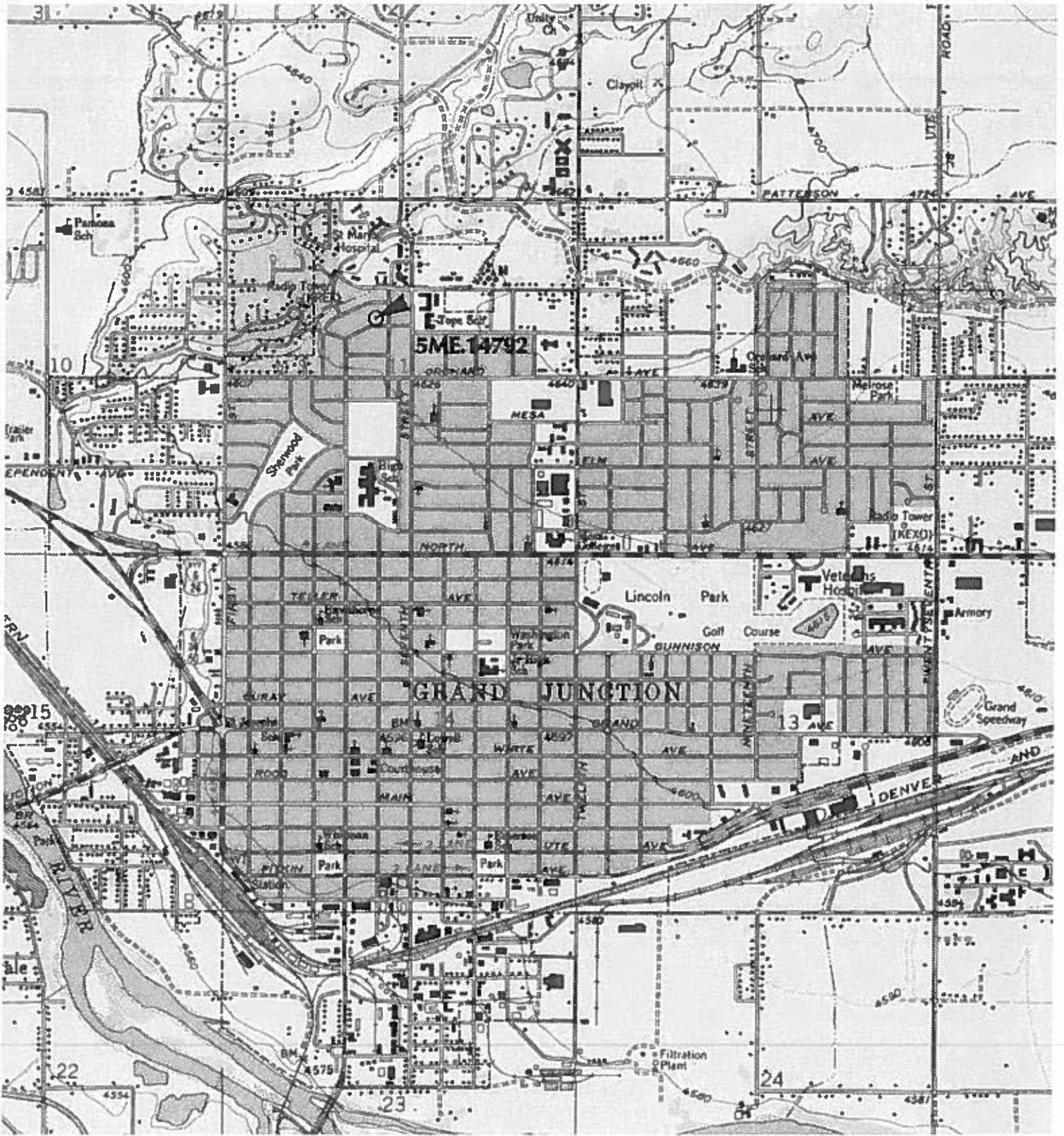
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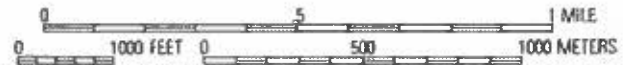
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Grand Junction, Colorado
image from 2002 aerial map

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Looking north

Grand Junction, Mesa County, CO

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