

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.14542
2. Temporary resource number: 536.SEVT
3. County: Mesa
4. City: Grand Junction
5. Historic building name: n/a
6. Current building name: n/a
7. Building address: 536 N. 17th Street
8. Owner name and address: Dejohn R Walker
536 N 17th St Grand Junction, CO 81501-4432

II. Geographic Information

9. 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 13
10. UTM reference (NAD 83 Datum)
Zone 1 2 ; 7 1 2 3 7 3 mE 4 3 2 7 6 4 2 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): 3 & 4 Block: 6
Addition: Slocomb's Addition Year of Addition: 1940
13. Boundary Description and Justification: Legal description of the site is Lots 3 + 4 Blk 6
Slocomb Addition
Assessors Office Parcel ID # 2945-132-14-003
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 40' x Width 29'
16. Number of stories: One Story
17. Primary external wall material(s) (enter no more than two): Stucco
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, Attached Garage

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21. General architectural description: This is a small wood frame building with a medium to low pitched hipped roof. The form consists of two volumes; a rectangular plan form, and a smaller square-ish form attached to the front of the main volume. The two create a stubby ell. The smaller volume faces the street and has a three part window centered on the wall. The window has a central fixed pane of glass with a vertically proportioned double hung on either side. The entry door is located on the side wall of the front volume. There is a pair of double hungs on the side wall by the door and a similar set of windows on the side of the building. The brick chimney sits off the ridge to the south side of the main volume. A tall fence separates the back entry from the street. The secondary volume projects out and has a window wrapping the corner. A shed roof garage is attached to the south side of the main volume.
22. Architectural style/building type: Minimal Traditional
23. Landscaping or special setting features: The landscape is primarily lawn.
24. Associated buildings, features, or objects: none

IV. Architectural History

25. Date of Construction: Estimate: 1946 Actual: _____
Source of information: Mesa County Assessors Office
26. Architect: unknown
Source of information: _____
27. Builder/Contractor: unknown
Source of information: _____
28. Original owner: unknown
Source of information: _____
29. Construction history (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Stucco and possible window replacement, 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: William F. Buthorn, Jr., is shown as owner in the 1951 directory. This is the first instance of this address in the available directories. In the 1955 through 1957 directories Loren P. Moore is shown as owner. This building is part of Slocomb's Addition created in 1906. Originally consisting of 28 blocks, the subdivision was named for Edwin M. Slocomb who was one of the first residents of the area and had numerous real estate holdings in Colorado and Idaho.
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: 1946; 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. This house is representative of the early suburban development that occurred adjacent to the original core of the city on previously agricultural lands. The town expanded first on the historic arterial streets and then infilled the interior of the grid. This area of town reflects

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the City's transition, from early suburban development on a small scale to larger production style development during more rapid expansion. Though the automobile was a factor in the location of new development, the small modest houses that were built did not integrate the car into the design. These early suburban examples were compact houses with simple forms and simple materials, based on traditional styles.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance: The form of this building and the window pattern appears to be intact. The integrity is seriously compromised by the stucco siding and related window trim alterations.

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 # 20
Negatives filed at: City of Grand Junction Planning Dept.
48. Report title: Grand Junction Phase 3 Survey 49. Date(s): October, 2004
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.

Colorado Historical Society - Office of Archaeology & Historic Preservation
1300 Broadway, Denver, CO 80203 (303) 866-3395



536 N.17th Street



North

Grand Junction, Colorado
image from 2002 aerial map

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2004



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GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO

Phase Three Historic Survey

2004



5ME.14542

536 N. 17th Street

Roll # 2 Frame # 20

Looking northeast

Grand Junction, Mesa County, CO

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