

Architectural Inventory Form

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.14544
2. Temporary resource number: 626.SEVT
3. County: Mesa
4. City: Grand Junction
5. Historic building name: n/a
6. Current building name: n/a
7. Building address: 626 N. 17th Street
8. Owner name and address: Jack Ehlers
3109 Evans Grand Junction, CO 81504-6206

II. Geographic Information

9. P.M. Ute Principal Meridian Township 1 South Range 1 West
NW 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 7 mE 4 3 2 7 7 3 5 mN
11. USGS quad name: Grand Junction Quadrangle
Year: 1961, rev. 1987 Map scale: 7.5' X 15' *Attach photo copy of appropriate map section.*
12. Lot(s): 6 & 7 Block: 11
Addition: Slocomb's Addition Year of Addition: 1940
13. Boundary Description and Justification: Legal description of the site is Lots 6 + 7 Blk 11
Slocomb's Addition
Assessors Office Parcel ID # 2945-132-03-005
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 37' x Width 28'
16. Number of stories: One Story
17. Primary external wall material(s) (enter no more than two): Wood Shingles
18. Roof configuration: (enter no more than one): Cross Gabled Roof
19. Primary external roof material (enter no more than one): Asphalt Roof
20. Special features (enter all that apply): Chimney

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21. General architectural description: This is a modest basically rectangular, wood frame house consisting of a side gable form with a front gable form projecting a few feet forward on the left (north) side. A single double hung is located in the center of the front gable form. The main entry sits on the side gable form under a slightly extended roof overhang and in a slightly recessed section of wall. The entry is accessed by a set of concrete steps leading to a concrete porch that fills the width of the recessed area. To the right of the recessed area is a large horizontally proportioned window comprised of a single fixed pane in the center with a vertical double hung on either side. This window has an aluminum awning spanning the width, just to the right of the awning, the roof steps back to a minimal overhang. These double hungs have an additional horizontal muntin in each section. Single double hung units are located sparingly on the sides the house, some with awnings. The chimney sits on the ridge of the side gable to the left of the entry door. A small gable form extends off the rear.
22. Architectural style/building type: Minimal Traditional
23. Landscaping or special setting features: The landscape is primarily lawn with a mature street tree and some shrubs.
24. Associated buildings, features, or objects: A front gable single car garage is located just behind the main house. It is similar in roof pitch and materials.

IV. Architectural History

25. Date of Construction: Estimate: 1947 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): Awnings, possible addition at 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: James R. Kirkpatrick is shown as owner in the 1951 directory. This is the first instance of this address in the available directories. John D. Shaw is shown as owner in the 1955 directory. The building is shown as vacant in the 1956 directory. The 1957 directory shows Donald E. Stone 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 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: 1947; 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

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historic arterial streets and then infilled the interior of the grid. This area of town reflects 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: Building is generally intact in its original form, the possible addition at the rear is not visible from the street.

VII. National Register Eligibility Assessment

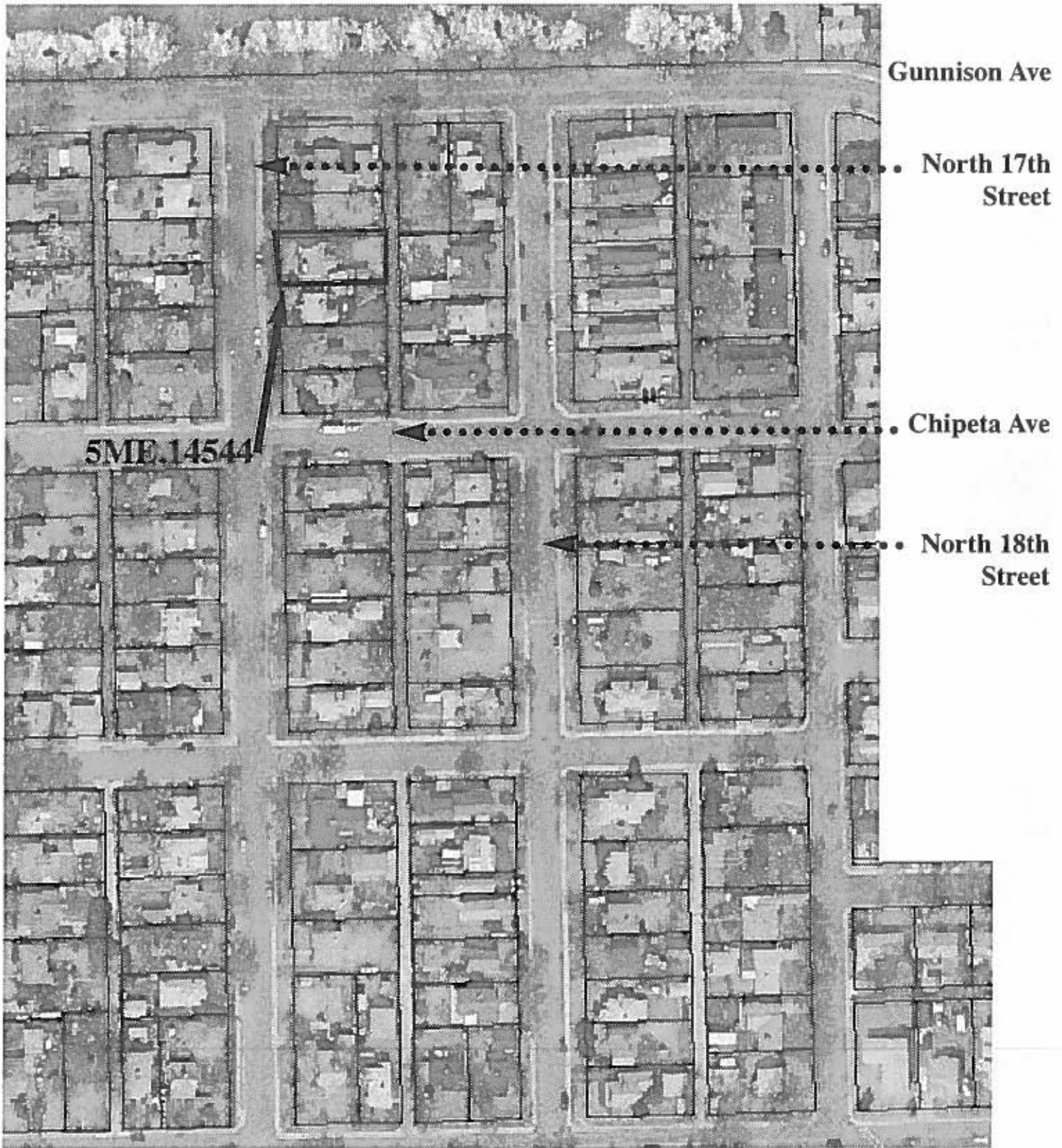
44. National Register eligibility field assessment:
Eligible Not Eligible Need Data
45. Is there National Register district potential? Yes No Discuss: _____
If there is National Register district potential, is this building: Contributing _____
Noncontributing _____
46. If the building is in existing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

VIII. Recording Information

47. Photograph numbers: Roll #2 Frame #18
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.

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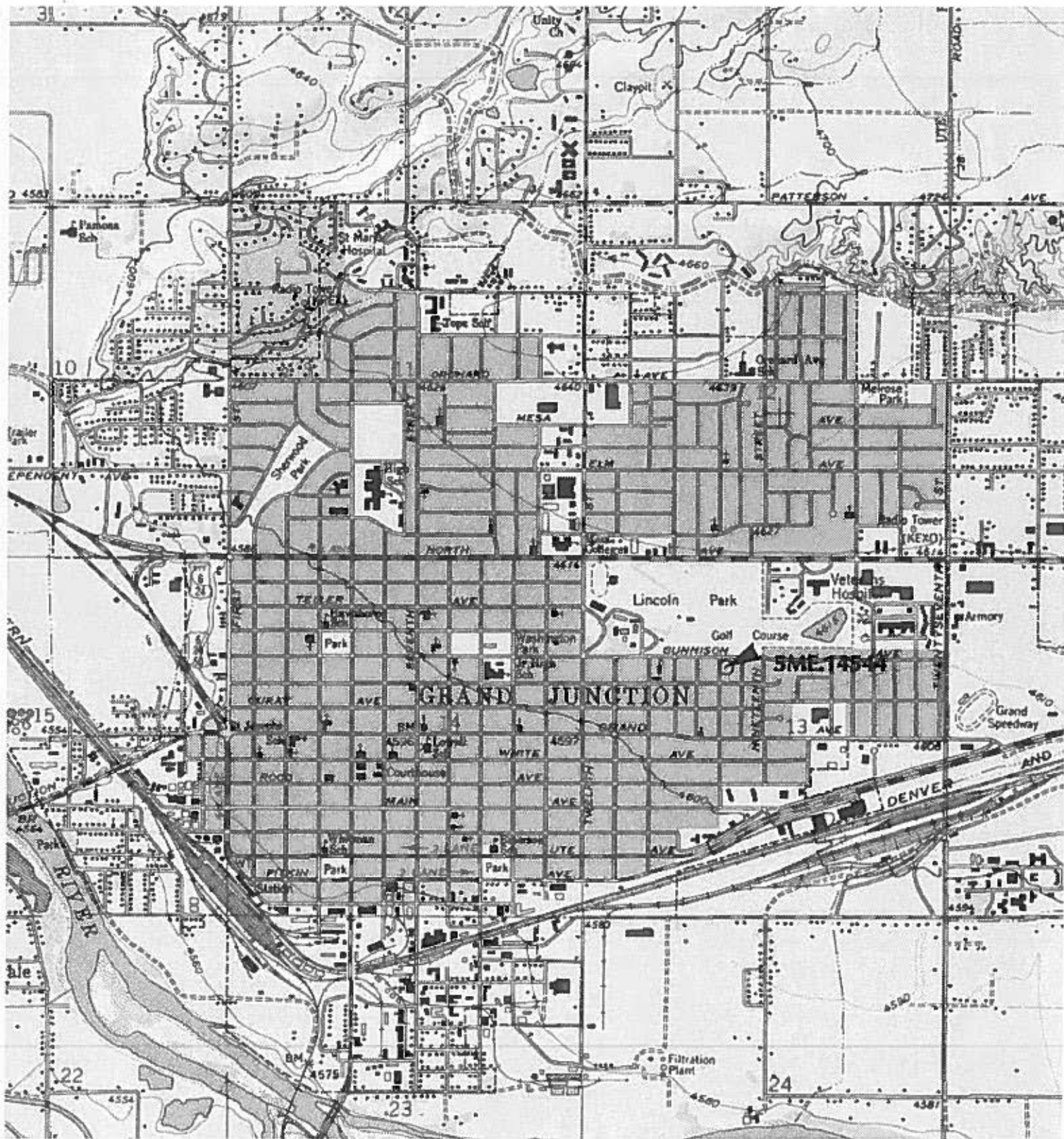
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North

Grand Junction, Colorado
image from 2002 aerial map

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Roll # 2 Frame # 18

Looking northeast

Grand Junction, Mesa County, CO

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