COLORADO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
1300 Broadway Denver, Colorado 80203

HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY RECORD

Project name:	Grand Junction Downtown Survey			
County:	Mesa	city:	Grand Junction	
State ID no. 5ME	7519	temporary no	0.	
Current building name: Brown Cycles				
Address:	549 Main, Grand Junction, CO 81501			
Owner:	Gregory Genuit, P.O. Box 531, Ouray, CO 81427-0531			
Township: 1S	Range: 1W	Section: 14,	NE 1/4, SW 1/4	
Historic name:				
USGS quad name: Grand Jct., CO 1962 N3900-W10830 _X_7.5' _15'				
District name:				
Block: 117 lot(s)	13 Additio	on: City		
Yr. of addition				
Film roll by: Marty Alexandroff no.				
Negative nos.	6942-0			
Location of negatives: City of Grand Junction				
Date of construction: estimate1909_actual				
Source: 1981 Histo	oric Survey of City			
Use:comme	rcialpreser	nt	commercial historic	
Condition:exc	ellent X good	_fairdet	teriorating	
Extent of alterations	s:minormod	derate _Xr	najor	

Describe: Recessed entry, large display windows, signage, kickplates, new brick
Style: Commercial
Stories: 1
X originalmoved date(s) of move:
Materials: Brick
Square footage: 3125
National Register Eligibility: Individual:yes _Xno Contributing to district:yes _X_no
Local landmark designation:namedate
Associated buildings?yes type:
If inventoried, list ID nos.
Architectural description: One-story brick commercial building with recessed entry, offset glass door with metal trim and glass transom, and large display windows with painted brick kickplates. The brick along the sides of the windows has been painted. The clerestory has been covered with painted wood and has a large sign.
Architect: unknown Source:
Original owner: unknown Source:
Builder/contractor: unknown Source:
Theme(s): Plateau Country/commercial

Construction history: (description, names, dates, etc. relating to major additions or alterations to original structure)

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Historic background (discuss important persons and events associated with this structure)

This structure is located within the original platted area of Grand Junction and was representative of the early 1900s town building.

The first small building was apparently erected on this lot between 1904 and 1907. The first occupant may have been Patterick & Griffin, bicycles and tinners. The building "grew" in several installments. By 1912, the Sanborn map shows a pharmacy in front and a warehouse in the rear with a court in between. Ideal Dry Cleaning Co. settled into 549 by 1918, with C.A. Brafford in 551. The cleaner had 4-280 gallon chemical tanks near the rear of the lot by 1919, but they do not show up on later maps. Grocery store owner William Kuhlman acquired the property by 1921, but kept his grocery store in South 4th Street through at least 1930. Fremont Paint Store had moved to 549 Main by 1935, and its owners, Floyd and Rebecca Price, acquired the building by 1945. The business became a Komac Paint Store, under the direction of Benton C. Ritchey by 1949, which it remained throughout the early 1950's.

Significance: (check appropriate categories and briefly justify below)

Surveyed by: Marty Alexandroff affiliation: Winter & Company

Date: July, 1994

Architectural significance: represents the work of a master possesses high artistic values represents a type, period or method of construction	Historic significance: associated with significant persons associated with significant events or patterns contributes to an historic district
Statement of significance: Non-contributing; does not meet	National Register criteria.
References (be specific) 1981 Historic Survey of City Mesa County Assessor's Record	s

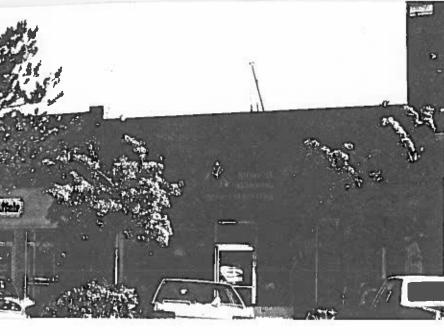
statement of significance:

Does Not meet Nat'l. Register criteria
Non-contributing; alterations are not reversible

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549 Main Street

Current Google Street View

July 2012