

Resource Number:
Temporary Resource Number:

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COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

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: 5ME8624
2. Temporary resource number: _____
3. County: Mesa
4. City: Grand Junction
5. Historic building name: Decker, Hardy House
6. Current building name: Grand Valley Catholic Outreach T-House
7. Building address: 247 White Avenue Grand Junction Colorado 81501
8. Owner name and address: Grand Valley Catholic Outreach Inc.
245 South 1st Street Grand Junction Colorado 81501

II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M. Ute Township 1S Range 1W
SE ¼ of NE ¼ of NW ¼ of SW ¼ of section 14
10. UTM reference
Zone 12; 7 1 0 4 1 0 mE 4 3 2 7 0 6 0 mN
11. USGS quad name: Grand Junction
Year: 1973 Map scale: 7.5' X 15' _____ Attach photo copy of appropriate map section.
12. Lot(s): 12 and 13 Block: 98
Addition: First Division Resurvey Town of Grand Junction CO Year of Addition: 1885
13. Boundary Description and Justification: Property lines for Lots 12 and 13 First Division Resurvey Town of Grand Junction recorded October 6, 1885. This structure has been associated with these lots since construction.

III. Architectural Description

14. Building plan (footprint, shape): Rectangular
15. Dimensions in feet: Length 46 feet x Width 24 feet
16. Number of stories: 1
17. Primary external wall material(s): Vinyl
18. Roof configuration: Gabled
19. Primary external roof material: Asphalt
20. Special features:

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21. General architectural description: One story, cross gable roof. Cross gable on east side of façade. Concrete steps on center of façade lead to an open porch with shed roof that extends across east half of façade. Squared, half height 6 x 6 corner porch posts. Wooden lattice on sides of porch between posts. Paneled front door with single light. Windows around house are vinyl - both double hung and sliding. Composition shingle roof with boxed eaves of vinyl.
22. Architectural style/building type: Craftsman, Western Stick
23. Landscaping or special setting features: Site includes lawn with gravel large shade trees along the street. Chain link fencing on east property line.
24. Associated buildings, features, or objects: One car garage in rear of parcel.

IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of Construction: Estimate: 1897_____ Actual: _____
Source of information: Mesa County Assessor Records
26. Architect: Unknown
Source of information:
27. Builder/Contractor: Unknown
Source of information:
28. Original owner: William P. Shott
Source of information: Mesa County Clerk and Recorder and Assessor Records
29. Construction history (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions):
Most recent alterations including new windows and siding completed when Grand Valley Catholic Outreach acquired the building in 2006.
30. Original location X Moved _____ Date of move(s):

V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

31. Original use(s): Domestic
32. Intermediate use(s): Domestic
33. Current use(s): Domestic
34. Site type(s): Downtown Home
35. Historical background: Julie, a seamstress, and her husband W.P. Schott, a contractor with Carlyle and Schott, were the original owners of the house which was built prior to 1897. They owned/occupied it ca. 1897-1906. The absentee owner ca. 1907-1910 was John Stapleton; and Mary and LeVergne Cook, ca. 1915-1924. Capitola (Cappie) and Hardy Decker, Chief of Police (1925-1937) lived in the house ca. 1925-1941 and was the owner ca. 1927-1946. Flossie and Everett Pierce, a driver for the Rio Grande Motorways were the tenants in 1946. As Decker

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was Chief of Police during a particularly tumultuous time period when many high profile crimes were being committed, this house should be considered for potential eligibility to the local register.

36. Sources of information: Plat Map, Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, Grand Junction City Directories. Obituary Index, Grand Junction Daily Sentinel Newspaper May 4, 1950. Grand Junction Historic Survey 1981.

VI. SIGNIFICANCE

37. Local landmark designation: Yes ___ No X 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)

X Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria

39. Area(s) of significance:

40. Period of significance:

41. Level of significance: National ___ State ___ Local X

42. Statement of significance: Until recently, a house which has been little modified over the years. Although not eligible for the National Register, this house may contribute to a local register.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance: New materials detract from historic character.

VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:

Eligible ___ Not Eligible X 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 42 Frame 21 View n Dir SW taken 4/29/1996 (not attached) and 7/10/2015 (attached)

Negatives and digital photograph filed at City of Grand Junction

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48. Report title: Grand Junction Historic Resources Survey Phase 2
49. Date(s): 5/31/1996 and 7/10/2015
50. Recorder(s): Museum Group Staff and Kristen Ashbeck
51. Organization: Museum of Western Colorado and City of Grand Junction
52. Address: PO Box 20000-5020 Grand Junction CO 81502-5020
250 North 5th Street Grand Junction CO 81501
53. Phone number(s): 970.241.9117 and 970.244.1491

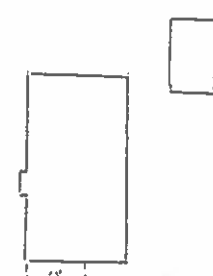
NOTE: Please include a sketch map, a photocopy of the USGS quad map indicating resource location, and photographs.

History Colorado - Office of Archaeology & Historic Preservation
1200 Broadway, Denver, CO 80203 (303) 866-3395

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247 White Avenue Grand Junction CO - North Facade

<p align="center">COLORADO HISTORICAL SOCIETY Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation 1300 Broadway Denver, CO 80203</p> <p align="center">HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY</p>		SITE NO.: 5ME8624
COUNTY: Mesa CITY: Grand Junction		Eligible for National Register <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no date _____ initials _____ Criteria <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D Contributes to a potential National Register district <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no district name: _____
HISTORIC BUILDING NAME: Decker, Hardy, House		Eligible for State Register <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no date _____ initials _____ Criteria <input type="checkbox"/> a <input type="checkbox"/> b <input type="checkbox"/> c <input type="checkbox"/> d <input type="checkbox"/> e Areas of significance: _____
CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Catholic Outreach		LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no Date of designation: N/A Designating authority: N/A
ADDRESS: 247 White Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501		P.M.: UTE township: 1S range:1W SE ¼ of NE ¼ of NW¼ of SW¼ of section 14
OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: Grand Valley Catholic Outreach, 230 N. 3rd St., Grand Junction, CO 81501-2439		UTM REFERENCE-12 Easting: 710410 Northing: 4327060
		USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction Year: 1962; photorevised 1973 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7.5' <input type="checkbox"/> 15'
STYLE: Vernacular Wood Frame		Block: 98 Lot(s): 12 and 13 Addition: Year of addition:
BUILDING TYPE:		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original location <input type="checkbox"/> moved Date of moves(s):
MATERIALS: Concrete Foundation - Wood Frame - Asphalt Shingle Roof		HISTORIC USE: Domestic PRESENT USE: Domestic
STORIES: 1	SQUARE FOOTAGE: 1116	DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1897 actual: Source of information: Tax Assessor's Records
PLAN SHAPE: north arrow 		ARCHITECT: Unknown Source of information:
		BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown Source of information:
		ORIGINAL OWNER: William P. Shott Source of information: Lot and Block Books
		ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS- <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no Type: Garage

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One story, cross gable roof. Cross gable on east side of facade. Concrete steps on center of facade lead to an open porch with shed roof that extends across east half of facade. Narrow vertical siding on half-wall. Squared, half height, 6 x 6 corner porch posts. Six, 2 x 4, half-height posts probably frames for removed screens. Paneled front door with single light. Windows around house are double hung, wood sash, one-over-one. Bay with hipped roof on east elevation. Large, metal frame sliding window on west facade. White simple drop wood siding. Raking cornices, corner boards, and siding on half-wall and corner porch are white. Window frames and surrounds, 2 x 4 porch posts are dark green. Green composition shingle roof with boxed eaves. Brick chimney on ridge. Foundation skirted with wood planks painted dark green.

Lawn, with gravel and two maple saplings next to street. Three mature elm trees along east side of lot. Front and back yards enclosed by chain link fence.

One car garage in rear. Roof shingles and siding same as house.

PHOTOGRAPHS (include photographs showing each side of building and any associated buildings)

Film roll no.: 42
Negative no.: 21

Photographer: Carolyn Howard
Location of negatives: City Of Grand Junction

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Metal window on facade. Additional construction or modifications not noted in Assessor's records.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): Julia, a seamstress, and her husband W. P. Schott, a contractor with Carlyle and Schott, were the original owners of the house which was built prior to 1897. They owned/occupied it, ca. 1897-1906. The absentee owner, ca. 1907-1910, was John Stapleton; and Mary and LeVergne Cook, ca. 1915-1924. Capitola (Cappie) and Hardy Decker, Chief of Police (1925-1937), lived in the house ca. 1925-1941, and was the owner ca. 1927-1946. Flossie and Everett Pierce, a driver for Rio Grande Motorways, were the tenants in 1946. As Decker was Chief of Police during a particularly tumultuous time period when many high profile crimes were being committed, this house should be considered for potential eligibility to the local register.

INFORMATION SOURCES (be specific): Plat Map, Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, Grand Junction City Directories. Obituary Index. Grand Junction Daily Sentinel Newspaper, 4 May 1950. Grand Junction Historic Survey, 1981.

SIGNIFICANCE (check appropriate categories)

Architectural significance:
 represents the work of a master
 possess high artistic value
 represents a type, period, or method of construction

Historical significance:
 associated with significant person(s)
 associated with significant event
 associated with a pattern of events
 contributes to an historic district

National Register eligibility:
Individual yes no
Criteria: A B C D
Area(s) of significance: Architecture

Contributes to a potential district:
 yes no
District name:

Period of significance: 1897

THEME(S):

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): A house which has been little modified over the years. Although not eligible for the National Register, this house may contribute to a local register.

INVENTORY COMPLETED BY: Museum Group Staff

DATE: 5/31/96

AFFILIATION: Museum of Western Colorado

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PROJECT NAME: Grand Junction Historic Resources Survey, Phase 2



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