

COLORADO HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
1300 Broadway Denver, CO 80203

HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY

Site no.: SME7659

Eligible for National Register yes no
date _____ initials _____
Criteria A B C D
Contributes to a potential National Register district
 yes no district name: _____

COUNTY: Mesa

CITY: Grand Junction

Eligible for State Register yes no
date _____ initials _____
Criteria a b c d e
Areas of significance: _____

HISTORIC BUILDING NAME: Getty, Lewis, House

Period of significance _____
Needs data date _____ initials _____

CURRENT BUILDING NAME:

LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: yes no

ADDRESS: 618 W. Colorado Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81505-1616

Date of designation: N/A
Designating authority: N/A

OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: Oferto Investments, 524 30 Rd., Suite 2, Grand Junction, CO 81504

P.M.: UTE township: 1S range:1W
SW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of NW1/4 of SE1/4 of section 15

UTM REFERENCE-12
Easting: 709610
Northing: 4326780

USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction

Year: 1962; photorevised 1973 7.5' 15'

STYLE: Craftsman

Block: 1
Lot(s): W 14.5' of 43 all 44 and 45
Addition: Bower
Year of addition: 1900

BUILDING TYPE:

original location moved
Date of moves(s): _____

MATERIALS: Concrete Foundation; Wood Frame; Asphalt Shakes; Asphalt Shingle Roof

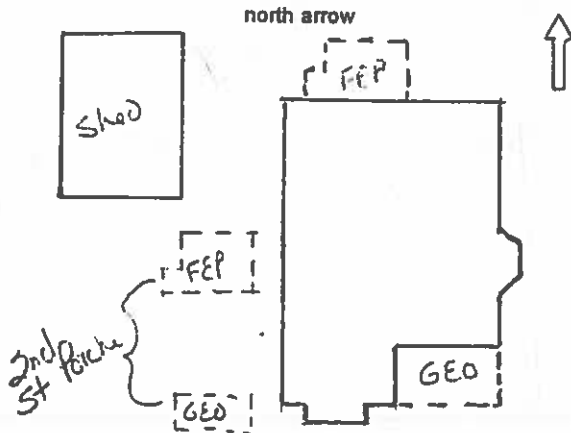
HISTORIC USE: Domestic
PRESENT USE: Domestic

STORIES: 2

SQUARE FOOTAGE: 2067

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1917 actual:
Source of information: Tax Assessor's Records

PLAN SHAPE:



ARCHITECT: Unknown

Source of information: _____

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown

Source of information: _____

ORIGINAL OWNER: F.V. Ready

Source of information: Lot and Block Book

ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS- yes no

Type: Convert. Garage

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: Two story with cross gables and battered foundation. Concrete steps with pipe railing lead to two tier sunporch/entry with hip roof, on east half of facade. The second story porch has shed roof. Both porches have half-walls with siding and squared columns on corners. The front door is paneled with single light and is flanked by narrow, single pane side lights. East of the door is a 3' square single pane window set on diagonal. Another 3' diagonal window half way up east elevation, evidently at stair turning. Both first and second story porches are glazed with double hung, metal sash windows, one-over-one. Other windows are double hung wood sash, one-over-one. On the west half of the facade is a two story bay window, with flared hip roof. On east elevation is a shallow projecting bay with flared hip roof. Siding is off-white, composition shakes. Door and window surrounds, porch and bay window columns, bargeboards and exposed rafters are white. Narrow string course around house at first story sill level, and string course around house at window top level are white. Roof is light gray composition shingles, with exposed rafters which are deeply cut in curvilinear shapes. The cuts are very deep and rafters may be chiefly ornamental. Bargeboards have curvilinear edges and cutout patterns. All eaves on gables, shed and hip roofs are deep and flared. Brick fireplace chimney on west eave wall and another brick chimney on north slope. Chain link fence around property. Landscaped with one arborvitae by front steps and small lawn.

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

Film roll no.: 11
Negative no.: 23

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

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Composition shake siding, metal framed glazing on porches. Additional construction or modifications not noted in Assessor's Records.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): Owned by the Dora and Lewis Getty family from its construction ca. 1917 until 1946, with the exception of two years, ca. 1930-1931, when it was owned by Carl A. Dewey. Residents included a janitor, car salesman, and a brakeman for the Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad.

INFORMATION SOURCES (be specific): Appraisal Card, Grand Junction City Directories.

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(e)
 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: 1917

THEME(S):

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): In a working class neighborhood, this large Craftsman is not typical. The house has variations on features of the style. The eaves are very deep, and the flaring has a long sweep. Bargeboards and rafter ends are cut in uncommon patterns. Of the Craftsman houses in town, this is the most innovative and fanciful. Aside from the porch windows and the siding, it has survived in original condition.

INVENTORY COMPLETED BY: Museum Group Staff

DATE: 2/14/96

AFFILIATION: Museum of Western Colorado

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