

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

HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY

SITE NO.: 5ME8461

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

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

COUNTY: Mesa

CITY: Grand Junction

HISTORIC BUILDING NAME: Little Villa Motel

Period of significance _____
Needs data date _____ initials _____

CURRENT BUILDING NAME:

LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: yes no

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

ADDRESS: 609 North Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501

P.M.: UTE township: 1S range:1W
NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of section 14

OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: Beryl Sanderson, 2245 Tiffany Dr., Grand Junction, CO 81501-1297

UTM REFERENCE-12
Easting: 710900
Northing: 4327970

USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction

Year: 1962; photorevised 1973 7.5' 15'

STYLE: Mid 20th Century Commercial

Block: 6
Lot(s): 1 - 4 inc.
Addition:
Year of addition:

BUILDING TYPE:

original location moved

Date of moves(s):

MATERIALS: Concrete Foundation - Concrete Block/Stucco - Built Up/Shake Roof

HISTORIC USE: Domestic

PRESENT USE: Domestic

STORIES: 1

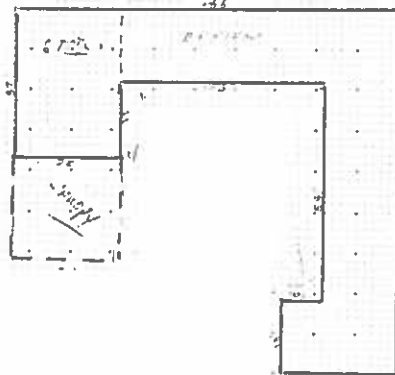
SQUARE FOOTAGE: 616

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1957 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: J.W. Scaregli

Source of information: Lot and Block Books

ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS- yes no

Type:

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One story with flat roof. Concrete foundation. A wing along the east half of the North Avenue frontage has an open porch across the west elevation, with three grey steel posts. A concrete ramp across the west elevation leads to the flush door with large light on the north. All the doors of the building are painted teal. On the North Avenue elevation is a large single light window, flanked by single light casements in steel frames. To the west of this window are five glass block windows, one block wide and four high. The narrow windows are separated by stucco mullions. From the south elevation of the front wing, the building continues along the east property line to about half the length of the lot. An adjoining south wing reaches to a wing along a third of the west property periphery. Formerly, there were ten motel rooms. Now they are remodeled into six office units. The windows are uniform, pairs of sliding single light casements in dark frames with brick rowlock sills. Doors are flush, with full lights. Walls are concrete block with light gray stucco on the elevations facing the inner courtyard and North Avenue. Back walls are exposed concrete, painted light gray. Flat roof has a parapet on the stuccoed walls. A visor roof slopes from the parapet to shelter the doors and windows. Wood shingle roof. A continuous concrete walk is under the visor roof.

Auto courtyard has asphalt paving and is partially surrounded by a gray metal fence. The rear of the lot, behind the building, has a chain-link fence and is graveled for auto parking. Row of arborvitae along the west elevation. Signs on roof identifying the various offices.

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

Film roll no.: 30
Negative no.: 11

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

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Stucco over brick, concrete ramp and shingled visor roof. Additional construction or modifications not noted in Assessor's records.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): The Little Villa Motel was constructed on this site, ca. 1957. Eva and Frank Needham, and Nicola and Fannie Belacastro, were the joint owners, ca. 1956 to at least 1958. A earlier house, listed as 1036 N. 6th, was formerly located at this site.

INFORMATION SOURCES (be specific): Plat Map, Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, Grand Junction City Directories. Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps: 1926, 1961.

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: 1925

THEME(S):

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): The building uses the standard footprint for the North Avenue motels. It is smaller than most. The colors and fence coordinate with 555 North Avenue, across the street.

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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