

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

HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY

SITE NO.: 5ME8430

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: Bob's Car Wash

Period of significance _____
 Needs data ___ date _____ initials _____

CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Bob's Car Wash

LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: yes no

Date of designation: N/A

Designating authority: N/A

ADDRESS: 441 North Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501

P.M.: UTE township: 1S range:1W
 NE ¼ of NW ¼ of NE¼ of NW¼ of section 14

OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: Gamble Enterprises, Inc., PO Box 2906, Grand Junction, CO 81502-2906

UTM REFERENCE-12
 Easting: 710665
 Northing: 4327970

USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction

Year: 1962; photorevised 1973 7.5' 15'

STYLE: 20th Century Commercial Masonry

Block: 8
 Lot(s): 11
 Addition:
 Year of addition:

BUILDING TYPE:

original location moved

Date of moves(s):

MATERIALS: Concrete Foundation - Masonry - Flat Roof

HISTORIC USE: Commerce

PRESENT USE: Commerce

STORIES: 1

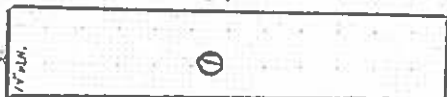
SQUARE FOOTAGE: 2500

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1955 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: George and Valetta Cochran

Source of information: Lot and Block Books

ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS- yes no

Type:

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One story. Concrete foundation. In the center of the facade, which abuts the sidewalk, is a paneled door with a light. Over the door is a large single light transom. To the east of the transom are two matching single lights. On the west half of the facade is a large, folding, automobile door with ten lights. On the rear half of the east elevation is a row of three large fixed single lights. Adjacent are large, steel fixed sash windows with multi-panes. The rear of the building has a large, sixteen light steel fixed sash window, a paneled door and an automobile entrance which is the same as the facade automobile exit. The walls are concrete block, painted dark brown. Doors, window frames are all dark brown. The flat roof has an even parapet. The rear half of the building has a parapet which is 2' lower.
Two large billboards are mounted on the roof.

PHOTOGRAPHS (include photographs showing each side of building and any associated buildings)
 Film roll no.: 30 Photographer: Carolyn Howard
 Negative no.: 13 Location of negatives: City Of Grand Junction

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

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): George and Valetta Cochran were the first owners of this commercial property. They were operating "Bob's Minit Man Automatic Car Wash" at this location by 1956. The business sold in 1958 to Frederick and Louise Matteson.

INFORMATION SOURCES (be specific): Plat Map, Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, 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(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: 1955

THEME(S):

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): This building was built for a car wash in the 1950s and has primarily been used for that purpose. Although not eligible for the National Register, this *building* may contribute to a local register.

INVENTORY COMPLETED BY: Museum Group Staff	DATE: 5/31/96
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