

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

HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY

SITE NO.: 5ME8434

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: \_\_\_\_\_

Period of significance \_\_\_\_\_

Needs data  date \_\_\_\_\_ initials \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY: Mesa

CITY: Grand Junction

HISTORIC BUILDING NAME: The house at 545 Teller Avenue

CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Brady Residence

LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION:  yes  no

Date of designation: N/A

Designating authority: N/A

ADDRESS: 545 Teller Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-2623

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

OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: John E. Brady, Sr., 545 Teller Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-2623

UTM REFERENCE-12

Easting: 710800

Northing: 4327740

USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction

Year: 1962; photorevised 1973  7.5'  15'

STYLE: Vernacular Wood Frame

Block: 29

Lot(s): 12

Addition:

Year of addition:

BUILDING TYPE:

original location  moved

Date of moves(s):

MATERIALS: Concrete Foundation - Wood Frame - Asphalt Shingle Roof

HISTORIC USE: Domestic

PRESENT USE: Domestic

STORIES: 1

SQUARE FOOTAGE: 540

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1937 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: Oliver B. Crosby

Source of information: Lot and Block Books

ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS-  yes  no

Type: Garage



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**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:** One story with hip on gable roof. Concrete foundation is painted red. Concrete steps with brick piers lead to fully enclosed porch with hip on gable roof extending across nearly the entire facade. Porch entirely faced with aluminum clapboard siding. Porch glazing consists of seven windows, with pairs of metal frame sliding single lights. Metal storm door and a flush main door with three diagonally arranged lights on porch. Windows on the east elevation are double hung, wood sash, one-over-one. One of these windows has red, wood slat shutters. The west elevation has two large mull windows with metal frames and red, wood slat shutters. White simple drop siding. Brown composition roof shingles with overhanging eaves and exposed rafter ends.

Yard with sapling next to street. Front yard enclosed by chain-link fence. Side and backyards enclosed by low wire fence. Single car garage in rear with front gable, green composition roof shingles and white simple drop siding.

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

Film roll no.: 38  
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): Enclosed porch. Metal frame windows. Additional construction or modifications not noted in Assessor's records.

**HISTORICAL BACKGROUND** (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): Oliver B. Crosby was the first owner of the house, ca. 1937-1942. Alta and Arthur R. Jorgenson, a helper with the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad, were the tenants ca. 1939, and again in ca. 1946 when the house was owned by O.R. and Minnie Hanks. Estelle and Jack O'Grady, an railroad engineer, were the renters, ca. 1941.

**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:

THEME(s):

Period of significance: 1937

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE** (briefly justify the significance checked above): Remodeling of the porch has altered the Bungalow appearance. 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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