

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

HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY

SITE NO.: 5ME8490

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: O'Brien, W.H. and Bessie, House

Period of significance _____
Needs data date _____ initials _____

CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Dominguez Residence

LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: yes no

ADDRESS: 314 Gunnison Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-2430

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

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

OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: P. Douglas Dominguez, 314 Gunnison Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-2430

UTM REFERENCE-12
Easting: 710480
Northing: 4327580

USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction

Year: 1962; photorevised 1973 7.5' 15'

STYLE: Bungalow

Block: 36
Lot(s): 29 and 30
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

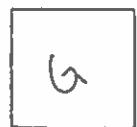
STORIES: 1

SQUARE FOOTAGE: 1062

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1923 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: W.H. and Bessie O'Brian

Source of information: Lot and Block Books

ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS- yes no

Type: Garage

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One story with front gable roof. Battered basement skirted with shake shingles. Concrete steps with wrought iron railings lead to enclosed porch with front gable roof situated in center of facade. Shake shingle siding on half-wall extends to the ground. Vertical wood siding on upper porch walls. Porch glazing consists of four pairs of metal frame sliding windows. Paneled porch door with single, large light. Metal awnings over porch door and porch facade windows and on west elevation. Windows around house are double hung, wood sash, one-over-one, with metal storms and screens. Small, single pane basement windows. Squared projecting bay under principal roof on east elevation. Light gray asbestos shingle siding. Window frames are gray. Porch door, exposed rafter ends, knee braces and bargeboards are white. Light gray composition roof. The east slope of the porch roof has a very wide overhang. Gray exposed rafter ends and knee braces in corners of facade. Brick chimney on ridge.

Landscaped yard with mature tree next to street. Porch steps framed by evergreen shrubs with flower beds. Row of shrubs along west side of lot. Backyard enclosed by chain-link fence.

One car garage at end of paved rear driveway. Front gable roof with light gray composition shingle roof with overhanging eaves and exposed rafter ends. White simple drop siding.

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

Film roll no.: 37

Photographer: Carolyn Howard

Negative no.: 7

Location of negatives: City Of Grand Junction

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

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): Bessie and William H. O'Brien, a railroad fireman, were the first owners/occupants, ca. 1925 through at least 1946. Bessie, a widow and an attendant at the State Home and Training School, appears to have later married Lorenzo Beard. They occupied the house, ca. 1955 to at least 1965.

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: 1923

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): A house with the frequently seen enclosed porch, and new siding. The long porch roof slope is novel. Although not eligible for the National Register, this house may contribute to a local register.

INVENTORY COMPLETED BY: Museum Group Staff

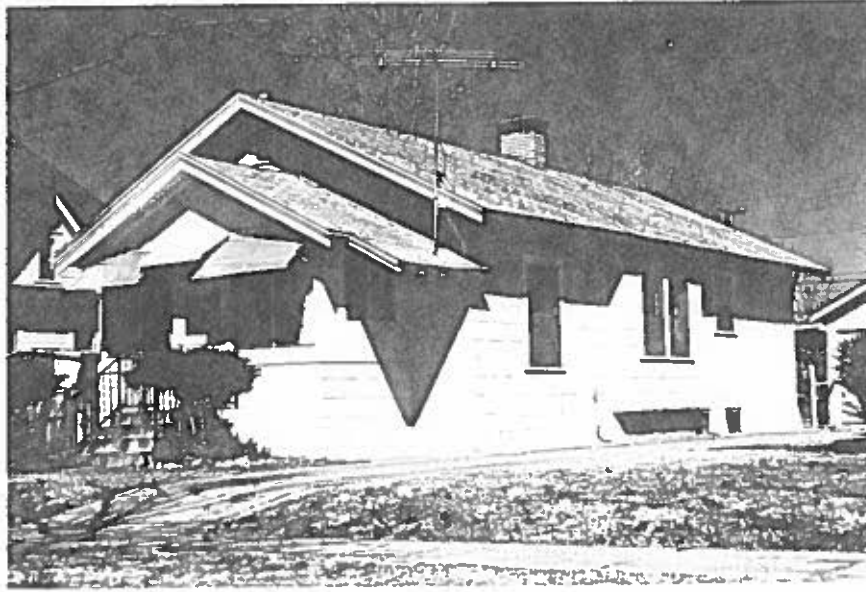
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PROJECT NAME: Grand Junction Historic Resources Survey, Phase 2



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