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| <b>COLORADO HISTORICAL SOCIETY</b><br>Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation<br>1300 Broadway Denver, CO 80203<br><br><b>HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY</b> |                      | SITE NO.: 5ME8657  |
|   |                      | Eligible for National Register <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no<br>date _____ initials _____<br>Criteria <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D<br>Contributes to a potential National Register district<br><input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no district name: _____ |
| COUNTY: Mesa  | CITY: Grand Junction | Eligible for State Register <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no<br>date _____ initials _____<br>Criteria <input type="checkbox"/> a <input type="checkbox"/> b <input type="checkbox"/> c <input type="checkbox"/> d <input type="checkbox"/> e<br>Areas of significance: _____   |
| HISTORIC BUILDING NAME: The Quonset Hut at 545 Ute Avenue   |                      | Period of significance _____<br>Needs data <input type="checkbox"/> date _____ initials _____  |
| CURRENT BUILDING NAME:  |                      | LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: [ ] yes [X] no<br><br>Date of designation: N/A<br>Designating authority: N/A   |
| ADDRESS: 545 Ute Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501   |                      | P.M.: UTE township: 1S range: 1W<br>SW ¼ of NE ¼ of SE¼ of SW¼ of section 14   |
| OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: City of Grand Junction, 250 N. 5th St., Grand Junction, CO 81501-2628   |                      | UTM REFERENCE-12<br>Easting: 710860<br>Northing: 4326670<br><br>USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction<br><br>Year: 1962; photorevised 1973 [X] 7.5' [ ] 15'   |
| STYLE: Quonset Hut  |                      | Block: 139<br>Lot(s): S50' 9 thru 12 inc.<br>Addition:<br>Year of addition: 1890   |
| BUILDING TYPE:  |                      | [X] original location [ ] moved<br><br>Date of moves(s): _____   |
| MATERIALS: Concrete Foundation - Steel Panels   |                      | HISTORIC USE: Domestic<br><br>PRESENT USE: Domestic  |
| STORIES: 1  | SQUARE FOOTAGE: 3200 | DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1952 actual:<br>Source of information: Tax Assessor's Records  |
| PLAN SHAPE: <div style="text-align: center;">                     north arrow<br/> </div>   |                      | ARCHITECT: Unknown<br><br>Source of information: _____   |
|   |                      | BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown<br><br>Source of information: _____  |
|   |                      | ORIGINAL OWNER: The Sterling Company<br><br>Source of information: Lot and Block Books   |
|   |                      | ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS- [ ] yes [X] no<br><br>Type: _____  |

**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:** One story commercial steel. Concrete foundation. The traditional quonset shape, the walls of corrugated steel curve up and over in an arc. The vertical east and west end wall also are corrugated steel. On the lateral walls are four steel sash awning windows with six lights. High above them are long horizontal clerestories, with green fiberglass. On each vertical end are a flush door, a steel sash awning window, and a large metal vehicle door. Over all the windows are heavy gauge steel mesh grilles. The entire structure is painted white. It is sited at the rear of a gravel lot, along the alley.

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

Film roll no.: 41  
Negative no.: 24

Photographer: Carolyn Howard  
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):** This quonset hut, originally owned by the Sterling Company, was listed as "vacant" from its construction in 1952 through 1970. It is currently owned by the City of Grand Junction.

**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: 1952

**THEME(S):**

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above):** The traditional quonset shape, this unmodified example was used for automotive purposes.

**INVENTORY COMPLETED BY:** Museum Group Staff

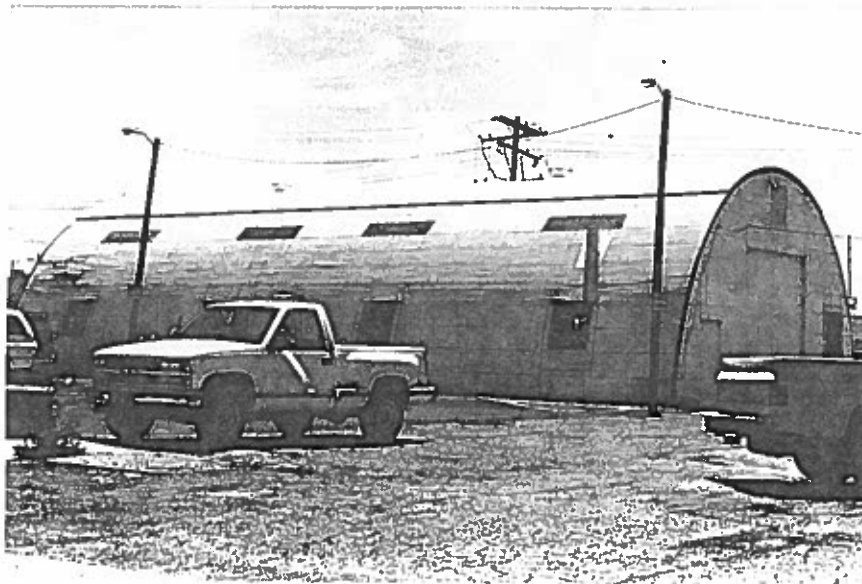
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**PROJECT NAME:** Grand Junction Historic Resources Survey, Phase 2



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