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July 30, 1995

TO: Barbara

FROM: Judy Prosser-Armstrong Collections & Information Manager

RE: Presbyterian Church

According to the State Historical Society (see: attachment) the church has been declared eligible officially, as well as field eligible to the National Register\*. I am attaching three pieces of documentation (1) information from a printout we received from the state (2) a copy of the historic site inventory that was done in 1981 (3) copy of a form recently completed by the Museum's records team.

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There are many possibilities for additional research. One of the most pertinent resources is a history that was written about the church a few years ago. It, an early photograph of the church, and a newspaper clipping file are in the Museum's collections/holdings.

Donna Roberts, the Museum's business manager, is a member of the church. She has interpreted church history for our walking tours, and has been working with others in the church to preserve pertinent documentation.

\*(Caution: I would note that the above eligibility is contingent on nothing being done to alter the exterior of the building that would make it ineligible.

CC: Debra/Donna

WHITE HALL 600 WHITE AVENUE

GRAND JUNCTION COLORADO 31501-2730

October 27 1995

City of Grand Junction

Community Development 250 North 5th Street Grand Junction, CO 81501

Attn: Kristen Ashbeck

Dear Kristen:

Guy Kelly Washburn, sole owner of WHITE HALL, would appreciate your favorable consideration for the approval of WHITE HALL, located at 600 White Avenue as a local historical site. It is my intention to have this building placed on the list of local, state, and national historic structures.

Thank you very much,

Guy Kelly Washburn WHITE HALL, owner 600 White Auchue

Grand Junction Co. 81501-2730

970-2416880

October 27, 1995

The White Hall building, located at 600 White Avenue, was built as the First Presbeterian Church in 1923. The corner stone was laid on new years day in 1924. The total cost of the building was \$105,000.00 and it was paid off on November 26 1944.

The East Wing of the building was started August 2, 1957 and completed one year later.

The building was used as the Presbeterian Church until spring of 1993. It sat empty until Guy Washburn bought it in October 1994.

It is currently being used as a multi purpose cultural hall and wedding facility. The East Wing is currently leased out as office space.

## WHITE HALL

## CENTURY OLD CHURCH CONVERTED TO OFFICES & MEETING HALL

### By Rachael Held Independent Enterprise Reporter

unique building at the corner and White Streets has seen

of changes as its form nagement have shifted.

one century, the First erian Church owned it. In

it experienced two fires

umber of expansions.

ording to <u>The Church</u> at nd White, in April 1890, st Presbyterian Church in a 30- by 50-foot buildar the comer of White

It was 25 feet from Sixth and had small coloredanes as trim for its winhe church had two 25-

for its property. 10 years after its incep-

anitor started a fire in the the church as usual and me for breakfast. The fire

and residents walking by tion reported it.

book reports that the fire in the chimney and burned er part and the roof fell in.

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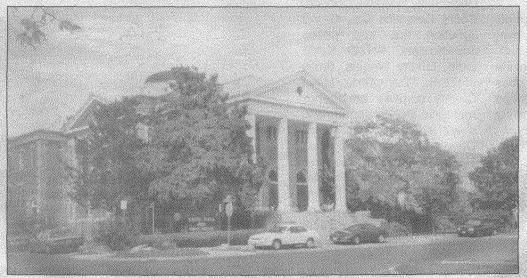
ns were made to construct a uilding.

Baptist, Methodist and

needed to be turned down.

Less than two hours later, smoke

was ready to move forward. Past church debts complicated



The familiar columns of the former Presbyterian church at 6th and White, Grand Junction.

Photo By M.B. Marye

came pouring out of the church and firefighters had a hard time fighting the fire. The pulpit and plano fell to the basement as a result of the blaze.

The Daily Sentinel quoted the fire chief as estimating \$800 in damages, but church members said it was much closer to \$2,500.

The First Presbyterian Church soon decided to repair the building instead of constructing another new

Six months after the fire, recon-

financial problems. The addition was postponed. Interest-free loan grants of \$640 from 1890 had never been paid, nor had the unpaid interest from 1937.

branches of Presbyterian Church joined in Grand Junction in 1959 under the name of

Gunnison. Following the merger, the sanctuary was painted and the lights in

the ceiling fixtures were replaced. Harold Scatterday, a church and architect at member

kitchen, put cement floor in the room and make a new entran

Sixth Street to the base new church sign wa made.

Prest The First Church moved to a ne tion at 3940 27 1/2 F 1992 at the recommend Grand Junction structur neer Don Pettygrove.

Structural problems, ly in the foundation, pr the move, Pettygrove si

"It's on wooden pile they've been deteriorati said.

Guy Washburn is owner of White Ha 30,000-square-foot bui used for office space sanctuary is now used to dings, seminars, conce meetings.

When Washburn mc he had the roof, carpeting an ing redone in the east wing wh offices are located. He is o restoring the dome and surre windows and repainting the

He is trying to get an h preservation grant to do major to White Hall, such as fix cracks in the walls.

"Some of the problem been addressed. Others still be," he said.

The classrooms were



City of Grand Junction, Colorado 250 North Fifth Street 81501-2668 FAX: (303) 244-1599

November 17, 1995

Mr. Guy K. Washburn 300 North 6th Street Grand Junction, Colorado 81501-2730

Dear Guy,

Congratulations! The Grand Junction City Council, at its November 15, 1995 meeting designated the First Presbyterian Church (White Hall) on the City Register of Historic Sites, Structures, and Districts. As you are aware, this makes the structure eligible for historic preservation funds as are currently available through the Colorado Historical Society's State Historic Fund.

The enclosed resolution will be recorded in the records of the Mesa County Clerk and Recorder and will be forwarded to the Colorado Historical Society for their records as well. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have further questions about this historic designation.

Sincerely,

Kristen Ashbeck

Planner



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

## Historic Building Inventory Record

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current building name		owner								
White Hall		Guy K. Wa								
address		300 North			11 2720					
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2945-143-06-951

#### ARCHITECTURAL/HISTORICAL COMPONENT FORM

IMPORTANT: USE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE GREEN INVENTORY RECORD FORM FOR FOR RECORDING HISTORIC STRUCTURES AND DISTRICTS. USE SEPARATELY FOR RECORDING STRUCTURES LOCATED WITHIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES.

1) Resource !	No2) Temp No	3) Name	
4) Address	622 White Ave.	5) District Name D	owntown
I. INTEGRITY	Y: 6) Condition: Good XX F	air Deteriorated	
7) Original N	Jse Church	8) Present Use First	Presbyterian Church
9) Original S	Site XX Moved Date(s) o	of Move:	
	Altered XX Explain:		•
II. DESCRIPT	ION; 11) Building Material	s Red (pink) Brick/Woo	od detail 2-3 story (?)
[2] Constructi	on Date <u>1923</u>	13] Architect/Builder	
•	ral Style(s) <u>Jeffersoniar</u>		•
5) Special Fe	atures/Surroundings: <u>Dome</u>		
at entry,	Pedemented entry. Bri		<pre>lected)   arched entry (doorway 3)</pre>
colored g	lass,, leaded windows i	n arch, 3 panel leade	d windows above each
_doorway	Formal stairs leading	up to 1st level. Mol	ding & stringcouise,
below roo	fline. Barih pilasters	3.	
16) Archaeolo	gical Potential: Yes No	Unknown XXX Explain:	
	Res./Office/Com.		
III. CULTURAL	ACTIVITIES: Key the resour to the cultura with it.	ce type (ie: house, barn, l activity theme and sub-t	shed, school, church, etc) heme category associated
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THE MUSEUM GROUP

OUT OF GRAND JUNCTION HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY, PHASE II

RECORDS TEAM



622 White Que Cu	rrent Address:
Parcel Number: Cu:	rrent Building Name:
2945-143-06-007 His	storic Name:
Township: 15 Range: (W Sec	ction: /4
Legal Description:	
Lot(s): 22 4 hry 31 inc	Block: §3
Addition: Subdivision:	Yr of Add.:
Date of Construction: 1903/1957 Sou Estimate Actual	urce:
Style: Communical Materials:	(see form)
Stories: Z	
Square Footage: 11,381+7,781	
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#### ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION Continued

the church, is a temple-front design with a pedimented raised entry and four two-story columns under the projecting portico. A formal flight of steps leads to the three front double door entrances.

The west side of the building repeats many of the same architectural elements as the front facade with tall, narrow arched windows between decorative brickwork pilasters and a pediment over the central part of the facade. In the southern-most bay of the west-facing facade there are arched windows on the second floor and square windows on the first floor. This large expanse of wall space given over to windows is typical of the temple-front design style in order to admit large quantities of light in the interior spaces.

There is a single door entrance on the west-facing side of the north wing of the building. The north wing has simple one-over-one windows in a regular pattern on both floors and on both the west- and north-facing sides. These windows have flat lintels of stone on the second floor and slightly arched stone lintels on the first floor. The basement also has regularly-spaced windows around the entire building, including the east wing.

The newer east wing is of simple masonry construction in a red brick similar to that in the original part of the church. The wing also has a large number of evenly-spaced windows on the north- and south-facing facades on the first and second floors and the basement. There are no windows on the east-facing end of the wing.

The site surrounding the First Presbyterian Church appears much as it did when the building was constructed except for landscaping that was enhanced in 1983 and by the present owner. The rear and side yard of the building is presently gravel and continues to be used for a parking area.

#### **CONSTRUCTION HISTORY Continued**

alteration to the church was the addition of the east wing in 1957. The wing was needed to create additional classroom space due to a growing congregation during the Uraniam Boom that the community as a whole was experiencing at the time. The two-story addition with a basement is simple in design and, despite its size, does not detract from the architectural integrity of the original part of the church.

#### HISTORICAL BACKGROUND Continued

A second church was constructed on the same site immediately following the fire. By this time the congregation numbered between 600 and 700. This larger, frame church served the growing congregation until 1917 when another fire left damages that were quickly repaired but there was soon talk of building a more substantial church. The frame church was torn down in 1923 as construction started on the masonry building that remains on the site. The congregation faced ups and downs during the following years, accruing a large debt (\$105,000) on the building as well as other expenses during the Depression. It was not until the 1940s that the debt could be paid off.

In the 1950s, the Uraniaum Boom was bringing new people into town and membership of the First Presbyterian Church was up to 955 with 598 children enrolled in Sunday School. With such crowding there was serious consideration given to naming a building committee, finding an architect and procuring property. The decision was made, however, to increase the size of the present building to accommodate 200 more people beyond the 700 that could reasonably use the building at the time. Since the east wing was added for this purpose in 1957, the building has changed little, however, the congregation did finally decide to acquire land and in the early 1990s built a large, modern church in the northern part of Grand Junction.

The existing building was used for the Presbyterian Church until the spring of 1993. It sat vacant until the present owner purchased it in the fall of 1994. The First Presbyterian Church, now known as White Hall, is currently being used as a multipurpose cultural hall and wedding facility as well as the owner's residence. The east wing is currently leased out as office space. Despite this change in use, the building's exterior qualities and appearance remain the same and it still has a unique presence in downtown Grand Junction.

#### STAFF REVIEW

DATE: November 8, 1995

REQUEST: Historic Designation of the First Presbyterian Church in the City Register of

Historic Sites, Structures and Districts

LOCATION: 600 White Avenue

PETITIONER: Guy K. Washburn

STAFF: Kristen Ashbeck

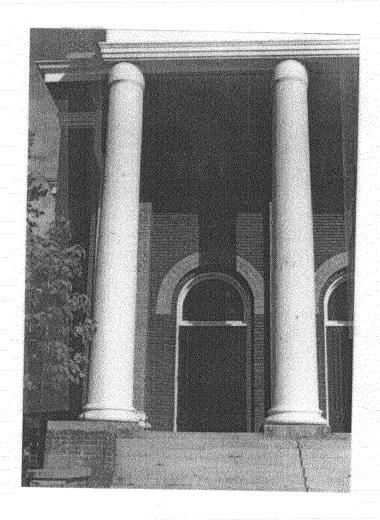
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: Guy K. Washburn, owner of the First Presbyterian Church (White Hall), is requesting that the church be designated as a historic building in the City Register of Historic Sites, Structures and Districts.

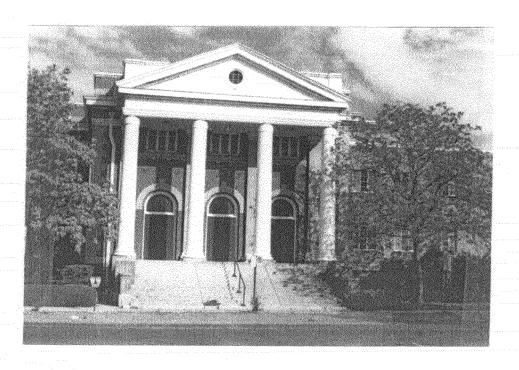
BACKGROUND/STAFF ANALYSIS: City Council adopted section 5-14, Historic Preservation, in the Zoning and Development Code in August 1994 which established a City Register of Historic Sites, Structures and Districts, to which eligible historic resources may be designated. The criteria by which the Historic Preservation Board and Council shall review a proposed designation are specified in the ordinance.

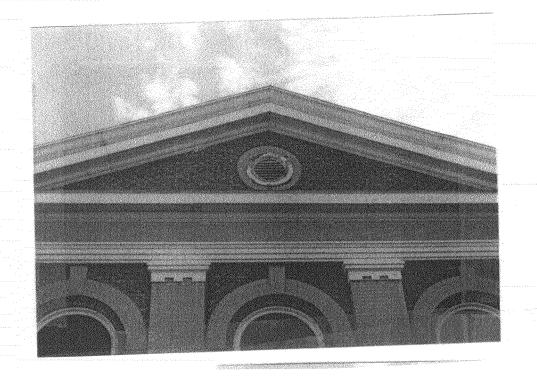
The following pages describe the characteristics of the First Presbyterian Church which justify its designation and detail the particular features of the building that should be preserved. Given this description, the Historic Preservation Board finds that the First Presbyterian Church meets the following designation criteria outlined in section 5-14-6 of the Zoning and Development Code:

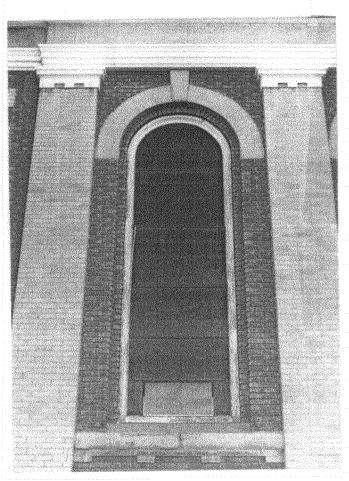
- Structure is at least 50 years old;
- Exemplifies specific elements of an architectural style or period;
- Exemplifies cultural, political, economic or ethnic heritage of the City;
- Enhances the sense of identity of the City; and
- Is an established and familiar visual feature of the City.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD RECOMMENDATION: Approval (4-0)











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MEETING OF THE GRAND JUNCTION HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD

PRESERVATION BOARD

Monday, November 6, 1995 4:00 pm

White Hall, 400 White Avenue

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Owner: Guy Washburn
Upon recommendation by the Board, the Grand Junction City
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November 15, 1995 at 7:30 pm in the City-Ceenty Auditorium,
S20 Rood Avenue, will consider designation of the First
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Upon recommendation by the Board, the Grand Junction City Council, at its regularly scheduled meeting Wednesday, November 15, 1995 at 7:30 pm in the City-County Auditorium, 520 Rood Avenue, will consider designation of the First Presbyterian Church to the City Register of Historic Sites, Structures and Districts.



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