

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

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Official eligibility determination
(OAHP use only)

Date _____ Initials _____
 Determined Eligible- NR
 Determined Not Eligible- NR
 Determined Eligible- SR
 Determined Not Eligible- SR
 Need Data
 Contributes to eligible NR District
 Noncontributing to eligible NR District

I. IDENTIFICATION

1. Resource number 5RT-2024
2. Temporary resource number: 145003007
3. County: Routt County
4. City: Steamboat Springs
5. Historic building name: N/A
6. Current building name: N/A
7. Building address: 214/ 216 4th Street Steamboat Springs, Colorado 80477
8. Owner name and address: Fryer, Darren J. & Shari Critchley
PO BOX 881365 Steamboat Springs, CO 80488

II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M., 6th Township 6N Range 84W
SE ¼ of NE ¼ of NW ¼ of NE ¼ of section 17
10. UTM reference (NAD 27)
Zone 13; 344905 mE 4483005 mN
- 10a. UTM reference (NAD 83)
Zone 13; 345037 mE 4483160 mN
11. USGS quad name: Steamboat Springs
Year: _____ Map scale: 1 : 25,000
12. Lot(s): lot 7 Block: 3
Addition: Original Town of Steamboat Springs Year of Addition: 1900
13. Boundary Description and Justification: This resource occupies .16 acres and is located at the corner of Oak and 4th Streets, an alley between Oak and Pine Streets provides a northern border.

III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

14. Building plan (footprint, shape): rectangular
 15. Dimensions in feet: Length 55' x Width 36'
 16. Number of stories: 1
 17. Primary external wall material(s) (enter no more than two): stucco
 18. Roof configuration: (enter no more than one): side gable
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19. Primary external roof material (enter no more than one): metal
20. Special features (enter all that apply): chimney
21. General architectural description: This resource is a 1,248 SF stick framed multiple dwelling unit constructed on a concrete foundation enclosing a 50 SF basement. Clad in stucco on all sides, this duplex is one story (not including basement) with a rectangular footprint. Retrofitted double-glazed windows, and new doors exist throughout the house and appear in fair condition. A simple side gabled prefinished ribbed metal roof spans the resource and extends to form less than 1' eave overhangs. Enclosed porches for both units bump out at the center of the main elevation visually separating the two units, which are externally, mirror images of one another. A lower, front gabled roof also clad in prefinished ribbed metal provides shelter for the main entries located side by side. Beginning with unit 216, the west entrance elevation from left to right contains a single rectangular double hung window, two double hung combined windows are located to the south just prior to the enclosed entries for both units. Access to the entry bump out requires 5 steps to the entry door and single fixed rectangular windows are located on each adjacent bump out wall. Unit 214 window placement mirrors unit 216, however, casement style windows are used instead of double hung windows. The basement level exposes high slider windows directly above each mulled window assembly at the main levels; these are the only exposed basement windows. The south elevation- unit 214 only, includes two single casement style windows each equidistant from the corners of the building. The east elevation windows from left to right include a single casement style window and a smaller double hung window located to the north just prior to a rear entry bump out similar to the front entry configuration. Two entry doors are located side by side with a single double hung window at either side, a second double hung window of the same size is located on both adjacent bump out walls. Unit 216 rear window configurations mirror unit 214. The north elevation- unit 216 only includes two rectangular fixed windows of the same size, equidistant from the corners of the building. This duplex forms a rectangular plan, very little detail exists on this building and it appears to be left with much of its original massing.
22. Architectural style/building type: No Style
23. Landscaping or special setting features: A small yard between the two identical duplex units with some deciduous shrubberies. Paved parking ends at the front entry steps and wraps around the north and east elevations as well.
24. Associated buildings, features, or objects: A second unit exists to the south of this duplex unit.

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IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of Construction: Estimate 1949 Actual _____
Source of information: Routt County Assessor
26. Architect: unknown
Source of information: _____
27. Builder/Contractor: unknown
Source of information: _____
28. Original owner: unknown
Source of information: _____
29. Construction history (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): In 1967, the front porch was covered enclosing 84 SF.
30. Original location Moved Date of move(s): _____

V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

31. Original use(s): Multiple Dwelling
32. Intermediate use(s): _____
33. Current use(s): Multiple Dwelling
34. Site type(s): duplex
35. Historical Background: Because no primary data on the resource has been found, a general background follows. The 1900s marked a time of transportation development. The Yampa Valley was an established ranching area, while Hahn's Peak was the county seat through 1912, with intensive mining operations. In 1905, the Steamboat Springs population was reported as 800. The arrival of the railroad to Steamboat Springs in 1908 facilitated the movement of stock and ore to Denver and further east. This connectivity also increased tourist numbers to Steamboat Springs. This was a prosperous decade for the city, with heightened growth and development.
36. Sources of information: Alexandroff, Marty. Historic Property Survey of Downtown Steamboat Springs, Steamboat Springs, Colorado: Tread of Pioneers Museum, 1996., Rettig, Margo. 2001 Historic Property Survey of Downtown Steamboat Springs, Colorado: Historic Routt County! Peterson, Laura. 2002 Historic Property Survey of Downtown Steamboat Springs, Colorado: Historic Routt County! Winter and Co., Historic Context of Routt County, 1994., McAlester, Virginia and Lee. A Field Guide to American Houses: Alfred A. Knopf, 1984., Harris, Cyril. Illustrated Dictionary of Historic Architecture: Dover Publications, 1977., Routt County Assessor data

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VI. SIGNIFICANCE

37. Local landmark designation: Yes No Date of designation: _____
Designating authority: _____

38. Applicable National Register Criteria:

- A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad pattern of our history;
- B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;
- C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
- D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in history or prehistory.
- E. Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G (see Manual)
- F. Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria

39. Area(s) of significance: Community planning and development

40. Period of significance: 1949-1953

41. Level of significance: National State Local

42. Statement of significance: Exemplary of the eclectic fabric of mixed use areas in Steamboat Springs, this resource illustrates early multiple dwelling units allowing us to consider evolutionary changes to multiple residential units built before and after 1949 found in the downtown area. This resource gives perspective into a growing population and a need for shared occupancies.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance: Much original massing remains intact though new fenestration, enclosed porches and cladding on both exterior frame and roofing materials have significantly altered the historic integrity and general feeling of this resource precluding it from eligibility at any level

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VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:

Eligible ___ Not Eligible x Need Data _____

45. Is there National Register district potential? Yes ___ No x

Discuss: No historic district has been proposed along this street.

If there is National Register district potential, is this building: Contributing ___ Noncontributing ___

46. If the building is in existing National Register district, is it: Contributing ___ Noncontributing ___

VIII. LOCAL LANDMARK ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44a. Local Register eligibility field assessment:

Eligible ___ Not Eligible x Need Data _____

45a. Discuss: This resource does not meet criteria for nomination at any level.

46a. Architectural Style/ Building Type (from Local Style Lexicon): No style

IX. RECORDING INFORMATION

47. Photograph numbers: 8-14, 8-16 Negatives filed at: City of Steamboat Springs

48. Report title: Steamboat Springs Residential Survey IV (2003)

49. Date(s): November, 2003 50. Recorder(s): Laura Peterson

51. Organization: Mountain Architecture Design Group

52. Address: 634 Oak Street, P.O. Box 770420, Steamboat Springs, CO 80477

53. Phone number(s): (970) 879-5764, fax (970) 879-5766

NOTE: Please attach a sketch map, a photocopy of the USGS quad. map indicating resource location, and photographs.

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