

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

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- Date \_\_\_\_\_ Initials \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_ Determined Eligible-National Register
  - \_\_\_ Determined Not Eligible - National Register
  - \_\_\_ Determined Eligible - State Register
  - \_\_\_ Determined Not Eligible - State Register
  - \_\_\_ Need Data
  - \_\_\_ Contributing to eligible National Register District
  - \_\_\_ Noncontributing to eligible National Register District



I. IDENTIFICATION

- 1. Resource number: **5PE.5698** Parcel number(s):
- 2. Temporary resource number: **525149001**
- 3. County: **Pueblo**
- 4. City: **Pueblo**
- 5. Historic building name: **Barlett, Ralph A., House**
- 6. Current building name: **322 West 15th Street**
- 7. Building address: **322 W 15th Street**
- 8. Owner name: **Pueblo Regional Building Department**
- Owner organization:
- Owner address: **316 W 15th St**  
**Pueblo, CO 81003**

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:	<input type="checkbox"/> Individually eligible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not eligible	<input type="checkbox"/> Need data
Local landmark eligibility field assessment:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individually eligible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not eligible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Need data

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## II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M.: **6th** Township: **20S** Range: **65W**  
**SW** 1/4 of **SW** 1/4 of **SE** 1/4 of **NE** 1/4 of Section **25**
10. UTM reference zone: **13**  
Easting: **534068** Northing: **4236822**
11. USGS quad name: **Northeast Pueblo** Scale: **7.5**  
Year: **1961 (Photorevised 1970 and 1974)**
12. Lot(s) : **Lots 8, 9, and 10; Block 21 (with easement on Lots 5 to 8; Block 23 of County Addition)**  
Addition: **Henry C. Brown's Addition** Year of addition: **1889**
13. Boundary description and justification:  
**The boundary, as described above, contains but does not exceed the land historically associated with this property.**  
Metes and bounds exist:

## III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

14. Building plan (footprint, shape): **Irregular Plan**  
Other building plan descriptions:
15. Dimensions in feet (length x width): **1,090 square feet**
16. Number of stories: **1 1/2**
17. Primary external wall material(s): **Stone/Sandstone** Other wall materials:  
**Metal/Aluminum Siding**
18. Roof configuration: **Gabled Roof/Front Gabled Roof**  
Other roof configurations:
19. Primary external roof material: **Asphalt Roof/Composition Roof**  
Other roof materials:
20. Special features:  
**Fence**  
**Garage/Attached Garage**  
**Car Port**  
**Chimney**  
**Roof Treatment/Dormer**
21. General architectural description:  
**Oriented to the north, this house rests on a rock-faced, buff-colored, random-coursed sandstone ashlar foundation, with raised and beaded mortar. The same stone comprises the first story walls. Cladding the exterior walls of the second story is tan-painted aluminum siding. Narrow, red-painted wood siding covers the gables, which feature eave returns. Windows in the first story are 1-over-1-light, double-hung sash, with red-painted wood frames. They open between massive, rock-faced sandstone sills and lintels. The upper story has 2- and 3-light, steel-frame casement windows. The principal doorway opens in the west end of the asymmetrical front (north) façade. Approaching it is a 6-step sandstone and concrete stoop, with flanking, steel railings. The doorway hosts a white-painted, wood slab door, opening behind a white, aluminum-frame storm door. Flanking the door on either side are large sidelights. A transom is above the door. A 15-light, pink-painted, glass-in-wood-frame door opens in the center of the façade's second story. It provides access to a small, cantilevered platform, lacking railings. An engaged hearth and chimney, covered in red stucco, dominates the center of the façade. Spanning the east elevation, corresponding to the basement level but extending no higher, is an attached garage. Dominating its north elevation is a 16-**

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panel, metal, overhead-retractable garage door, painted white. Attached to the east elevation of the garage is a further shed-roofed addition, clad in tan aluminum siding. Asphalt shingles cover the side-gabled roof. Large, shed-roofed dormers dominate both slopes of the roof.

22. Architectural style: **No Style**

Other architectural styles:

Building type:

23. Landscape or special setting features:

**This property is located on terrain sloping downward from north to south, with an elevation of around 4,700 feet above mean sea level. The neighborhood features modest, one- and two-story houses and commercial buildings, with some residential and medical-related buildings towering many stories above the rest of the landscape. Setbacks from West 15th Street are generally the same on this block. This property is situated on the south side of West 15th Street, between 316 West 15th Street to the east and 1420 North Grand Avenue to the west. Grass covers the strip separating the sidewalk from the street. A planted grass yard, with lush, mature landscaping, surrounds the house, particularly the terraced front yard.**

24. Associated buildings, features or objects:

1 : Type:

Describe:

## IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of Construction: Estimate: Actual: **1920**

Source of Information: **Pueblo County Office of Tax Assessor. Property information card [internet].**

26. Architect: **unknown**

Source of information:

27. Builder: **unknown**

Source of information:

28. Original Owner: **unknown**

Source of information:

29. Construction history:

**According to Pueblo County Tax Assessor records, this building was constructed in 1920. An analysis of the style, materials, and historical records corroborates this date. The building appears to have remained intact through 1952. However, it large gained a large addition to the east elevation and the roof was "popped up" with the large, shed-roofed dormers. These modifications appear to date to the 1970s.**

30. Location: **original** Date of move(s):

## V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

31. Original use(s): **Secondary Structure**

32. Intermediate use(s): **Single Dwelling**

33. Current use(s): **Single Dwelling**

34. Site type(s): **Residence**

35. Historical background:

**This house was constructed in 1920. Strangely, however, city directories list the address as "vacant" through 1930. Given its location and building materials, it may have originally served as a coach house and/or guest house for 1426 North Grand Avenue. In 1935, the resident was Ralph A. Bartlett. Maurice C. Forester purchased the property around 1940 but resided here briefly. He was born in Cass County, Iowa, on February 12, 1900. Forester later moved to Pueblo where he owned and operated the Fountain Brass and Iron Foundry. He then served as Pueblo County Chief Deputy Sheriff for more than 13 years. With his wife, Dorothy E. Forester, Maurice had two sons, Maurice and John. The elder Maurice Forester died on July 11, 1985.**

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Around 1950, Thomas Alvin Fox acquired the house and lot. A veteran of World War II, Fox was a long-distance truck driver who owned his own rig. With his wife, Elsie Fox, Thomas had eight children: Thomas F. Fox, William R. Fox, Allen M. Fox, Edwin R. Fox, Nancy H. Miller, Terry L. Fox, Ronald C. Fox, and Richard Jeffery Fox. The elder Thomas Fox died on January 15, 1977.

In 1960, the resident and owner of this house Rubye S. de Trville, who transferred it to the Eileen M. Schaar Trust in 1991. Jordan Residential and Vocational Services purchased the property from the trust in 1995, selling it to the Pueblo Regional Planning Department, the current owner, in 1997.

## 36. Sources of information:

**Pueblo County Office of Tax Assessor. Property information card [internet].**

**Pueblo City Directory. Pueblo, Co.; Salt Lake City; Kansas City, Mo.; and others: R.L. Polk & Co, consulted 1886 through 2003.**

**Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps (for Pueblo, Colorado). New York: Sanborn Map and Publishing Co., 1883, 1886, 1889, 1893, 1904-05, 1904-51, and 1904-52.**

**"Maurice C. Forester" [obituary]. Pueblo Chieftain, 12 July 1925, p. 8C.**

**"Thomas A. Fox" [obituary]. Pueblo Chieftain, 16 January 1977, p. 8B.**

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## VI. SIGNIFICANCE

37. Local landmark designation: Yes  No 

Designation authority:

Date of designation:

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 distinguished entity whose components may lack individual distinction.
- D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in history or prehistory.
- Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G (see manual).
- Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria.

**Pueblo Standards for Designation:**1a. History Have direct association with the historical development of the city, state, or nation; or1b. History Be the site of a significant historic event; or1c. History Have direct and substantial association with a person or group of persons who had influence on society.2a. Architecture Embody distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style or type; or2b. Architecture Be a significant example of the work of a recognized architect or master builder, or2c. Architecture Contain elements of architectural design, engineering, materials, craftsmanship, or artistic merit which represent a significant or influential innovation;2d. Architecture Portray the environment of a group of people or physical development of an area of the city in an era of history characterized by a distinctive architectural style.3a. Geography Have a prominent location or be an established, familiar, and orienting visual feature of the contemporary city, or3b. Geography Promote understanding and appreciation of Pueblo's environment by means of distinctive physical characteristics or rarity; or3c. Geography Make a special contribution to Pueblo's distinctive character.Not Applicable Does not meet any of the above Pueblo landmark criteria.39. Area(s) of Significance: **Not Applicable**40. Period of Significance: **n/a**41. Level of significance: National:  State  Local

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42. Statement of significance:

This property is historically significant under Pueblo Local Landmark criterion 1A for its association with the development of Pueblo's North Side Neighborhood, when more architecturally sophisticated buildings like this one joined the smaller, plainer dwellings originally constructed here. In particular, it may have been one of several coach houses and/or guest houses constructed as part of the domestic compounds of the successful entrepreneurs and professionals who settled in this neighborhood. However, the levels of architectural and historical significance, combined with physical integrity, are not to the extent that this property would qualify for individual listing in the National Register of Historic Places, the Colorado State Register of Historic Properties, or as a City of Pueblo Landmark. It is, nonetheless, a contributing resource within any potential historic district.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:

Constructed in 1920, this house exhibits a moderate level of physical integrity relative to the seven aspects of integrity as defined by the National Park Service and the Colorado Historical Society: location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association. An addition and roof modifications made after the period of significance have altered the form of this building. Yet, many character-defining features, including the usual stonework, remain intact. This property retains sufficient physical integrity to convey its architectural and historical significance.

## VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:  Individually eligible  Not eligible  Need data  
Local landmark eligibility field assessment:  Individually eligible  Not eligible  Need data

45. Is there National Register district potential? Yes  No 

Discuss: **Pueblo's North Side Neighborhood represents the evolution of the city's professional middle and upper classes. Its diversity of architectural styles and forms directly represents the city's changing economic and cultural climates. As well, the neighborhood is distinctive because it appears to have evolved independently of the area's dominant industry, steel manufacturing.**

If there is National Register district potential, is this building contributing: Yes  No  N/A 46. If the building is in existing National Register district, is it contributing: Yes  No  N/A 

## VIII. RECORDING INFORMATION

47. Photograph numbers): **CD-ROM Photo Disc: North Side Photos**  
**File Name(s): 15thstw322**  
Negatives filed at: **Special Collections**  
**Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library**  
**100 East Abriendo Avenue**  
**Pueblo, CO 81004-4290**

48. Report title: **Pueblo North Side Neighborhood Survey**

49. Date(s): **07/18/05**

50. Recorder(s): **Adam Thomas**

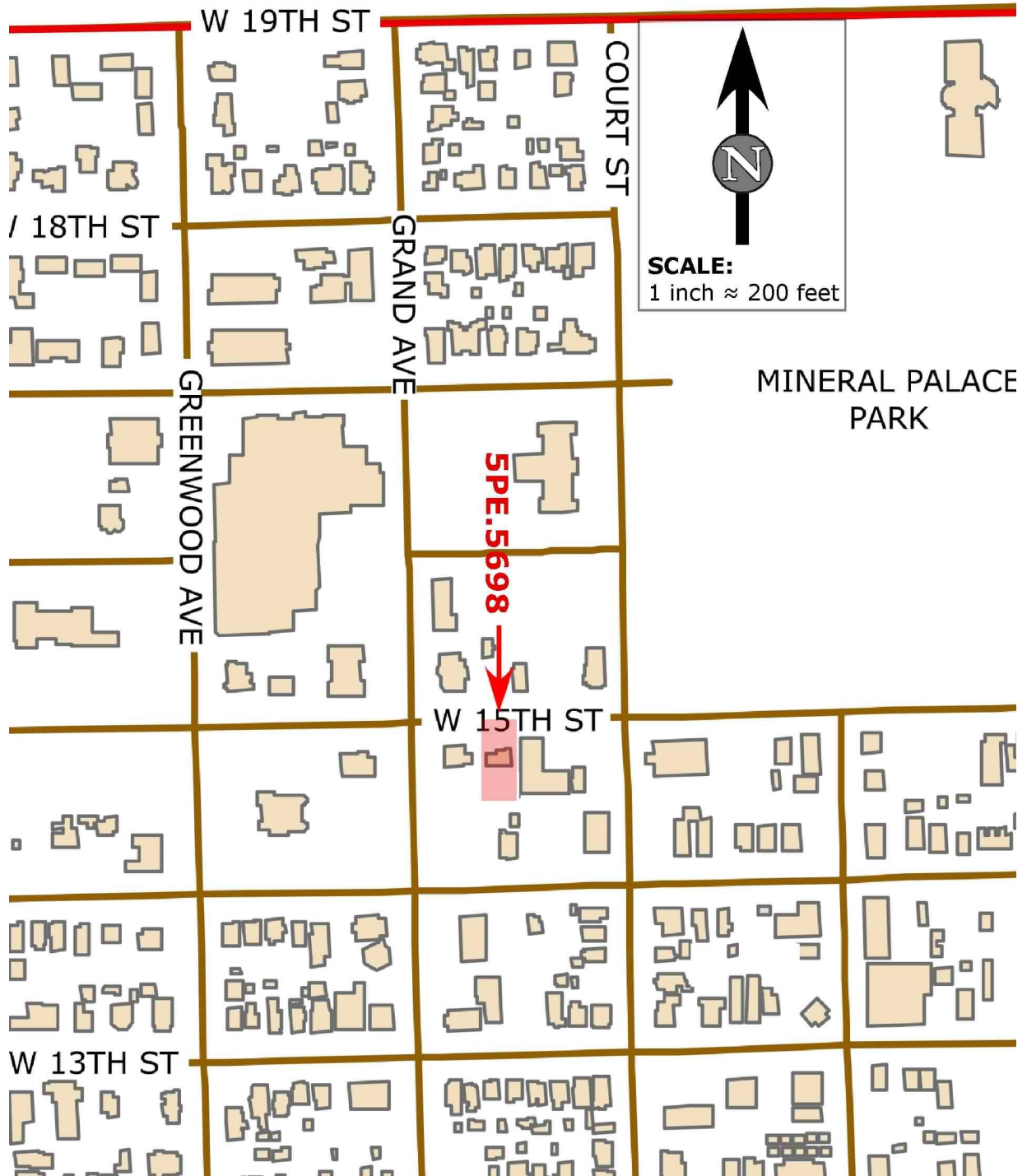
51. Organization: **Historitecture, L.L.C.**

52. Address: **PO Box 419**  
**Estes Park, CO 80517-0419**

53. Phone number(s): **(970) 586-1165**

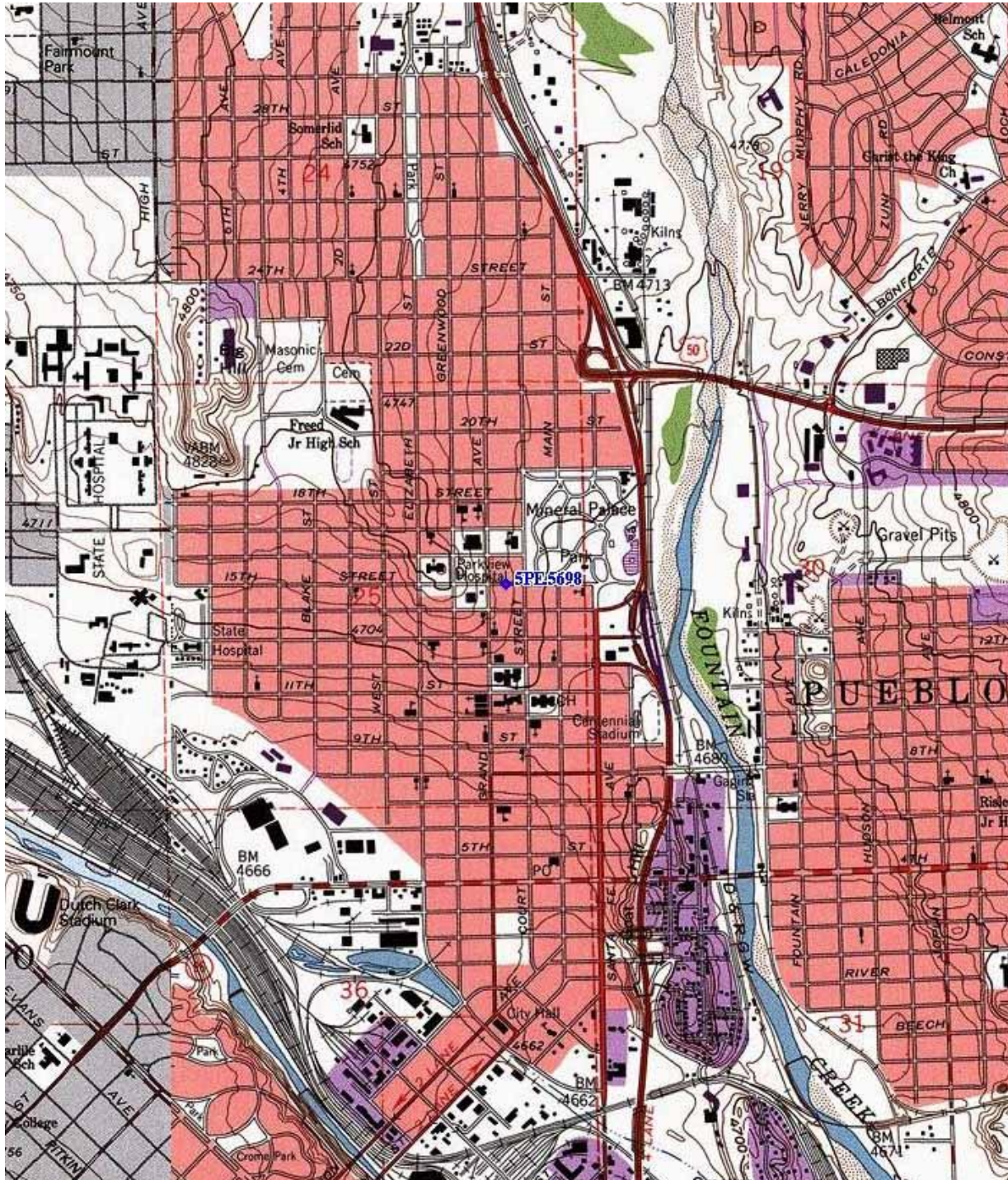
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#### SITE SKETCH MAP



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## LOCATION MAP



Source: U.S. Geological Survey 7.5' Northeast Pueblo topographic quadrangle - 1961 (Photorevised 1970 and 1974)