

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

**Architectural Inventory Form**

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**I. IDENTIFICATION**

- 1. Resource number: **5PE.6611** Parcel number: **525120019**
- 2. Temporary resource number:
- 3. County: **Pueblo**
- 4. City: **Pueblo**
- 5. Historic building name: **Samuel R. Risley House**
- 6. Current building name: **415 West 19th Street**
- 7. Building address: **415 West 19th Street**
- 8. Owner name: **Duncan C. and Maria E. McAuliffe**
- Owner organization:
- Owner address: **1825 Court 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Previously listed
State Register eligibility field assessment:	<input type="checkbox"/> Individually eligible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not eligible	<input type="checkbox"/> Need data	<input type="checkbox"/> Previously listed
Local landmark eligibility field assessment:	<input type="checkbox"/> Individually eligible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not eligible	<input type="checkbox"/> Need data	<input type="checkbox"/> Previously listed

## II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M.: **6th** Township: **20S** Range: **65W**  
**NE 1/4 SE 1/4 NW 1/4 NE 1/4** of section **25**
10. UTM Reference Zone: **13**  
Easting: **533924** Northing: **4237283**
11. USGS quad name: **Northeast Pueblo** Scale: **7.5**  
Year: **1961 (Photorevised 1970 and 1974)**
12. Lot(s): **West 50 feet of Lots 17 through 20; Block 21**  
Addition: **Dundee Place** Year of addition: **1888**
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: **1,496 square feet**
16. Number of stories: **1**
17. Primary external wall material(s): **Brick**  
  
Other wall materials:
18. Roof configuration: **Hipped Roof**  
Other roof configuration:
19. Primary external roof material: **Asphalt Roof/Composition Roof**  
Other roof materials:
20. Special features: **Chimney  
Fence  
Porch  
Roof Treatment/Dormer  
Roof Treatment/Flared Eave  
Window/Segmental Arch**
21. General architectural description:  
**Oriented to the south, this house rests on a pink-colored, rock-faced, random-coursed, sandstone and rhyolite ashlar foundation, with raised and beaded mortar. An front-gabled addition to the rear (north) elevation rests on concrete blocks. A red, pressed-brick veneer clads the exterior walls. Pink-painted sheets of plywood or particleboard cover the rear addition. A hipped-roof dormer, protruding from the roof's south-facing slope, is covered in pink-painted, square-cut wood shingles. Windows are generally 1-over-1-light, double-hung sash, with white vinyl frames and blue-green-painted wood surrounds. The windows open between rock-faced rhyolite sills and double-coursed segmental arches. A three-sided, canted bay protrudes from near the center of the east elevation. Above it is a pedimented gable. The east elevation of the rear addition hosts a tripartite picture window consisting of 1-over-1-light windows flanking a central fixed frame. Windows opening in the west elevation are protected behind wrought-iron grilles and sheltered by round, red canvas awnings. The window opening in the dormer now hosts a louvered vent. A hipped-roof porch spans the near symmetrical front (south) facade. It has a concrete floor and brick kneewalls and supports. Concrete steps, flanked by wrought-iron railings, approach the center of the porch. The principal doorway opens west of center in the facade and hosts a paneled, single-light wood door, opening behind an aluminum-frame storm door. Above the doorway is a transom. A secondary doorway opens in the rear elevation and provides access to a small, shed-roofed porch. Brown asphalt shingles cover the centrally hipped main roof and all other roof surfaces. White vinyl fascia and soffit box the flared eaves. A red-brick chimney, with corbelled cap, protrudes near the north end of the roof ridge.**
22. Architectural style: **No Style**  
Other architectural style:  
Building type: **Hipped-Roof Box**
23. Landscape or special setting features:  
**This property is located on terrain sloping downward from west to east, with an elevation of around 4,700 feet above**

mean sea level. The surrounding residential neighborhood features modest and large, 1- and 2-story houses. Setbacks from West 19th Street are generally the same on this block. This property is situated on the north side of the street, between 411 West 19th Street to the east and a north-south-oriented alley to the west. Separating the street from the pink sandstone sidewalk is a grass-covered strip. A planted-grass yard, with mature landscaping, covers the lot. A split-rail fence separates the front yard from the sidewalk and a decorative concrete-block wall surrounds the back yard.

24. Associated building, features or objects:

**GARAGE**

A single-car garage is located at the northeast corner of the property. Oriented south, it rests on a concrete foundation. Pink-painted sheets of plywood or particleboard clad the walls. A white, overhead-retractable garage door opens in the center of the front (south) elevation. Flanking it are narrow, single-light sidelights. Brown asphalt shingles cover the front-gabled roof, and the rafter ends are exposed but do not extend beyond the exterior walls.

**IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY**

25. Date of Construction: **1906**  Actual  Estimate

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

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 house was constructed in 1906. An analysis of the materials, style, and historical records corroborates this date. According to Sanborn maps, the rear elevation originally hosted a mudroom spanning all but its very eastern end. Here, the elevation had a small porch. The present addition either replaced or expanded this configuration. It appears to have been built after 1965. The original garage was originally located directly north of the house. Because it uses the same materials as the addition, the present garage probably also dates to after 1965. The replaced windows appear to have been installed after 1990.**

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

**V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS**

31. Original use(s): **Domestic/Single Dwelling**

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

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

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

35. Historical background:

**This house was constructed in 1906. Its original owner and resident, however, are unclear. However by 1910, accountant Samuel R. Risley and his family resided here. Risley was born around 1881 in New Jersey. He and his wife, Elsie E. Risely, were married around 1905 and had two children: Jennie A. and Somers D. Risely. During the time during which Samuel Risely lived here, he worked as a cashier for the Walter Brewing Company. He had previously served as a hotel bookkeeper and would later become the creditman at the Continental Oil Company. Risely and his family lived at this address only a few years, moving prior to 1919.**

**In 1919, Barbara A. Oliver resided in this house. She was born around 1876 in New York. Mrs. Oliver was a widow and lived here with her son, Glenn. Barbara was the proprietress of the Harper Hairdressing and Manicuring Shop, located in the Thatcher Building on Main Street. She lived at this address for about five years, moving prior to 1925.**

**Prominent Pueblo attorney Laurence Edwin Langdon and his family were the residents of this house beginning around**

1927. He was born near Omaha, Nebraska, on August 11, 1883. Shortly after his birth, Langdon's family moved to Pueblo. His father, John J. Langdon, founded the Pueblo Title & Abstract Company and became a prominent and successful real estate investor in the city, residing for a period at 714 West 13th Street (5PE.5658). During his teenage years, Laurence worked for his father at the abstract office, sparking in the youth an interest in law. Laurence left Pueblo in 1907 to attend Notre Dame University. In 1908 he enrolled in the University of Michigan, where he earned a law degree in 1910. Laurence returned to Pueblo and started his law practice that same year. About a year later, in 1911, Laurence served as the Pueblo city attorney. He left his city position to become a deputy district attorney, and, by 1916, the assistant district attorney. In 1924, Laurence became a full partner in the firm of Hughes, Langdon & Barbick. By 1933, Langdon was again working in the public sector, this time as the Pueblo County Attorney. He held that position until 1935, practiced law privately for eighteen more years, then returned to the county attorney position in 1953. He remained in that capacity until his death on February 7, 1962. The Colorado Bar Association honored Langdon on May 26, 1961, for his 50 years of service to legal practice. Langdon married the former Helen McGraw on June 23, 1920, and the couple had two children: Laurence R. and Frances Ellen Langdon.

Harry E. and Maud Hanson resided at this address in 1935. Harry was born around 1884 in Minnesota and Maud was born circa 1874 in Texas. Harry began working at the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company's (CF&I) Minnequa Works on August 20, 1915. He rose to become chief clerk of the rolling mills and of the production planning, scheduling, and shipping departments. Harry Hanson was at work at the time of his death on November 23, 1948.

Beginning around 1940, Sarah E. Pile and her family lived in this house. She was born around 1846 in Missouri and moved with her family to Pueblo in 1927. She lived at this address with her daughters: Ida, (Tobitha) Estella, and Martha. Sarah Pile died on October 23, 1940, but her daughters continued to reside here. Ida had moved away shortly after 1940 and Estella died on January 25, 1962, leaving Martha as the only resident and owner of this house. Martha Pile was born on October 9, 1897, in Sullivan County, Missouri. She was employed by the Crews-Beggs Dry Goods Company for 13 years and then at Scotty's Department Store, from which she retired. Martha died on October 31, 1972.

C.A. and M.E. Strawn purchased this property in 1971 and sold it to Glenn G. and Linda Ann Mahaffey in 1988. The Mahaffeys sold the house lot to L. Phillip and Celeste E. Helfter in 1989. They, in turn, sold the property to Ralph G. and Jeane L. Dille, who transferred ownership to the Ralph G. and Jeane L. Dille Trust in 1998. The current owners, Duncan C. and Maria E. McAuliffe, purchased the property from the trust in 2007. They operate it as a rental unit.

36. Sources of information:

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.

"Complications From Fall Fatal To Laurence Langdon." *Pueblo Chieftain*, 7 February 1962, p. 9A.

"Hanson (Harry E.)" [obituary]. *Pueblo Chieftain*, 24 November 1948, p. 8.

"Pile (Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth)" [obituary]. *Pueblo Chieftain*, 24 October 1940, p. 11.

"Kobbe (Tobitha Estella)" [obituary]. *Pueblo Chieftain*, 26 January 1962, p. 2B.

"Kobbe (Henry)" [obituary]. *Pueblo Chieftain*, 14 April 1937, p. 14.

"Martha M. Pile" [obituary]. *Pueblo Star-Journal*, 3 November 1972, p. 6B.

U.S. Census of 1910. Precinct 4, Pueblo, Pueblo County, Colorado. Sheet 15A.

U.S. Census of 1920. Precinct 2, Pueblo, Pueblo County, Colorado. Sheet 16B.

U.S. Census of 1930. Precinct 2, Pueblo, Pueblo County, Colorado. Sheets 4B and 13B.

U.S. Census of 1930. Precinct 10, Pueblo, Pueblo County, Colorado. Sheet 8A.

"Langdon (Laurence E.)" [obituary]. *Pueblo Star-Journal*, 7 February 1962, p. 10A.

## 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 patterns of our history.

B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.

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- C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or that represent the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or that represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction.
- D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.
- Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G (see manual).
- Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria.

Applicable Colorado State Register criteria:

- A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to history.
- B. Connected with persons significant in history.
- C. Has distinctive characteristics of a type, period, method of construction or artisan.
- D. Is of geographic importance.
- E. Contains the possibility of important discoveries related to prehistory or history.
- Does not meet any of the above Colorado State Register criteria.

Applicable City of Pueblo landmark criteria:

- 1a. History: Have direct association with the historical development of the city, state, or nation; or
- 1b. History: Be the site of a significant historic event; or
- 1c. 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; or
- 2b. Architecture: Be a significant example of the work of a recognized architect or master builder, or
- 2c. 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, or
- 3b. Geography: Promote understanding and appreciation of Pueblo's environment by means of distinctive physical characteristics or rarity; or
- 3c. Geography: Make a special contribution to Pueblo's distinctive character.
- Does not meet any of the above City of Pueblo landmark criteria.

39. Areas of significance: **Architecture**  
**Social History**

40. Period(s) of Significance: **Architecture 1906; Social History, 1910-1940**

41. Level of Significance:  National  State  Local

42. Statement of Significance:

**This property is historically significant for its association with the twentieth-century development of Pueblo's North Side Neighborhood, when the city's professional and entrepreneurial class moved northward to construct modest and large homes in the latest contemporary suburban styles. This house was home to accountant Samuel Risley, attorney Laurence Langdon, and corporate clerk Harry Hanson. As well, the house is architecturally significant as an example of the hipped-roof box form. Character-defining features include the centrally hipped roof, rectangular plan, flared eaves, and the hipped-roof dormer. However, the levels of architectural and historical significance, combined with physical**

integrity, are not to the extent that this property could 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, in any case, a contributing resource within a potential historic district.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:

**Constructed in 1906, 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. While an addition and replacement windows have modified this house, most character-defining features remain intact. This building retains sufficient physical integrity to convey its historical and architectural significance.**

VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

- 44. National Register eligibility field assessment:  Individually eligible  Not eligible  Need data  Previously listed
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- 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.**

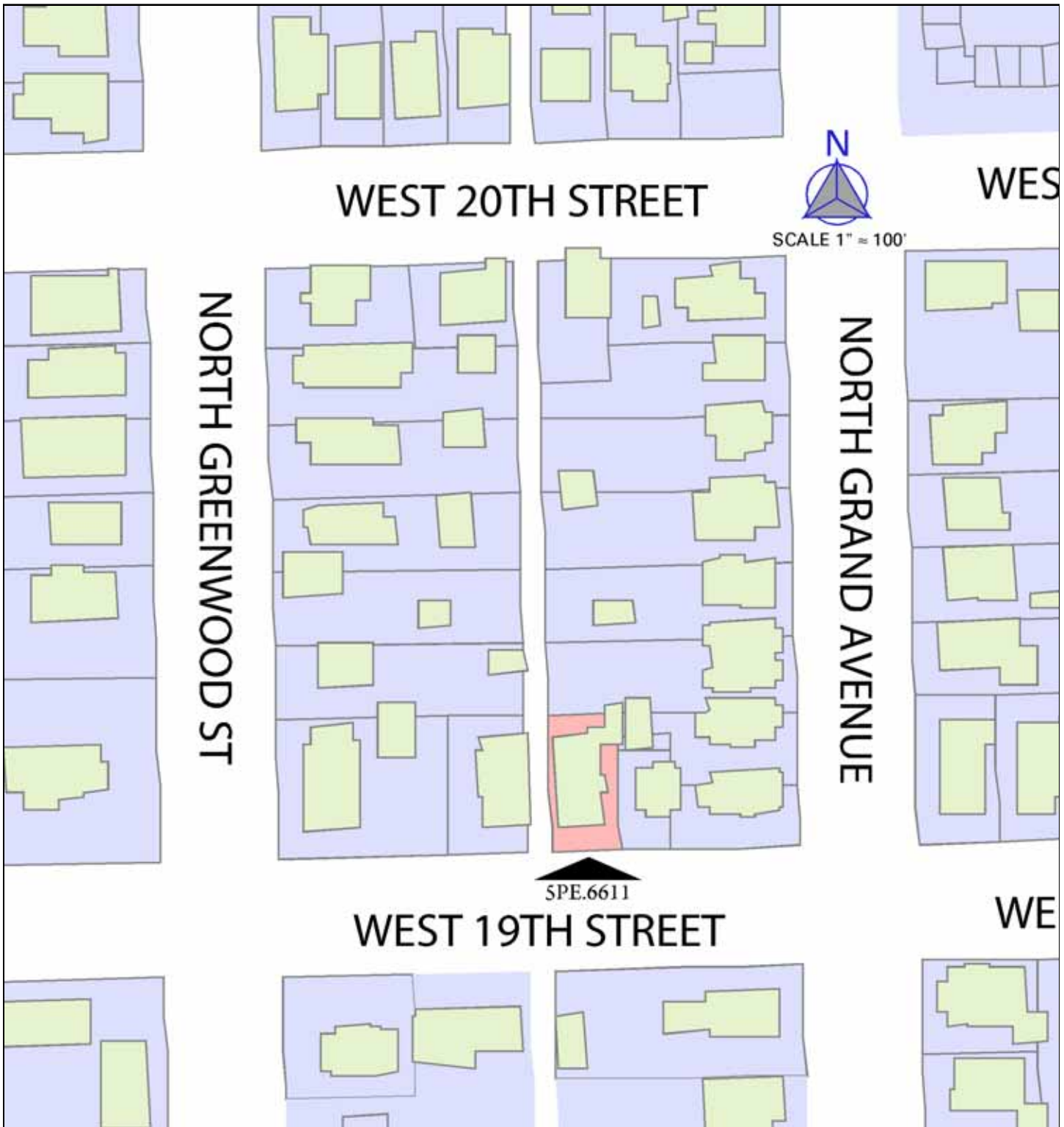
If there is National Register district potential, is this building contributing:  Yes  No  N/A

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

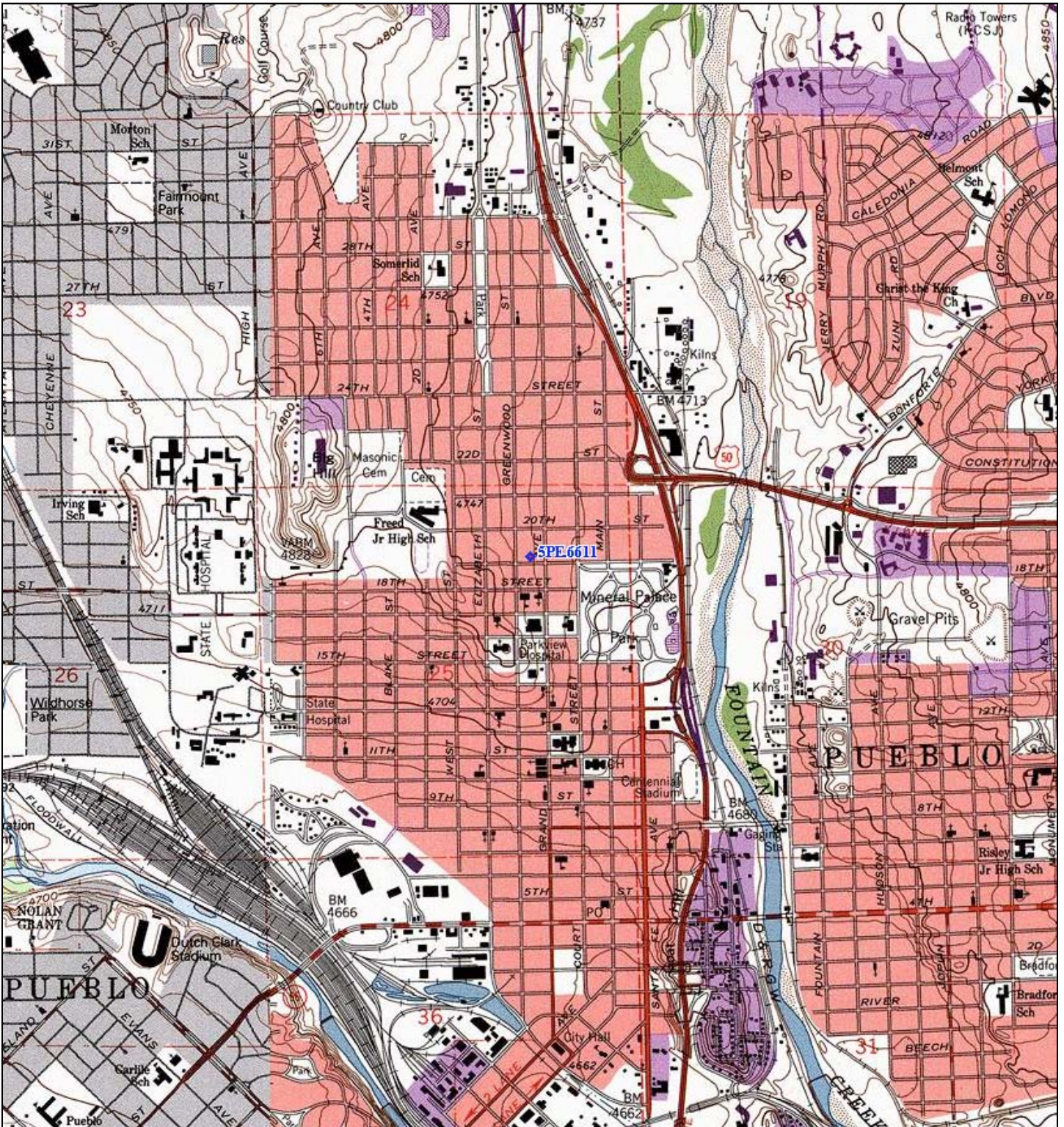
VIII. RECORDING INFORMATION

- 47. Digital photograph file name(s): **19thstw415 - 1 to - 3**  
Digital photographs filed at: **Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library  
100 E Abriendo Ave  
Pueblo, CO 81004-4290**
- 48. Report title: **Pueblo North Side Neighborhood Survey, Phase 2**
- 49. Date(s): **2/1/2008**
- 50. Recorder(s): **Adam Thomas and Jeffrey DeHerrera**
- 51. Organization: **Historitecture, LLC**
- 52. Address: **PO Box 419  
Estes Park, CO 80517-0419**
- 53. Phone number(s): **(970) 586-1165**

SKETCH MAP



LOCATION MAP



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

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