

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.5956** Parcel number(s):
- 2. Temporary resource number: **525228001**
- 3. County: **Pueblo**
- 4. City: **Pueblo**
- 5. Historic building name: **Von Gundy, George Joseph, House**
- 6. Current building name: **Stilson, William R. Jr., House**
- 7. Building address: **1521 Craig Street**
- 8. Owner name: **William R. Stilson, Jr.**
- Owner organization:
- Owner address: **1521 Craig 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**
NW 1/4 of **SE 1/4** of **SE 1/4** of **NW 1/4** of Section **25**
10. UTM reference zone: **13**
Easting: **533443** Northing: **4236914**
11. USGS quad name: **Northeast Pueblo** Scale: **7.5**
Year: **1961 (Photorevised 1970 and 1974)**
12. Lot(s) : **Lots 1 and the east 8 feet of Lot 2; Block 24**
Addition: **Craig's Addition** Year of addition: **1871**
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): **L-Shaped Plan**
Other building plan descriptions:
15. Dimensions in feet (length x width): **948 square feet**
16. Number of stories: **1**
17. Primary external wall material(s): **Wood/Horizontal Siding** Other wall materials:
18. Roof configuration: **Hipped Roof/Cross Hipped Roof**
Other roof configurations:
19. Primary external roof material: **Asphalt Roof/Composition Roof**
Other roof materials:
20. Special features: **Chimney**
Porch
21. General architectural description:
Oriented to the east, this house rests on a gray-painted concrete foundation. Narrow, white-painted, horizontal wood siding clads the exterior walls. Windows are generally 6-over-1-light, double-hung sash, with white-painted wood frames, aluminum-frame storm windows, and green-painted wood surrounds, with projecting cornices. A hipped-roof porch protrudes from the north end of the asymmetrical (front) west façade. It has a concrete floor and white-painted brick piers. The porch shelters the principal doorway, which hosts an 8-light, single-panel wood door, painted brown, opening behind an aluminum-frame storm door. A small, shed-roofed structure is cantilevered off the north end of rear (west) elevation. A former integral porch, occupying the southwest corner, has been enclosed with beadboard and bands of 1-over-1-light, double-hung sash windows. Opening near the center of the south elevation is a single-light, white-painted wood slab door, opening behind an aluminum-frame storm door. Gray, interlocking asphalt shingles cover the cross-hipped roof, and rafter ends are exposed. Brick chimneys protrude from the apex of the roof and from the center of the south-facing slope.
22. Architectural style: **Late 19th And Early 20th Century American Movements**
Other architectural styles:
Building type:
23. Landscape or special setting features:

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This property is located on terrain sloping downward from northeast to southwest, with an elevation of around 4,700 feet above mean sea level. The neighborhood features modest and large, 1- and 2-story houses and apartment buildings. Setbacks from Craig Street are generally the same on this block. This property is situated on the southwest corner of Craig and West 16th streets. Separating the street from the sidewalk is a grass-covered strip. A planted-grass yard, with mature landscaping, covers the lot.

24. Associated buildings, features or objects:

1: Type: **Garage**

Describe: **A single-car garage is located near the southwest corner of the property. Oriented to the east, the building rests on a concrete slab. White-painted wood weatherboard, with cornerboards, clads the exterior walls. A mural depicting hot-air balloons floating over a desert landscape fills the entire south elevation. Dominating the front (east) elevation are paired, beadboard doors, on metal strap hinges. Six-light hopper, awning or casement windows open across the side elevations; however, all are boarded from behind. Interlocking, gray asphalt shingles cover the front-gabled roof, and the rafter ends are exposed. A red-brick chimney protrudes from near the center of the roof ridge.**

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: **George Joseph Von Gundy**

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

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 most notable alteration has been the enclosure of the rear porch, most likely dating to before 1950.

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

V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

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

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

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

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

35. Historical background:

The original owner of this house, constructed in 1920, appears to have been George Joseph Von Gundy. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, on September 8, 1891, and was a veteran of World War I. With his wife, Lucy May Von Gundy, George Von Gundy had four children: George P. Von Gundy, Joe L. Von Gundy, Mrs. Donald H. Katz, and Mrs. Vernon R. Sanders. The Von Gundys resided at this address through 1930. George J. Von Gundy died on July 18, 1952.

Purchasing this property around 1935 and residing here until his death more than a decade later was James Elberon Marshall, a conductor for the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway. He was born on October 3, 1881, and died in January 1948.

Ralph Stilson acquired this house and lot following Marshall's death, and it has remained in the Stilson family since that time.

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He was a lifetime resident of Pueblo and worked as a barber. With his wife, Marie Stilson, Ralph had three sons: William Stilson, Ralph Stilson Jr., and Denton Stilson. Following Ralph Stilson's death on March 15, 1990, Marie continued to own the property, transferring it to her son William in 1998. William R. Stilson Jr. acquired the house and lot from his father in 2003. He remains the current owner and resident.

36. Sources of information:

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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.

"Von Gundy (George J.)" [obituary]. Pueblo Chieftain, 20 July 1952, p. 8.

"Ralph Stilson" [obituary]. Pueblo Chieftain, 16 March 1990, p. 5D.

World War I Draft Registration Card for George Joseph Von Gundy. Serial no. 158, order no. 12.

World War I Draft Registration Card for James Elberon Marshall. Serial no. 2646, order no. 701.

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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: **Architecture**40. Period of Significance: **1920**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, the product of an emerging professional and entrepreneurial class, joined the smaller, plainer dwellings originally constructed here. As well, the house is architecturally significant under National Register criterion C (local landmark criterion 2A) as an example of a style derived from the Late-19th and Early 20th Century American Movements. 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 moderately high 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. The only notable modification has been the enclosure of the rear porch. 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): craigst1521
- 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): **08/30/05**
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**

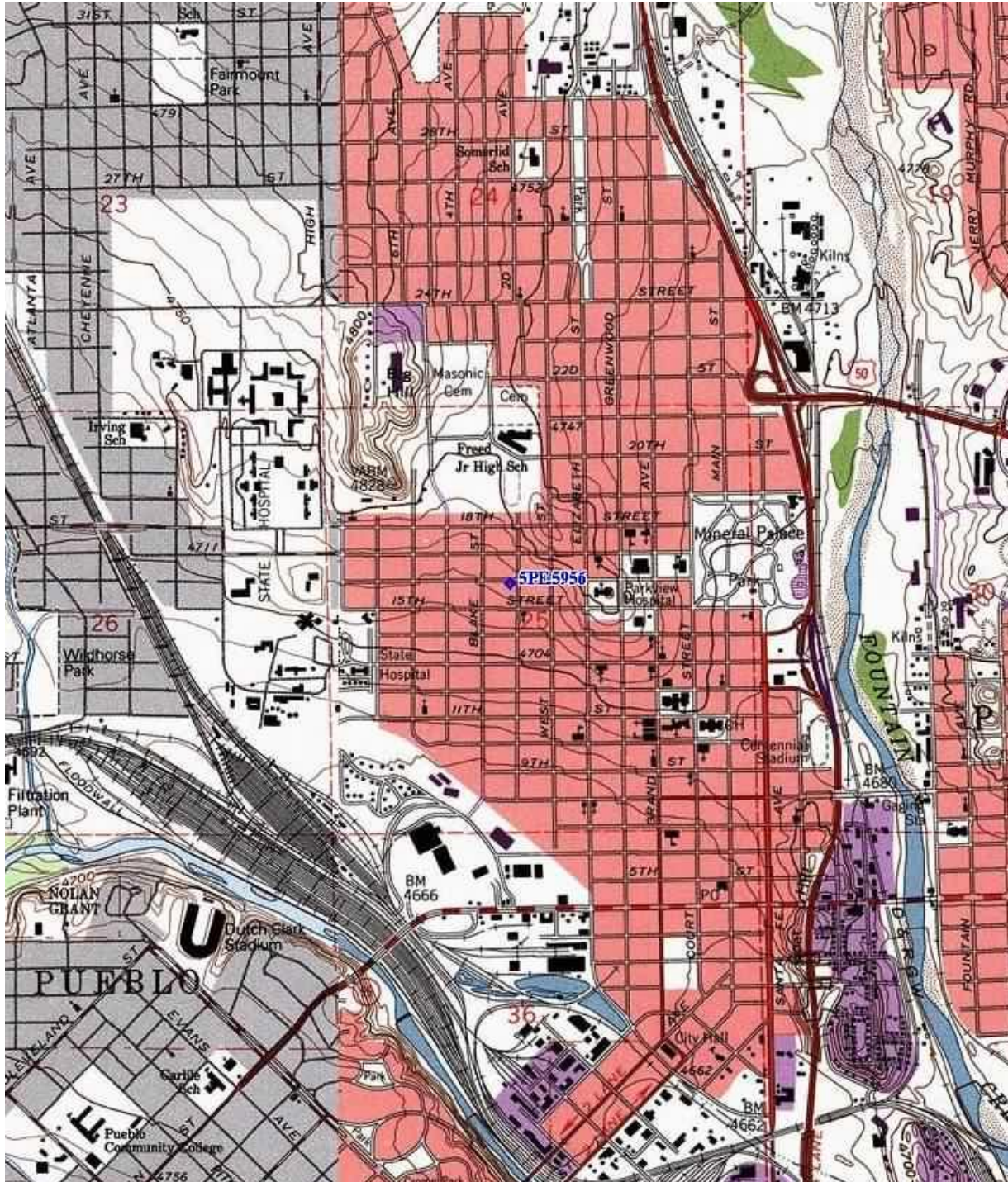
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SITE SKETCH MAP



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LOCATION MAP



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