

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

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I. IDENTIFICATION

- 1. Resource number: **5PE.6500** Parcel number: **525120007**
- 2. Temporary resource number:
- 3. County: **Pueblo**
- 4. City: **Pueblo**
- 5. Historic building name: **John H. Crow House**
- 6. Current building name: **Russell and Yvonne Meyerhofer House**
- 7. Building address: **1919 North Grand Avenue**
- 8. Owner name: **Russell and Yvonne Meyerhofer**
- Owner organization:
- Owner address: **1919 N Grand Ave
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**
NW 1/4 SW 1/4 NE 1/4 NE 1/4 of section **25**
10. UTM Reference Zone: **13**
Easting: **533987** Northing: **4237353**
11. USGS quad name: **Northeast Pueblo** Scale: **7.5**
Year: **1961 (Photorevised 1970 and 1974)**
12. Lot(s): **Lots 27 and 28; 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): **L-Shaped Plan**
Other building plan descriptions:
15. Dimensions in feet: **742 square feet**
16. Number of stories: **2**
17. Primary external wall material(s): **Wood/Horizontal Siding**
Wood/Shingle
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**
Porch
Fence
Roof Treatment/Dormer
21. General architectural description:
Oriented to the east, this house rests on a foundation of regular-coursed, rock-faced, pink rhyolite ashlar, with raised and beaded mortar. White-painted wood siding, with pink-painted cornerboards, clad the exterior walls of the first story. Square-cut wood shingles, painted brown, cover the second story. A band of decorative, scalloped shingles divides the second story near the window sills. Windows are generally 1-over-1-light, double-hung sash, with black-painted wood frames. Those opening in the first story have multi-light storm windows and pink-painted wood surrounds. Windows in the second story have white-painted wood frames. Protruding from the roof's front (east-facing) slope is a dormer with a pedimented gable. It hosts a multi-light hopper or awning window. A decorative hopper or awning window, consisting of an oval ring with rays, pierces to the east elevation of the front-gabled wing protruding from the west end of the south elevation. The east end of the north elevation hosts a leaded-glass window. Opening in the rear (west) elevation, south of a small, shed-roofed mudroom, is a 1-beside-1-light window. The mudroom hosts 3 (vertical)-over-1-light windows. A hipped-roof porch spans most the asymmetrical front (east) elevation. It features a wood floor; wood balustrade with closely spaced, square balusters; and Doric columns. The Doric order extends to the porch frieze, which hosts evenly spaced triglyphs. Concrete steps approach the north end of the porch, aligned to the principal doorway. It hosts a single-light wood door, opening behind a wood-frame storm door. A secondary doorway opens in the east elevation. It has a single-light, paneled wood door, painted white. White-painted wood fascia, with projecting cornices, and beadboard soffit box the broadly overhanging eaves. A white-painted friezeband separates the walls from the soffit. The gables host eave returns. Gray asphalt shingles cover the main hipped roof and all other roof surfaces. Emerging west of the roof's apex is a massive, red-brick chimney, with corbelled cap.
22. Architectural style: **Late 19th And 20th Century Revivals**
Other architectural style:
Building type: **Foursquare**
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 North Grand Avenue are generally the same on this block. This property is situated on the west side of the street, between 1915 North Grand Avenue to the south and 1921 North Grand Avenue to the north. Separating the street from the concrete sidewalk is a grass-covered strip. A planted-grass yard, with mature landscaping, covers the lot. Enclosing the back yard is a combination of chain-link, woven-wire, wood picket fences.

24. Associated building, features or objects:
No other buildings are associated with this property.

IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of Construction: **1909** Actual Estimate
Source 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. 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: **John H. Crow**
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 house was constructed in 1900. The current owner suggests an 1897 date of construction. However, the building does not appear on a 1904-05 Sanborn maps and city directory listings for this address do not exist before 1909, suggesting that the house was built in 1909. An analysis of the style, materials, and historical records corroborates this date. The only notable alteration has been the replacement of the original wood porch floor with a concrete structure.
30. Location: **Original Location** Date of move(s):

V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

31. Original use(s): **Domestic/Single Dwelling**
32. Intermediate use(s): **Religion/Religious-related Residence**
33. Current use(s): **Domestic/Single Dwelling**
34. Site type(s): **Residence**
35. Historical background:
The original owner and resident of this house, constructed around 1909, was merchant and mine owner John H. Crow. He was born in Pennsylvania around 1844 and lived here with his wife, Margaret A. Crow, and daughter, Ella Crow, who was principal of the Hinsdale School. By 1914, Ella married Robert E. Cowles, an attorney, and the couple lived in this house with her parents. By 1920, however, Ella was widowed and continued to reside here with John and Margaret Crow.
- Between 1920 and 1925, First Baptist Church of Pueblo purchased this house for use as a parsonage. The first pastor to live here under the church's ownership was Rev. C. Arlen Heydon. He was credited with leading the effort to construct a new educational building for the church. The site of the new building, dedicated on September 21, 1930, was been the location of the former parsonage, at 905-907 North Grand Avenue. Two other First Baptist pastors also resided here: Rev. Alvin J. Lee from 1932 to 1935 and Rev. C. Spurgeon McClung from 1935 to 1943.**
- Daniel E. Boyle purchased this house from the church in 1943. He was born in Wyoming around 1884. His wife, Charlotte, was born around the same year in Colorado. They married around 1907 and had five children: Daniel E. Jr., George A., Evelyn, Mary Katherine, and Margaret Boyle. The elder Daniel Boyle originally farmed near Avondale, and later opened and operated a cabinet shop at 715 West 13th Street. He died on April 9, 1953, at which time his son,**

George A. Boyle, became the property owner.

This property remained in the Boyle family until 2001, when Nan E. Grant acquired the house and lots. Grant sold the property to Russell and Yvonne Meyerhofer in 2004. They remain the current owners and residents.

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.

Meyerhofer, Yvonne. Interview with Adam Thomas, 7 January 2007.

"John H. Crow" [obituary]. *Pueblo Chieftain*, 1 July 1928, p. 3.

U.S. Census of 1920. Precinct 2, Pueblo, Pueblo County, Colorado. Sheet 6B.

Hipp, Harriett. *90th Anniversary Pictorial Church Directory and History 1872-1972*. Pueblo, Colorado: First Baptist Church, 1972.

Faith Brightens Centuries: Historical Highlights of Pueblo's First Baptist Church. Pueblo, Colorado: First Baptist Church, 1972.

"Daniel E. Boyle Funeral Saturday." *Pueblo Chieftain*, 10 April 1953, p. 2.

"Boyle (Daniel E.)" [obituary]. *Pueblo Chieftain*, 10 April 1953, p. 14.

U.S. Census of 1930, Precinct 8, Pueblo, Pueblo County, Colorado. Sheet 5A.

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.

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, ca. 1909; Social History, ca. 1909-1943**

41. Level of Significance: National State Local

42. Statement of Significance:

This property is historically significant under Pueblo Landmark Criterion 1A for its association with the 20th-century development of Pueblo's North Side Neighborhood, when the city's professional and entrepreneurial class moved northward to construct homes in the latest contemporary suburban styles. This house was home to entrepreneur John H. Crow, and Baptist ministers Rev. C. Arlen Heydon, Rev. Alvin J. Lee, and Rev. C. Spurgeon McClung. As well, the house is architecturally significant under Pueblo Landmark Criterion 2A as an example of a classically inspired Foursquare plan. Character-defining features include an overall square plan, front porch, Doric columns, hipped roof, overhanging eaves, and a central dormer. Of particular note is the porch, which expresses the Doric order more fully than most other residentially properties in Pueblo. While the levels of architectural and historical significance are not to the extent that this property would qualify for individual listing in the National Register of Historic Places or the Colorado State Register of Historic Properties, it could be individually eligible 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 1909, this house exhibits a moderate to 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 alteration has been the installation of a concrete porch floor. All character-defining features remain intact. This house 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.**

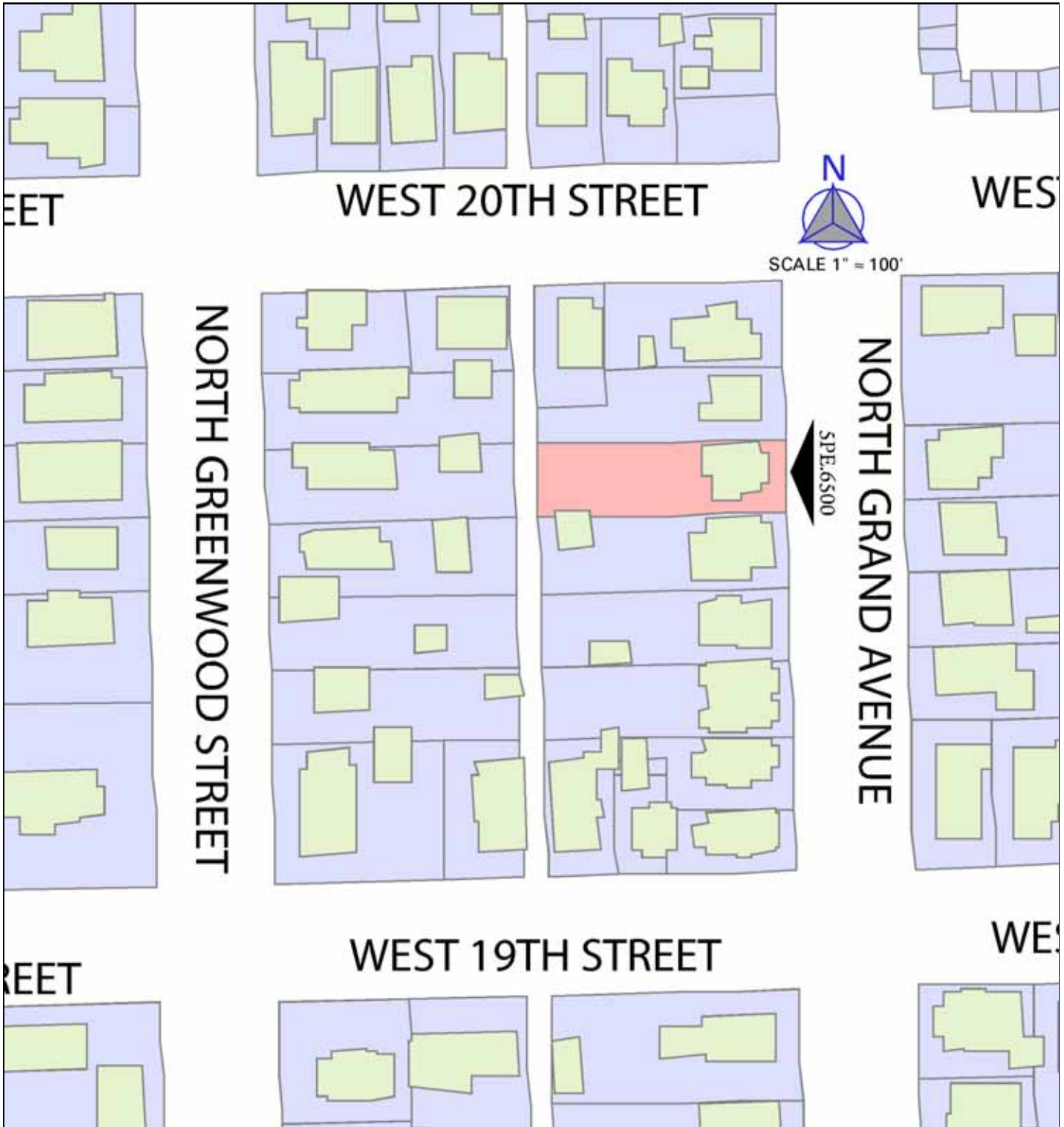
If there is National Register district potential, is this building contributing: Yes No N/A

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

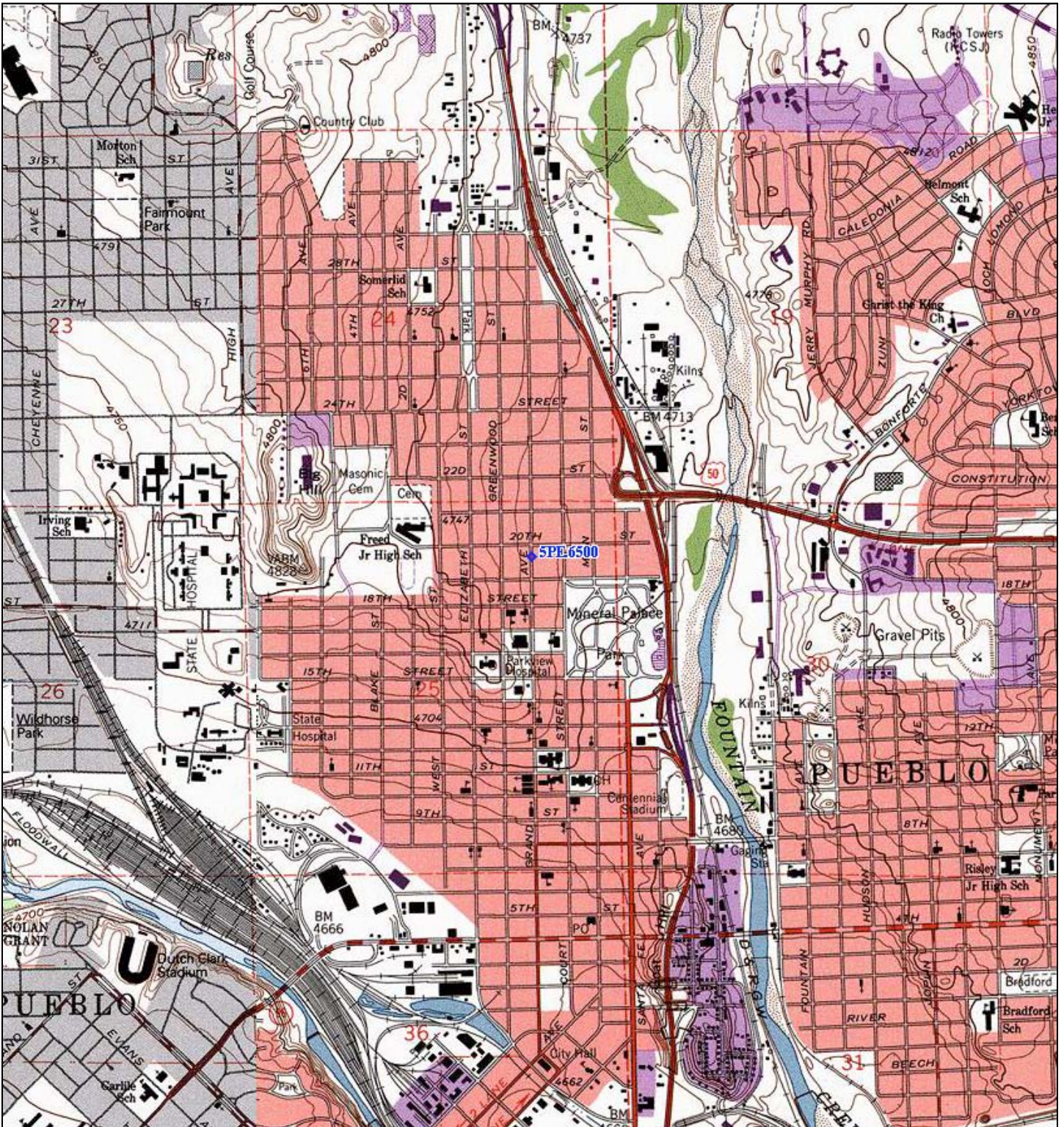
VIII. RECORDING INFORMATION

47. Digital photograph file name(s): **grandaven1919 - 1 to - 4**
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): **1/3/2008**
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)

Pueblo North Side Neighborhood, Phase II

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