

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

Official Eligibility Determination  
(OAHF use only)

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

I. IDENTIFICATION

- 1. Resource number: **5RT.2485** Parcel number(s): **115208104**
- 2. Temporary resource number: **N/A**
- 3. County: **Routt**
- 4. City: **Steamboat Springs**
- 5. Historic Building Name: **Elliott House**
- 6. Current Building Name: **242 Spruce Street Investments, LLC House**
- 7. Building Address: **242 Spruce Street**
- 8. Owner Name: **242 Spruce Street Investments, LLC**
- Owner Organization:
- Owner Address: **703 Manor Lane  
Cheyenne, WY 82009**



44. National Register eligibility field assessment:	<b>Not Eligible</b>
Local landmark eligibility field assessment:	<b>Not Eligible</b>

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### II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M.: **6th** Township: **6N** Range: **84 W**  
**SW ¼ of NW ¼ of SE ¼ of Section 8**
10. UTM reference (Datum: NAD27)  
 Zone: **13** **345055 mE** **4483420 mN**
11. USGS quad name: **Steamboat Springs, Colorado**  
 Year: **1969** Map scale: **7.5'**
12. Lot(s): **Tract 152.8 FT. by 50 FT. in Block 8**  
 Addition: **Crawford Addition** Year of addition: **1902**
13. Boundary description and justification:  
**This legally defined parcel encompasses, but does not exceed, the land historically associated with this property.**  
 Metes and bounds?: Describe:

### III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

14. Building plan (footprint, shape): **Rectangular Plan**
15. Dimensions in feet: **1974 square feet**
16. Number of stories: **1 1/2**
17. Primary external wall material(s): **Wood/Weatherboard**
18. Roof configuration: **Gabled Roof/Front Gabled Roof**
19. Primary external roof material: **Asphalt Roof/Composition Roof**
20. Special features:  
**Porch**  
**Roof Treatment/Dormer**  
**Garage/Attached Garage**
21. General architectural description:  
**This is a 1½-story wood frame dwelling, with a gabled rear addition which incorporates an attached garage. The original dwelling is supported by a low concrete foundation, and its exterior walls are clad with painted grey horizontal weatherboard siding. The house is covered by a moderately-pitched front gable roof, with brown asphalt composition shingles, and with painted white and grey boxed eaves. Shed-roofed dormers are located on the east and west facing roof slopes. A gabled wall dormer is also located on the west elevation. A stained brown wood-paneled door, with nine upper sash lights, and with a white metal storm door, enters the east end of the façade (south elevation) from a 3-step concrete porch. Two single-light fixed-pane windows, flanked on either side by a 1/1 double-hung sash window, all with painted white wood frames, penetrates the façade wall to the west of the entry porch. Windows on the secondary elevations appear to consist of single-light casements and single-light fixed panes.**
22. Architectural style: **No Style**  
 Building type:
23. Landscape or special setting features: **This property is located on the north side of Spruce Street in the block between Laurel and Grand Streets. A large fir tree is located in the planted grass front yard. An asphalt driveway extends from Spruce Street, along the east side of the house, to the attached garage which is part of the addition.**
24. Associated buildings, features or objects: **Not Applicable**

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### IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of construction:      Estimate:    **1936**      Actual:
- Source of information:    **"Routt County Assessor/Treasurer Parcel Detail Information."**
26. Architect:                    **Unknown**
- Source of information:    **N/A**
27. Builder:                      **Unknown**
- Source of information:    **N/A**
28. Original owner:            **Unknown**
- Source of information:    **N/A**
29. Construction history:
- Routt County Assessor records lists 1936 as this house's year of construction. A gabled addition, which incorporates an attached garage, has been built onto the (north) rear elevation of the original dwelling.**
30. Original location:       Moved:                      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):               **Single family dwelling**
35. Historical background:

**The Crawford Addition, where this house is located, was platted in 1902, and much of the neighborhood was then developed during the following decade. This house at 242 Spruce Street was not built until 1936, however, according to Routt County Assessor records. Information regarding its earliest owners and residents has not been uncovered. However, from 1956 (and probably earlier), through the early 1990s, this property was owned and occupied by the Howard and Maxine Elliott family. Born in 1913, Howard S. Elliott came to Steamboat Springs from Kansas in 1943. Here, Elliott worked as the government representative for the Farm Security Administration, a federal government program which provided loans and other assistance to low income farm families. The Farm Security Administration soon hit tough economic times, and the Elliotts feared they would soon have to leave Routt County, which they had grown to love. In 1947, though, Howard was named to the position of "Agricultural Loan Representative" at the Routt County National Bank, a position he would then hold until he retired as Senior Vice-President of the bank in 1977. Elliott then continued to serve on the bank's board of directors for another six years. In addition to his banking career, Elliott was also involved in numerous civic affairs. Among other enterprises, Elliott served on the Steamboat Springs town board in the late 1950s, was a member of the local hospital board, a trustee of the Methodist Church, and secretary-treasurer for the Routt County Cattlemen's' Association between 1950 and 1965.**

**Jere L. Elliott, Howard and Maxine's son, was born in Steamboat Springs in 1946, and like his father found a successful career in the banking business. Jere Elliott was also among Steamboat Springs' ski champions. Having begun skiing at a young age, Jere graduated from Steamboat Springs High School in 1964, and was a member of the U.S. Alpine Ski Team from 1965 to 1969. A four-way competitor, Jere participated in the slalom, giant slalom, ski jumping, and cross country events, and was a member of the U.S. Ski Team at the 1968 Winter Olympics at Grenoble, France. Prior to his banking career, Jere Elliott also became involved in coaching skiing and in skiing-related business enterprises.**

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36. Sources of information:

"Former Resident Heads Bank." *Steamboat Pilot and Today*, November 12, 1987. Located in clipping file at Tread of Pioneers Museum.

"Former Resident Named LaSalle Bank Prexy." *Steamboat Pilot and Today*, May 8, 1986. Located in clipping file at Tread of Pioneers Museum.

Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph/ Mountain Bell Telephone Directories for Steamboat Springs, 1956 – 2007. On file at the Denver Public Library, Western History Department.

"Routt County Assessor/Treasurer Parcel Detail Information."

"Routt County Assessor, Residential Property Appraisal Record."

"Howard Elliott." (feature article) *Steamboat Pilot and Today*, March 24, 1983. Located in clipping file at Tread of Pioneers Museum.

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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 possesses 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.

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Steamboat Springs Standards for Designation:

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| Not Applicable | A. Its character, interest, or value as part of the development, heritage, or cultural characteristics of Routt County, the State of Colorado, or the United States. |
| Not Applicable | B. Its location as a site of a significant historic event.   |
| Not Applicable | C. Its identification with a person or persons who significantly contributed to the culture and development of Routt County.   |
| Not Applicable | D. Its exemplification of the cultural, economic, social, or historic heritage of Routt County.  |
| Not Applicable | E. Its portrayal of the environment of a group of people in an era of history characterized by a distinctive architectural style.                                    |
| Not Applicable | F. Its embodiment of distinguishing characteristics of an architectural type or specimen.  |
| Not Applicable | G. Its identification as the work of an architect or master builder whose individual work has influenced the development of Routt County.                            |
| Not Applicable | H. Its embodiment of elements of architectural design, detail, materials, and/or craftsmanship that represent a significant architectural innovation.                |
| Not Applicable | I. Its relationship to other distinctive areas that are eligible for preservation according to a plan based on an historic, cultural, or architectural motif.        |
| Not Applicable | J. Its unique location or singular physical characteristic representing an established and familiar visual feature of a neighborhood, a community, or Routt County.  |

39. Area(s) of significance: **Not Applicable**

40. Period of significance: **Not Applicable**

41. Level of significance:      National:                      State:                      Local:

42. Statement of significance:

**Due to a loss of integrity, this property may be considered ineligible for local landmark designation, and ineligible for listing in the National and State Registers.**

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:

**This property exhibits a somewhat below average level of physical integrity, relative to the seven aspects of integrity as defined by the National Park Service and the Colorado Historical Society, Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation - setting, location, design, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. The historic dwelling's integrity has been compromised by a rear addition, and by other probable alterations.**

### VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44. National Register eligibility field assessment: **Not Eligible**

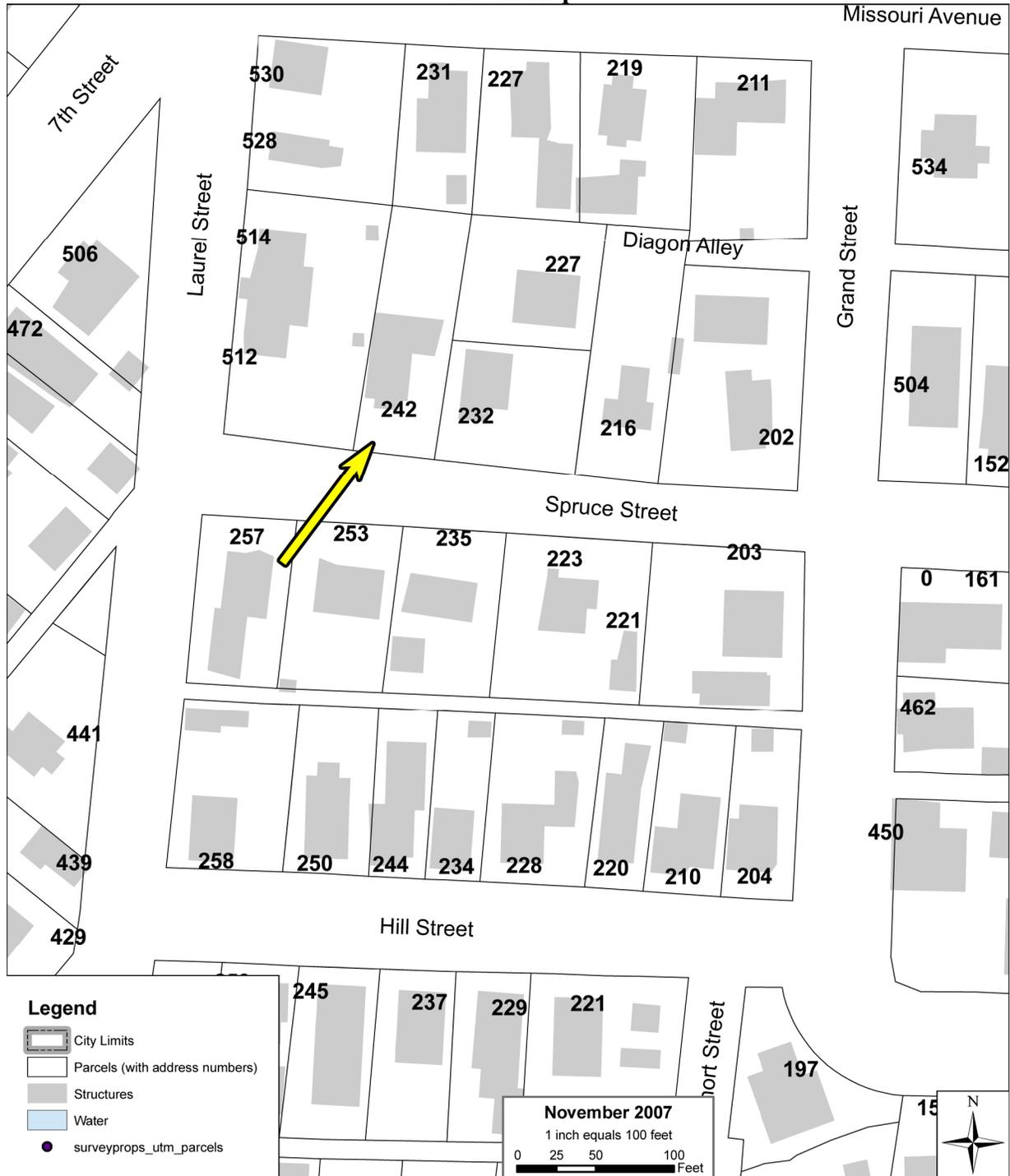
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45. Is there National Register district potential?    Yes                      No



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## Sketch Map



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## Location Map

