COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

Official Eligibility Determination (OAHP use only) OAHP1403 Rev. 9/98

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.2489** Parcel number(s): **100308005**
2. Temporary resource number: **N/A**
3. County: **Routt**
4. City: **Steamboat Springs**
5. Historic Building Name: **Hertzog House**
6. Current Building Name: **Hertzog House**
7. Building Address: **335 6th Street**
8. Owner Name: **Frank Sherman Hertzog Management Trust Agreement**
   Owner Organization:
   Owner Address: **7900 Shadow Bend Drive**
   Huntsville, AL 35802

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

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II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M.: **6th** Township: **6N** Range: **84 W**
   SE ¼ of **SE** ¼ of **SW** ¼ of **SE ¼** of Section **8**
10. UTM reference (Datum: NAD27)
    Zone: **13** **344916 mE** **4483234 mN**
11. USGS quad name: **Steamboat Springs, Colorado**
    Year: **1969** Map scale: **7.5'**
12. Lot(s): **Lots 5 and 6, Block 8**
    Addition: **First Addition to Steamboat Springs** Year of addition: **1909**
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: **1228 square feet**
16. Number of stories: **1 1/2**
17. Primary external wall material(s): **Wood/Horizontal Siding**
18. Roof configuration: **Gabled Roof/Front Gabled Roof**
19. Primary external roof material: **Metal Roof**
20. Special features: **Porch**
    Chimney

21. General architectural description:
    The house at 335 6th Street is a 1½-story, wood frame, rectangular-shaped dwelling. It is supported by a low concrete foundation, and its exterior walls are clad with painted cream yellow horizontal wood siding with painted blue 1" by 4" corner boards. The house is covered by a steeply-pitched front gable roof, with metal roofing material, and with painted cream yellow rafter ends exposed beneath the eaves. There are two chimneys: one is a large fireplace chimney, covered with painted cream yellow concrete pargeting, on the northeast (side) elevation; the other is a red brick fireplace chimney located near the rear northwest end of the roof ridge. The home's windows are primarily 1/1 double-hung sash with painted white wood frames and painted blue wood surrounds. A 14' by 7' enclosed, shed-roofed, front porch is centered on the symmetrical façade which faces toward 6th Street on the southeast elevation. A blue metal-paneled storm door is located at the exterior of the enclosed porch, while a stained brown wood-paneled door, with one upper sash light, leads from within the porch into the home's interior. A projecting upper half-story gable, with a set of paired 1/1 double-hung sash windows, is located above the enclosed shed-roofed porch. A 10' by 6' enclosed, shed-roofed rear porch is located on the northwest elevation. A white metal or synthetic storm door enters this porch from a 2-step wood stoop.

22. Architectural style: **No Style**
    Building type:

23. Landscape or special setting features: **This property is located on the northwest side of 6th Street in the block between Pine and Aspen Streets. Large planted grass front and back yards have mature landscaping features. A large pine tree is located southwest of the house. A gravel driveway extends from the street to along the house's northeast side.**

24. Associated buildings, features or objects:

Sheds

Two wood frame sheds, which abut each other, are located adjacent to the alley near the rear western corner of the property.

One of these sheds measures approximately 6' by 12', and is supported by a wood timbers on grade foundation. This shed has unpainted horizontal weatherboard walls, with 1" by 4" corner boards, and a side-gable roof with metal roofing material laid over 1x wood decking and 2x wood rafters. A window opening, shuttered with a side-hinged vertical wood plank shutter, is located on the northwest elevation. A horizontal wood plank door opens into the backyard on the southeast elevation.

The other shed measures approximately 6' by 8', rests on wood timbers, and has unpainted vertical wood plank walls. It is covered by a shed roof, with metal roofing material laid over 1x wood decking and 2x wood rafters. An open doorway opens into the backyard on the southeast elevation.

IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of construction: Estimate: **1917** 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:

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:

Routt County Assessor records indicate that this house was built in 1917. Efforts to uncover information about its earliest owners and residents, at the Tread of Pioneers Museum, and through historic online articles from the *Steamboat Pilot* newspaper, have been unsuccessful. From circa 1945 to the present (2008), though, the property has been owned by the Hertzog family. Oscar P. and Minnie made their home here together until Oscar's death in 1956, and Minnie then continued to live here until her own death in 1988. Since that time, the property has been held in trust by their descendants.

Minnie R. Hertzog, nicknamed "Mighty-Mini-Minnie" by her legends of admirers, was born in Brown County, South Dakota in 1894. As a child, her family moved to New Mexico and then Kansas. She began her teaching career in a rural school in Graham County, Kansas in 1912, at the age of eighteen. At the time, she earned $50 a month, from which she paid out $15 for room and board. She met her future husband, Oscar Hertzog, while teaching a summer course at Slater, Colorado in 1917. Two years later, the couple married, and settled near Maybell. Oscar Peter Hertzog was born in January 2, 1886, in Pennsylvania. In Moffat County, Oscar worked at farming and ranching, while Minnie continued to teach while raising their children Frank, born 1920, and Paul, born 1923. During the time the family lived near Maybell, the community had a flour mill, bank, two stores, and a single telephone. In Moffat County, Minnie taught in numerous rural schools, as the vagaries of ranching life took its toll on the area's population. Sometimes she taught in a school for only a year or a summer session, and she once had only one student. Minnie's last year of teaching at Maybell was in 1944-1945. The couple moved to Steamboat Springs when Oscar retired from ranching due to failing health. He passed away in 1956. In Steamboat, Minnie began teaching fourth grade. She taught for an additional 24 years, before retiring in 1969 at the age of 75. Never one to be still, she continued assisting others after retiring, and worked as a babysitter, child care provider and companion to the elderly until she was at least 82. Following Minnie Hertzog's death in 1988, the title to this property was transferred to her son, Frank. It is currently held by the Colonel Frank Sherman Hertzog Management Trust of Huntsville, Alabama.

36. Sources of information:

Grillo, Melanie "Mighty-Mini-Minnie." *Three Wire Winter*, Spring 1976. Located in clipping file at Tread of Pioneers Museum.

Fourteenth Census of the United States, 1920, Moffat County Colorado.

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."

"Routt County Burial Index." http://yampavalley.info/history

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.

Steamboat Springs Standards for Designation:

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.
☑	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.
☑	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:

This property is historically significant for its associations with Steamboat Springs' residential development dating from the time of its construction, circa 1917, and it is also architecturally significant as a rather distinctive example of a vernacular wood front gabled dwelling. Numerous vernacular, houses, such as this one - generally lacking a particular architectural style, and with minimal architectural details - were built throughout Steamboat Springs' residential neighborhoods during the early 1900s. The number of these houses is gradually dwindling, however. This dwelling's level of historic and architectural significance is not to the extent that it would be considered eligible for inclusion in the National or State Registers; however, it may be considered eligible for local landmark listing in the Routt County Historic Register.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:

This property exhibits an overall high standard 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 enclosed front porch was originally an open porch. Otherwise, there are no apparent adverse alterations to the historic dwelling. The integrity of setting is enhanced by the presence of the two historic sheds at the rear of the property.

VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

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

Local landmark eligibility field assessment: **Eligible**

45. Is there National Register district potential? Yes No ☑

Discuss: **Historic buildings within the survey area do not collectively possess sufficient historical or architectural significance, and/or display sufficient physical integrity, to comprise a State or National Register historic district.**

If there is National Register district potential, is this building: Contributing Noncontributing N/A: ☑

46. If the building is in existing National Register district, is it: Contributing Noncontributing N/A: ☑

VIII. RECORDING INFORMATION

47. Photograph number(s): **CD #1, Images 198-203** CDs filed at: **City of Steamboat Springs**
137 10th Street
Steamboat Springs, CO
80477

48. Report title: **Old Town Steamboat Springs Residential Survey Phase V**

49. Date(s): **05/10/08**

50. Recorder(s): **Carl McWilliams**
Karen McWilliams

51. Organization: **Cultural Resource Historians**

52. Address: **1607 Dogwood Court**
Fort Collins, CO 80525

53. Phone number(s): **(970) 493-5270**

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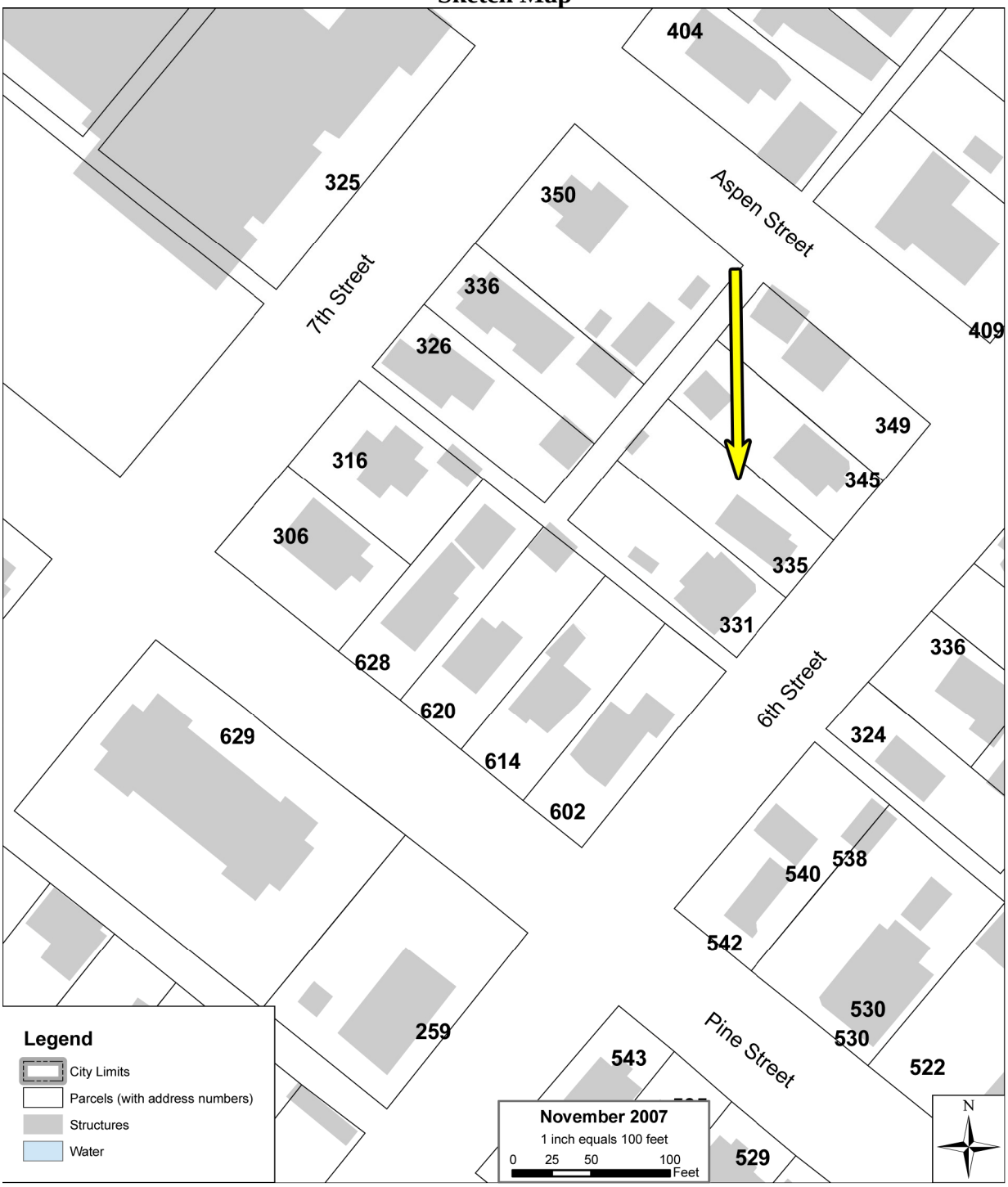
Sketch Map



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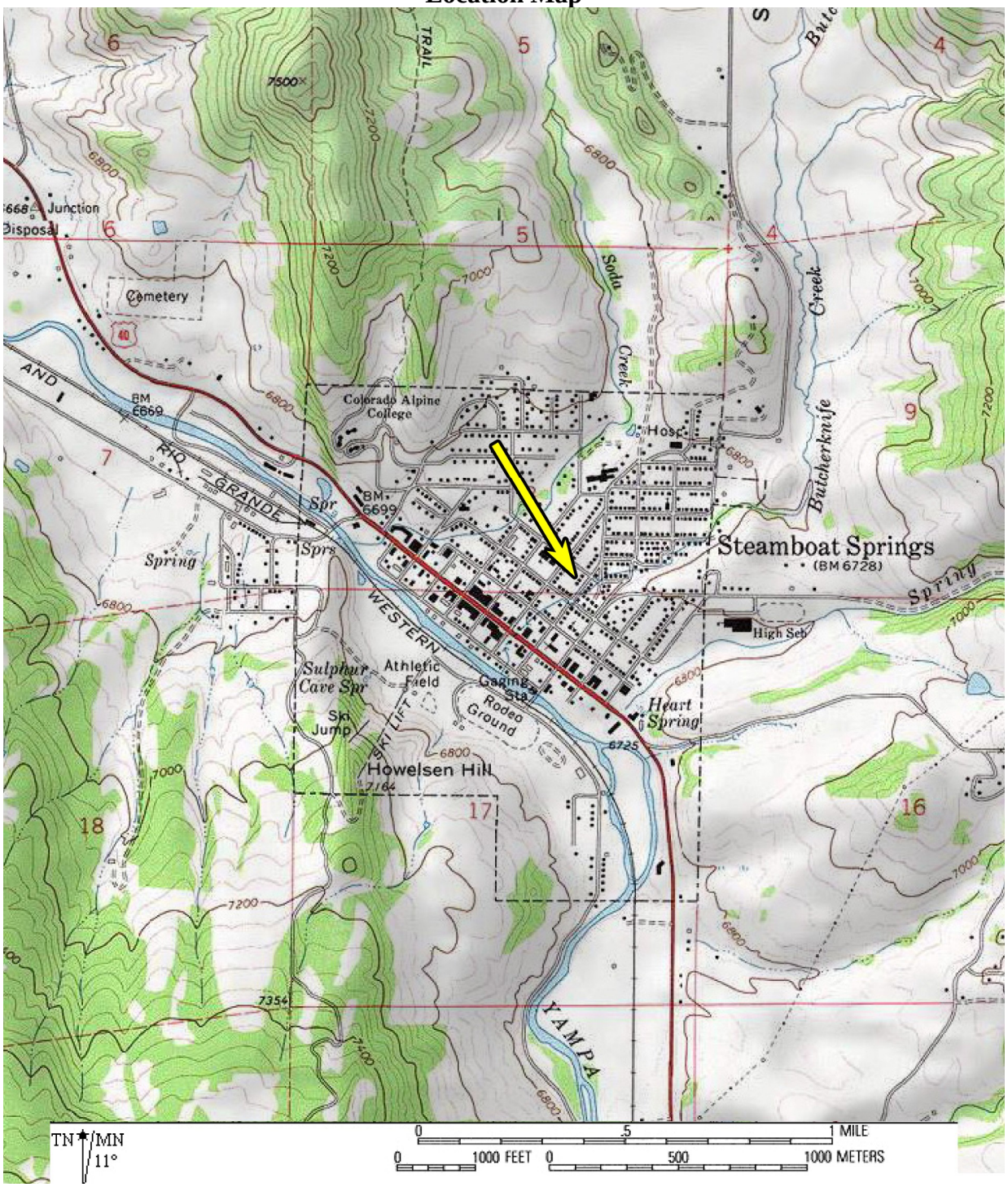
Location Map