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# Architectural Inventory Form

Official Eligibility Determination  
(for OAHP use only)

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

## I. Identification

1. Resource number: 5HN68.77
2. Temporary resource number: 29
3. County: Hinsdale
4. City: Lake City
5. Historic building name: Ruth Vernon House *Residence*
6. Current building name:
7. Building address: 500 Bluff Street, Lake City, CO 81235
8. Owner name and address: Raymond McGlothlin, 7947 Deer Meadow, Houston TX 77071

## II. Geographic Information

County Property No.: R1303

9. P.M. *6th NM* Township 44N Range 4W SW4 of SE4 of NW4 of SW4 of Section 27
10. UTM reference  
Zone 13 296730<sup>2</sup> mE 4211670<sup>4</sup> mN
11. USGS quad name: Lake City Quad year: 1985 Map scale: X 7.5' \_\_\_ 15'
12. Block(s): 40 Lot(s): 17-20 Legal:  
Addition: Year of Addition: 0
13. Boundary description and justification: Perimeter of parcel

## III. Architectural Description

14. Building plan: Irregular
15. Dimensions: 1420 square feet
16. Number of stories: 1, 1-1/2
17. External wall material(s): Wood horizontal siding
18. Roof configuration: Gabled
19. Roof material: Metal
20. Special features: Chimney, balcony, attached garage
21. General architectural description:  
1-1/2 story and one-story, gabled frame dwelling with metal roof. Stone fireplace chimney in south gable wall. Walls clad in horizontal wood. Entrance in southwest ell, accessed by deck that wraps around south and east elevations. Windows are 1-over-1s, 6-over-6s, and a 12-lite slider. Small balcony and door in west gable end. Second entrance in east elevation is sheltered by a gabled cover. Single car garage attached at northeast corner, faces alley.
22. Architectural style/Building type: No style
23. Landscaping or special setting:

## VI. Significance

37. Local landmark: Yes  No  Date of design.: \_\_\_\_\_ Design. authority: \_\_\_\_\_

Within Lake City Historic District (local historic district)

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 distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
- D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in history or prehistory
- Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G
- Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria

39. Area(s) of significance: Social history

40. Period of significance: 1946 - 1953

41. Level of significance: National  State  Local

42. Statement of significance:

This house is associated with post World War II growth in Lake City.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity to significance:

This house has been substantially altered and enlarged and no longer appears historic.

## VII. National Register Eligibility Assessment

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:  Eligible  Not Eligible  Need Data

45. Is there National Register district potential?  Yes  No

Discuss \_\_\_\_\_

If there is National Register district potential, is this building

46. If the building is in an existing National Register district is it?  
(Lake City National Historic District)

Contributing  Noncontributing  
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## VIII. Recording Information

47. Photograph numbers: Roll 9, frame 8; Roll 5, frame 21A Negatives filed at: Lake City Town Hall

48. Report title: 2003 Architectural Survey of Lake City, Colorado

49. Date(s): September 2002 - June 2003

50. Recorders Cathleen M. Norman and Grant E. Houston

51. Organization: Town of Lake City

52. Address: 230 Bluff Street, Lake City CO 81235

53. Phone no. (970) 944-2333

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1300 Broadway, Denver CO 80203 (303) 866-3395

24. Associated building, features or objects:

#### IV. Architectural History

25. Date of construction Estimate: \_\_\_\_\_ Actual: 1946 Source of info: Gunnison NEWS-CHAMPION, February 28, 1946
26. Architect: None Source of info:
27. Builder/contractor: Ernie Masten Source of info: Gunnison NEWS-CHAMPION
28. Original owner: Mrs. Ruth Vernon Source of info: Gunnison NEWS-CHAMPION
29. Construction history (major additions, alterations, demolitions):  
Large rear addition built in 1956. The house was further enlarged in 1996 and altered by application of stained wood siding. Source: Tax Assessor records.
30. Original location:  Moved  Date of move(s) \_\_\_\_\_

#### V. Historical Associations

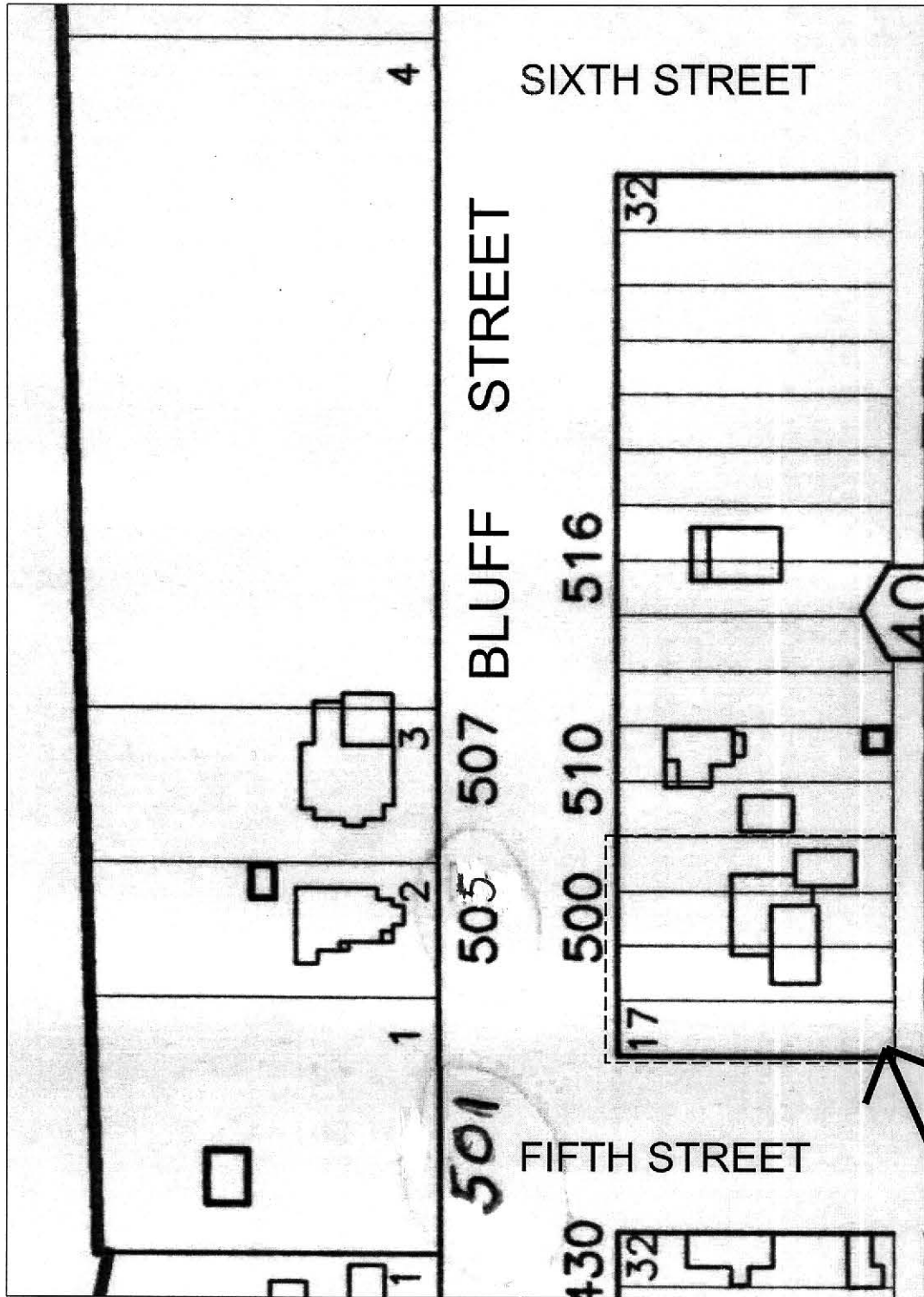
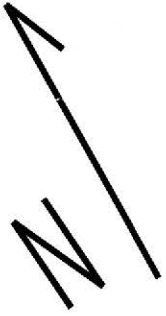
31. Original use(s): Single dwelling
32. Intermediate use(s):
33. Current use(s): Single dwelling
34. Site type(s):
35. Historical background:

A log residence owned by Elizabeth Swank burned to the ground at this site in April, 1915. The corner lots remained vacant until 1946 when Mrs. Ruth Vernon, who owned the old Kennedy house across the street, arranged to dismantle an old assay office built by George R. Denise in 1902 on Silver Street, approximately 323 Silver Street, and hired Ernie Masten to use its materials to construct a single story rental house on these corner lots.

A notable feature of the structure was an exposed chimney constructed of smooth river rock, an element which remains visible today. The house was acquired by Ray McGlothlin and more than doubled in size in 1996 with the construction of an attached two-story frame addition. The single story house constructed by Ruth Vernon in 1946 remains as a rear portion of the house, with new wood siding covering both the old and new portions of the structure.

36. Sources of information: Lake City TIMES, April 22, 1915, page 3; Gunnison NEWS-CHAMPION, February 28, 1946, page 7; SILVER WORLD, October 18, 1996, page 6.

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