

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: 5HN68.14
2. Temporary resource number: 119
3. County: Hinsdale
4. City: Lake City
5. Historic building name: Williams-Nettleton House
6. Current building name:
7. Building address: 107 South Gunnison Avenue, Lake City, CO 81235
8. Owner name and address: Sarah and Andrew Nettleton, P.O. Box 22, Lake City 81235

II. Geographic Information

County Property No.: R930

9. P.M. 6th Township 44N Range 4W NW4 of SE4 of NW4 of NW4 of Section 34
10. UTM reference
Zone 13 296680 mE 4210970 mN
11. USGS quad name: Lake City Quad year: 1985 Map scale: X 7.5' _____ 15'
12. Block(s): 3 Lot(s): 25-29 Legal:
Addition: Foote & Richardson Addition Year of Addition: 1881
13. Boundary description and justification: Perimeter of parcel

III. Architectural Description

14. Building plan: L plan
15. Dimensions: 1155 square feet
16. Number of stories: 1-1/2
17. External wall material(s): Wood horizontal siding
18. Roof configuration: Gabled
19. Roof material: Composition
20. Special features: Porch
21. General architectural description:
1-1/2 story cross-gabled, L-plan frame dwelling; west elevation has broad gable. Composition roofing; corbeled brick chimney in south roof slope; walls clad in clapboards and trimmed in cornerboards. Newer 4-over-4 windows, single and paired; small 4-lite in west gable end. Shed-roofed porch in southwest ell has square posts and carved brackets; it shelters two entrances with paneled doors and 1-over-1 window. Windows on south elevation are 4-over-4 double hungs. Two entrances in ell, both with paneled door. Slightly raised masonry foundation trimmed in horizontal board.
22. Architectural style/Building type: No style
23. Landscaping or special setting:

24. Associated building, features or objects:

Shed, circa 1998

Very small, one-story frame building with metal roof with very wide overhangs; clad in board and batten. Next to it is a skateboard jump.

V. Architectural History

25. Date of construction Estimate: _____ Actual: 1890 Source of info: Hinsdale County tax rolls, 1882-1938.

26. Architect: Unknown Source of info:

27. Builder/contractor: Unknown Source of info:

28. Original owner: Frank S. and Addie Williams Source of info: Hinsdale County tax rolls, 1882-1938.

29. Construction history (major additions, alterations, demolitions):

Expanded in the early 1900s to a 1-1/2 story dwelling. Further renovations in 1998.

30. Original location: Moved Date of move(s) _____

F. 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:

Similar to neighboring 114 South Gunnison, a small, front-gabled frame residence started out at this location c. 1890 when its owner, Thatcher Bros. Miners & Merchants Bank, was assessed \$100 for improvements. At some point post-1900 the single-story frame house -- with symmetrical double four-over-four windows on the front facade -- was enlarged to 1-1/2-story. The expansion resulted in an enlarged non-symmetrical clapboard facade with both the double four-over-four window and a single four-over-four window. Major renovations occurred in 1998 and 1999 with a new foundation shifting the building slightly to the east; deteriorated clapboard was also replaced as part of the renovation, together with installation of octagon-shaped window on the south elevation.

112 South Gunnison is closely associated with two generations of the pioneer Williams family, beginning with Franklin Sherman Williams (1864-1943) and his wife, Addie (Watson) Williams (1870-1952) who moved to the house shortly after their marriage in 1888. Sherman Williams came to the upper Lake Fork as a boy in 1875 and served as the inspiration for the naming of the mining town of Sherman. A prominent road builder, he was hailed as the "San Juan's oldest pioneer" at his death, age 78, in 1943.

The Williams' son, Sherman Watson Williams, and his family, lived at 112 South Gunnison until they moved to Ouray, Colorado, in the late 1920s. Earl and Nannie Austin were owners of the property in the 1930s; following Mr. Austin's death in 1939, Mrs. Austin supplemented her income by marketing homebrew moonshine. John and Emma Liska bought the house following Mrs. Austin's death and used it as a rental as part of their Liska's Cabins tourist court operation. Since 1960, the property has been owned by Bob and Jessie Wheeler and Sue Comstock; the Nettletons, current owners, carried out renovations in the late 1990s

36. Sources of information:

Hinsdale County tax rolls, 1882-1938; CEMETERIES OF HINSDALE COUNTY, COLORADO, 1874-1996, Anundsen Publishing Co., Decorah, Iowa, 1996, pages 13, 166, 167.

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, architecture

40. Period of significance: 1890 - 1904

41. Level of significance: National State Local

42. Statement of significance:

This house is associated with settlement and development of Lake City during the late 1800s mining era. It is a somewhat altered representative of the vernacular dwellings constructed in Lake City during this period, as reflected in its simple design clapboard siding, gabled roof, porch and lack of architectural details that indicate a particular style.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity to significance:

Although somewhat altered, this dwelling retains its architectural integrity as reflected in its gabled roof form, clapboard materials, porch, and doors.

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 Contributing Noncontributing

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

VIII. Recording Information

47. Photograph numbers: Roll 25, frame 5-9; Roll 33, frame 10 Negatives filed at: Lake City Town Hall

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

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

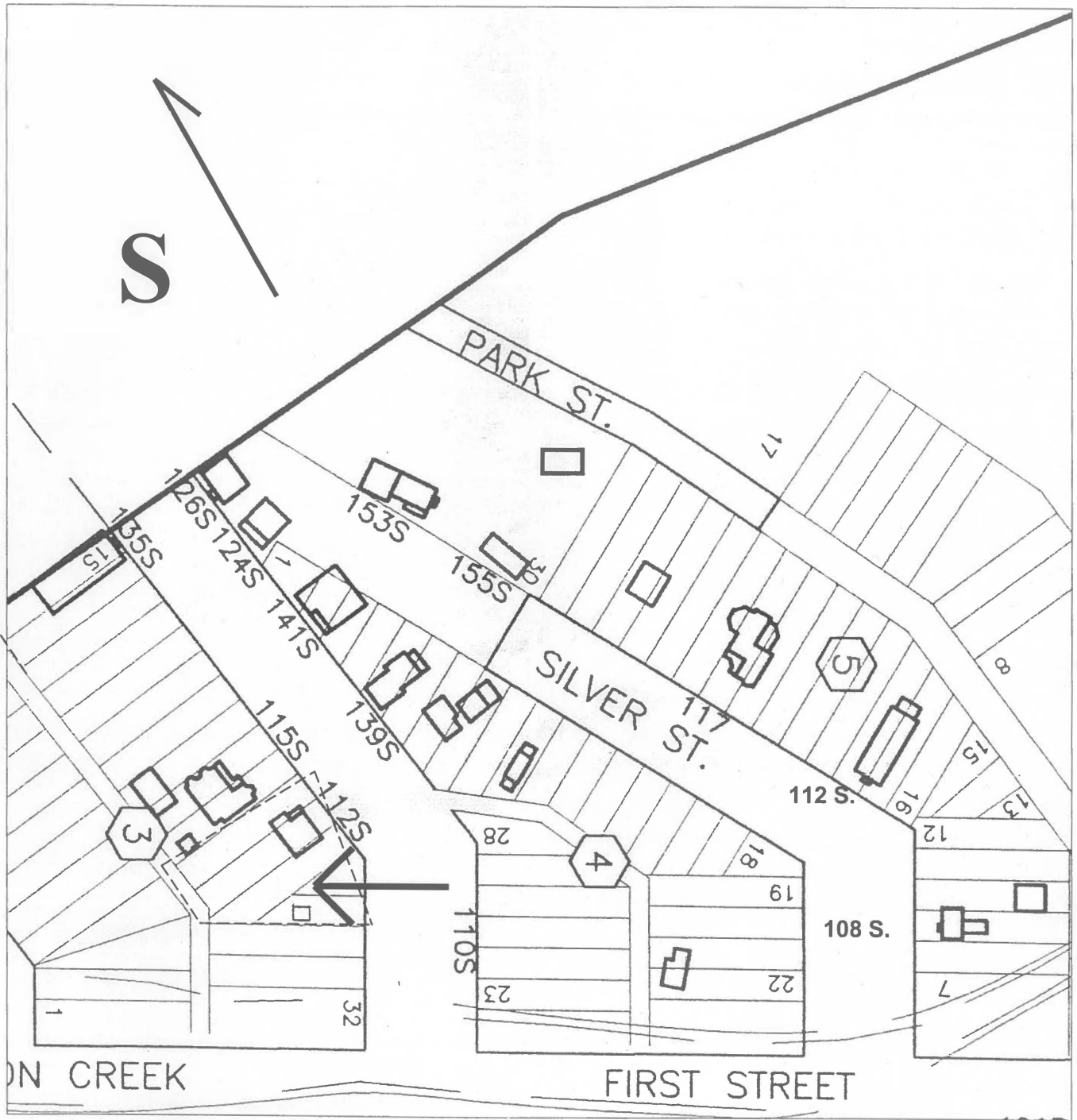
50. Recordors Cathleen M. Norman and Grant E. Houston

51. Organization: Town of Lake City

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