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# Architectural Inventory Form

- 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: 5HN68.153
2. Temporary resource number: 136
3. County: Hinsdale
4. City: Lake City
5. Historic building name: *Matthews Building*
6. Current building name: *Matthews Building Back Country Navigator w Custom Hair Designers*
7. Building address: 131 Gunnison Avenue, Lake City, CO 81235
8. Owner name and address: Neoga Properties, Inc., P.O. Box 520, Lake City CO 81235

## II. Geographic Information

County Property No.: R979

9. P.M. *6th NM* Township 44N Range 4W NW4 of NE4 of NW4 of Section *034*
10. UTM reference  
Zone 13 *4* 296700 mE *66* 4211170 mN
11. USGS quad name: Lake City Quad year: 1985 Map scale: X 7.5' \_\_\_ 15'
12. Block(s): 71 Lot(s): 1-5 Legal:  
Addition: Year of Addition:
13. Boundary description and justification: Perimeter of parcel

## III. Architectural Description

14. Building plan: Rectangular
15. Dimensions: 2240 square feet
16. Number of stories: 1-1/2
17. External wall material(s): Wood horizontal siding
18. Roof configuration: Flat, pyramidal
19. Roof material: Composition
20. Special features: Decorative cornice
21. General architectural description:  
One-story, flat-roofed frame building. 1-1/2-story, pyramidal-roofed section at northeast corner. Composition roofing; walls clad in horizontal, lapped siding trimmed with cornerboards. Cornices on east and north walls are bracketed. Windows are 1-over-1, single and paired. Shallow, half-hipped bay window on east elevation has shed roof with centered pediment. 1-1/2 story corner section contains angled, inset entrance consisting of paneled and glazed door with slightly arched top flanked by fixed sash windows; bead/spindlework frieze. West section of north elevation has steep, centered triangular pediment; centered, inset entrance contains glazed and paneled door. South elevation has small shed-roofed addition containing entrance, with roof pediment. Concrete foundation enclosed in horizontal board.
22. Architectural style/Building type: Neo-Victorian
23. Landscaping or special setting:  
Corner lot with sidewalk of brick pavers.

24. Associated building, features or objects:

#### IV. Architectural History

25. Date of construction Estimate: \_\_\_\_\_ Actual: 2001 Source of info: Assessor's Appraisal Card
26. Architect: Bob Matthews Source of info:
27. Builder/contractor: Bob Matthews, Chris Brown Source of info:
28. Original owner: Bob and Linda Matthews Source of info:
29. Construction history (major additions, alterations, demolitions):
30. Original location:  Moved  Date of move(s) \_\_\_\_\_

#### V. Historical Associations

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

A Victorian-style commercial building with corner tower was built by Bob and Linda Matthews starting in 2001 and finishing the following year. The vinyl-clad structure houses the Matthews' Back Country Navigator book and gift store, and Mountain View Technical Services.

The corners lot on which the Matthews Building was built, southwest corner Gunnison and Second Street, was unaccountably never developed in the 19th Century. The corner lots were acquired by S.C. Foote from Lake City Town Company in 1875. It was announced in 1876 that Col. Crummey and brother would erect an opera house -- requiring an estimated 100,000 board feet from Henry Finley's sawmill -- on the corner. The interior arrangement of the two-story opera house, as described by Lake City SILVER WORLD, would include a spacious auditorium with stage and accessories on the ground floor, with private boxes and parlors "elegantly fitted up" on the second floor. The Crummey opera house never came to fruition, and the corner lots remained vacant until the early 1970s when the corner was the site of "Big John" Tasco's Standard gasoline station. John and "Dutch" Tasco, and family, lived in a mobile home on the site. A number of minor frame structures remained from the gas station until 1983 when they were removed.

36. Sources of information:

Lake City SILVER WORLD, Sat., October 28, 1876, page 3, Fri., March 25, 1983, page 1, Thurs., December 13, 2001, page 4.

## 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:
40. Period of significance:
41. Level of significance: National  State  Local
42. Statement of significance:  
This recently constructed building does not contribute to the Lake City Historic District.
43. Assessment of historic physical integrity to significance:

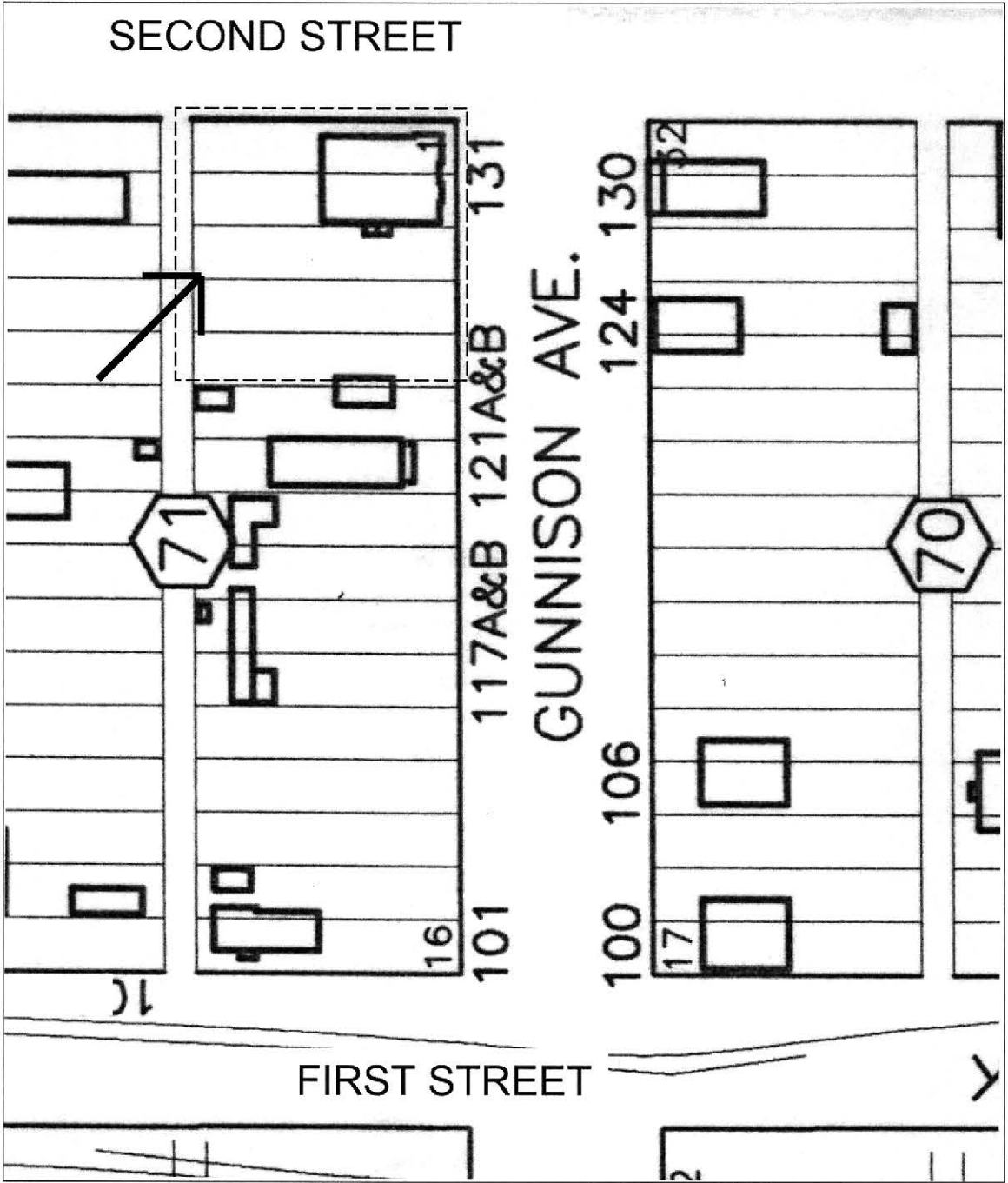
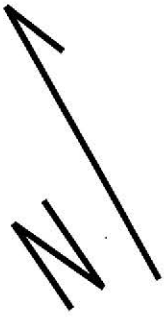
## VII. National Register Eligibility Assessment

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 14, frames 3A-5A 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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