

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCES INVENTORY

OAHP Site #: 5.WL.7864

Greeley 8th Avenue Survey

Historical and Architectural Reconnaissance Form

Eligibility Evaluation (OAHP use only)

Date _____ Initials _____

____ Determined Eligible – NR

____ Determined Eligible - SR

____ Needs Data

____ Eligible District – Contributing

____ Eligible District - Noncontributing

IDENTIFICATION

1. Current Property Name: **David's Auto Sales**
Historic Property Name: **Vern's Conoco Station, Purdy's Conoco Station, Guy's Service Station**
2. Resource Classification: **Building**
3. Ownership: **Private**
Owner(s) contact info:

LOCATION

4. Street Address: **1228 8th Avenue**
5. Municipality: **Greeley, Colorado**
6. County: **Weld**
7. USGS Quad (7.5'): **Greeley, Colorado** year: **1950** Photorevised **1980**
8. Parcel Number: **096108211004**
9. Parcel Information: Lot(s): **5** Block: **98** Addition: **Greeley Original Townsite**
10. Acreage: **< 1 (10,000 square feet)**
11. PLSS information: Principal Meridian: **6th** Township: **5 North** Range: **65 West**
NE¼ SW¼ NE¼ NW¼ of section **8**
12. Location Coordinates: **Zone 13** **526256 mE** **4474253 mN**
Datum: NAD83

DESCRIPTION

13. Construction features (forms, materials)

Property Type: **Free standing commercial building (former gas station)**

Building Plan: **Rectangular Plan**

Dimensions in Feet: **~45' N-S by ~25' E-W**

Stories: **One**

Architectural Style/Type: **Modern Movements / Oblong Box Gas Station**

Foundation: **Concrete**

Walls: **The façade wall, facing 8th Avenue to the west, and the south wall, facing 13th Street to the south, are clad with a veneer of white metal panels, with a wide blue band at the base of the wall, and a narrower blue band extending along the top of**

the door and window openings. Painted signage in the upper façade, in black, blue and red lettering, advertises” “TIRE Services” with the motif of a tire, and “David’s AUTO SALES.” Painted signage in the upper south elevation wall proclaims: BUY SELL TRADE.” Fluorescent lighting, in blue metal fixtures, extends along the top of the façade wall, as well as along the top of the south elevation wall. The west (rear) wall is made of pale brown brick laid in running bond. The north (side) wall is made of painted white brick laid in running bond, with a wide painted blue band at the base of the wall, and a narrower blue band along the top of the window openings.

Windows: Large single-light fixed-pane display windows flank the entry door into the sales office in the south half of the façade. Painted signage on the windows advertise: “HOT DEALS” “WITH FREE TIRE BALANCING” and “LOW PRICES.” The north wall contains two 12-light industrial sash windows, with painted white brick rowlock sills. The west wall contains three 8-light industrial sash windows, with brick rowlock sills.

Roof: The roof is flat.

Chimney(s): N/A

Porch(s) / Doors: A painted white glass-in-wood-frame door enters the sales office in the south half of the façade. The north half of the façade contains two painted blue and white wood-paneled rollaway service bay garage doors. Two painted white doors, each with an operable transom window, are located on the south elevation. One of these is a wood-paneled door, while the other is a solid wood door. Apparently, these doors originally accessed the former gas station’s men’s and women’s restrooms. A painted white service door enters the south end of the east elevation.

14. Landscape (important features of the immediate environment)

- Garden
- Mature Plantings
- Designed Landscape
- Walls
- Parking Lot
- Driveway
- Sidewalk
- Fence
- Seating

HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

- 15. Historic function/use: **Commerce/Trade / Gas Station**
 Current function/use: **Commerce/Trade / Specialty Store (used auto sales and tire services)**
- 16. Date of Construction: **Circa 1951**
- 17. Other Significant Dates: **N/A**

18. Associated NR Areas of Significance

- Agriculture
- Architecture
- Archaeology
- Art
- Commerce
- Community Planning & Development
- Conservation
- Economics
- Education
- Engineering
- Entertainment/Rec.
- Ethnic Heritage
- Exploration/Settlement
- Health/Medicine
- Industry
- Invention
- Landscape Architecture
- Law
- Literature
- Maritime History
- Military
- Performing Arts
- Philosophy
- Politics/Gov’t.
- Religion
- Science
- Social History
- Transportation
- Other

- 19. Associated Historic Context(s) (if known): **City of Greeley 8th Avenue Survey; Greeley Downtown Historic District**

20. Retains Integrity of: Location Setting Materials Design Workmanship Association Feeling

21. Notes:

This property is located at the northeast corner of 8th Avenue and 13th Street. The former gas station building is set back approximately 50 feet from 8th Avenue and approximately 54 feet from 13th Street, and is surrounded by a concrete parking lot. The Greeley Inn motel property is to the east and northeast.

Architecturally, the building is an excellent example of an Oblong Box Gas Station with a high level of historic physical integrity.

22. Sources:

The Greeley City and Rural Route Directory. (Generally published annually by the Greeley Tribune-Republican Publishing Company.)

Sanborn Insurance Company maps for Greeley, Colorado dated June 1886, December 1887, January 1891, October 1895, January 1901, January 1906, October 1909, January 1918, April 1927, September 1946 (as an update of the April 1927 Sanborn maps), August 1968 (also as an update of the April 1927 Sanborn maps).

Weld County Assessor Property Information Map. <http://www.co.weld.co.us/maps/propertyinformation>

Weld County Assessor Property reports. <https://propertyreport.co.weld.co.us>

FIELD ELIGIBILITY RECOMMENDATIONS

Local Landmark Eligible? yes no needs data

Individually State Register Eligible? yes no needs data

Individually National Register Eligible? yes no needs data

Contributes to a Potential Historic District? yes no needs data property is not located within a potential district

RECORDING INFORMATION

Recorded by: **Carl McWilliams**

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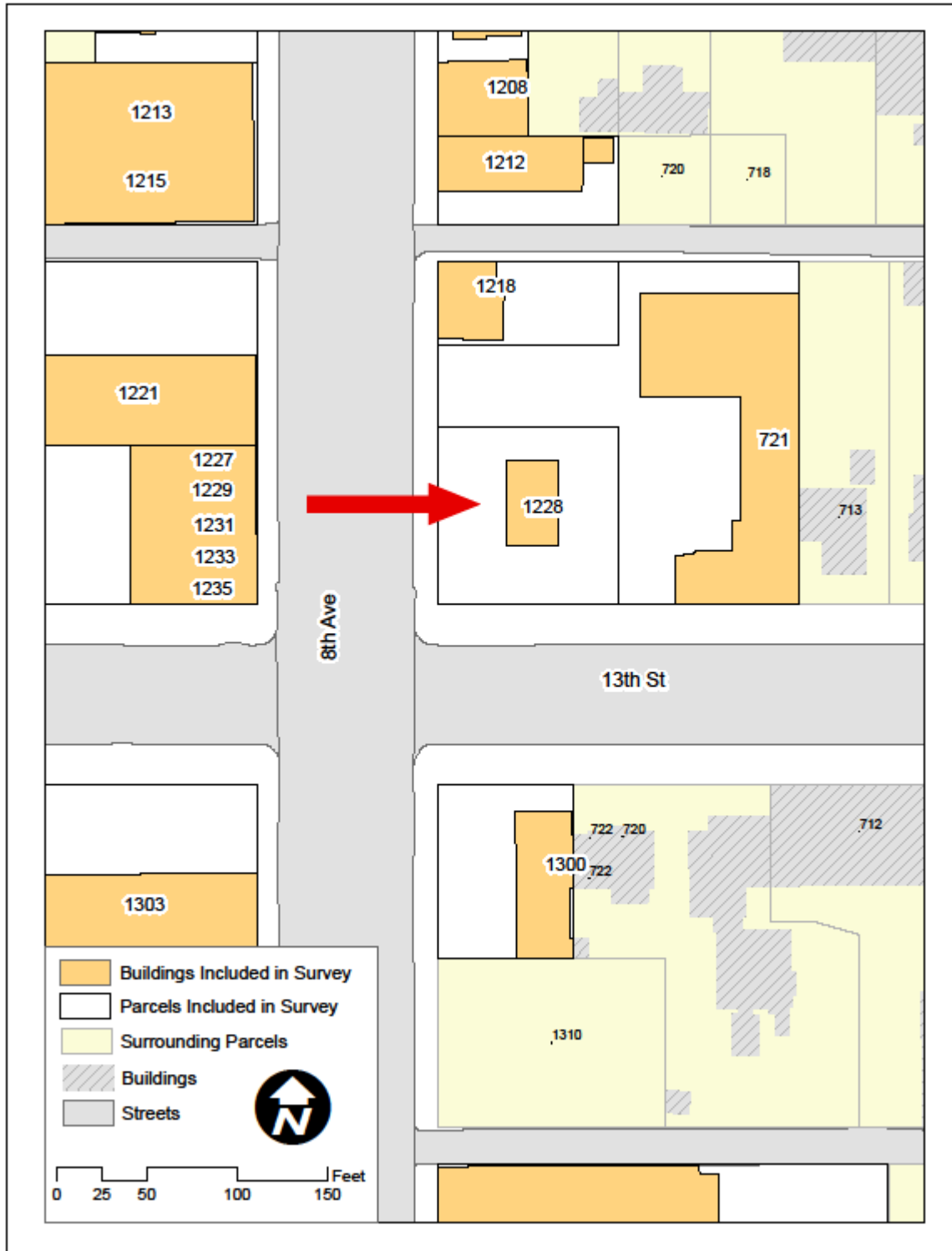
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Project Sponsor: **City of Greeley Historic Preservation Office**

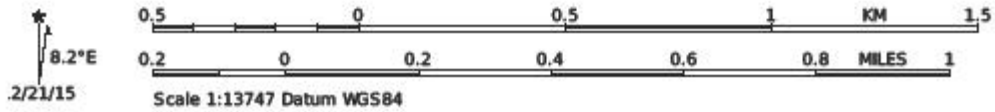
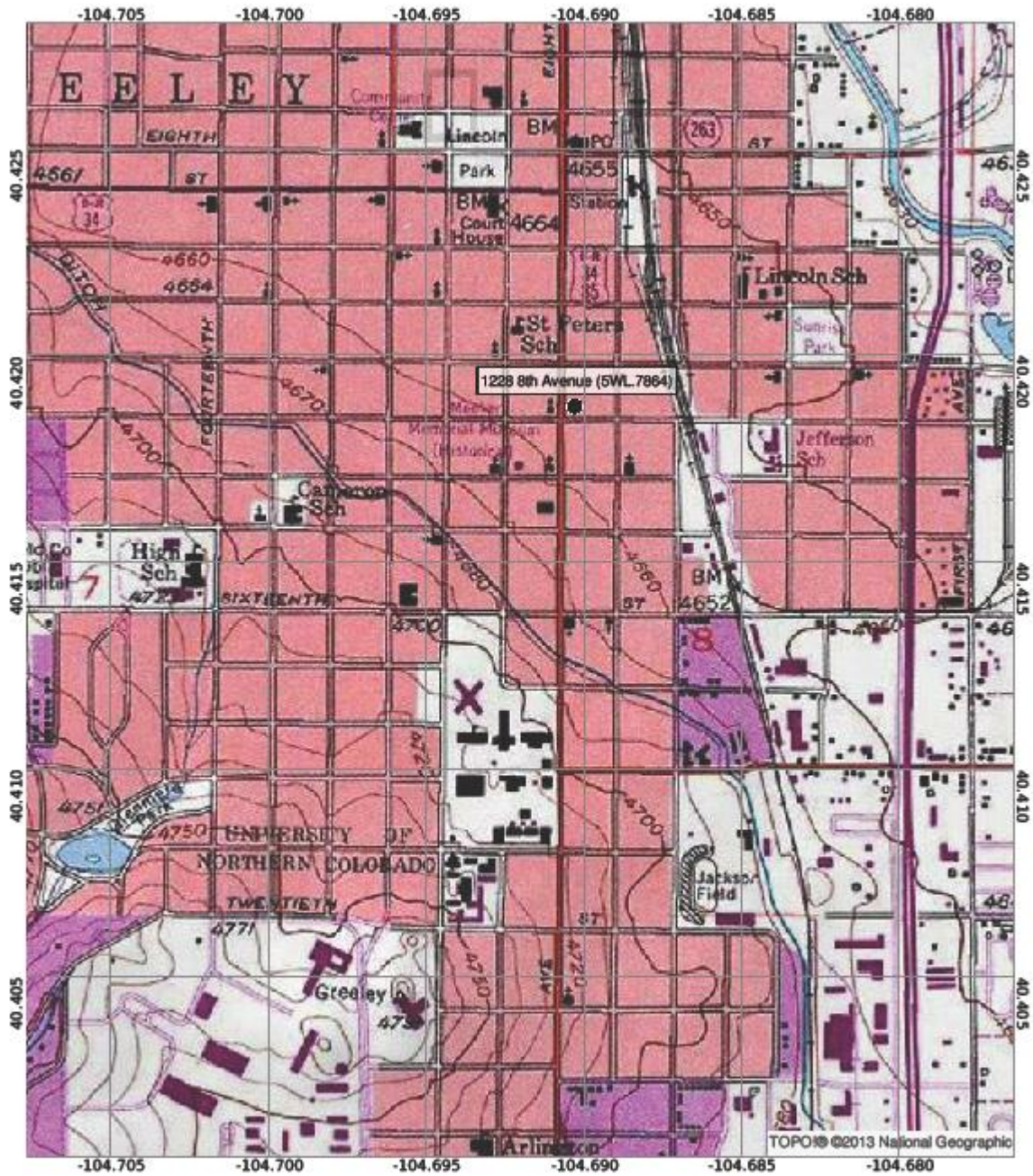
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SKETCH PLAN



LOCATION MAP

1228 8th Avenue





CD 1, Image 207, View to SE of façade (west) and north side



CD 1, Image 208, View to NE of façade (west) and south side



CD 1, Image 209, View to NW of south side and rear (east)