COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCES INVENTORY

Greeley 8th Avenue Survey

Historical and Architectural Reconnaissance Form

IDENTIFICATION

1. Current Property Name: Metro PCs, Premier Group Insurance
   Historic Property Name: Greeley Finance Company
2. Resource Classification: Building
3. Ownership: Private
   Owner(s) contact info:

LOCATION

4. Street Address: 1135 8th Avenue
5. Municipality: Greeley, Colorado
6. County: Weld
7. USGS Quad (7.5’): Greeley, Colorado    year: 1950    Photorevised 1980
8. Parcel Number: 096108203005
9. Parcel Information: Lot(s): 8    Block: 84    Addition: Greeley Original Townsite
10. Acreage: < 1 (10,400 square feet)
11. PLSS information: Principal Meridian: 6th    Township: 5 North    Range: 65 West
   SW¼ NW¼ NE¼ NW¼ of section 8
12. Location Coordinates: Zone 13    526195 mE    4474392 mN

DESCRIPTION

13. Construction features (forms, materials)
   Property Type: One Story Commercial Building
   Building Plan: L-Shaped Plan
   Dimensions in Feet: This building consists of three components: an original (1957) rectangular-shaped one-story structure which measures 32’ N-S by 80’ E-W; a (1964) one-story addition to the west (rear) of the original building, which measures 32’ N-S by 28’ E-W; a (1983) two story addition at the west end of the north elevation, which measures 16’ N-S by 43’ E-W. Overall, the entire building measures 48’ N-S by 108’ E-W.
   Stories: One (with a two-story addition)
   Architectural Style/Type: Modern Movements
Foundation: Concrete

Walls: The lower façade wall is clad with a veneer of narrow coursed sandstone blocks. The north and south walls are clad with red brick laid in running bond. The east ends of the north and south walls extend beyond the façade wall, creating the appearance of a recessed façade. A green canvas awning extends across the upper façade, and in front of this there is a sign advertising “metro PCS Authorized Dealer.” The west (rear) wall is made of unpainted concrete blocks. A large billboard, supported by a metal pole, and which extends well above the roof line, is located adjacent to the east end of the north elevation.

Windows: The south half of the façade contains a band of four single-light fixed-pane windows, with silver metal frames and narrow sandstone sills. Longer single-light fixed-pane windows flank the front entry door in the north half of the façade, also with silver metal frames and narrow sandstone sills. The south elevation contains four horizontally-oriented 1x1 horizontal sliding windows, with metal frames and red brick rowlock sills. The south elevation also contains three small louvered awning type windows. The north elevation contains a drive-up service window, beneath a flat canopy, and a horizontally-oriented 1x1 horizontal sliding window.

Roof: The roof is flat with flat parapets on the east (front), north and south.

Chimney(s): N/A

Porch(s) / Doors: A glass-in-silver-metal-frame door, with a transom light, enters the north half of the façade. This is the entry into 1135 8th Avenue. A glass-in-silver-metal-frame door, with an adjacent fixed-pane window, enters the west end of the south elevation beneath a grey and red canopy. This is the entry into 803 12th Street. The east wall of the 1983 addition contains a beige color metal service door beneath a green canvas awning. The north wall of the 1983 addition contains three 1x1 horizontal sliding first story windows and three 1x1 horizontal sliding second story windows.

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 / Business/Professional

Current function/use: Commerce/Trade / Business/Professional
Commerce/Trade / Specialty Store

16. Date of Construction: 1957 (actual) (per city directories, Assessor records and Sanborn maps)

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. ☐ Exploration/Settlement ☐ Health/Medicine ☐ Industry
☐ Invention ☐ Ethnic Heritage ☐ Law ☐ Literature ☐ Maritime History
☐ Military ☐ Landscape Architecture ☐ Performing Arts ☐ Philosophy ☐ Politics/Gov’t.
☐ Science ☐ Social History ☐ Transportation ☐ Other ☐ Religion
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 northwest corner of 8th Avenue and 12th Street. A concrete and red brick paved sidewalk parallels 8th Avenue in front of the building. A parking lot is to the north, and a short concrete-paved alley is behind the building to the west. With an altered façade, and a large 1983 addition, limited historical physical integrity of the original building now remains.

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

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Phone Log: CD 1, Images 36-40
CD 1, Image 36, View to WSW of façade (east) and north side

CD 1, Image 37, View to SSW of north side
CD 1, Image 38, View to south of rear portion of south side

CD 1, Image 39, View to NE of rear (west) and south side
CD 1, Image 40, View to NW of façade (east) and south side