
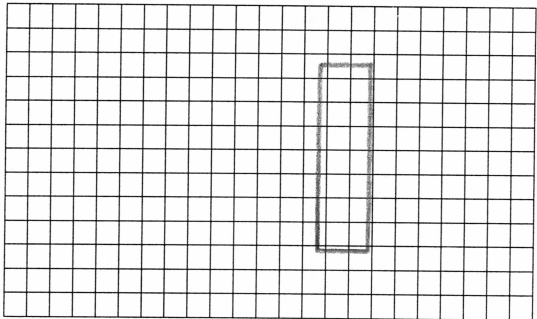


HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY RECORD

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| NOT FOR FIELD USE | |
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| PROJECT NAME: Littleton Historic Buildings Survey 1997 (#97-01-082) | | COUNTY: Arapahoe | CITY: Littleton | STATE ID NO.: 5AH1280 |
| | | TEMPORARY NO.: 2077-17-4-06-001 | | |
| CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Littleton Liquor Store/Sinton's Barber | | OWNER: WEISBROT, EDWARD J 5621 S NEVADA ST LITTLETON CO 80120 | | |
| ADDRESS: 2490 W MAIN ST Littleton, CO 80120 | | TOWNSHIP 5S RANGE 68W SECTION 17 NE 1/4 SE 1/4 | | |
| HISTORIC NAME: Crawford Saloon | | U.S.G.S. QUAD NAME: Littleton, Colo. YEAR: 1965 (r. 1994) X 7.5' 15' | | |
| DISTRICT NAME: Littleton Main Street | | BLOCK: 8 LOT(S): 10 W 1/2 ADDITION: LITTLETON ORIG. TOWN YR. OF ADDITION: 1872 | | |
| FILM ROLL NO.: 97-10 BY: Roger Whitacre | NEGATIVE NO.: 30 | LOCATION OF NEGATIVES: Littleton Hist. Mus. | DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ESTIMATE: ACTUAL: 1890 SOURCE: Litt. Gazette, 8-29-1890 | |
|  | | | USE: PRESENT: Commercial-Liquor Store HISTORIC: Commercial-Saloon | |
| | | | CONDITION: EXCELLENT GOOD X FAIR DETERIORATING | |
| | | | EXTENT OF ALTERATIONS: MINOR MODERATE X MAJOR DESCRIBE: Stucco and tile applied to walls; windows altered; cornice and brackets altered; cast iron pilasters removed; newer door. | |
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| STYLE: No Style | | STORIES: 2 | ORIGINAL SITE X MOVED DATE(S) OF MOVE: | |
| MATERIALS: Brick, Stone, Stucco, Tile | | SQ. FOOTAGE: 4830 | NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY | |
| ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: Two-story rectangular corner commercial building divided into two storefronts. Building has angled corner on northwest with entrance. Flat roof with molded cornice with brackets (which originally projected above roof); roof stepped down toward rear. Walls are clad with stucco; architectural tile under display windows. Entrance on northwest has metal frame glazed door with transom and sidelights. Second entrance at east end of front is inset, with paneled and glazed door and transom; angled wall next to door. Plate glass display windows with architectural tile under windows. Above display windows is opaque glass; awning above windows and entrance of liquor store. Upper story has 9/1-light double-hung sash windows, paired and single. Entrance with transom on west. Roof steps down toward south. Diamond-shaped tile insets near roof on west wall. | | | INDIVIDUAL: YES X NO | |
| | | | CONTRIBUTING TO DISTRICT: YES X NO | |
| | | | LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: No | |
| | | | NAME: DATE: | |
| ADDITIONAL PAGES: YES X NO | | | ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS? YES X NO TYPE: | |
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| PLAN SHAPE:  | ARCHITECT: Unknown | STATE ID NO.: 5AH1280 |
| | SOURCE: | ORIGINAL OWNER: J.E. Crawford |
| | BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown | SOURCE: Littleton Gazette, 8-29-1890 |
| | SOURCE: | THEME(S): Rail Era: Rail Town Physical Form, 1870-1920 |

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (DESCRIPTION, NAMES, DATES, ETC., RELATING TO MAJOR ALTERATIONS TO ORIGINAL STRUCTURE):
 The 1914 shows a one-story addition on the rear; by 1921, the addition was larger, and, by 1949, the addition was two stories. Postwar modernization included stucco, alterations to cornice, and application of tile. Windows were probably also changed at this time from segmental arched 1/1-light to flat arched 9/1-light and pilasters were probably removed. Eight apartments were created on the upper story in the 1950s.

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HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (DISCUSS IMPORTANT PERSONS AND EVENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS STRUCTURE):
 This building was erected by J.E. "Jack" Crawford in 1890 to house his saloon business. The building was described as "brick, two stories in height, and will be handsomely finished." The "Gazette" commented, "Good for Jack and every other man who builds of brick or stone. A few substantial buildings of this kind will materially reduce the insurance rate in Littleton." The 1905 Littleton city directory showed the J.E. Crawford saloon at this location (address then as 235 Main St.), and the 1908 and 1914 Sanborn fire insurance maps showed a saloon occupying the building. The 1921 Sanborn map shows a drug store in the building and historic photographs identify the business as the Littleton Drug Store, a Rexall outlet. The drugstore was founded in 1883 in Burlington Junction, Missouri by John C. Mitchell, who brought his stock to Littleton in 1892. In 1931, Mrs. E.D. Eson owned the building, which was remodeled and the Eson Drug Store opened in Oct. 1931. In 1936, it was reported that "the beautiful fixtures of the Eson Drug Co. were taken to Ouray, Colo...to be placed in a drug store there. The 1939 directory listed the Littleton Liquor Store at this address (then numbered 149 W. Main St.); G.J. Jackson was the proprietor. The Littleton Liquor Store is still located here. Sinton's Barber Shop has been located in the building since 1961 (L. Sinton, proprietor). For some period prior to the 1930s, the second floor of the building was occupied by Dr. Walter C. Crysler. Crysler, an 1893 Harvard graduate came to Littleton in 1904 and set up a practice. He served as Littleton Mayor in 1908-09 and 1924-26 and was president of the Littleton State Bank when it was organized in 1909. By 1932, his office was in the Coors Building.

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SIGNIFICANCE (CHECK APPROPRIATE CATEGORIES AND BRIEFLY JUSTIFY BELOW):

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:

- ☐ REPRESENTS THE WORK OF A MASTER
☐ POSSESSES HIGH ARTISTIC VALUES
☐ REPRESENTS A TYPE, PERIOD, OR METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

- ☒ ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT PERSONS
☒ ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OR PATTERNS
☐ CONTRIBUTES TO AN HISTORIC DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

This building is associated with the historic development of downtown Littleton, having been erected in 1890 as a saloon. Alterations to the building have diminished its historic integrity. Historical Background, Cont.--Patty Anderson describes the original appearance of the building: "...what a handsome building this was. Nicely proportioned, with a corner entrance, a staircase from the sidewalk level to the second floor offices of Dr. W.C. Crysler, and several decorative brick features above the windows and on the exterior walls."

CONTINUED YES X NO

REFERENCES (BE SPECIFIC):

Arapahoe County Assessor records; Littleton City Directories, 1905, 1932, 1939, 1953-1965; Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, 1893-1949; Littleton Gazette, 8 Aug. 1890, 29 Aug. 1890, 19 Sept. 1890; Littleton Historical Museum files, Photograph Collection, #2004; Patty Anderson, Research on 2490 W. Main, September 1997; Littleton Independent, 22 July 1938.

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AFFILIATION: Front Range Research Associates, Inc.

DATE: October 1997