

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCES INVENTORY

OAHP Site #: **5.WL.7863**

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

- Current Property Name: **Union Colony Insurance**
Historic Property Name **Chamber of Commerce**
- Resource Classification: **Building**
- Ownership: **Private**
Owner(s) contact info:

LOCATION

- Street Address: **1218 8th Avenue**
- Municipality: **Greeley, Colorado**
- County: **Weld**
- USGS Quad (7.5'): **Greeley, Colorado** year: **1950** **Photorevised 1980**
- Parcel Number: **096108211003**
- Parcel Information: Lot(s): **5** Block: **98** Addition: **Greeley Original Townsite**
- Acreage: **< 1 (4500 square feet)**
- PLSS information: Principal Meridian: **6th** Township: **5 North** Range: **65 West**
NE¹/₄ SW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ NW¹/₄ of section **8**
- Location Coordinates: **Zone 13** **526246 mE** **4474285 mN**
Datum: NAD83

DESCRIPTION

- Construction features (forms, materials)

Property Type: **One Story Commercial Building**

Building Plan: **Irregular Plan**

Dimensions in Feet: **45' N-S by 37' E-W overall dimensions**

Stories: **One**

Architectural Style/Type: **Modern Movements**

Foundation: **Concrete**

Walls: **The façade wall, facing 8th Avenue to the west, features a coursed sandstone veneer. The north, east, and west walls are all made of red brick laid in common bond.**

- Windows: **A band of four windows are located on the south side of the front entry door on the façade, and a set of paired windows are located on the north side of the front entry door. The north facing wall is penetrated by ten individual square glass block windows. The east facing wall contains two small vertically-oriented single-light fixed-pane windows, two large single-light fixed-pane windows, and a band of three even larger single-light fixed-pane windows, all with red brick rowlock sills.**
- Roof: **The roof is flat with parapets extending above the roof line on the north and south sides. A red metal decorative roof eave extends along the façade, and serves as a canopy over the area directly in front of the recessed northern two-thirds of the façade.**
- Chimney(s): **N/A**
- Porch(s) / Doors: **A glass-in-burnished-metal-frame door enters the building near the northern end of the façade. A glass-in-silver-metal-frame door enters the east (rear) 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 / Organizational (Chamber of Commerce office)**
 Current function/use: **Commerce/Trade / Business/Professional (insurance company office)**
16. Date of Construction: **1953**
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 building is located on the east side of the 1200 block of 8th Avenue. The façade is set back a few feet from the sidewalk paralleling the avenue. An east – west trending asphalt paved alley extends along the north side of the building. An asphalt paved parking lot is behind the building to the east. An outdoor swimming pool, enclosed by a decorative green concrete block wall, is immediately south of the building. The swimming pool, which is no longer in use, is part of the Greeley Inn motel property located around the corner at 721 13th Street.

This building’s exterior has been significantly altered in recent decades so that it has lost much of its 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

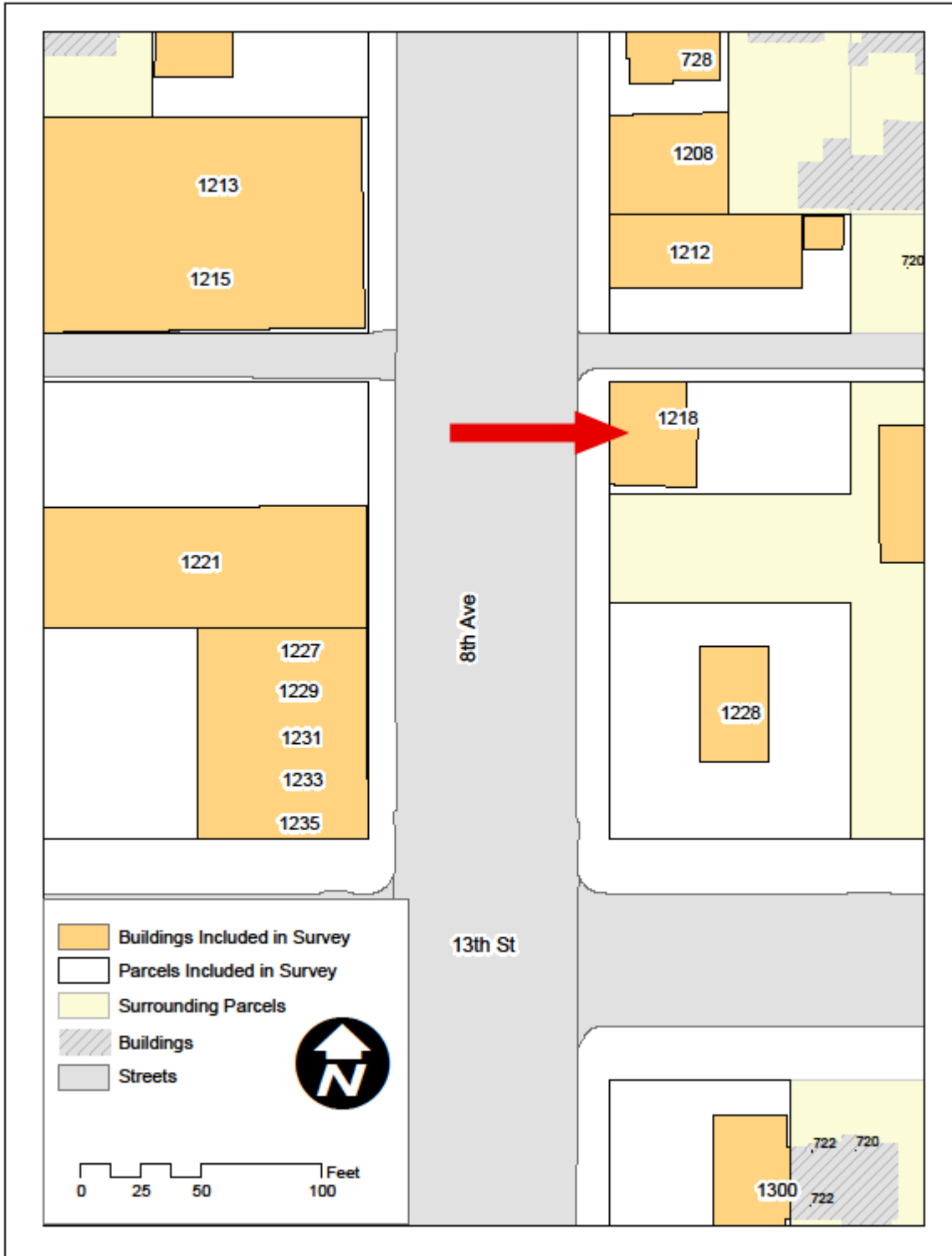
Individually National Register Eligible? yes no needs data

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

RECORDING INFORMATION

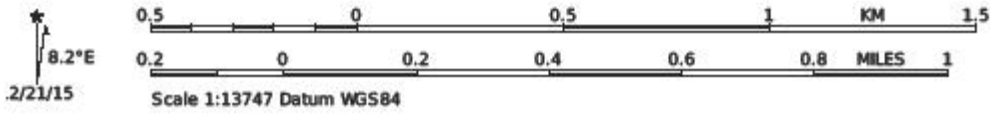
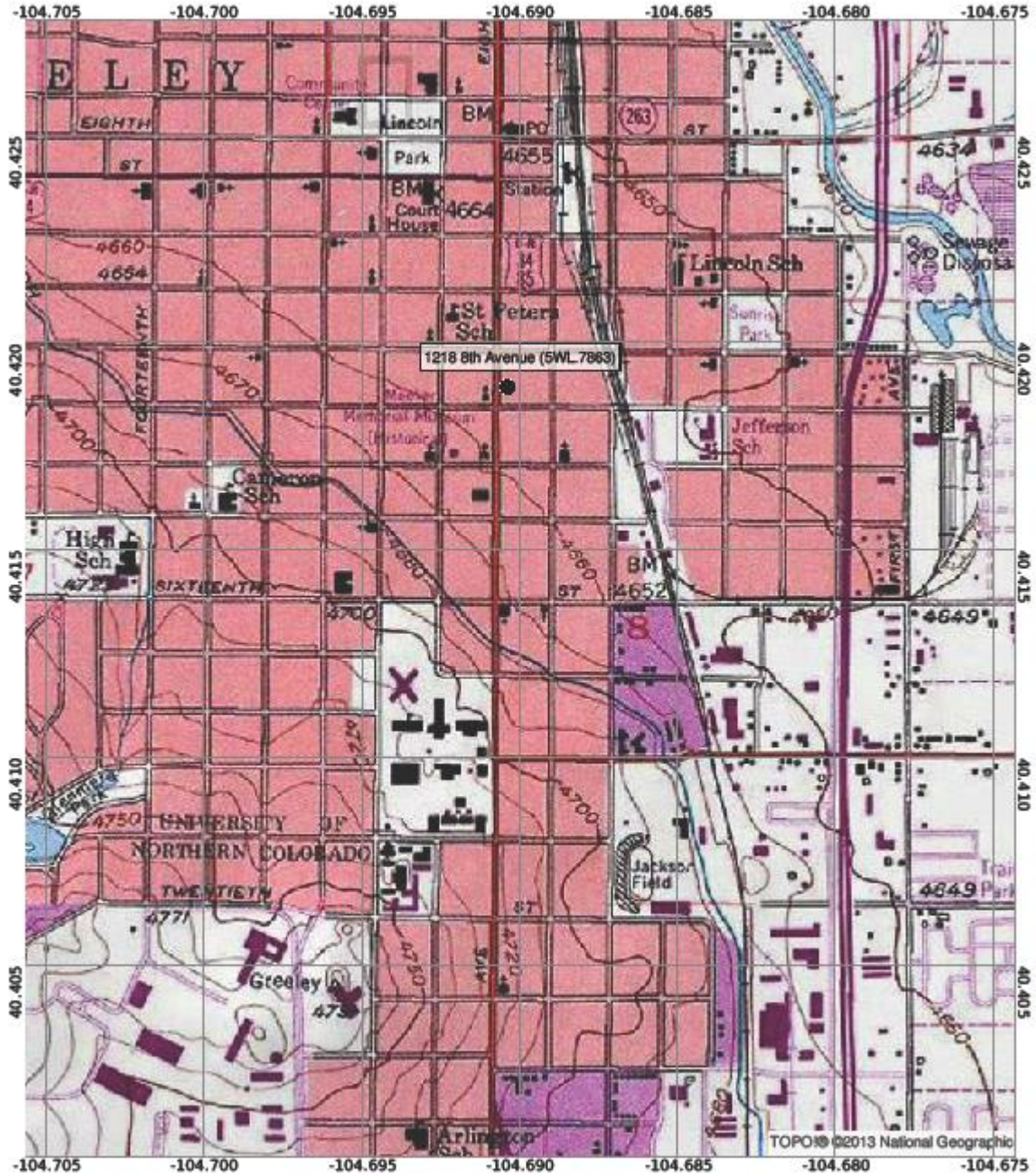
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SKETCH PLAN



LOCATION MAP

1218 8th Avenue





CD 1, Image 203, View to SW of rear (east) and north side



CD 1, Image 204, View to SE of façade (west) and north side



CD 1, Image 205, View to east of façade (west)



CD 1, Image 206, View to NNE of north side