

## COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCES INVENTORY

### Historical and Architectural Reconnaissance

This form is intended for use in survey projects undertaken for preservation planning purposes and it is NOT to be used for Section 106 compliance projects. It provides a basic descriptive record of a single building, structure, object, or site. Please use the #1417b Ancillary form to document additional resources on a single site. This form may provide enough information to assess architectural significance and/or to identify other potential areas of historical significance. Full evaluations of historical significance require additional property-specific research beyond the scope of this form and typically require completion of the OAHP *Historical / Architectural Properties: Intensive Level / Evaluation* form (OAHP form # 1403). For guidance on completing this form and required accompanying documentation, please refer to the instructions, available online at <http://www.historycolorado.org/oaHP/survey-inventory-forms>

**Official eligibility determination (OAHP use only)**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Determined Eligible – NR

Determined Eligible – SR

Needs Data

Eligible District - Contributing

**IDENTIFICATION**

1. Property Name: New Castle Town Hall and Hose House/New Castle Historical Museum  Historic  Current  
 Other:
2. Resource Classification:  Building  Structure  Object  Sites/Landscape
3. Ownership:  Federal  State  Local  Non-profit  Private  Unknown

**LOCATION**

4. Street Address: 116 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street (Front)
5. Municipality: New Castle, CO  Vicinity:
6. County: Garfield
- \*\*7. USGS Quad: New Castle, CO Year: 2022  7.5'
- \*\*8. Parcel Number: 212331109014
- \*\*9. Parcel Information: Lot(s): 30 Block: B Addition: ORIGINAL TWNSTE NEW CASTLE
- \*\*10. Acreage: 0.06  Actual  Estimated
11. PLSS information: Principal Meridian: 6<sup>th</sup> Township: 5S Range: 90W  
SW ¼ of SW ¼ of SW ¼ of NE ¼ of section: 31
- \*\*12. Location Coordinates:  
 UTM reference: Zone 13 ;mE 28237 ;mN 4383107  NAD 1927  NAD 1983  
 or  
 Lat/Long: Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ ; Longitude \_\_\_\_\_  WGS84  Other:

**\*\*Please check with your project sponsor to determine which fields are required, as not all locational**

**DESCRIPTION**

13. Construction Features (forms, materials):

Stories	Style/Type	Foundation	Walls
One-story	No Style	Stacked stone	Stucco
Windows	Roof	Chimney	Porch
One-over-one double hung sash windows; segmental arch lintels; stucco and wood sills; transom	Front gable roof clad in corrugated metal; overhanging eaves; horizontal weatherboard in the gable end	Brick masonry chimney with a metal flue cap along east elevation	N/A

*Optional:* additional description (plan/footprint, dimensions, character-defining and decorative elements of exterior and interior; alterations, additions, etc.): The one-story, rectangular shaped building was constructed in 1893-1894. The approximately 85' by 18' building is not representative of a particular style of architecture. Overall, the resource is a No Style Commercial building. The building features a stacked stone foundation; a front gable roof clad in corrugated metal; a brick structural system clad in stucco; a front gable cupola with overhanging eaves and exposed rafter tails; horizontal weatherboard in the gable end along the primary (west) elevation; a panel and glazed garage door along the primary (west) elevation; and a brick masonry chimney. The typical window consists of a wooden one-over-one double hung sash. Several windows also feature a segmental arch lintel and a stucco or wood sill. The main entryway is located on the far-right side of the primary (west) elevation. The main entryway incorporates a wood slab door. A secondary entryway can be noticed in the center of the south elevation. The secondary entryway consists of a wood slab door that is capped by a rectangular transom. Furthermore, a shed roof addition can be seen along the east elevation. Exterior wall mounted museum signage is also present along the primary (west) and south elevations.

Historical imagery of the building circa 1910 demonstrates that the building has undergone a high degree of modification. During this time, the building consisted of a brick masonry exterior envelope; a flat roof; a segmental arch double door entryway along the primary (west) elevation; and a square cupola that incorporated a pyramid roof. By the 1960s, a cinderblock addition was constructed along the east elevation; the exterior envelope was clad in stucco; and the historic flat roof was modified to a front gable. In addition, the main entryway at been construction along the primary (west) elevation; the double door entryway had been replaced by a panel and glazed garage door; and the cupola was modified to a rectangular shape and a front gable roof by this time as well. By 1992, a majority of the windows were fronted by iron grates. By 2012, historical street imagery reveals that the exposed rafter tails under the eaves were closed.

14. Associated buildings, features, or objects: Another resource is located on the far east side of the property. This building is known as the former New Castle Jail and is associated with 5GF.2367. This resource is evaluated independently from 5GF.2367.

15. Landscape (important features of the immediate environment):

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

**HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS** (based on visual observations and/or review of secondary sources):

16. Historic Function/Use: Town Hall and Hose House

Current Function/Use (if different): Museum

17. Date of Construction: 1893-1894  
Building Inventory Record (5GF.1665)

Estimated  Actual (include source): 1996 OAHP Historic

18. Other Significant Dates, if any: After the construction of a new town hall in 1984, the resource was altered into a local town museum.

19. Associated NR Areas of Significance:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Economics                | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Politics/Gov't |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Education                | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Archaeology                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering              | <input type="checkbox"/> Law                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Science                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment/Recreation | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature             | <input type="checkbox"/> Social History            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Ethnic Heritage          | <input type="checkbox"/> Maritime History       | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Exploration/Settlement   | <input type="checkbox"/> Military               | <input type="checkbox"/> Other                     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Planning & Dev't | <input type="checkbox"/> Health/Medicine          | <input type="checkbox"/> Performing Arts        |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Philosophy             |  |

20. Associated Historic Context(s), if known: The following historic context is quoted from the 1996 Historic Building Inventory Record by Front Range Research Associates, Inc.:

"This building was erected as the town hall and hose house for New Castle in 1893-1894. Previously, the town government had operated from various local hotels. The building contained offices for the town clerk and the chambers of the town council, as well as storage space for the fire department equipment. The 1899 Sanborn indicates that the building the building housed two independent hose carts, had a belfry 6' above the roof, and a calaboose in the rear. These features are also shown on the 1904 map, the 350' of the 2 1.2" hose is also noted. The building now houses a historical museum including displays, historical artifacts, and photographs and archival materials, operated by the New Castle Historical Society."

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

22. Notes: Before the establishment of New Castle, the area was frequented by the Ute Tribe who inhabited much of the mountain areas in western Colorado and eastern Utah throughout the summer seasons. However, the lure of wealth from natural resource extraction from several gold rushes and silver booms prompted many American settlers to explore the Rocky Mountains between the mid to late-Nineteenth Century. By 1881, the tribe had been removed from the area and relocated to the Uintah and Ouray Reservation in Utah. The Town of New Castle was incorporated several years later in 1888, shortly after Jasper Ward built the first homestead in the area in 1883. Coal mining quickly became a vital industry in the vicinity to supply fuel to silver smelters throughout the Rocky Mountain region. The town experienced several boom-and-bust cycles of the industry until the early to mid-Twentieth Century when coal mining came to a more permanent end. In the aftermath, agricultural operations including farming and ranching began to take hold throughout the mid to late-Twentieth Century due to the fertile soil in the area. Between the late-Twentieth- and early-Twenty-first Centuries, the town has experienced a sustainable growth in population.

The resource (5GF.1665) was initially evaluated in December 1992 by the Town of New Castle and assessed as Field- Eligible. However, the resource was later determined Officially – Not Eligible by the Colorado Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (OAHP) in 1992.

The resource was evaluated again in June 1996 by Front Range Research Associates, Inc. and assessed as Field-Not Eligible. The resource is designated a local landmark aby the Town of New Castle.

## 23. Sources:

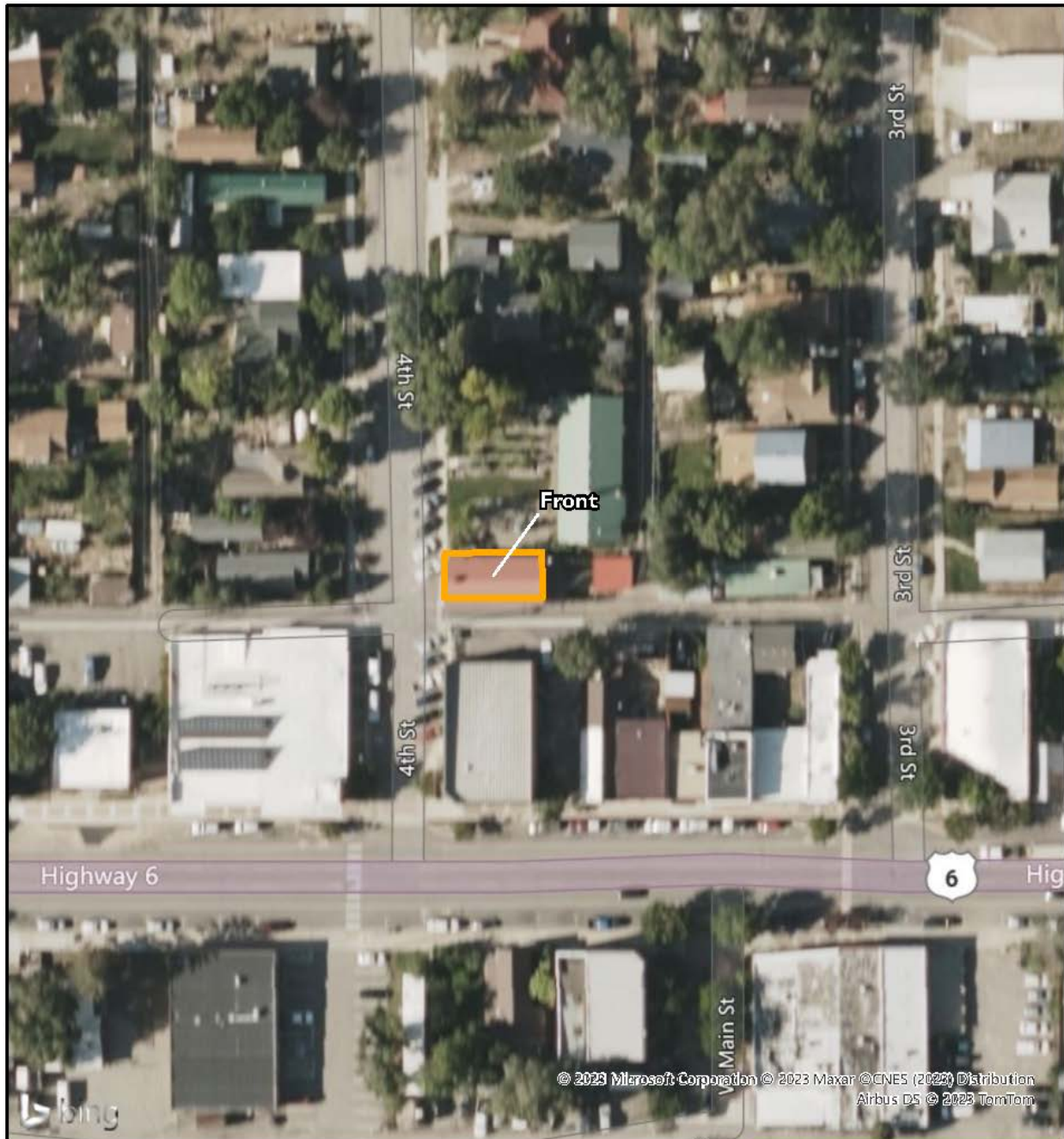
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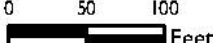
**SKETCH PLAN** *include approximate scale*



<b>FIELD ELIGIBILITY RECOMMENDATION:</b> (To be completed by surveyor)
<input type="checkbox"/> Determined Eligible – NR
<input type="checkbox"/> Determined Eligible – SR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Eligible
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eligible District – Contributing
<input type="checkbox"/> Needs Data
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Landmark
<b>RECORDING INFORMATION</b>
Survey Date: <u>9/6/2022</u>
Surveyed By: <u>Cameron Weishoff</u>
Project Sponsor: <u>Town of New Castle</u>
Photograph Log: <u>5GF.1665_1 to 5GF.1665_3, 1 historic photo, and 4 reference photos</u>

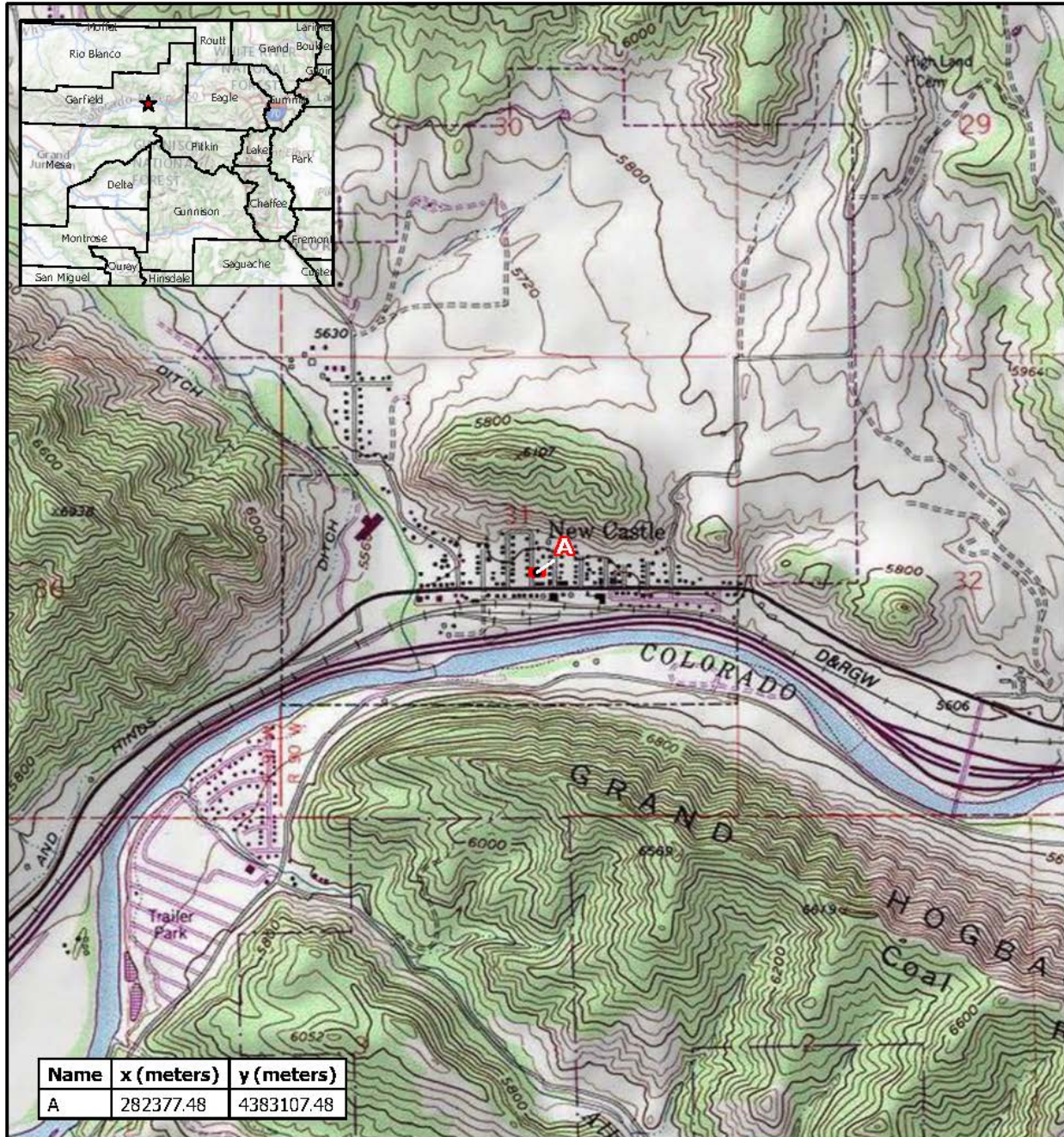
### Sketch Map



<p><b>Legend</b></p> <p> Footprint</p> <div style="text-align: center;">           0 50 100 Feet     </div>	<p><b>Pinyon</b> Professional, Inc.</p> <p><b>Sketch Map</b> 116 North 4th Street (Front) (5GF.1665) New Castle, Colorado Garfield County</p>				
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### Topographic Map



Name	x (meters)	y (meters)
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**Legend**

 Resource Boundary



0 1,000 2,000  
Feet



**Topographic Map**

116 North 4th Street (Front) (5GF.1665)  
New Castle, Colorado  
Garfield County

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### Site Photographs



**Photo Number:** 5GF.1665\_1  
**Description:** Looking at the primary (west) and south elevations of the building.  
**Date:** 9/6/2022  
**View:** Northeast



**Photo Number:** 5GF.1665\_2  
**Description:** Looking at the primary (west) and south elevations of the building.  
**Date:** 9/6/2022  
**View:** Northeast





**Photo Number:** 5GF.1665\_3

**Description:** Looking at the north and primary (west) elevation of the building.

**Date:** 9/6/2022

**View:** Southeast



**Historic Photo 1**

**Description:** Looking at the primary (west) elevation and south elevation of the building. Note the building's historic flat roof and pyramid roof cupola.

**Date:** Circa 1910

**Source:** Denver Public Library – Digital Collections [Not for publication]





**Reference Photo 1**

**Description:** Looking at the primary (west) elevation and south elevation of the building.

**Date:** 1996

**Source:** 1996 OAHP Historic Building Inventory Form (5GF.1165)

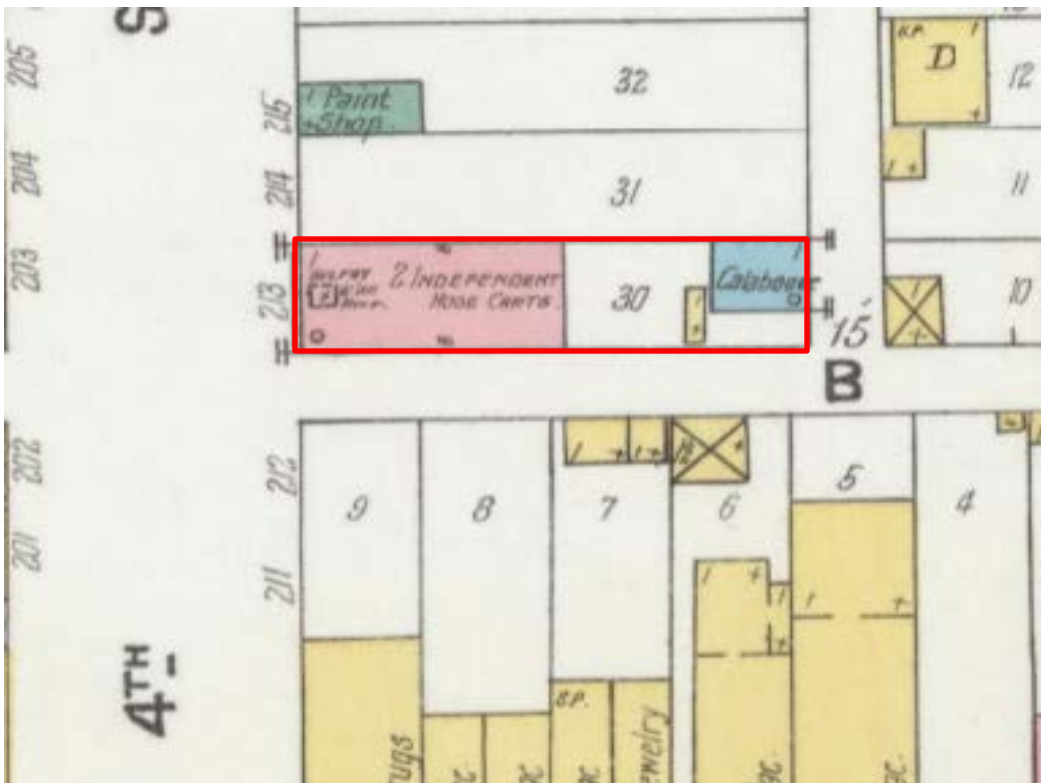


**Reference Photo 2**

**Description:** Looking at the primary (west) elevation and south elevation of the building.

**Date:** 1992

**Source:** 1992 OAHP Historic Building Inventory Form (5GF.1165)

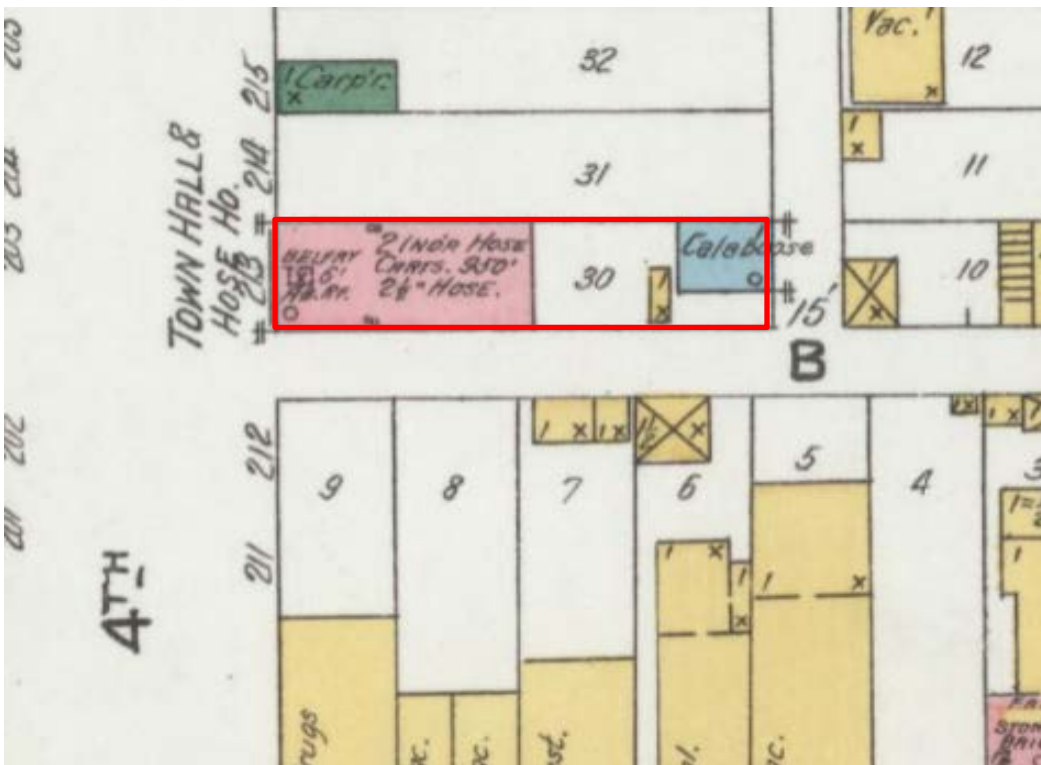


**Reference Photo 3**

**Description:** 1899 Sanborn Fire Insurance map of the resource. The property is outlined in red. The building is shaded in red.

**Date:** 1899

**Source:** Library of Congress



**Reference Photo 4**

**Description:** 1904 Sanborn Fire Insurance map of the resource. The property is outlined in red. The building is shaded in red.

**Date:** 1904

**Source:** Library of Congress