

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCES INVENTORY

Historical and Architectural Reconnaissance

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Official eligibility determination (OAHP use only)

Date: _____ Initials: _____

Determined Eligible – NR
 Determined Eligible – SR
 Needs Data
 Eligible District - Contributing

IDENTIFICATION

1. Property Name: Bank of New Castle Historic Current Other:
2. Resource Classification: Building Structure Object Sites/Landscape
3. Ownership: Federal State Local Non-profit Private Unknown

LOCATION

4. Street Address: 302 West Main Street
5. Municipality: New Castle, CO Vicinity:
6. County: Garfield
- **7. USGS Quad: New Castle, CO Year: 2022 7.5'
- **8. Parcel Number: 212331109022
- **9. Parcel Information: Lot(s): 1 Block: B Addition: ORIGINAL TWNSTE NEW CASTLE
- **10. Acreage: 0.05 Actual Estimated
11. PLSS information: Principal Meridian: 6th Township: 5S Range: 90W
SE ¼ of SW ¼ of SW ¼ of NE ¼ of section: 31

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

- **12. Location Coordinates:
 UTM reference: Zone 13 ;mE 282427 ;mN 4383083 NAD 1927 NAD 1983
 or
 Lat/Long: Latitude _____ ; Longitude _____ WGS84 Other:

DESCRIPTION

13. Construction Features (forms, materials):

Stories	Style/Type	Foundation	Walls
One-story	Nineteenth Century Commercial	Stacked stone	Brick masonry structural system clad in stucco
Windows	Roof	Chimney	Porch
Picture windows; decorative wood shutters; decorative wood sills	Flat roof with stepped parapets; rolled asphalt	N/A	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 1889. The approximately 85' by 18' building is representative of a Nineteenth Century Commercial style of architecture. The building features a stacked stone foundation; a flat roof with stepped parapets; a brick masonry structural system clad in stucco; an angled main entryway; a front gable overhanging above the main entryway; and several wall mounted signs along the primary (south) elevation. The typical window consists of a wooden picture window. The typical window along the primary (south) elevation incorporates a wood sill and is recessed into the exterior wall. There are several typical windows located along the east elevation and feature decorative wood shutters. The main entryway is located within an angled portion of the primary (south) elevation of the building. The main door consists of a wood panel unit with a single lite. The door is capped by a front gable overhanging that incorporates triangular support brackets and asphalt shingles. A wall mounted "coldest beer in the west" sign and a "Liquor" sign can be noticed along the façade as well. The north elevation consists of a shed roof addition with overhanging eaves and vertical weatherboard siding.

Historical imagery of the building in 1905 demonstrates that the building has undergone a high degree of modification. By the late Twentieth Century, the decorative corbelled brick cornice had been removed as well as pilasters along the primary (south) and far left side of the east elevation. In addition, the fenestration pattern was altered due to the multi-lite window along the façade having been replaced with a smaller picture window. The brick masonry exterior envelope had been clad in stucco as well. A front gable overhang was added above the main entryway, and wall mounted signage was also added to the primary (south) elevation. Historical aerial imagery between 1996 and 2005 demonstrates that several trees and curb features were added along the primary (south) and east elevations of the building.

14. Associated buildings, features, or objects: N/A

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: Commercial/Bank

Current Function/Use (if different): Commercial/Liquor store

17. Date of Construction: 1889

Estimated Actual (include source): 1996 OAHP Historic

Building Inventory Record (5GF.2375)

18. Other Significant Dates, if any: N/A

19. Associated NR Areas of Significance:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Economics | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input 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 |
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| <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: Portions of the following historic context is quoted from the 1996 Historic Building Inventory Record by Front Range Research Associates, Inc.:

"This building housed the first bank in New Castle, the Bank of New Castle, organized in March 1889 by J.W. Ross, W. J. Miller, and Paul Blount. The Bank of New Castle briefly survived in the 1893 Silver Panic and appears in the 1894 Colorado Business Directory, however, the bank is not listed in the 1895 directory. By 1899, the building housed the New Castle post office. John C. Ritter recalled that the post office was operated by 'Pap and Grandma Stout.' The Stouts were early residents of New Castle: S.W. Stout is listed as a saloon operator in the 1889 directory; a restaurant operator the 1890 directory; and operated a restaurant and agricultural implement sales in the 1891 and 1892 directories... Ritter stated that the Stout's daughter sold the building about 1909, when the building was again turned into a bank. The New Castle State Bank opened 14 May 1909 with a capital stock of \$10,000 but failed to survive the Depression, closing in the 1930s. After the bank closed, the building was owned by John W. Ritter, who sold it to Hap Jantzen, an electrician and appliance dealer. The building was then purchased by Arthur Natal, of Carbondale, who operated it as a restaurant for about a year. Doris and Harry Flynn bought the building and operated it as a drug store... On the closure of Flynn's in 1979, the newspaper noted that 'this old mining town of just over 500 people lost a little chunk of its communal heart.'"

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.2375) was initially evaluated in June 1996 by Front Range Research Associates, Inc. The resource was assessed Field – Not Eligible.

23. Sources:

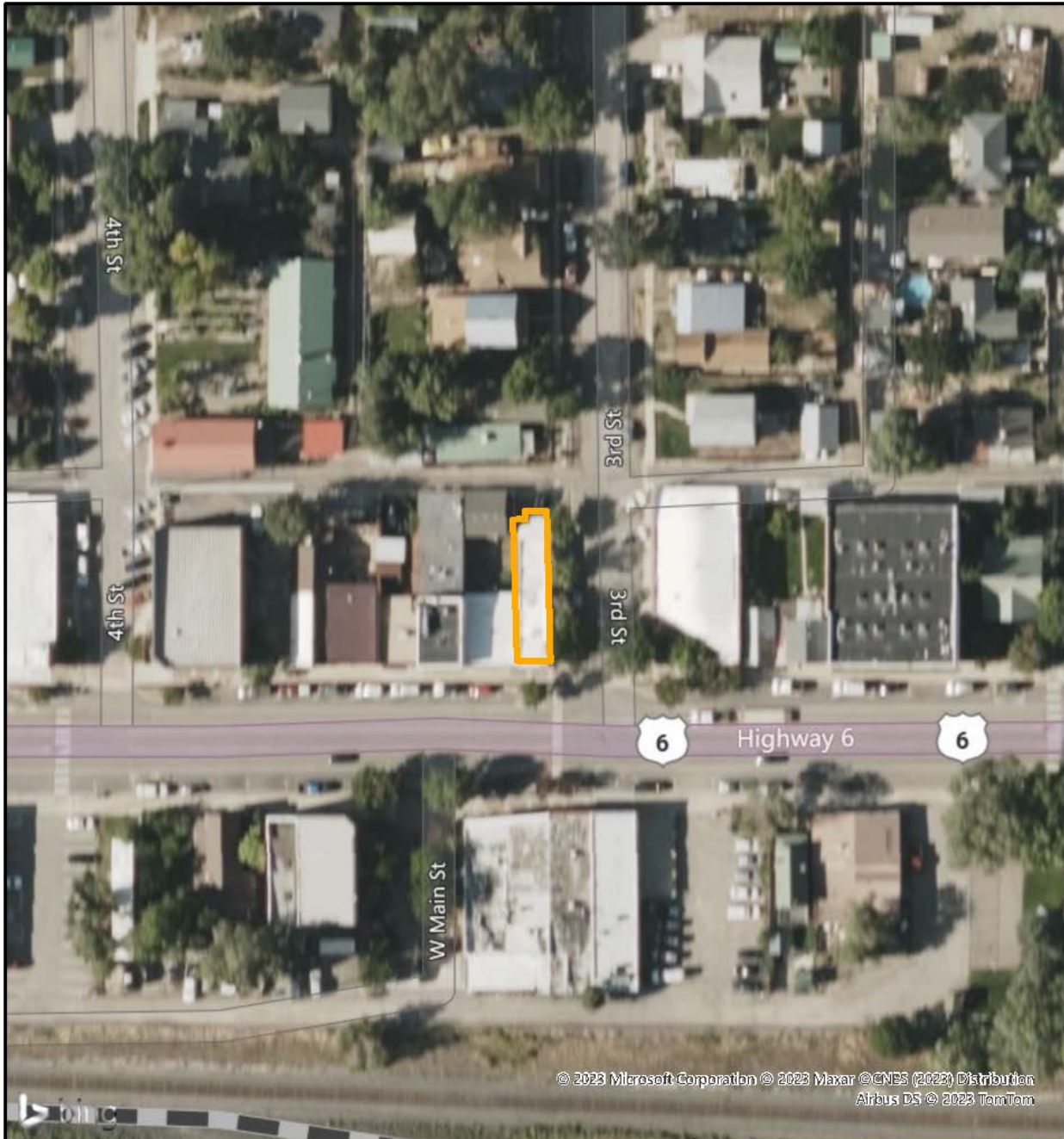
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SKETCH PLAN *include approximate scale*



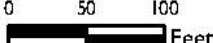


FIELD ELIGIBILITY RECOMMENDATION: (To be completed by surveyor)
<input type="checkbox"/> Determined Eligible – NR
<input type="checkbox"/> Determined Eligible – SR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Eligible
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eligible District – Contributing
<input type="checkbox"/> Needs Data
<input type="checkbox"/> Local Landmark
RECORDING INFORMATION
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.2375_1 to 5GF.2375_3, 1 historic photo, and 5 reference photos</u>

Sketch Map

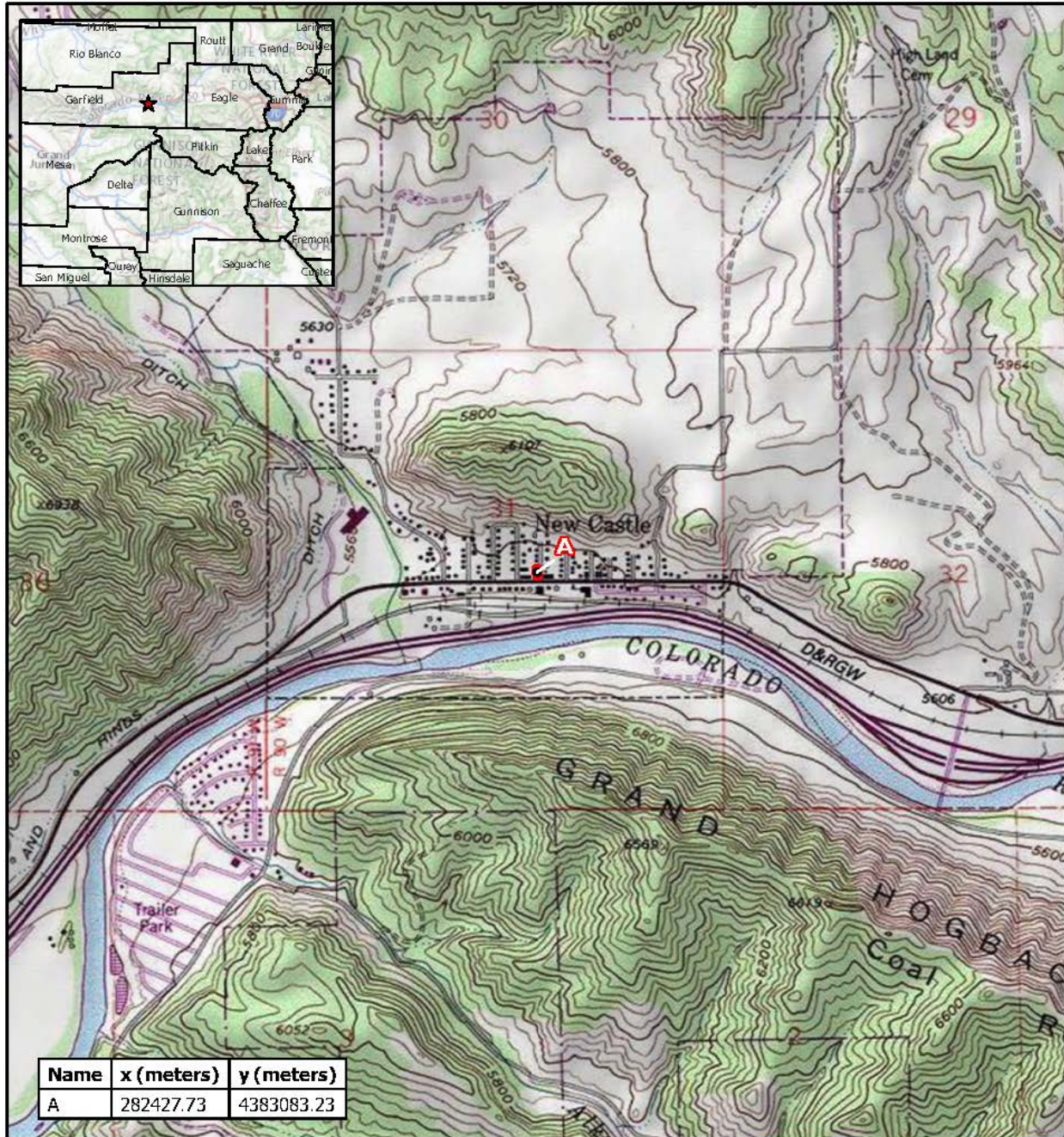


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Topographic Map



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Legend

 Resource Boundary



Topographic Map

302 West Main Street (5GF.2375)
New Castle, Colorado
Garfield County

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Site Photographs



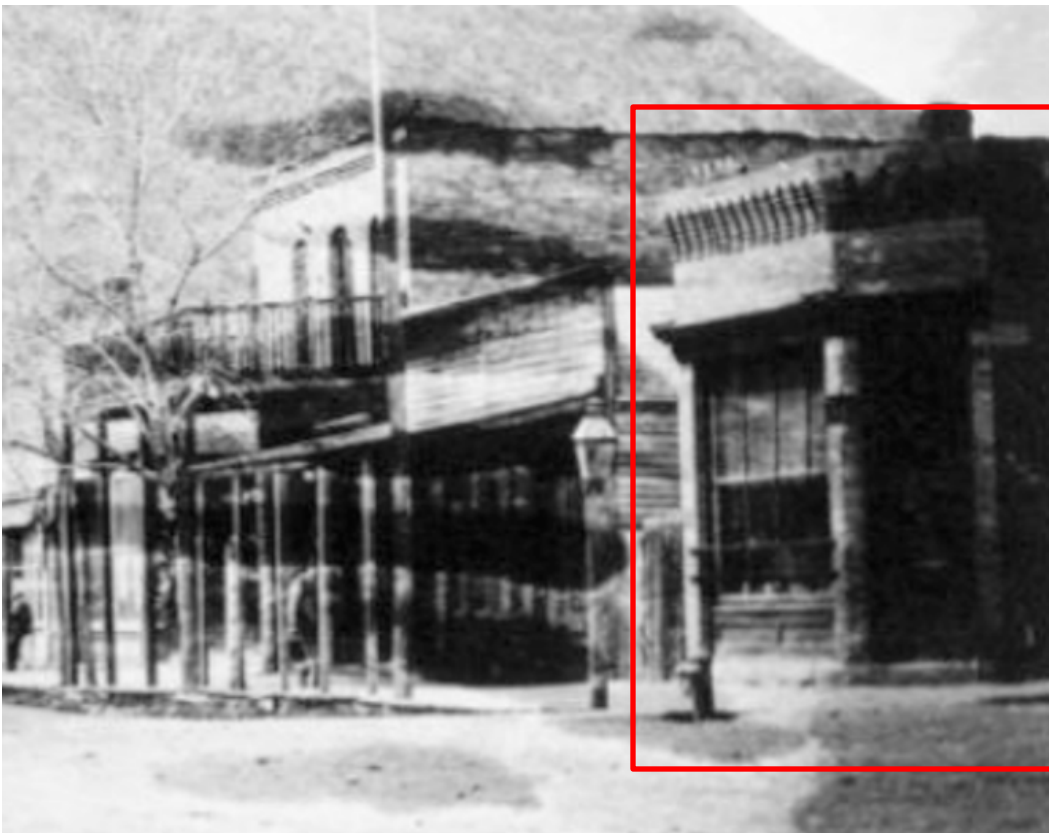
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Description: Looking at the primary (south) and east elevations of the building.
Date: 9/6/2022
View: Northwest



Photo Number: 5GF.2375_2
Description: Looking at the primary (south) elevation of the building.
Date: 9/6/2022
View: North



Photo Number: 5GF.2375_3
Description: Looking at the east elevation of the building. Note that a majority of the elevation is observed by landscaping features added between 1996 and 2005.
Date: 9/6/2022
View: Northwest



Historic Photo 1
Description: Image of downtown New Castle between North 3rd Street and North 4th Street. Note that the resource is outline in red. The decorative corbelled brick cornice was removed by the mid to late Twenty Century.
Date: 1905
Source: Denver Public Library – Digital Collections [Not for publication]



Reference Photo 1

Description: Image of the south elevation of the resource with the label stating, "Office building/ has been home of many businesses. New Castle State Bank 1909-1939. Now a liquor store."

Date: Unknown

Source: New Castle Museum Collection

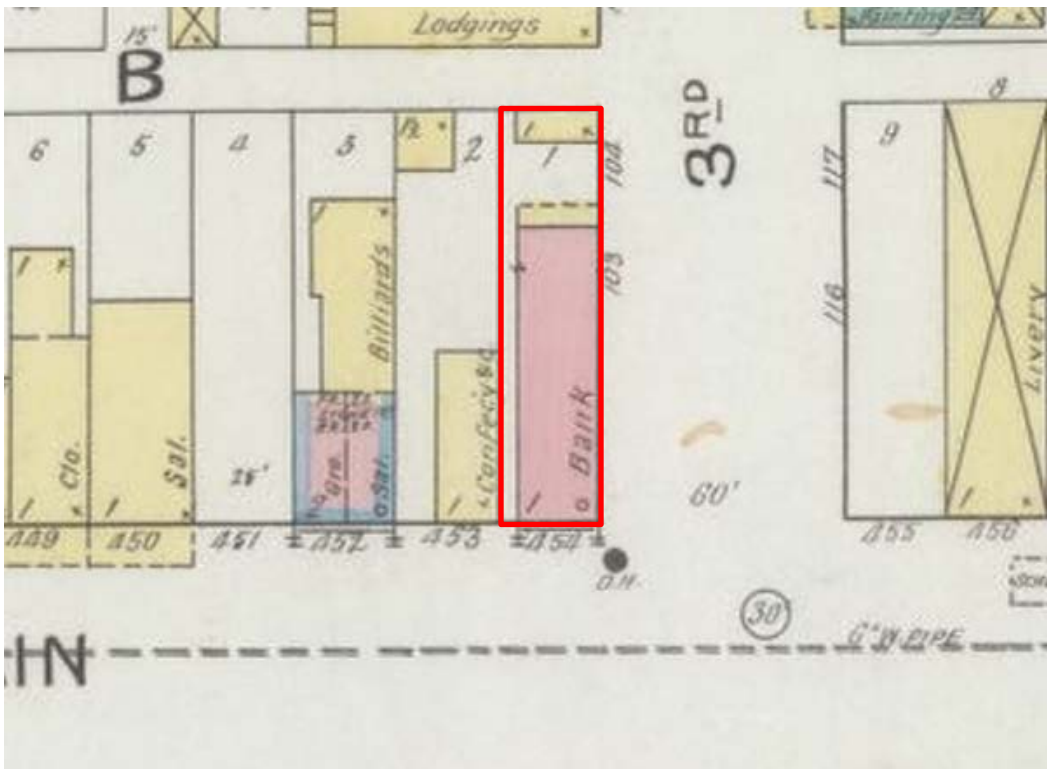


Reference Photo 2

Description: Looking at the primary (south) and east elevations of the building.

Date: 1996

Source: 1996 OAHP Historic Building Inventory Record (5GF.2375)

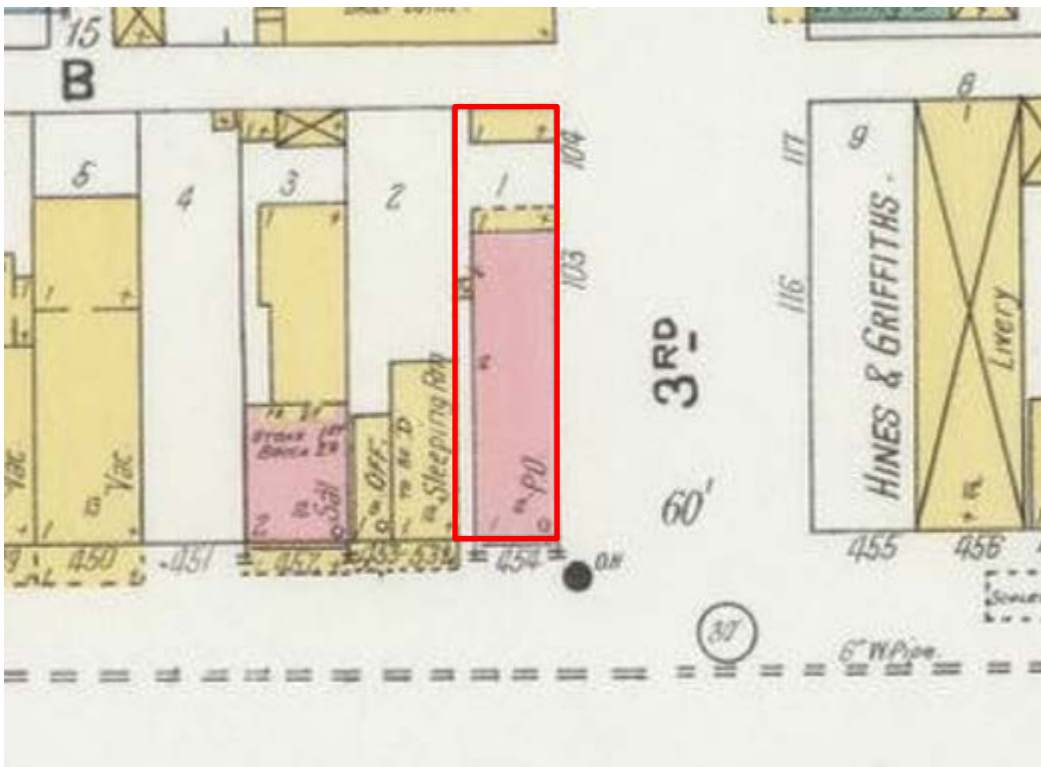


Reference Photo 3

Description: 1893 Sanborn Fire Insurance map of the resource located on lot 1 of block B. The property is outlined in red.

Date: 1893

Source: Library of Congress

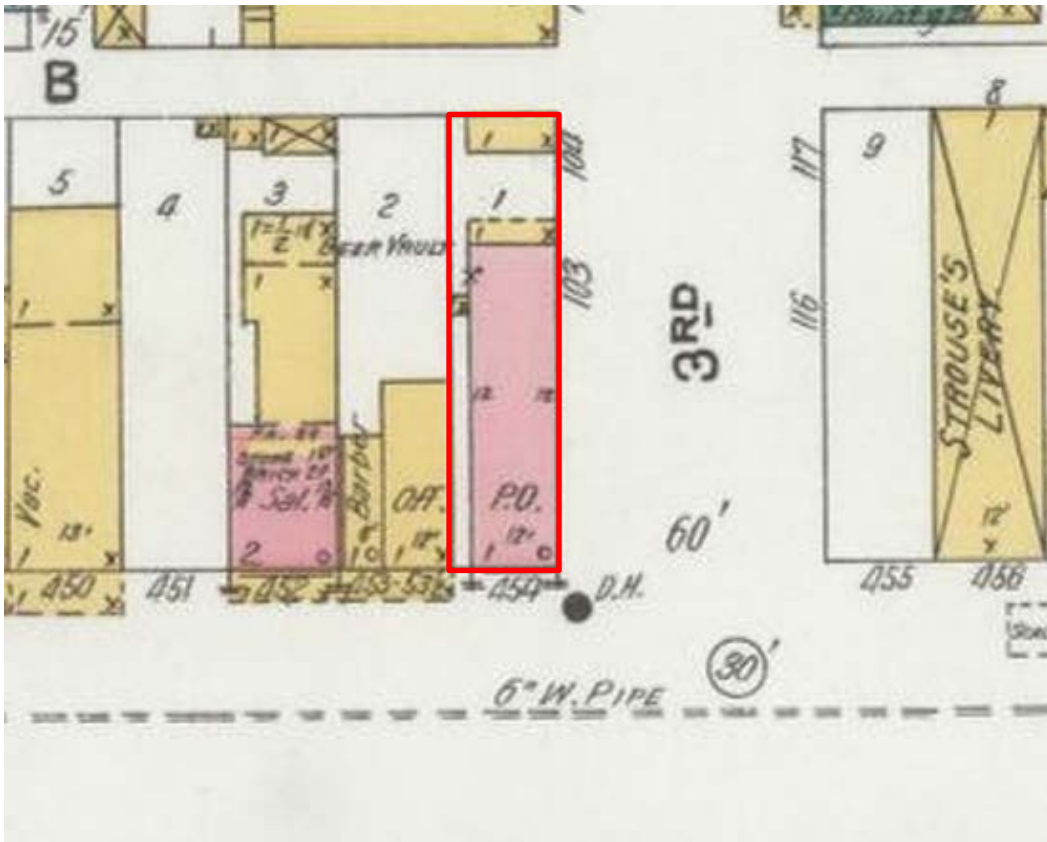


Reference Photo 4

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

Date: 1899

Source: Library of Congress



Reference Photo 5

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

Date: 1904

Source: Library of Congress