



#### **IDENTIFICATION**

Property Name (if any): Vincent A. Smith House

Address: 264 Ontario Avenue

Date of Construction: c. 1890

Architect/Builder, if known: unknown

Current Owner: David E. and Patricia J. Constable (H/W jt.)

Tax Number: PC-502

City, County: Park City, Summit County, Utah

Legal Description (include acreage): LOTS 14 & 15 BLK 60 PARK CITY SURVEYSWD-198 NWD-399 VWP-514

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# STATUS / USE

Original Use: single dwelling	Current Use: single d	welling		
Property Type:	National Register of I	Historic Places:	Evaluat	ion:
Building	Eligible		Land	Imark Site
Structure	Ineligible		Signif	ficant Site
Site	Listed, Date:		Non I	Historic
DOCUMENTATION				
Photographs:	Research Sources:			
Tax Photos	Sanborn Maps	City/ County Histori	ies	Newspapers
Prints:	tax Card	Personal Interviews	[	Other:
Historic	Census Records	Park City Museum		

### DESCRIPTION

Architectural S	Style: T/L cottage / vern	acular style		
No. Stories: 1				
Number of Ass	sociated Structures:	Accessory building	(s). #	Structure(s). #
Condition:	Good	Fair	Poor	Uninhabitable/Ruin
Location:	Original location	Moved (Date:	original locatio	on: )
Materials: (De	scribe the visible mater	ials)		
Exterior Walls:	The exterior walls are	clad in a non-beveled (	drop-novelty) w	vood siding, painted a pale yellow, with
white corner b	oards. A rear shed exte	ension is clad in sheet s	iding. The front	porch is an L tucked into the
L plan of the h	ouse with a dropped hi	o roof and square porcl	h posts.	
Foundation: Th	ne full foundation is not	visible in the 2006 phot	tographs, but th	ne porch appears to have bee
upgraded from	n the typical wooden sill	s to cinderblock. The e	xtent to which t	he foundation has been
upgraded is no	ot clear.			
Roof: The roof	is a cross-wing form sh	neathed with asphalt sh	ingles and is pe	enetrated by several vents. A
brick chimney	projects through the ea	ave on the south side of	f the gable bay.	Also, the rear extension has a
shed roof form	l.			
Windows/Door	rs: Windows include sin	gle and paired double-l	hung sash units	and single square casement
units. The wind	dows appear to be origi	nal and have simple trir	m casing. The p	paired double-hung windows
on the gable e	nd have a pediment he	ader. The door is a pan	el-and-frame w	vooden door.
Additions:	Major	Minor	None	
Alterations:	Major	Minor	None	
Describe Addi	tions/ Alterations (Date	s):		
Essential Histo	oric Form: 🗖 Retains			es Not Retain

#### NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

(Briefly describe the property and its setting. Include a verbal description of the location; a general description of the property including the overall shape, number of stories, architectural style, materials, shape of roof; identify and describe any associated structures; identify any known exterior additions and/or alterations.)

The house at 264 Ontario Ave was described in a 1984 National Register nomination form:

"This house is a one story frame T/L cottage with a gable roof. It is a T/L cottage by addition. A cross -wing was added to an existing hall and parlor house to form a T/L cottage. This was a common and acceptable method of expanding and at the same time updating a small house. The hall and parlor house, the older folk type, was effectively changed to resemble the popular T/L cottage. The arrangement of openings on the original hall and parlor section has been altered, but it originally had a door centered or slightly off-center between two windows, as was typical of Park City's hall and parlor houses. The door was enclosed, the north window was made into a door, and the south window was expanded from a long narrow double rung sash window to a large horizontal multi-pane window. Although the openings were changed, the house is still easily identifiable as a T/L cottage by addition because the proportions of the stem-wing are more comparable with a hall and parlor house than with an original T/L cottage. The cross-wing was built of the same type of drop siding as the rest of the house. A pair of double hung sash window stopped by a pedimental window head is centered in the gable end of that section. A porch spans the length of the stem-wing and turns at the intersection of the stem-wing and cross-wing. There is a shed extension across the back of the house. In-period rear extensions are part of Park City's architectural vocabulary. Although in many cases an extension represents a major alteration of the original house, it usually contributes to the significance of a house because it documents the most common and acceptable method of expansion of the small Park City house. This house was built of single wall construction, having exterior walls 2-3 inches thick, and interior partitions one inch thick. The house does not maintain its original integrity as a hall and parlor house, but judging from the style of the cross-wing, it was altered early within the historic period, probably prior to 1900. It therefore documents a common method of expansion, the change of a hall and parlor house to a T/L cottage by the addition of a cross-wing, and maintains its integrity as a T/L cottage by addition."

The house remains largely unchanged from the time of the 1984 nomination. The site is informally landscaped, with rough stone steps leading from the street to the porch. The overall form and materiality of the building remains intact and the building retains its historic value.

# SIGNIFICANCE

Historic Era:

Settlement & Mining Boom Era (1868-1893)

Mature Mining Era (1894-1930)

Mining Decline & Emergence of Recreation Industry (1931-1962)

Narrative Statement of Significance:

(Briefly describe those characteristics by which this property may be considered historically significant.)

The history of this house was described in the 1984 National Register nomination form as follows:

"Built c. 1890, the Vincent A. Smith House at 264 Ontario is architecturally significant as one of about 34 extant T/L cottages by addition in Park City, 11 of which are included in this nomination. The T/L cottage was one of three

popular Park City house forms that was built in the late nineteenth century. T/L cottages by addition make up 9% of the total number of in-period buildings in Park City, and represent 30% of the total number of houses with T/L plans. The T /L cottage resulted from the addition of a cross-wing to an existing ha 11 and parlor house, and is significant because it documents the most common and acceptable major method of expanding a small mining town cottage.

Judging from its appearance, this house was probably built in the early 1890s. The exact date of its construction and the name of its original owner are not known. The first record of ownership of this property was in 1900, when Vincent A. Smith granted at least a portion of this property, which probably included this house, to Felix Trainor. It is not known how long

Smith owned this property, whether or not he built this house, and, if so, whether or not he ever lived here.

Felix Trainor, who had gotten married in 1899, was probably buying his first house when he purchased this property in 1900. He was born in 1873 and immigrated to Utah from his native Iceland in 1890. He worked as a miner in Park City.

At an undetermined date the property was sold to Simon Hillstrom. Uncertainty over the ownership of the property led to the issuance of a warranty deed in 1916 to Simon Hillstrom by the Park City Townsite Corporation as part of their effort to clear up the "extensive property muddle" which had persisted in Park City for over forty years. The property muddle came about because many early settlers opposed the townsite proposal, and refused to follow legal procedures for owning property. Simon Hillstrom, a native of Finland (b. 1843) who immigrated to the U.S. in 1380, was a "stationary engineer" with one of the mining companies in the Park City area. He and his Finnish wife, Katrina, whom he had married in 1890, had at least four children."

Simon Hillstrom appears on the 1920 census, where he is listed as living at 262 Ontario Ave, a neighboring house. It appears that he lived there while renting out this house, as it was occupied by a Loretta Johns at that time. The title history shows that Simon Hillstrom sold the house in 1924 to Roland Flynn. He owned the house for slightly longer than a year, and does not appear on any census information for Park City, indicating that he may not have lived there, or did for a short time. The next owner of the house was Marie Savage, who purchased it in 1925.

Maria Savage appears on the 1930 census for Park City, living in this house with her daughter Margaret, and also several lodgers. The census states that she was unemployed, but it is likely that she provided for her family by acting as a landlord based on the given information. The 1940 census shows that the house was owned and occupied by Samuel Bethers in that year, but that name does not appear anywhere in the title history; the cause of this discrepancy is unknown. According to the title history, Maria owned the house until 1940, when she sold it to Emma Burke. The house is currently owned by David and Patricia Constable.

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#### PHOTOS

(Provide several clear historical and current photos of the property as well as locational maps indicating the location of the property in relation to streets or other widely recognized features.)

264 Ontario Avenue, Park City, Summit County, Utah

Intensive Level Survey-Biographical and Historical Research Materials



Tax photo c. 1940











264 Ontario Avenue. Southwest oblique. November 2013.



264 Ontario Avenue. West elevation. November 2013.

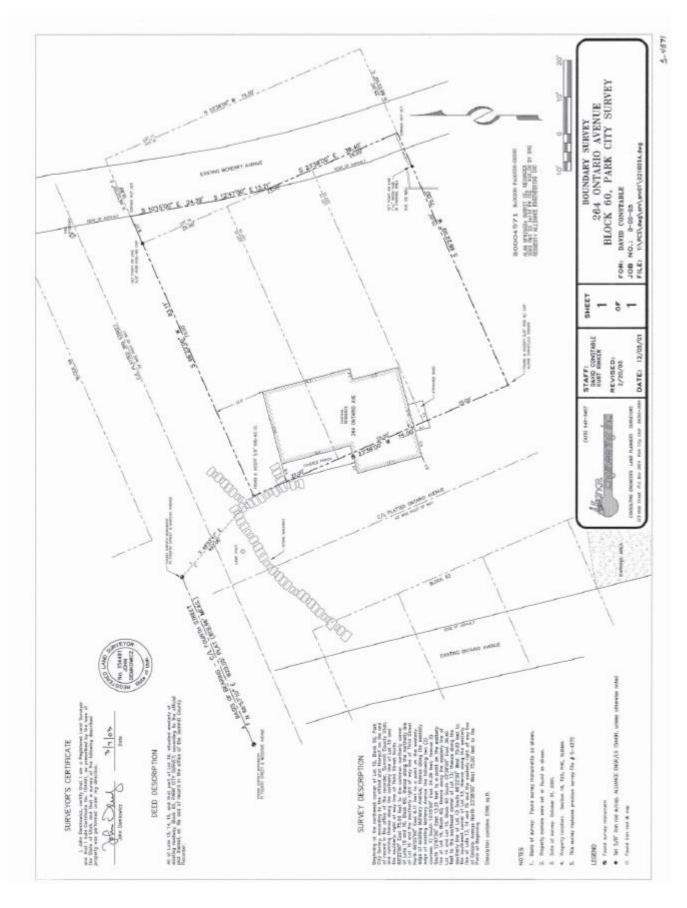
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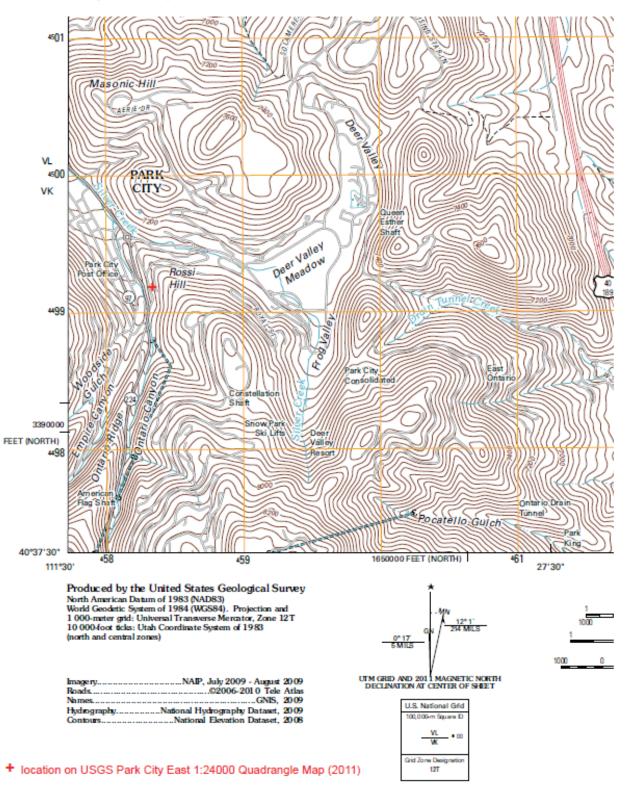
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#### 264 Ontario Avenue, Park City, Summit County, Utah

Intensive Level Survey-USGS Map



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Research Sources:

Abstract of Title

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Z- Tax Card & Photo

Suilding Permit

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TITLE SEARCH FORM [Obtain information from title abstract books at County Recorder's Office] Tax Number: PC-502

City: Park City, UT Current Owner: David E. and Patricia J. Constable (see historic site form for address) Address: 264 Ontario Avenue

Legal Description (include acreage): 264 Ontario Avenue Sub., platted 3/22/2013 (PC BK60 L14&L15) (see historic site form for complete legal description)

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TRANSACTION DATES	GRANTOR (SELLER)	GRANTEE (BUYER)	TYPE OF TRANSACTION	DOLLAR	COMMENTS
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4/11/1916	W.I. Snyder	Simon Hillstrom	.C.M		"14, 15"
5/15/1924	Simon Hillstrom	Roland Flynn	W.D.		"14, 15"
10/3/1925	Roland Flynn, et ux	Marie Savage	W.D.		"14, 15"
8/28/1940	Marie Savage Mahon	Emma Burke	.C.W		"14, 15"
5/27/1943	Emma Burke	Reuben Garbett	.C.W		"14, 15"
3/10/1959	Reuben & Arthella Garbett	Mary Wynona Garbett	W.D.		"14, 15"
12/17/1962	Clara Shea, Admx.	Jack T. Gant	Deed by Admin.		"14,15" [Est. of Mary Wynona Garbett]
8/9/1976	Mildred M. Gant	Selmer O. Iverson	.D.W		"13, 14,15, pt. 16"
7/25/2002	Selmer O. Iverson	David E. & Patricia J. Constable	W.D.		
Researcher: John E	Researcher: John Ewanowski, CRSA Architecture		Date: 5/9/2014		

## MRS. SIMON HILLSTROM

No Longer of this Earth — The End Came Yesterday After Long Suffering.

The sympathy of the community is estended to Sumon Hidbetrom and funily in the loss of a loving wile and mother, who passed away yesterday mothing after a long illness. Heart fullure was the direct cause of demise

Mrs. Hilbstrom use born in 1860 in Finland, and earne to Utah in 1864. Sixteen years ago she use merried and earne to this city, where whe has some lived, being loved and respected by a best of friends and acquaintances. Besides her husband, decensed is survived by four children, two boys and two girls, the oldest 15 years of ago and the youngest 8 years. She also has a brother, whose home 14 in Batte, and 9 sister in Salt Lake, both of whom will be in this city to attend the funeral.

Mrs. Hillstrom has been in poor bealth for years past, and since last January had been gradually getting worse. She was a devoted wife and loving mother and her leas will leave an aching void in the hearts of all who knew her.

The functal will be held Monday at lo'clock. Services will be conducted at the family residence and also at the M. E. church.

Mrs. Hillstrom was a respected member of the local lodge Women of the Woodcraft, which will attend the funeral in a body and conduct their services.

Park Record 10/20/1906

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