

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY HISTORIC SITE FORM

PARK CITY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION



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IDENTIFICATION

Property Name (if any): Matthew Urie House

Address: 157 Park Avenue

Date of Construction: 1885 City, County: Park City, Summit County, Utah

Architect/Builder, if known: unknown

Tax Number: 157-PA-14A

Current Owner: Blue Sage Properties Inc.

Legal Description (include acreage): LOT 14A 157 PARK AVENUE SUBDIVISION; ACCORDING TO THE

OFFICIAL PLAT ON FILE IN THE SUMMIT COUNTY RECORDERS OFFICE CONTO.06 AC M/L 1808-1593

STATUS / USE Original Use: single dwelling Current Use: single dwelling Property Type: National Register of Historic Places: **Evaluation:** Building Eligible Landmark Site Structure Ineligible ☐ Significant Site Site Listed, Date: Non Historic 7/12/1984 Mining Boom Era Residences Thematic District **DOCUMENTATION** Photographs: Research Sources: Sanborn Maps ☐ Tax Photos City/ County Histories Newspapers Prints: 2006, 1995, 1983 tax Card Personal Interviews Other: Park City Museum Historic Census Records abstract of title

DESCRIPTIO	N					
Architectural	Style: L cottage					
No. Stories: 1						
Number of As	ssociated Structures:	☐ Accessory building	g(s). #	☐ Structure(s	s). #	
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Foundation: T	ax cards indicate no fo	undation, not verified				
Roof: Cross-v	ving roof form sheathed	l in standing seam meta	al			
Windows/Doc	ors: Double-hung sash t	ype				
Additions:	Major	Minor	None			
Alterations:	Major	Minor	None			
Describe Add	litions/ Alterations (Date	es):				
Essential Hist	oric Form: Retains		□Do	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 157 Park Avenue was described in a 1984 National Register nomination form as follows:

"This house is a one story frame building with an irregular L plan. The irregularity of plan and the variation of roof type of the two sections of the house indicate that it was probably built in two sections. Because the materials and windows of both sections are identical and the proportions similar, however, it is likely that the construction dates of both sections are very close. The Sanborn Insurance Map indicated that by 1889 the house looked as it does today. The house was modified only slightly between 1889 and 1900 by extending a narrow section of the north wall. That section has a separate entrance in the east side, and it is likely that it was created to serve as a wood or coal shed. It is likely that the house was originally built as a rectangular cabin and at a later date a cross-wing was

built on the south side. The door originally would have been flanked on both sides by windows. At present there is a window on the south side of the door, a single window on the gable end of the cross-wing, and another window on the north side of the cross-wing. The windows are all the two over two double hung sash type. A hip roof spans the entire east side of the building and extends down the north side to the door into extension. The Sanborn Map indicates that by 1889 this house had a porch across the east side, and it was probably extended down the north side when the north extension was made. The balustrade of the section of porch across the gable end has been framed in. That change is minor and could be easily reversed. The only major change that was made was the excavation of the area below the gable end of the cross-wing to create a garage. The garage opening was constructed of drop siding that complements the rest of the house, and the change does not affect the building's original integrity. This house is in good condition, and since 1889 has received no alterations which affect its integrity."

Since the writing of this description, only minor changes have been made to the house. A metal standing seam roof has been recently installed and was likely not present during the 1984 photo. A small shed at the street side visible in the 1984 photo has been removed. A short log retaining wall is present in the front yard. Although the form remains legible, the cumulative formal and material changes have diminished 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 detailed in the 1984 National Register nomination form as follows:

"Built c. 1885, the Mathew Urie House at 157 Park is architecturally significant as one of two well preserved examples of a Park City house with a distinct L-plan by addition. This type of addition does not appear to have been common in Park City building, and less than five examples of the type are extant. As opposed to the T/L cottage and the T/L cottage by addition, which, viewed from the facade, have relatively short cross-wings and longer stem-wings, the L-plan by addition house has a distinctive L-plan consisting of two wings of almost equal length that intersect at right angles. An irregularity in roof type and roof line indicates that this house was not built with an original L-plan, but instead is the result of the expansion of a small house by the addition of a cross-wing to the front of one end of the original facade. Although an uncommon type, the L-plan by addition is significant because it is a variant of the common modification of adding a cross-wing to an existing house as a solution to the problem of inadequate space in the tiny mining town cottage.

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The censuses backs up the information provided in the title history and this description, though the house does not appear on the 1920 census. It is currently owned by Blue Sage Properties, Inc.

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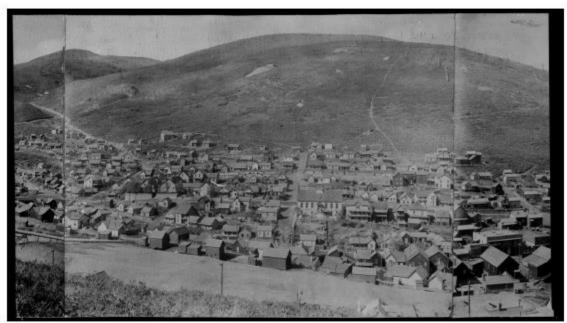
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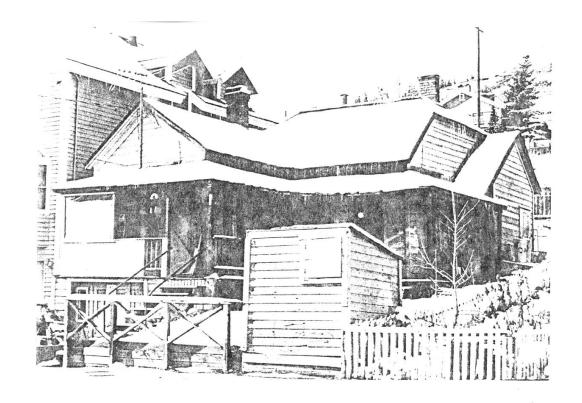
PHOTOS

(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.)

157 Park Avenue, Park City, Summit County, Utah Intensive Level Survey—Biographical and Historical Research Materials



c. 1897









157 Park Avenue. Northeast oblique. November 2013.



157 Park Avenue. East elevation. November 2013.



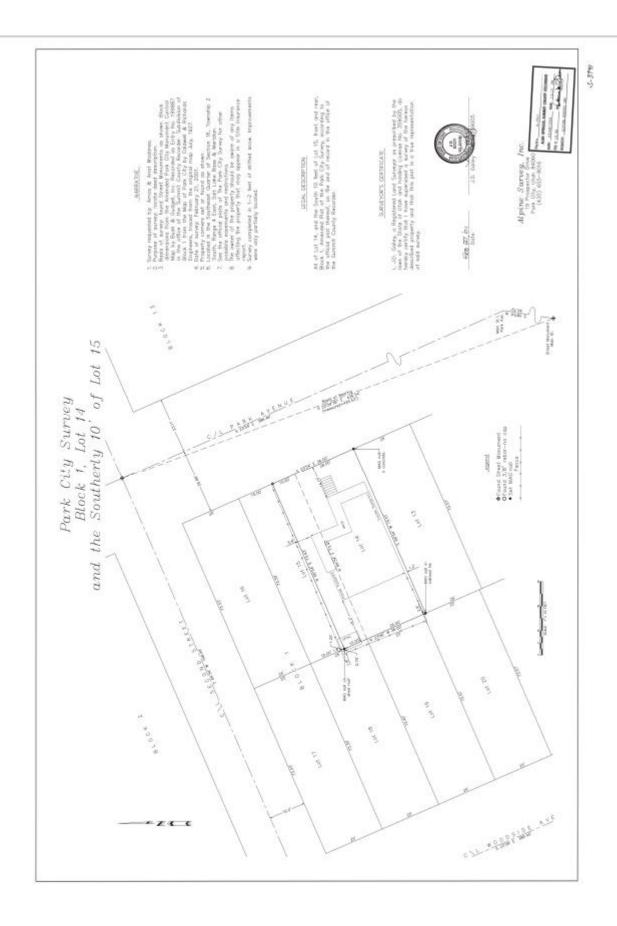
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157 Park Avenue, Park City, Summit County, Utah Intensive Level Survey—Sanborn Map history

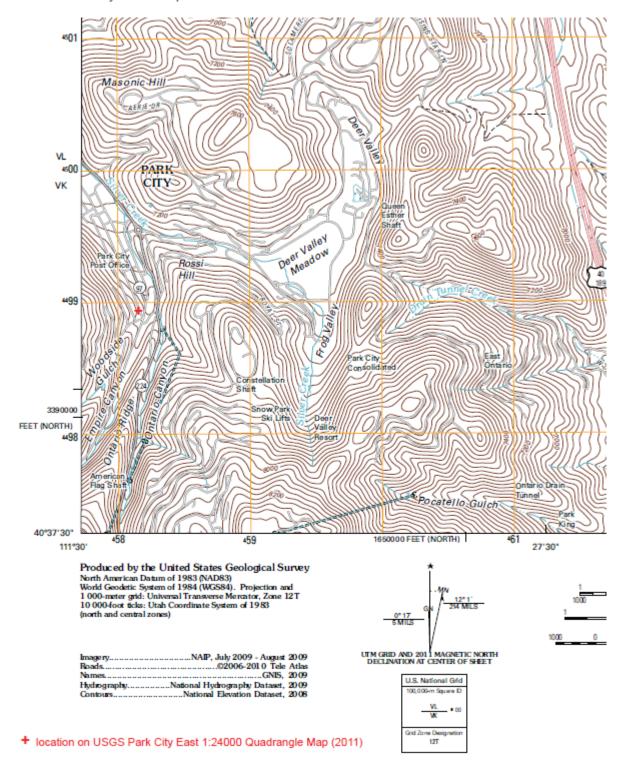
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157 Park Avenue, Park City, Summit County, Utah Intensive Level Survey—USGS Map



TITLE SEARCH FORM

[Obtain information from title abstract books at County Recorder's Office]

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Current Owner: Blue Sage Properties, Inc. Address: (see historic site form for address)

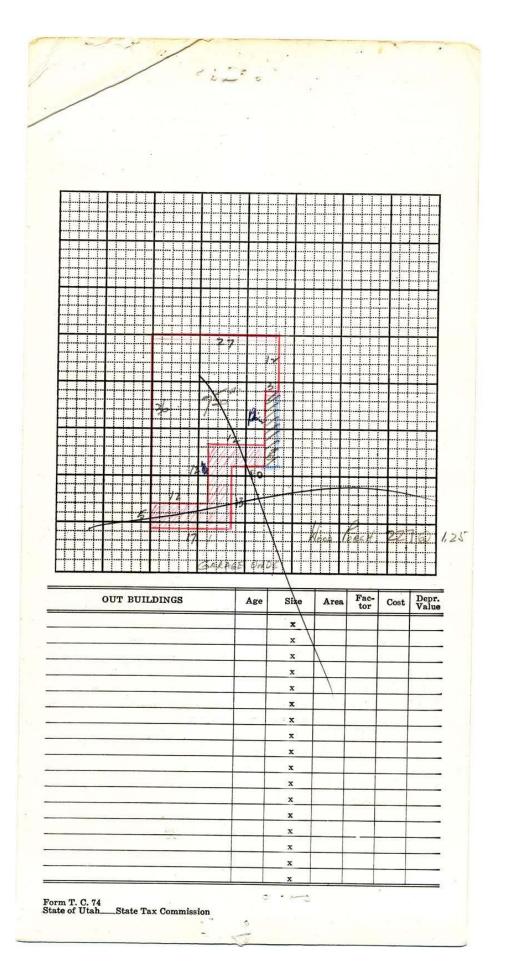
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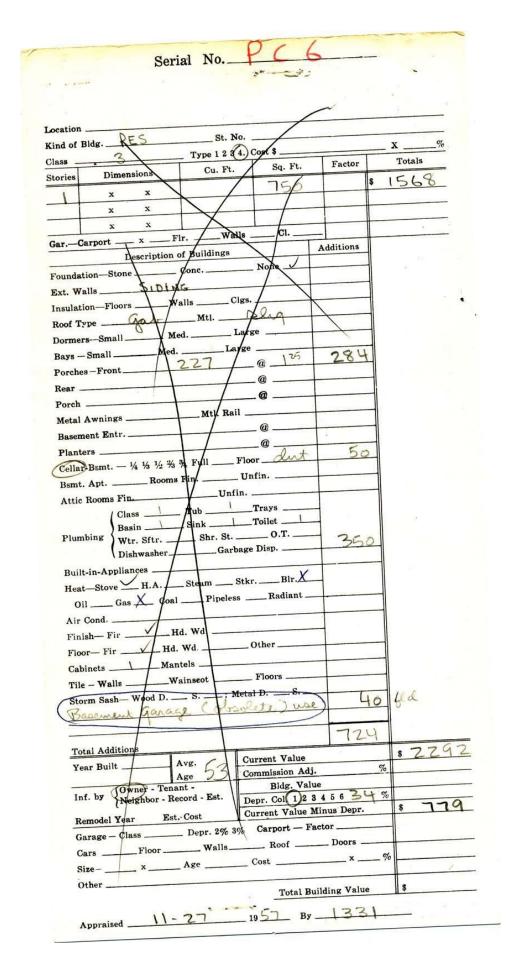
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Researcher: John Ewanowski, CRSA Architecture

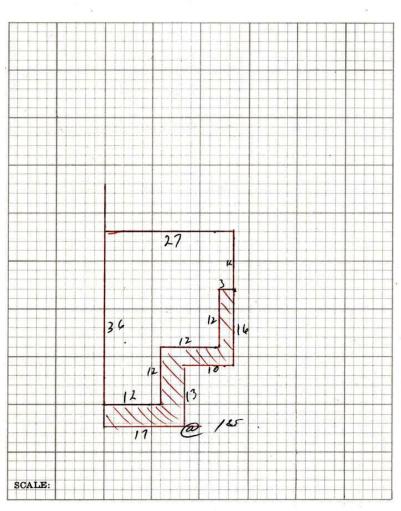
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Street Address:

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UTM: 12 458200 4498770

Name of Structure:

Park City, Summit County, Utah

Matthew Urie House

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Present Owner:

Bob Thompson

Owner Address:

P.O. Box 3191, Park City, Utah 84060

Year Built (Tax Record):

Effective Age:

Tax#: PC 6

Legal Description

Kind of Building:

All Lot 14 and Southerly 10 feet front and rear Lot 15 Block 1, Park City Survey Less than one acre.

Original Owner: possibly Matthew Urie			Construction Date: c. 1885 Demolition Date:						
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Bibliographical References (books, articles, records, interviews, old photographs and maps, etc.):

1900 Census Records. Summit County, Park City Precinct, p. 183-A.

Researcher:

Roger Roper

Date: 4/84

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Site No: 157 Park Street Address: Architect/Builder: probably Matthew Urie **Building Materials:** Wood Building Type/Style: L-Plan House

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features: (Include additions, alterations, ancillary structures, and landscaping if applicable)

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Statement of Historical Significance:

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