

## HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY HISTORIC SITE FORM

PARK CITY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION



## **IDENTIFICATION**

Property Name (if any): Ellsworth J. Beggs House

Address: 703 Park Avenue

Date of Construction: c. 1907 City, County: Park City, Summit County, Utah

Architect/Builder, if known: unknown

Tax Number: NGS-1

Current Owner: High West Properties LLC

Legal Description (include acreage): LOT 1 NATIONAL GARAGE SUBDIVISION; ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT ON FILE IN THE SUMMIT COUNTY RECORDERS OFFICE CONT 8129 SQ FT OR 0.19 AC 1099-577 1471-57 1477-783 1885-404 HIGHWEST PROPERTIES LLC 1885-404; PARK CITY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION 1471-

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STATUS / USE		
Original Use: single dwelling	Current Use: commercial	
Property Type:	National Register of Historic Places:	Evaluation:
Building	Eligible	Landmark Site
Structure	☐ Ineligible	☐ Significant Site
Site	Listed, Date:	☐ Non Historic
	07/12/1984 – Mining Boom Era Residence	ces Thematic District
DOCUMENTATION		
Photographs:	Research Sources:	
Tax Photos	Sanborn Maps City/ County Histor	ories Newspapers
Prints: various, from 1940s	s to present tax Card Personal Interview	os Other:
Historic	Census Records Park City Museum	n

## **DESCRIPTION**

Architectural Style	: House - Pyramid	(2-story, foursquare) Fa	alse front garag	е	
No. Stories: 2					
Number of Associa	ated Structures:	☐ Accessory building	(s). #	☐ Structure(s	). #
Condition:	Good	□Fair	Poor	Uninhabital	ole/Ruin
Location:	Original location	☐ Moved (Date:	original locati	on:	)
Materials: (Describ	e the visible mater	ials)			
Exterior Walls: Dro	op siding				
Foundation: Concr	rete				
Roof: Pyramid/hipp	oed roof form sheat	thed in standing seam r	metal		
Windows/Doors: P	aired and single do	puble-hung sash type			
Additions:	Major	Minor	None		
Alterations:	Major	Minor	None		
Describe Additions	s/ Alterations (Date	s):			
Essential Historic F	Form: Retains		□ Doe	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 High West Distillery and Saloon was described in a 1984 National Register nomination form as follows:

"This house is a two story frame box with a projecting cross-wing on the facade. It is a variant of the pyramid house. It has a pyramid roof over the box section, and a gable roof over the cross-wing. A small porch fills the space beside the cross wing. The porch piers are lathe turned, and a decorative pediment projects from the porch roof over the entrance area. The diamond cut shingles of the porch pediment match those of the cross-wing gable. Both first floor windows on the facade are broad single pane and transom windows. The transom windows are filled with leaded glass. One window flanks the door, and the other is set into the gable end. Most of the windows on the rest of the house are the one over one double hung sash type.

There is a one story rear extension which is probably original. A small frame shed was built between this house and the garage to the north. It touches the house, but does not penetrate the wall. The shed therefore does not affect the original character of the house. This building is in excellent condition, and is essentially unaltered on the exterior. It maintains its original integrity."

A large scale renovation occurred in 2008. The renovation moved the garage to the north and a connection was added between the garage and the house. A concrete foundation was installed underneath the house. The connecting addition is roofed with corrugated metal and has a large glazed curtain wall. The roof was sheathed with composition shingles, replacing the metal standing seam roof present before. The significant renovation and reconstruction project of both this house and the adjacent garage was reviewed by the State Historic Preservation Office, and does not adversely affect the overall character of the house. 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. 1907, the Ellsworth J. Beggs House at 703 Park is architecturally significant as one of about four extant two story box houses in Park City, three of which are well preserved and included in this nomination. The two story box is closely tied with the pyramid house, one of three major house types in Park City. Like the pyramid house, it has a square or nearly square form, a pyramid or truncated hip roof, and a porch spanning the facade. It varies in size from the pyramid house, being a full two stories, as compared with the one or one and one half stories of the pyramid house. The two story box was not common in Park city, but judging from the range of extant buildings in Park City, it seems to have been the preferred design choice for a sizeable Park City house. All of the extant examples of this house are located on prominent sites along Park Avenue, the most prestigious street in Park City, further documenting the significance of this house type as one chosen by those who were seeking more than a utilitarian dwelling.

Ellsworth J. Beggs bought this property in 1904, but, according to the Sanborn Insurance Maps, he did not build this house until after 1907. Located on the property at the time of Beggs' purchase were a livery stable, a small one-story house on the rear of the lot, and a one-story house of similar configuration as the current two-story house located there. The livery stable was either greatly expanded or replaced c. 1906 by the larger livery stable/garage that is currently on the property. A \$500 mortgage that year by Beggs indicates that the construction

of that building took place that year. The new livery stable, which, at the time of its construction, shared its south wall with the north wall of the one story house, later served as an automobile garage.

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Ellsworth J. Beggs was born in Pennsylvania in 1861, and came to Park City by at least 1889, the year that he married Eva Jane Lockhart. She was the daughter of one of Park City's well-known and long-time citizens, Oliver Lockhart. Prior to moving into this house, Ellsworth and Eva Jane lived with her brother, Scott Lockhart, an attorney, in his house on Park Avenue. In addition to working as a carpenter, Ellsworth also served as a city councilman in Park City. The Beggs owned this house until 1946, when it was sold to Byron F. Wilde, a banker. The current owners, Burnis and Betty Watts, bought the house in 1974."

The house has been sold since the time of this description and is currently owned by High West Properties LLC.

### **REFERENCES**

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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.)

703B Park Avenue, Park City, Summit County, Utah

Intensive Level Survey—Biographical and Historical Research Materials

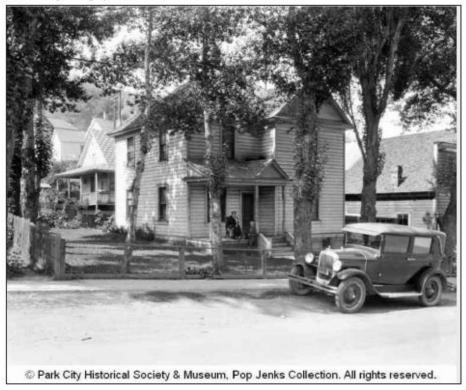


Tax photo c. 1940



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



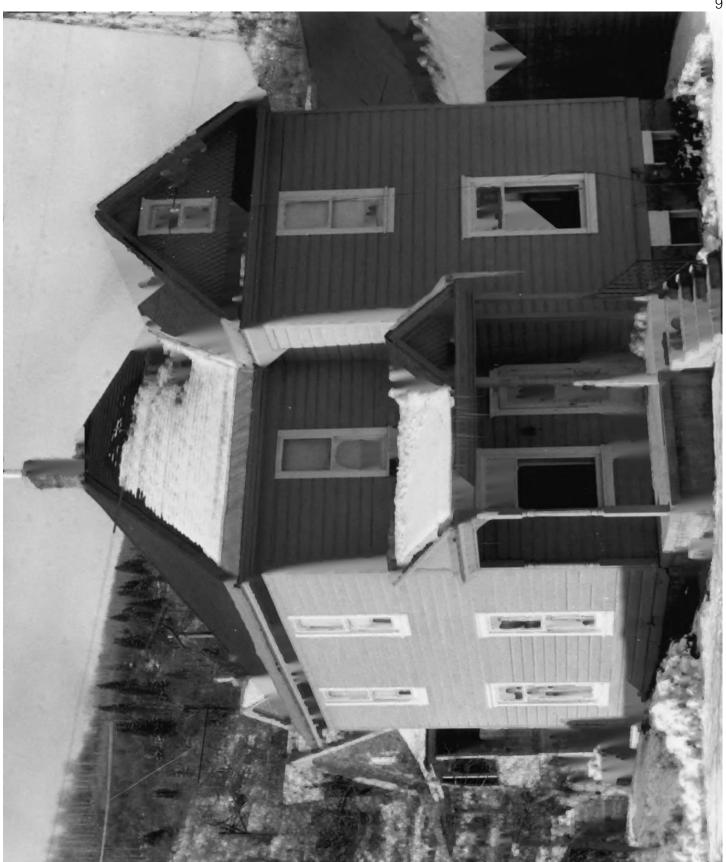
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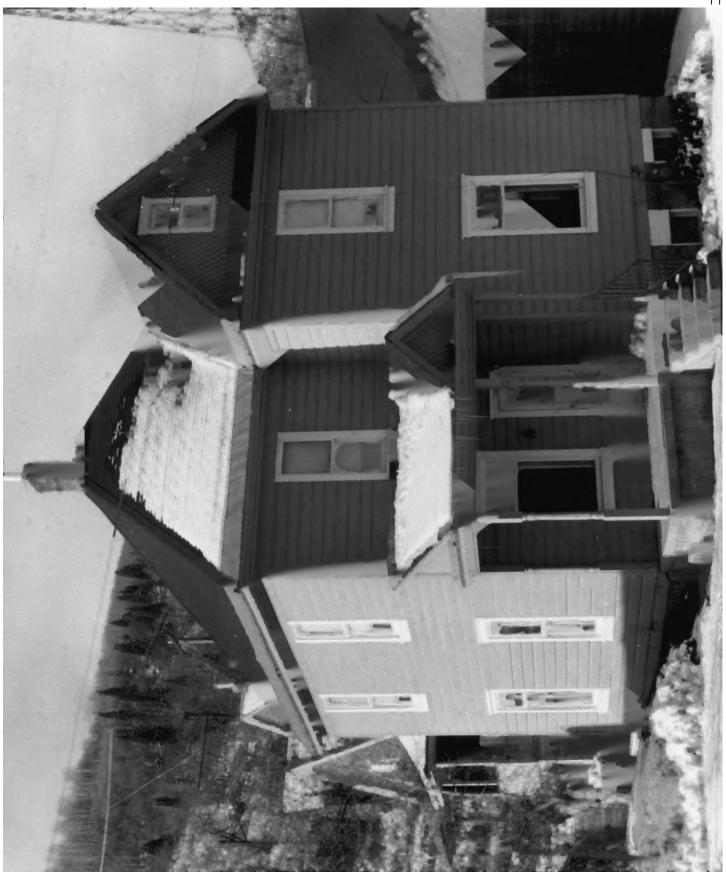
Ellsworth Beggs House

703 Park

Summit County, Utah City,

View from Southeast

Historical Society October 1983 Photo by Roger Roper, Negative: Utah State Negative:



Ellsworth Beggs House 703 Park Park City, Summit County, Utah

corner Southeast View from

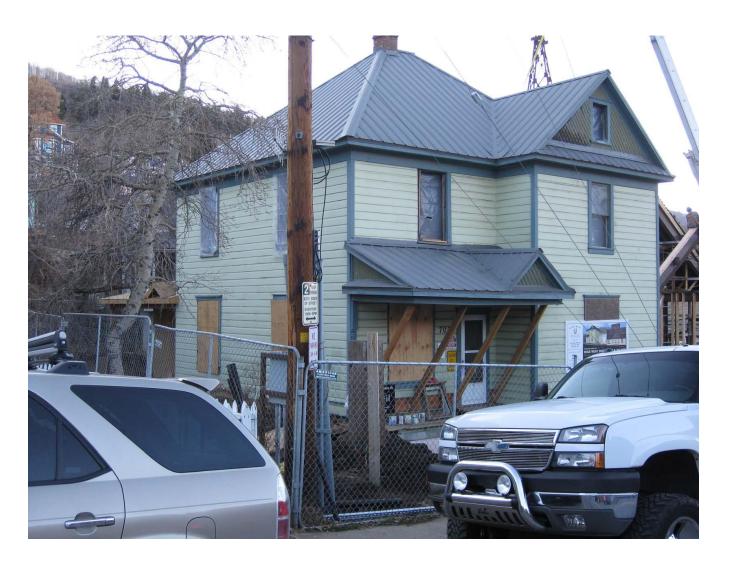
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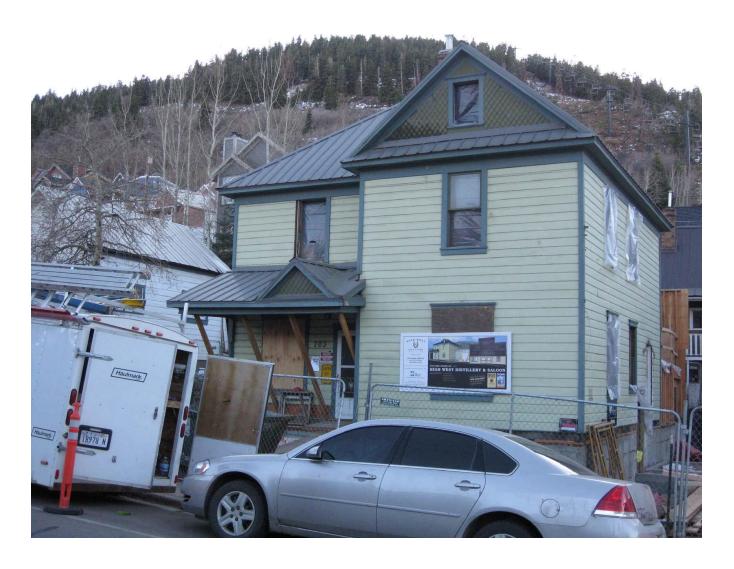


Ellsworth Beggs House 703 Park Ave. Park City, Summit County, Utah View from Southeast corner Photo by Roger Roper, October 1983 Negative: Utah State Historical Society

















703 Park Avenue. Northeast oblique. November 2013.



703 Park Avenue. East elevation. November 2013.



703 Park Avenue. Southeast oblique. November 2013.



703B Park Avenue. Northeast oblique. November 2013.



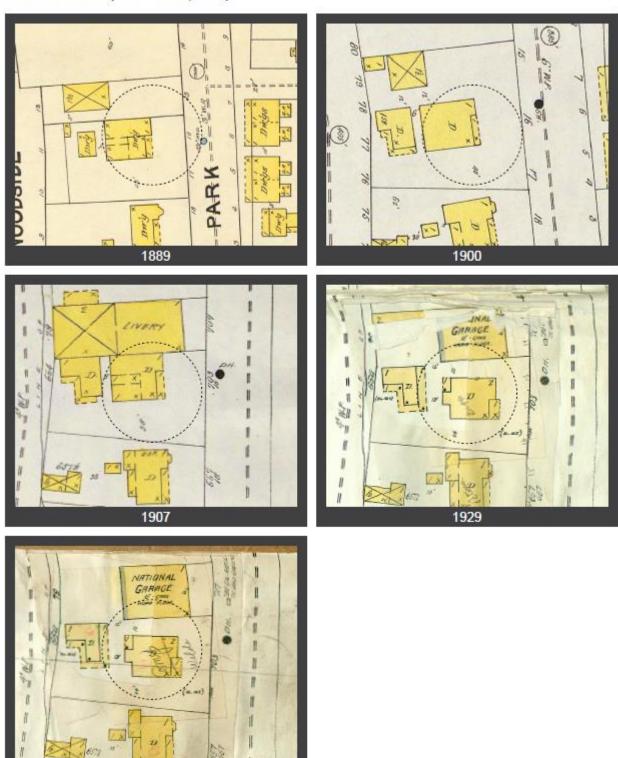
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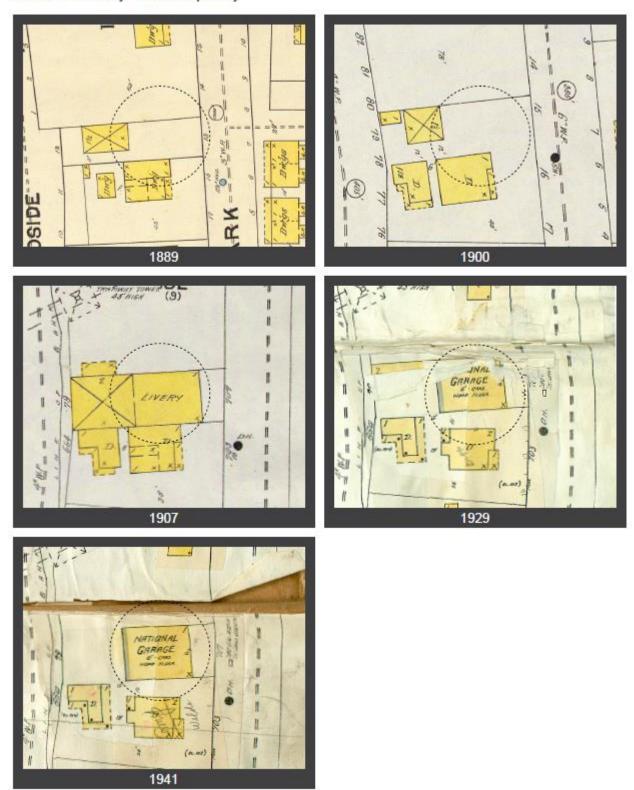
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703 Park Avenue, Park City, Summit County, Utah Intensive Level Survey—Sanborn Map history

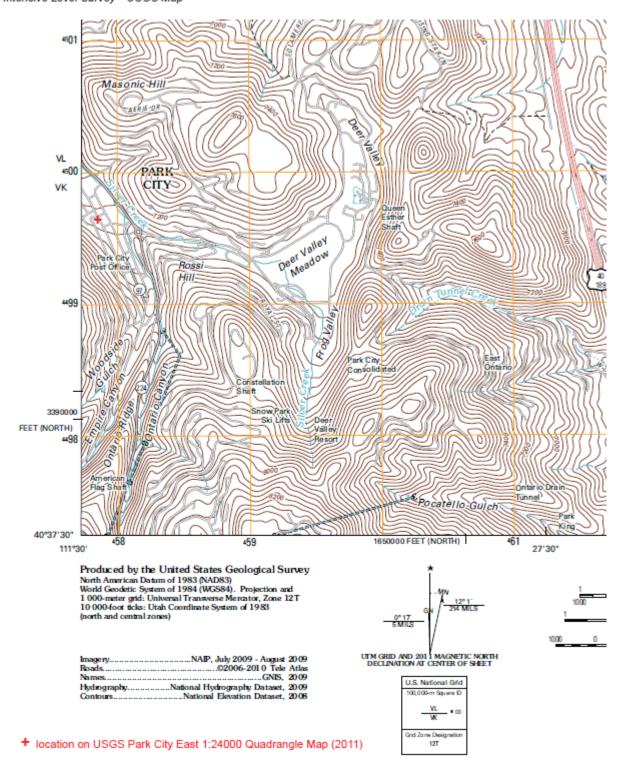
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703B Park Avenue, Park City, Summit County, Utah Intensive Level Survey—Sanborn Map history



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



Date: 9/14/2015

Researcher: John Ewanowski, CRSA Architecture

Address: 703 Park Avenue (Beggs House) Park City, UT

Current Owner. High West Properties LLC Address: (see historic site form for address) Address:

TRANSACTION DATES	GRANTOR (SELLER)	GRANTEE (BUYER)	TYPE OF DOLLAR TRANSACTION AMOUNT	DOLLAR AMOUNT	COMMENTS
2/23/1882	Edwd. P. Ferry	Merrill L. Hoyt	M		[L16-22]
4/8/1882	Merrill L. Hoyt	David C. McLaughlin	Mortgage	\$1000.00	[L16-22]
10/8/1882	M.L. Hoyt	David C. McLaughlin	Μ		[L16-22]
12/22/1882	David C. McLaughlin	Caroline K. Snyder	Μ		[L16-22]
5/6/1882	Caroline K. Snyder	Edward P. Ferry	Mortgage	\$1019.50	[L16-22]
1/11/1897	Horace G. Snyder	A.J. Moore	M		[L16-20]
3/15/1898	A.J. Moore & wife	Rilla Snyder, et al	W.D.		[L16-20]
3/15/1898	Olive M. Snyder	Rilla Snyder, et al	W.D.		[L16-20]
4/20/1899	Third Dist Court SUmmit Co.	Rilla Snyder, et al	Decree		[L16-20]
6/2/1900	Gideon Snyder	Rilla Snyder	O.C.		[All their interest in L16-20]
11/2/1900	Z.C. Shepherd, et al	Rilla & Jennie Snyder	Q.C.		[All their interest in L16-20]
1/7/1904	Rilla I. & Jane Snyder	E.J. Beggs	W.D.		"16, 17, pt. 18"
7/7/1906	E.J. Beggs	H.S. Townsend, Agent	Mortg.		"16, 17, pt. 18" [rel. 2/1/1928]
9/25/1933	Ellsworth J. Beggs	Eva J. Beggs	Deed		"16, 17, pt. 18"
5/29/1946	Ellsworth J. Beggs	Bryon F. & Gladys J. Wilde	W.D.		[including garage to north]
6/9/1952	Byron F. Wilde	Gladys J. Wilde	W.D.		[including garage to north]

# TITLE SEARCH FORM

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Current Owner: High West Properties LLC

Address: (see historic site form for address)

Address: 703 Park Avenue (Beggs House), page 2 Tax Nu

Tax Number: NGS-1 Legal Description (include acreage): Lot 1 National Garage Sub., platted 7/5/2006 (PC

BK6 L16&17) (see historic site form for complete legal description)

COMMENTS		[including garage to north]	[Lot 1 of present-day subdivision, PC-103-X]	[Lot 1 of present-day subdivision, PC-103-X]							
DOLLAR AMOUNT											
TYPE OF DOLLAR TRANSACTION AMOUNT	Easement	W.D.	Sp. W.D.	W.D.	W.D.						
GRANTEE (BUYER)	Utah Power & Light Co.	Bemis & Betty Watts	Betty S. & Burnis Watts (tr.)	P.C. Redevelopment Agency	High West Properties LLC						
GRANTOR (SELLER)	Gladys J. Wilde	Gladys J. Wilde, a woman	Betty S. & Bumis Watts	Betty S. & Burnis Watts (tr.)	P.C. Redevelopment Agency						
TRANSACTION DATES	5/8/1964	1/24/1974	5/8/1991	12/3/1997	8/24/2007						

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# TITLE SEARCH FORM

Address: 703B Park Avenue (National Garage)

City: Park City, UT Current Owner: High West Properties LLC

(see historic site form for address) Address:

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

Sarage) Tax Number: NGS-1

Legal Description (include acreage): Lot 1 National Garage Sub., platted 7/5/2006 (SA pt. LLC

description)

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1/11/1897	Horace G. Snyder	A.J. Moore	М		[1]
3/15/1898	A.J. Moore & wife	Rilla Snyder, et al	W.D.		[L1]
3/18/1898	Olive M. Snyder	Rilla Snyder, et al	W.D.		[L1]
4/20/1899	Third Dist. Court Summit Co.	Orilla Snyder, et al (heirs)	Decree		[L1]
6/2/1900	Gideon Snyder & wife	Rilla Snyder	O.C.		[L1]
11/12/1900	Zina C. Shepherd, et al	Rilla & Jennie Snyder	O.C.		[L1]
8/6/1902	Third Dist. Co. Summit Co.	Rilla I. Snyder	Decree		[L1]
9/16/1902	Wilson I. Snyder, Admin.	Rilla I. Snyder	Admin. Deed		[pt. 1]
1/7/1904	Rilla I. & Jane Snyder	E.J. Beggs	W.D.	\$700.00	[pt. 1, including house to south]
11/11/1919	Ellsworth H. Beggs, et ux	George Stonebreaker	W.D.		
2/1/1928	George Stonebreaker	John M. Baker, et ux	W.D.		
2/1/1928	John M. Baker, et ux	Peter Pedrotti, et al	Mtg.		
9/15/1929	John M. Baker, et ux	E.J. Beggs	Mtg.		
8/9/1930	John Baker, et ux	Continental Oil Co.	Pease		
12/21/1931	County Treasurer	Summit Co.	Tax Sale		[redeemed 7/7/1933 by E.J. Beggs]
9/25/1933	Ellsworth J. Beggs	Eva J. Beggs	Deed		

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8/24/2007	P.C. Redevelopment Agency	High West Properties LLC	W.D.		[as L1 National Garage Sub]

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		Utah State	Historical Society		
Prope	rty Type:	Historic Preser	rvation Research Office	Site No	
		Structure/Si	te Information Form		
<b>1</b>	Street Address:	703 Park Park City, Summit Cou		UTM: 12 457910	4499430
DENTIFICATION	Name of Structure:	Ellsworth J. Beggs Ho	use	T. R.	S.
Ē	Present Owner:	Burnis Watts			
DE	Owner Address:	P.O. Box 705, Park Ci	ty, Utah 84060		
	West to Park City 113.60 feet to So 54 minutes West	Kind of t line Park Avenue at P y, run thence South 28 outheast corner Lot 16 along South line said	ve Age: Building: Northernmost corner Lot degrees 50 minutes East , Block 6, Park City, tl Lot 6, 75.0 feet; thence	t along said West hence South 66 de e North 28 degree	r's Addition t line grees es 50 minutes
	west 105.32 feet	(See con	Lot 1, Block 18, Snyde tinuation sheet)	r's Addition; the	ence North
2	Original Owner: E11	sworth J. Beggs	Construction Date: c.	1907 Demolition	Date:
3/USE	Original Use: Res	sidence	Present Use:		
STATUS/USE	Building Condition:	Integrity:	Preliminary Evaluation:	Final Register	Status:
	Excellent Site Good Ruin Deteriorated		☐ Contributory ☐ Not of the ☐ Contributory ☐ Historic Per	☐ National Landma riod ☐ National Register ☐ State Register	
3	Photography:	Date of Slides: 1983	Slide No.: Date of I	Photographs: 1983	Photo No.:
OCCUMENTATION 5		☐ Front ☐ Side ☐ Rear ☐ Other	Views: ☐ Front ☐	Side  Rear  Other	
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00	☐ Tax Card & Photo ☐ Building Permit	<ul> <li>□ Biographical Encyclopedias</li> <li>□ Obiturary Index</li> </ul>	☐ Personal Interviews ☐ LDS Church Archives	□ USU Library □ \$LC Library	
٥	☐ Sewer Permit	☑-County & City Histories	☐ LDS Genealogical Society	Other Census	Records
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	1910 Census Reco Park Record. Nov	ords. Summit County, Pa vember 3, 1933, p. 1. I	ark City Precinct, p. 16 ark City Precinct, p. 12 Eva Jane Beggs obituary p. 28. Eva Jane Beggs of	2-B.	
	Researcher: Ro	oger Roper			Date: 4/84

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Street Address: 703 Park Site No:

Architect/Builder: Ellsworth Beggs

Building Materials: Wood

Building Type/Style: Two Story Box (variant of Pyramid House)

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

This house is a two story frame box with a projecting cross-wing on the facade. It is a variant of the pyramid house. It has a pyramid roof over the box section, and a gable roof over the cross-wing. A small porch fills the space beside the crosswing. The porch piers are lathe turned, and a decorative pediment projects from the porch roof over the entrance area. The diamond cut shingles of the porch pediment match those of the cross-wing gable. Both first floor windows on the facade are broad single pane and transom windows. The transom windows are filled with leaded glass. One window flanks the door, and the other is set into the gable end. Most of the windows on the rest of the house are the one over one double hung sash type. There is a one story rear extension which is probably original. A small frame shed was built between this house and the garage to the north. It touches the house, but does not penetrate the wall. The shed therefore does not affect the original character of the house. This building is in excellent condition, and is essentially unaltered on the exterior. It maintains its original integrity.

A one story frame garage adjacent to 703 Park is included as an outbuilding in the nomination of 703 Park. It has a gable roof and a false front. The (See continuation sheet)

## Statement of Historical Significance:

Construction Date: c. 1907

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## 703 Park Description continued:

painting on the false front reflects some of its many uses. It originally was a livery stable, but was later converted into a garage. It is no longer used for commercial purposes. A pair of garage doors is centered on the facade. There is a large almost square window on the south side, and a narrow rectangular window on the north side of the garage doors. There are three small square windows on the north wall which look original, as well as a large rectangular window which may be an addition. Several of the openings in the south wall have been boarded over, and a window was added. The building is connected to the house at 703 Park by a small addition. The changes made to the exterior, however, are minor, and the building retains its original character.

## History continued:

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## Legal Description continued:

60 degrees 30 minutes East 74.67 feet to beginning. Being part of Lot 1 Block 1, Park City Survey, and Lots 16, 17, 18, Block 6, Park City.

.18 acre.

## **Utah State Historical Society**

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## Historic Preservation Research Office

## Structure/Site Information Form

1	Street Address:	703 Park Park City, Summit Cou	nty, Utah	UT	M: 12 4579	<del>)</del> 10	4499430
ATIO	Name of Structure:	Ellsworth J. Beggs Ho	use	T.	R.		S.
IDENTIFICATION	Present Owner:	Burnis Watts					
IDE	Owner Address:	P.O. Box 705, Park Ci	ty, Utah 8406	0			
	Year Built (Tax Rec Legal Description		ve Age: Building:		Tax#: PC	103	
	West to Park Cit 113.60 feet to S 54 minutes West	t line Park Avenue at I y, run thence South 28 outheast corner Lot 16 along South line said to Northwesterly line (See con	degrees 50 mi , Block 6, Par Lot 6, 75.0 fe	nutes East a k City, then et; thence N	long said ce South 6 orth 28 de	West 6 de gree	line grees s 50 minutes
2	Original Owner: E1]	Lsworth J. Beggs	Constructio	on Date: c. 190	7 Demol	ition	Date:
STATUS/USE	Original Use: Res	sidence	Present Use:				
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Researcher:

Roger Roper

Date: 4/84

PISTORY 5

Street Address: 703 Park

Architect/Builder: Ellsworth Beggs

Building Materials: Wood

Building Type/Style: Two Story Box (variant of Pyramid House)

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

This house is a two story frame box with a projecting cross-wing on the facade. It is a variant of the pyramid house. It has a pyramid roof over the box section, and a gable roof over the cross-wing. A small porch fills the space beside the crosswing. The porch piers are lathe turned, and a decorative pediment projects from the porch roof over the entrance area. diamond cut shingles of the porch pediment match those of the cross-wing gable. Both first floor windows on the facade are broad single pane and transom windows. The transom windows are filled with leaded glass. One window flanks the door, and the other is set into the gable end. Most of the windows on the rest of the house are the one over one double hung sash type. There is a one story rear extension which is probably original. A small frame shed was built between this house and the garage to the north. It touches the house, but does not penetrate the wall. The shed therefore does not affect the original character of the house. This building is in excellent condition, and is essentially unaltered on the exterior. It maintains its original integrity.

A one story frame garage adjacent to 703 Park is included as an outbuilding in the nomination of 703 Park. It has a gable roof and a false front. The (See continuation sheet)

Statement of Historical Significance:

Construction Date: c. 1907

Site No:

Built c. 1907, the Ellsworth J. Beggs House at 703 Park is architecturally significant as one of about four extant two story box houses in Park City, three of which are well preserved and included in this nomination. The two story box is closely tied with the pyramid house, one of three major house types in Park City. Like the pyramid house, it has a square or nearly square form, a pyramid or truncated hip roof, and a porch spanning the facade. It varies in size from the pyramid house, being a full two stories, as compared with the one or one and one half stories of the pyramid house. The two story box was not common in Park city, but judging from the range of extant buildings in Park City, it seems to have been the preferred design choice for a sizeable Park City house. All of the extant examples of this house are located on prominent sites along Park Avenue, the most prestigious street in Park City, further documenting the significance of this house type as one chosen by those who were seeking more than a utilitarian dwelling.

Ellsworth J. Beggs bought this property in 1904, but, according to the Sanborn Insurance Maps, he did not build this house until after 1907. Located on the property at the time of Begg's purchase were a livery stable, a small one-story house on the rear of the lot, and a one-story house of similar configuration as the current two-story house located there. The livery stable was either greatly expanded or replaced c. 1906 by the larger livery stable/garage that is currently on the property. A \$500 mortgage that year by Beggs indicates that the construction of that building took place that year. The new livery stable, which, at the time of its construction, shared its south wall with the north wall of the one story house, later served as an automobile garage.

The existing two-story house was either built or moved onto the site after 1907, replacing the one story house, but located several feet south of where (See continuation sheet)

703 Park Description continued:

painting on the false front reflects some of its many uses. It originally was a livery stable, but was later converted into a garage. It is no longer used for commercial purposes. A pair of garage doors is centered on the facade. There is a large almost square window on the south side, and a narrow rectangular window on the north side of the garage doors. There are three small square windows on the north wall which look original, as well as a large rectangular window which may be an addition. Several of the openings in the south wall have been boarded over, and a window was added. The building is connected to the house at 703 Park by a small addition. The changes made to the exterior, however, are minor, and the building retains its original character.

## History continued:

it had stood. Speculation that this house was moved here at a later date from another location is based on the fact that the Victorian inspired styling of this house was usually not used on buildings as late as 1907 and was usually not contemporary with the use of concrete foundations, such as the one upon which this house sits. Evidence to support the assumption that this house was built on the site is that Beggs was a local carpenter who was known to have built at least one other house in town of similar scale and styling, 421 Park. The relatively late construction date, c. 1907, can be attributed only to Begg's preference for that house type. The concrete foundation, though probably not part of the original construction of the house, was possibly constructed a number of years after the house was built. The process, which was not uncommon in Park City, involved raising up the house, pouring a concrete foundation underneath it, then lowering the house back down on the new foundation.

Ellsworth J. Beggs was born in Pennsylvania in 1861, and came to Park City by at least 1889, the year that he married Eva Jane Lockhart. She was the daughter of one of Park City's well-known and long-time citizens, Oliver Lockhart. Prior to moving into this house, Ellsworth and Eva Jane lived with her brother, Scott Lockhart, an attorney, in his house on Park Avenue. In addition to working as a carpenter, Ellsworth also served as a city councilman in Park City. The Beggs owned this house until 1946, when it was sold to Byron F. Wilde, a banker. The current owners, Burnis and Betty Watts, bought the house in 1974.

Legal Description continued:

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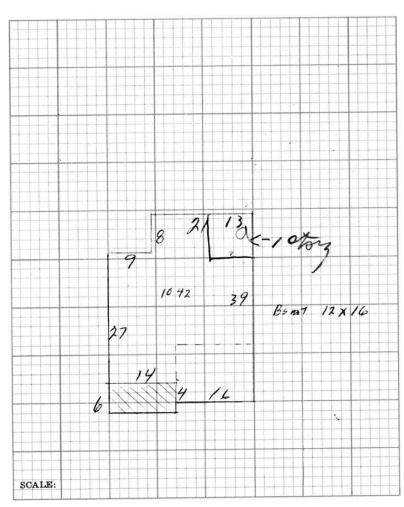
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