

**Architectural Inventory Form**  
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**I. IDENTIFICATION**

1. Resource number: **5BL7316**
2. Temporary number: **N/A**
3. County: **Boulder**
4. City: **Longmont**
5. Historic building name: **Bashor House; Busch House**
6. Current building name: **Whittaker House**
7. Building address: **736 Collyer Street**
8. Owner name: **Timothy J. & Jennifer J. Whittaker**  
Owner address: **736 Collyer Street**  
**Longmont, CO 80501**

**II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION**

9. P.M. **6<sup>th</sup>** Township **2N** Range **69W**

**NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of section 3**

10. UTM reference  
Zone **13**  
Easting: **491744**  
Northing: **44466605**
11. USGS quad name: **Longmont, Colorado**  
Year: **1968** (**Photorevised 1979**) **7.5'**
12. Lot(s): **S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 2** Block: **19**  
Addition: **Longmont Original Town** Year of Addition **1872**
13. Boundary Description and Justification: **This legally defined parcel encompasses but does not exceed the land historically associated with this property.**

22. Architectural style /  
building type:

**Late 19th and Early  
Twentieth Century Revivals  
/ Classic Cottage**

**Official Eligibility Determination**

(OAHP use only)

- Date \_\_\_\_\_ Initials \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_ Determined Eligible - National Register  
\_\_\_ Determined Not Eligible - National Register  
\_\_\_ Determined Eligible - State Register  
\_\_\_ Determined Not Eligible - State Register  
\_\_\_ Needs Data  
\_\_\_ Contributes to eligible National Register District  
\_\_\_ Noncontributing to eligible National Register District

**III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION**

14. Building plan (footprint, shape):  
**Rectangular Plan**
15. Dimensions in feet: **864 square feet**
16. Number of stories: **1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>**
17. Primary external wall material  
**Wood / Horizontal Siding**  
**Wood / Shingle**
18. Roof configuration (enter one):  
**Hipped Roof**
19. Primary external roof material (enter one):  
**Asphalt Roof / Composition Roof**
20. Special features (enter all that apply):  
**Porch**

**21. General Architectural Description**

The house at 736 Collyer Street is a 1½-story, wood frame, Classic Cottage style dwelling. The building is supported by a low poured concrete foundation, which is probably not the original foundation. The house's exterior walls are clad with painted green horizontal wood siding, with painted cream yellow 1" by 4" corner boards. The dwelling is covered by a steeply-pitched hipped roof, covered with grey asphalt shingles, and with boxed eaves. There is a small intersecting gable on the facade (west elevation), with diamond-shaped patterned wood shingles in its upper gable end. There are no chimneys. One non-historic single-light fixed-pane window, and one non-historic 1x1 horizontal sliding window, are both located on the facade. A large non-historic 3-light window, and one original 1/1 double-hung sash window, are located on the north elevation. One non-historic 1x1 horizontal sliding window, and a set of paired, original 1/1 double-hung sash windows are located on the south elevation. On the east (rear) elevation, there is one non-historic 1x1 horizontal sliding window, one original 1x1 horizontal sliding window, and a set of original, paired, 3/2 light fixed-pane windows. A non-historic solid wood door, with an aluminum storm door, opens onto a concrete porch which is centered on the facade. This porch is covered by a gabled porch roof, supported by 6" by 6" square wood posts. A rear entry is located on the east elevation, where an aluminum storm door opens onto a 3-step concrete stoop.

Garage

A garage is located northeast of the house: One-story rectangular or square plan; ~22' by ~22'; poured concrete slab foundation and floor; painted white horizontal wood siding, over wood frame construction; moderately-pitched front gable roof, with boxed eaves; three 4-light hopper windows, located on the north elevation; two 4-light hopper windows, located on the south elevation; three 4-light hopper windows, located on the east elevation; (all windows have painted white wood frames and surrounds). Two, painted white, overhead garage doors are located on the west elevation. These doors open onto a gravel driveway which extends along the north side of the house to Collyer Street. A single, painted white, wood-paneled door is located at the east end of the south elevation.

**22. Architectural style / building type:**

Please see front page.

**23. Landscape or setting special features:**

This house is located on the east side of Collyer Street, in the block between 7th and 8th Avenues, in Longmont's historic East Side neighborhood. Developed during the late 1800s and early 1900s, the East Side Neighborhood is an established area made up primarily of historic single-family homes. The neighborhood features wide tree-lined streets, wide grass strips between the sidewalks and curbs, uniform setbacks, and deep rectangular-shaped lots.

**24. Associated buildings, features, or objects**

Garage

#### IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of Construction:  
Estimate **ca. 1901**  
Actual

Source of information:

**"Town of Longmont, Colorado - Water Rent Collections, 1899-1904." On file at the Longmont Archives, Longmont Museum.**

26. Architect:  
**unknown**

Source of information:  
**n/a**

27. Builder/ Contractor:  
**unknown**

Source of information:  
**n/a**

28. Original owner:  
**Martin Bashor**

Source of information:

**"Town of Longmont, Colorado - Water Rent Collections, 1899-1904."**

#### 29. Construction History (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions)::

Longmont water rent collections records, dated between 1899 and 1904, indicate that Lot 2, Block 19, of Longmont's original townsite, was developed in 1901. The first entry for this lot appears in December 1901, with the listing of a 5-room "Bach. Hall", owned by Martin Bashor. (Jacob K. Bashor owned property in Lot 1, to the north.) The water records continue to list the building as a "Bach. Hall" until 1907, when it is listed as a "dwelling." The building has had no apparent additions; however, the concrete front porch may not be part of the home's original construction. Several of the home's windows post-date the period of significance, as well.

30. Original location: **yes**  
Moved **no**  
Date of move(s) **n/a**

#### V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

31. Original use(s): **Domestic / Multiple Dwelling**  
32. Intermediate use(s): **Domestic / Single Dwelling**  
33. Current use(s): **Domestic / Single Dwelling**  
34. Site type(s): **Residence**

### **35. Historical Background**

Longmont water rent collection records, and Longmont city directories, indicate that this house was constructed in 1901, and that it was originally owned by Martin Bashor. According to the earliest water records, the building served initially as a "Bach. Hall" (presumably a boardinghouse for bachelors). The 1906 city directory lists Martin Bashor as the homeowner and resident, and also listed at this address in 1906 is Mary J. VanCuren, who was employed as a "housekeeper." Water records further indicate that from 1907 to 1919 (and perhaps later), the property was owned by E.J. Busch. (The water records also indicate that the building stood vacant a good deal of the time between 1907 and 1910.) Elmer J. and Lena Busch are listed as the home's owners and occupants in the 1910-1911 city directory. At that time, Mr. Busch was employed as the Manager at "Lemke Bros. Grocers and Shoes", located at 423 Main Street.

The property apparently became a rental in the late 1910s. According to the directories, R.H. Poage was the resident here in 1918; Albert L. Jones lived here in the early 1920s; and in the mid-1920s, this was the residence of L.J. Kester. Then, from circa 1928 to the late 1930s, this house was owned and occupied by Albert Jones' widow, Mrs. Minnie M. Jones. By 1940, the property was owned and occupied by Charles N. Ferguson, but by the end of the 1940s, the property had been purchased by W.R. and Grace L. Hammans. The property then remained in the hands of the Hammans family until 2000. Mr. Hammans, who was employed in Longmont as a Foreman at the Great Western Sugar Company, perhaps passed away in the early 1970s. Mrs. Hammans continued to live here until 2000, when the property was sold to its current residents, Timothy and Jennifer Whittaker.

### **36. Sources of Information**

(Boulder County) "Real Estate Appraisal Card - Urban Master." On file at the Boulder Carnegie Library.

*Polk's Boulder County Directory* [generally published annually], Denver, Kansas City, and Salt Lake City: R.L. Polk and Company Publishers.

*Polk's Longmont City Directory*, [generally published annually], Denver, Kansas City, and Salt Lake City: R.L. Polk and Company, Publishers, 1966 - 1997.

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, dated June 1930, and May 1956.

*They Came to Stay: Longmont, Colorado 1858 - 1920*, Longmont: St. Vrain Valley Historical Association, 1971.

"Town of Longmont, Colorado - Water Rent Collections." On file at the Longmont Archives, Longmont Museum.

**VI. SIGNIFICANCE**

37. Local landmark designation:  
Yes  
No **xx**  
Date of Designation: **n/a**

**38. Applicable National Register Criteria**

**xx** A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history;

B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;

**xx** C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction;

D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield information important in history or prehistory;

Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G (see Manual).

Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria.

**City of Longmont Standards for Designation**

**xx** 2.56.040-A (1) The structure or district has character, interest or value, as part of the development, heritage or cultural characteristics of the city, state or nation.

2.56.040-A (2) The structure or district is the site of a historic event with an effect upon society.

2.56.040-A (3) The structure or district is identified with a person or group of persons who had some influence on society.

**xx** 2.56.040-A (4) The structure or district exemplifies the cultural, political, economic, social or historic heritage of the community.

2.56.040-B (1) The structure or district portrays the environment of a group of people in an era of history characterized by a distinctive architectural style.

**xx** 2.56.040-B (2) The structure or district embodies those distinguishing characteristics of an architectural type specimen.

2.56.040-B (3) The structure or district is the work of an architect or master builder whose individual work has influenced the development of Longmont.

2.56.040-C (1) The structure or district, because of being part of or related to a square, park or other distinctive area, should be developed or preserved according to a plan based on a historic, cultural or architectural motif.

2.56.040-C (2) The structure or district, due to its unique location or singular physical characteristics, represents an established and familiar visual feature of a neighborhood, community or the city.

Does not meet any of the above City of Longmont Standards for Designation.

39. Area(s) of Significance:

**Architecture; Community Planning and Development**

40. Period of Significance: **ca. 1901-1953**

41. Level of Significance:

National:

State:

Local: **XX**

**42. Statement of Significance**

This house is historically significant relative to National Register Criterion A for its association with Longmont's residential development during the period of significance, circa 1901-1953. To some extent, the house is also architecturally significant, under Criterion C, for its representation of the Classic Cottage style of architecture. Due to some loss of integrity, however, the property's level of significance is not to the extent that it would qualify for individual listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The property also does not qualify to be listed as a local landmark by the City of Longmont. This property is located outside the boundaries of the Longmont East Side Historic District. If the district's boundaries were to be expanded, this house could qualify as a contributing resource within the district's boundaries.

**43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:**

This house displays a somewhat below-average level of historical integrity, relative to the seven aspects of integrity as defined by the National Park Service and the Colorado Historical Society - setting, location, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association. The house's original integrity has been diminished by the alteration of several window openings. The house's front door is also not historic.

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**VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT**

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:

Eligible:

Not Eligible: **xx**

Need Data:

City of Longmont Local Landmark eligibility field assessment:

Eligible:

Not Eligible: **xx**

Need Data:

45. Is there National Register district potential?

Yes: **xx**

No:

Discuss: **This property is located outside the boundaries of the East Side Historic District, which is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. If the district's boundaries were to be expanded, this house could be considered a contributing resource.**

If there is National Register district potential, is this building:

Contributing: **xx**

Noncontributing:

46. If the building is in an existing National Register district, is it:

Contributing: **n/a**

Noncontributing: **n/a**

**VIII. RECORDING INFORMATION**

47. Photograph numbers:

Roll: **LONG-28**

Frame(s): **24-27**

Negatives filed at:

**City of Longmont  
Department of Community Development, Planning Division  
Civic Center Complex  
350 Kimbark Street  
Longmont, Colorado 80501**

48. Report title: **East Side Neighborhood: Historic Context and Survey Report**

49. Date: **January 4, 2003**

50. Recorders: **Carl McWilliams**

51. Organization: **Cultural Resource Historians**

52. Address: **1607 Dogwood Court  
Fort Collins, Colorado 80525**

53. Phone number: **970/493-5270**