

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

Official Eligibility Determination
(OAHF use only)

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- Date _____ Initials _____
- Determined Eligible – National Register
 - Determined Not Eligible – National Register
 - Determined Eligible – State Register
 - Determine Not Eligible – State Register
 - Need Data
 - Contributes to eligible National Register District
 - Noncontributing to eligible National Register District



I. IDENTIFICATION

- 1. Resource number: **5BL.10110** Parcel number(s): **131503411017**
- 2. Temporary resource number: **N/A**
- 3. County: **Boulder**
- 4. City: **Longmont**
- 5. Historic Building Name: **Newby House; Harden House; Sweetser House**
- 6. Current Building Name: **Stull House**
- 7. Building Address: **323 Baker Street**
- 8. Owner Name: **Carl & Megan Stull**
- Owner Organization:
- Owner Address: **6600 W 20th St 56
Greeley , CO 80634**

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:	Not Eligible
Local landmark eligibility field assessment:	Contributes to designated or potential designated historic district

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II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M.: **6th** Township: **2N** Range: **69W**
NW ¼ of SE ¼ of NE ¼ of SE ¼ of Section 03
10. UTM reference
 Zone: **13** **491887 mE** **4446017 mN** **(NAD83)**
11. USGS quad name: **Longmont**
 Year: **1968 (photorevised 1979)** Map scale: **7.5**
12. Lot(s): **E 160 Ft of N 39 Ft Lot 13 Blk 68**
 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.
 Metes and bounds?: Describe:

III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

14. Building plan (footprint, shape): **Rectangular Plan**
15. Dimensions in feet: **Length: 36 feet x Width: 20 feet**
16. Number of stories: **1 1/2**
17. Primary external wall material(s): **Wood/Horizontal Siding** 18. Roof configuration:
Gabled Roof/Front Gabled Roof
19. Primary external roof material: **Asphalt Roof/Composition Roof**
 Other roof materials:
20. Special features: **Porch**
Chimney
21. General architectural description:
This house consists of: a 20' N- S by 30' E-W, 1.5 story, front gabled section, a 20' N-S by 6' E-W, single-story, shed-roofed extension on the west (rear) elevation; and a 16' N-S by 6' E-W glassed-in hipped-roof front porch on the east elevation (façade). The dwelling is supported by a low sandstone or concrete foundation, and its exterior walls are clad with painted turquoise green horizontal wood siding, with painted white 1" by 4" corner boards. The front-gabled roof is moderately-pitched, and is covered with grey asphalt shingles. The eaves are boxed with painted white wood trim, and there is a red brick chimney on the roof ridge. The home's windows are predominantly 1/1 double-hung sash, with painted white wood frames and surrounds, and with simple wood pediments. A single 1/1 double-hung sash window is centered in the upper gable ends on the façade elevation. The house features a symmetrical façade, where a white synthetic storm door leads into the center of the 16' by 6' hipped-roof front porch. A 15-light glass-in-wood-frame door leads from within the porch into the house. The porch features wood frame knee walls, and painted white squared wood posts, which support the porch roof. A painted white solid wood door leads into the shed-roofed extension on the east (rear) elevation.
22. Architectural style: **Late 19th and Early 20th Century American Movements**
 Building type:
23. Landscape or special setting features: **This property is located on the west side of Baker Street, near the south end of Longmont's historic East Side residential neighborhood. The well-maintained property features planted grass front and back yards, with narrow side yards along the north and south sides of the house.**

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24. Associated buildings, features or objects:

1:	Type:	Garage	Contributing?	Contributing
	Describe:	<p>A wood frame garage, which measures 20' N-S by 16' E-W, is located near the rear of the lot, close to the north property line. The garage is supported by a concrete foundation, and its exterior walls are clad with painted turquoise green horizontal weatherboard siding, with painted white 1" by 4" corner boards. A single window opening is located in the upper gable end on the north elevation. A vertical wood plank covered window opening is located in the upper gable end on the south elevation.</p>		

IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of construction: Estimate: **1904** Actual:
- Source of information: **Town of Longmont Water Rent Collection Records; Sanborn Insurance maps, 1900, 1906; Longmont city directories, 1903, 1906.**
26. Architect: **Unknown**
- Source of information: **N/A**
27. Builder: **Unknown**
- Source of information: **N/A**
28. Original owner: **L.W. Newby**
- Source of information: **Town of Longmont Water Rent Collection Records.**
29. Construction history:
- Longmont water rent collection records, Sanborn Insurance maps, and Longmont city directories all indicate that this house was built in 1904 or 1905. L.W. Newby is listed in the water records as the original owner, beginning circa 1905. The house is not depicted on the 1900 Sanborn map; however, it is depicted on the 1906 Sanborn map. Finally, the house's address (originally 319 Baker Street) is not listed in the 1903 city directory; however it is listed in the 1906 directory.**
- In July 1939, a building permit was obtained for a "bathroom addition." Eleanor Sweetser was listed as the owner, while Albert Sweetser was listed as the builder. More recently, in October 1985, a building permit was obtained for a "600 square feet remodel and update" of the residence. Robert Stratton was listed as the owner and contractor, while Roy C. Grimm was listed as the electrical contractor. Assessor photos show that historically the front porch was entirely open. It was likely enclosed in the 1960s or 1970s; however, no information regarding the porch's enclosure was uncovered in building permit files or elsewhere.**
30. Original location: Moved: Date of move(s):

V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

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

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35. Historical background:

This house was built in 1904 or 1905, and was originally owned by L.W. Newby. A Longmont attorney, Newby maintained this house as a rental while he and his wife Maude resided at 1271 3rd Avenue. As listed in the Longmont city directories, the Harden (Hardin?) family was the home's first occupants. Members of the Harden family who resided here included Clyde, Katherine, Lee and Mary Harden. Lee worked as a laborer, according to the 1910 city directory.

T.C. Miller lived here for a time in the late 1910s, according to the 1918 city directory. Then, in 1920, the property was purchased by Samuel M. and Mary F. Sweetser. The house was then subsequently owned and occupied by members of the Sweetser family until the late 1980s. Samuel M. Sweetser was born in New Hampshire circa 1849. Mary Frances (Kiesel) Sweetser was born at Owatona, Minnesota on January 5, 1862. They were married in February 1878, and lived in Minnesota until moving to Genoa, Colorado in the early 1900s. They then retired to Longmont in 1920, moving into this house on Baker Street. Samuel passed away in May 1930 at the age of 80 or 81. Mary then continued to live on in the house, until she too passed away in January 1944 at the age of 82.

Samuel and Mary were survived by three sons and two daughters: J.S. Sweetser, of Wheatridge, Samuel W. Sweetser of San Diego, Albert W. Sweetser of Longmont, Miss Eleanor Lillian Sweetser of Longmont, and two other married daughters. Albert and Eleanor Sweetser apparently never married. Following their parents' deaths, they lived together in this house for many years, until their respective deaths in 1971 and 1985. Albert passed away on May 4, 1971 at the age of 75. Eleanor Sweetser died in January 1985 at the age of 84.

Longmont city directories indicate that 323 Baker Street became a rental property after the death of Eleanor Sweetser in 1985. In the late 1980s it was owned by Robert Stratton. Carl and Megan Stull, of Greeley, are the current (2006) owners.

36. Sources of information:

"Eleanor Sweetser." [obituary] Longmont Times-Call, January 28, 1985, p. 12.

Town of Longmont Water Rent Collection Records.

City of Longmont building permit files.

"Sweetser, Albert W." [obituary] Longmont Times-Call, May 4, 1971, p. 3.

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

Longmont City Directories.

"Death Claims Mary Sweetser." Longmont Times-Call, January 20, 1944, p. 1.

Sanborn Fire Insurance maps.

Boulder County Assessor Property Records.

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VI. SIGNIFICANCE

37. Local landmark designation: Yes No Date of designation:

Designating authority:

38. Applicable National Register criteria:

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

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

C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or that possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguished 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.

Longmont Standards for Designation:

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.

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.

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.

39. Area(s) of significance: **Not Applicable**

40. Period of significance: **Not Applicable**

41. Level of significance: National: State: Local:

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42. Statement of significance:

This house is historically significant, to a modest extent, for its association with Longmont's residential development during the early 1900s. Built in 1904 or 1905 and initially maintained as a rental, its original owner probably envisioned it would house Great Western Sugar Company workers. (Longmont's Great Western Sugar factory was built in 1903, and several houses in the East Side neighborhood built in the years that followed were initially occupied by employees of the Great Western Sugar Company or the Kuner-Empson Cannery. The house is also architecturally notable, again to a modest extent, for its representative vernacular wood frame front gabled plan. The property's level of significance in these regards is not to the extent that it would qualify for individual listings in the state or national registers. It is also probably ineligible for individual local landmark; however, it would rate as a contributing resource within a National Register or locally designated historic district.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:

This property exhibits a slightly above average level of integrity, relative to the seven aspects of integrity as defined by the National Park Service and the Colorado Historical Society - location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. The front porch was not historically enclosed, and the present configuration of the shed-roofed extension to the west (rear) elevation apparently dates to 1985.

VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44. National Register eligibility field assessment: **Not Eligible**

Local landmark eligibility field assessment: **Contributes to designated or potential designated historic district**

45. Is there National Register district potential? Yes No

Discuss: **This property is located outside the boundaries of Longmont's existing Eastside Historic District.**

There is potential that the district's boundaries could be extended south to 3rd Avenue to include this block. This property would qualify as a contributing resource if it were located within the district's boundaries.

If there is National Register district potential, is this building: Contributing Noncontributing N/A:

46. If the building is in existing National Register district, is it: Contributing Noncontributing N/A:

VIII. RECORDING INFORMATION

47. Photograph number(s): **CLG Grant #08-05-20407-027 -** Negatives filed at: **City of Longmont**
CD-3, Images 66-68, 73-74,

48. Report title: **Eastside and Westside Neighborhoods: Historic** **Department of Community**
Context and Survey Report **Development, Planning**
Division

49. Date(s): **01/07/06** **Civic Center Complex**

50. Recorder(s): **Carl McWilliams** **350 Kimbark Street**

Longmont, Colorado 80501

51. Organization: **Cultural Resource Historians**

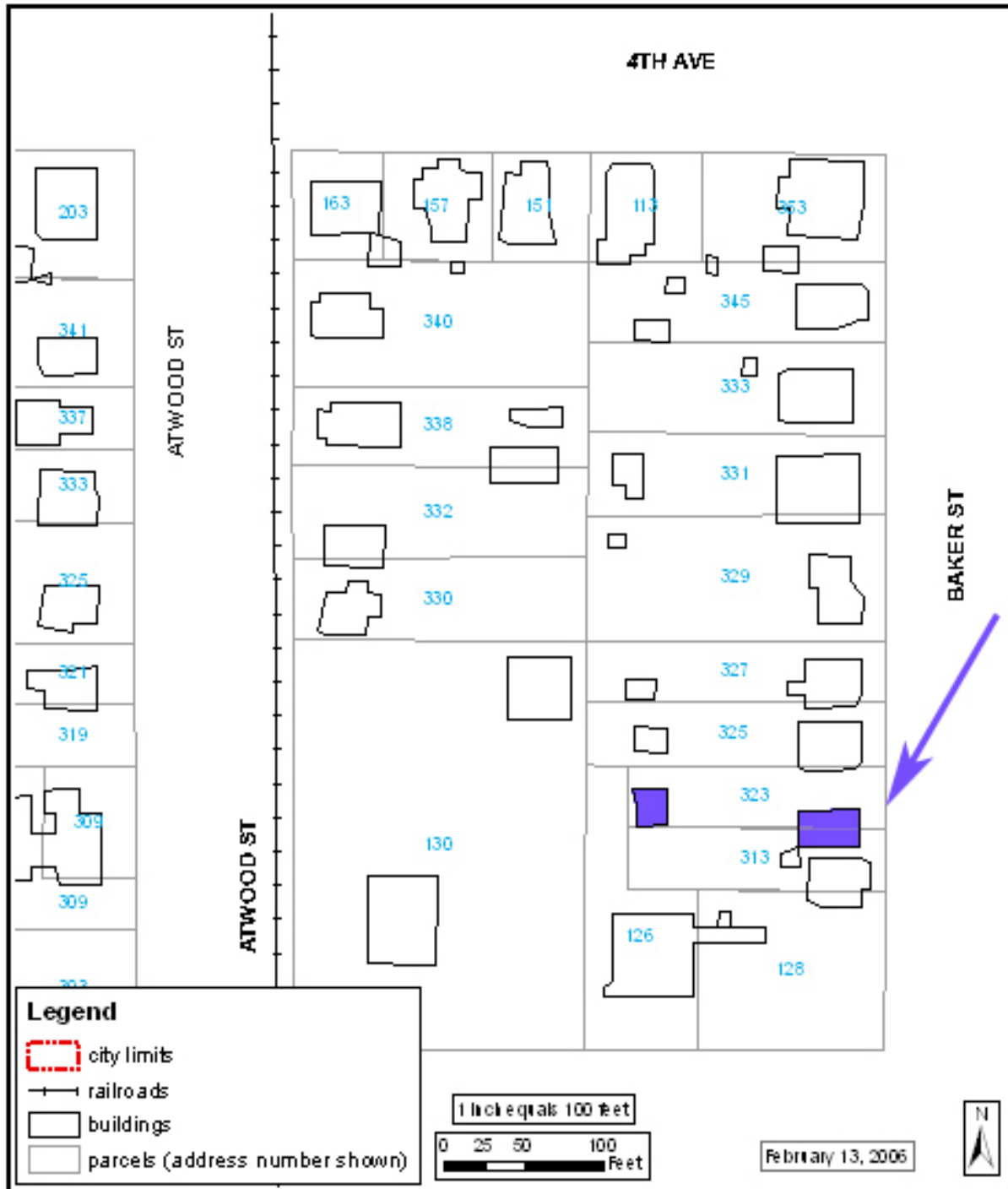
52. Address: **1607 Dogwood Court**

Fort Collins, Colorado 80525

53. Phone number(s): **(970) 493-5270**

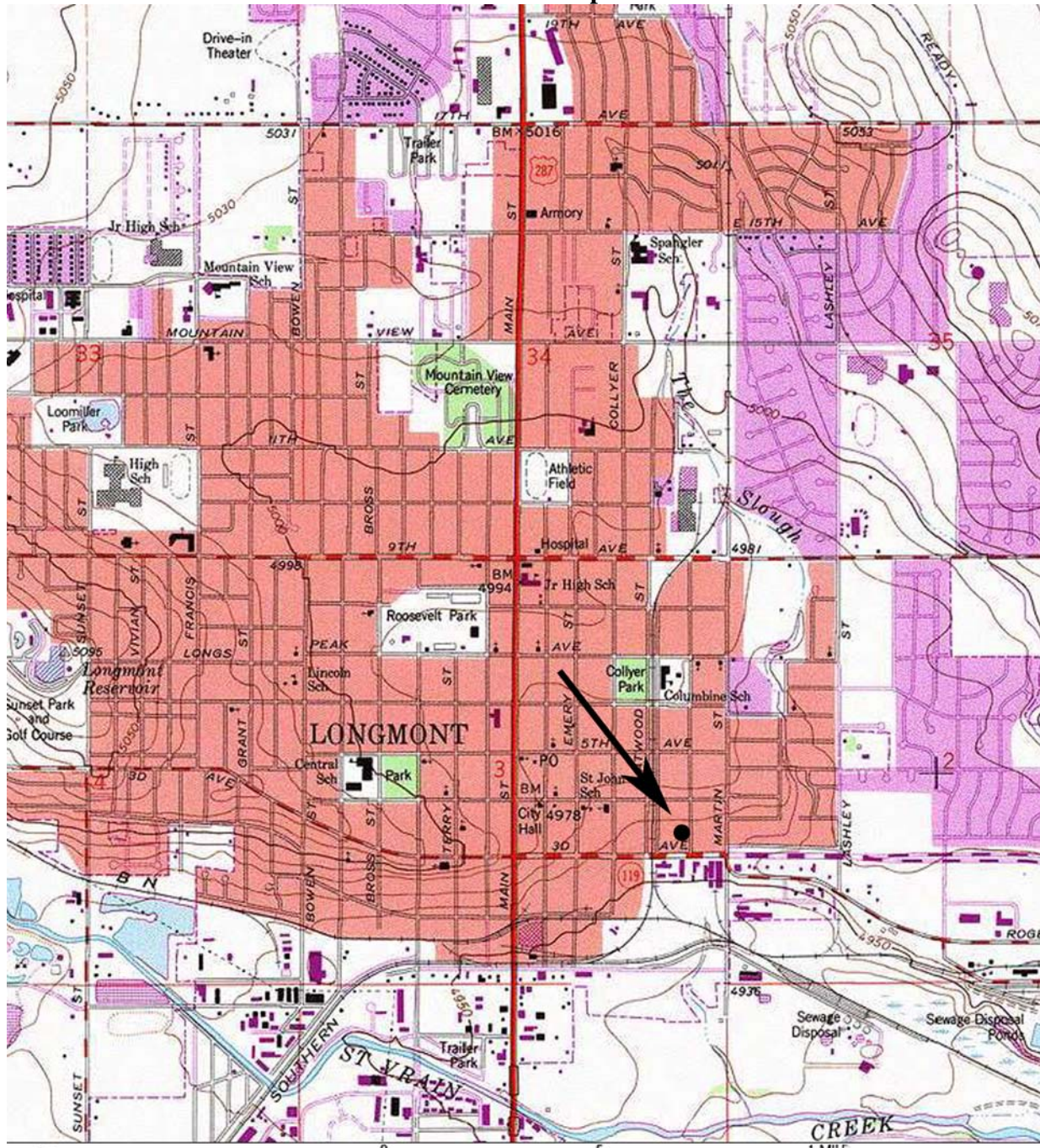
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Sketch Map



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Location Map



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