

**STAFF REPORT FOR THE HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION MEETING
OF JULY 14, 2016**

AGENDA ITEM: F-2

FILE NO: HRC-16-063

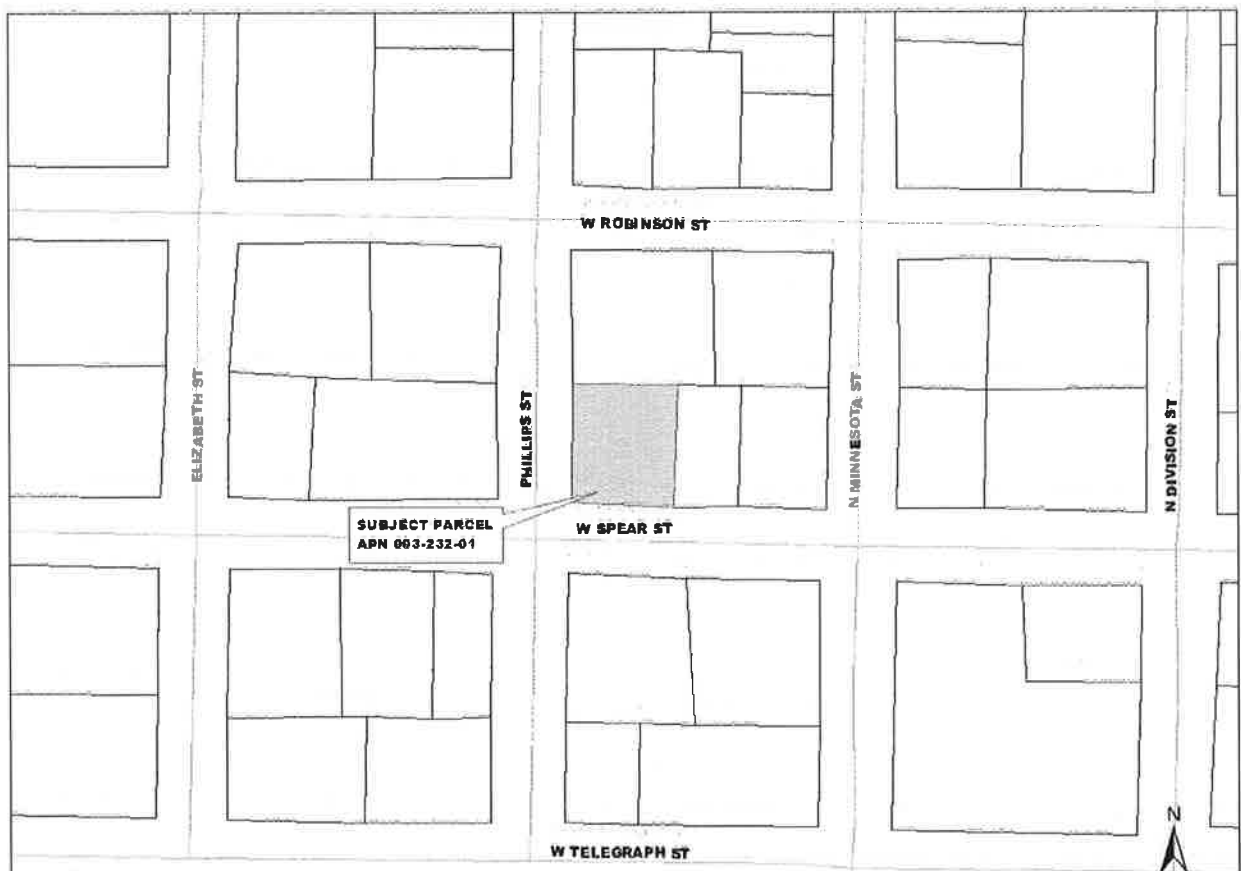
STAFF AUTHOR: Hope Sullivan, AICP, Planning Manager

REQUEST: A request for Historical Tax Deferment status for the property located at 506 W. Spear Street

OWNER: Christopher and Vanessa White

LOCATION/APN: 506 W. Spear Street/ 003-232-01

RECOMMENDED MOTION: It is recommended that the Historic Resources Commission "Move to approve HRC-16-063, a request from Christopher White, for Historical Tax Deferment on property zoned Single Family 6,000 (SF6), located at 506 W. Spear Street, APN 003-232-01. The subject approval is based on the finding that the property is in general conformance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Rehabilitation, Carson City Historic District Guidelines, and with Historic Resources Commission Policies."



VICINITY MAP HRC-16-063

1. The property must have significance or be listed in the Carson City Historic Survey.

The subject site is listed on the Carson City Resources Inventory of October 1980, completed by Historic Environment Consultants, as well as the 1988 Historic Inventory update prepared by Historic Environment Consultants, and the 1998 update. According to information provided by the historical survey, this is a one and a half story vernacular structure with clapboard siding and a gable roof. The structure was built in 1934; it was part of the upstairs of a four-plex residence provided for the mine workers at the Rio Tinto Mine. The structure is environmentally and architecturally compatible to its neighbors and the Historic District of Carson City.

2. The property must be in good repair and the applicant is encouraged to present photographs as evidence.

A site visit was conducted on July 7, 2016, and the site was found to be in good condition.

3. Any alteration on the property must be of compatible historical character.

No exterior alterations are proposed at this time. According to the Historic Survey of 1980, the structure was built in 1934. The structure is approximately 2,086 square feet in size, with an attached 416 square foot garage and a 864 square foot basement. The structure is currently used as single family residence and the current zoning of the subject parcel is Single Family 6, 000 (SF6).

4. The property must be in compliance with Historic Resources Commission guidelines.

During the site visit conducted on July 7, 2016, the Planning Division staff found the subject site to be in compliance with the Development Standards, Division 5, Historic District Design Guidelines.

In 1995, the previous owners, John Lee Gillie and Karen Louise Chandler Gillie received approval of a Historical Tax Deferment as requested. Historical Tax Deferments are specific to property ownership and not site specific. In 2012, property owner Robyn Laguzza received approval of a Historical Tax Deferment. Vanessa and Christopher White are the new property owners.

Respectfully Submitted,
Community Development Department, Planning Division



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Planning Manager

CARSON CITY RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION:

1. Address: 506 W. Spear & 501 N. Phillips APN 3-232-1
2. Common Name: _____
3. Historic Name: _____
4. Present Owner: Mr. & Mrs. William L. Richards (Marie Broschopf)
5. Address (if not occupant): _____
6. Present Use: residence Original Use: residence-part of a 4 plex

DESCRIPTION, ALTERATIONS, AND RELATED FEATURES:

506 W. Spear Street is a one story vernacular structure with clapboard siding and a gable roof. It was built in 1934 at the Rio Tinto Mine which was located about a mile or two from Mountain City in Elko County, Nevada. At the time the house was built it was part of the upstairs of a four-plex residence provided for the mine workers. Each apartment contained 3 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, hallway, dining room, living room and kitchen.

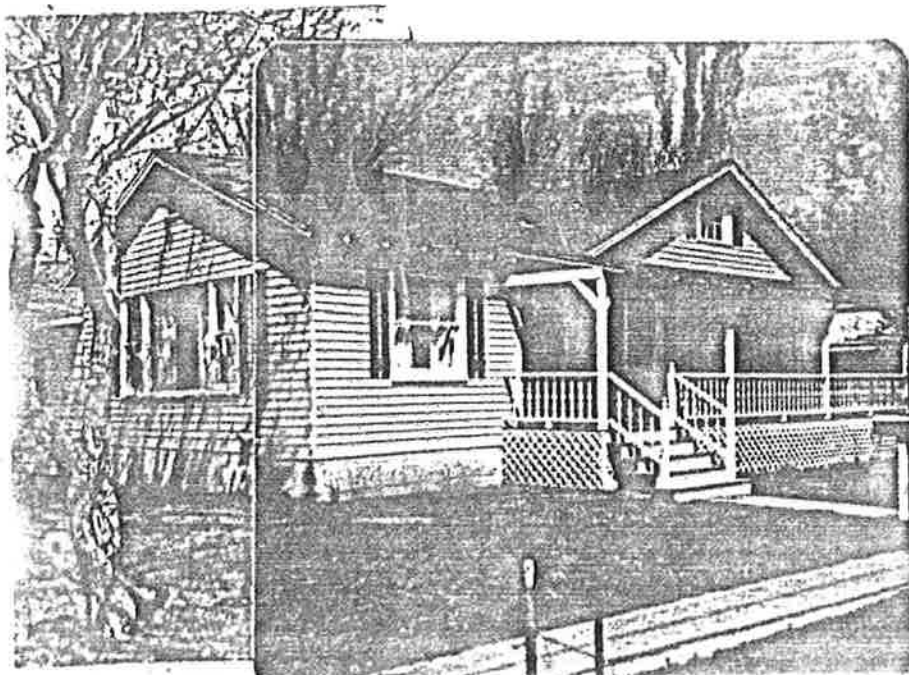
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A ground level room was added along the west side of the structure (between the 506 W. Spear and the 501 N. Phillips part of the structure) probably sometime during the 1960's.

The porch on 506 W. Spear Street was added in 1975.

RELATIONSHIP TO SURROUNDINGS:

The building is compatible in scale, size and materials to its immediate neighbors, though younger in age.



Street Furniture: picket fence

Landscaping: pleasant yard with lawn and trees

Architectural Evaluation: PS _____ NR _____

District Designation: PD 2 NR _____

HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT CONSULTANTS

2306 J Street, Penthouse

Sacramento, CA 95816

(916) 446-2447

Date October 1980

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THREATS TO SITE:

None Known _____ Private Development _____
 Zoning ?SFL6000 Public Works Project _____
 Vandalism _____ Neglect _____ Other _____

ADJACENT LAND USES:

PHYSICAL CONDITION:

Excellent X Good _____ Fair _____ Deteriorated _____

APPROXIMATE SETBACK: 20' - 25'

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND:

Architect (if known) _____

Builder (if known) _____

Date of Construction 1934 Estimated _____ Factual X Source: Art Bernard

Is Structure on Original Site? _____ Moved? X Unknown _____

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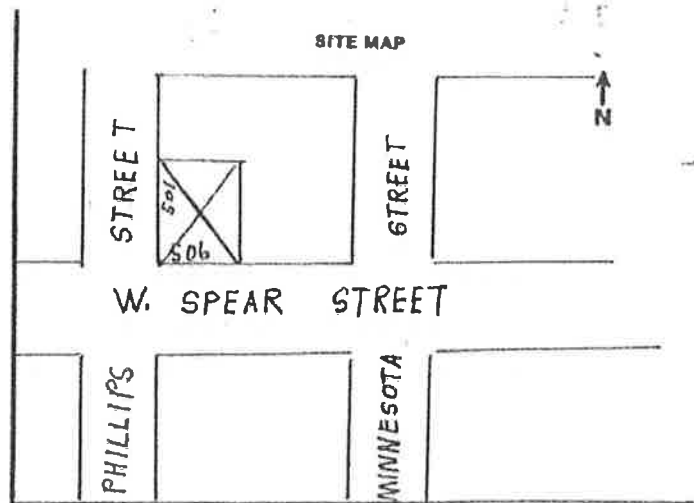
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Zoning:



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1988 CC Resources Inventory N-6th
(1980 updated)

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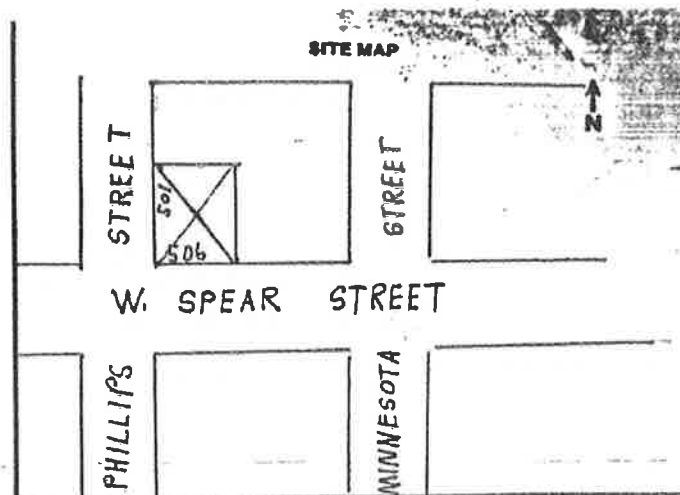
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Historic Survey 1860-1948

Occupational & Residential

**HISTORICAL SURVEY
CARSON CITY HISTORICAL DISTRICT
CARSON CITY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**



NAME: Sproule House

ADDRESS: 506 W. Spear

LOCATION: Southeast corner W. Spear and Phillips

CONSTRUCTION DATE: 1935 (assessor); 1934 (SHPO)

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Like the property next door at 502 W. Spear, this property changed hands as part of the entire block for many years, well into the twentieth century. The William Stewart House had been constructed on the north portion of the block in 1887. In 1932, however, **Herbert C. Sproule**, a deputy in the Surveyor General's office, purchased the south portion of the block between N. Minnesota and Phillips Street. Sproule sold a portion of the parcel to **Elda Fricke**, a clerk in the Governor's office, in 1937. **David Bartley** purchased the property in 1941, and **Arthur Bernard**, the State Inspector of Mines, bought it in 1948.

OTHER NAMES ASSOCIATED WITH PROPERTY:

1863, H. L. Phillips, John Atchinson, Elizabeth Phillips; 1965, W. E. Sheen, Charles Flandran; 1967, Z. Pierce; 1868, Sam Denson

SOURCES:

Stewart Title, Carson City Directories