

Architectural Inventory Form

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Official eligibility determination (OAHP use only)

- Date _____ Initials _____
- _____ Determined Eligible- NR
 - _____ Determined Not Eligible- NR
 - _____ Determined Eligible- SR
 - _____ Determined Not Eligible- SR
 - _____ Need Data
 - _____ Contributes to eligible NR District
 - _____ Noncontributing to eligible NR District

I. IDENTIFICATION

1. Resource number: 5PT.114.25
2. Temporary resource number: 611.WMA
3. County: Pitkin
4. City: Aspen
5. Historic building name: Harry G Koch House
6. Current building name: _____
7. Building address: 611 W Main Street Aspen Colorado 81611
8. Owner name and address Berr LLC
611 W Main Street Aspen Colorado 81611

II. Geographic Information

9. P.M. 6 Township 10 South Range 85 West
SW ¼ of SW ¼ of NW ¼ of SE ¼ of Section 12
10. UTM reference
Zone 13; 342110 mE 4339640 mN
11. USGS quad name: Aspen Quadrangle
Year: 1960, Photo Rev. 1987 Map scale: 7.5' X 15' Attach photo copy of appropriate map section.
12. Lot(s): Lots E, F, and G Block: 25
Addition: _____ Year of Addition: _____
13. Boundary Description and Justification: Site is comprised of Lots E, F, and G, Block 25 of the City and Townsite of Aspen. Assessors office Record Number 273512448003.
This description was chosen as the most specific and customary description of the site.

III. Architectural Description

14. Building plan (footprint, shape) Irregular
15. Dimensions in feet: Length _____ x Width _____
16. Number of stories: 2
17. Primary external wall material(s) (enter no more than two): Wood, Horizontal siding
18. Roof configuration: (enter no more than one): Gambrel Roof
19. Primary external roof material (enter no more than one): Wood Shingles
20. Special features (enter all that apply): Decorative shingles, Porch, Chimney, Fence

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21. General architectural description: Gambrel roofed house with full-width open porch, which wraps around the east side of the building. Columns are shingled. Front entry has shingled apron gable with exposed rafter tails. First floor windows are double hung, dormer in roof has a group of four six over one windows. Diamond paned double hung windows in the western gable end, diamond paned casement windows in the eastern gable end. Sandstone foundation and chimney.
22. Architectural style/building type: Late Victorian
23. Landscaping or special setting features: Four mature cottonwood trees along street and within the site. Flowing irrigation ditch. Fence appears to be original and is one of the few examples of an original wood fence left.
24. Associated buildings, features, or objects: None. Shed demolished.

IV. Architectural History

25. Date of Construction: Estimate ____ Actual 1886
Source of information: Assessor
26. Architect: Unknown
Source of information: _____
27. Builder/Contractor: Unknown
Source of information: _____
28. Original owner: Harry G. Koch
Source of information: Assessor
29. Construction history (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions):
Early additions made to the west and rear of the house.
30. Original location Moved Date of move(s): _____

V. Historical Associations

31. Original use(s): Domestic
32. Intermediate use(s): _____
33. Current use(s): Commerce and Trade
34. Site type(s): Office/Residential District
35. Historical background: This is one of three homes that was built for Harry G. Koch in Block 25. Mr. Koch was part of the Koch Lumber Yard which played an important role in supplying construction materials to the growing Aspen community. The property is also known as the home of Dorothy Koch Shaw, wife of Judge William Shaw, who owned considerable property in Aspen.
36. Sources of information: Pitkin County Courthouse records; Sanborn and Sons Insurance Maps; 1990 and 1980 City of Aspen Survey of Historic Sites and Structures

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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 possess high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
 - 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
39. Area(s) of significance: Architecture
40. Period of significance: Late 1800's Silver Mining Era
41. Level of significance: National State Local
42. Statement of significance: This house is representative of the family/home environment of a successful businessperson in Aspen during the silver mining era.
43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance: House is in excellent condition. Most original features and materials remain on the exterior of the structure, and some of the original character of the interior is preserved.

VII. National Register Eligibility Assessment

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:
Eligible Not Eligible Need Data
45. Is there National Register district potential? Yes No
Discuss: Lies within a locally designated historic district.
- If there is National Register district potential, is this building: Contributing Noncontributing
46. If the building is in existing National Register district, is it: Contributing Noncontributing

VIII. Recording Information

47. Photograph numbers: R11, F13 Negatives filed at: Aspen/Pitkin Community Development Dept.
48. Report title: City of Aspen 2000 Update of Survey of Historic Sites and Structures
49. Date(s): 8/2000 50. Recorder(s): Suzannah Reid and Patrick Duffield
51. Organization: Reid Architects
52. Address: 412 North Mill Street, PO Box 1303, Aspen CO 81612
53. Phone number(s): 970 920 9225

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NOTE: Please attach a sketch map, a photocopy of the USGS quad. map indicating resource location, and photographs.

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