

# Architectural Inventory Form

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Official eligibility determination  
(OAHF use only)

Date      Initials

Determined Eligible- NR

— Determined Eligible- NR  
 — Determined Not Eligible- NR

— Determined Not Eligible-  
Determined Eligible- SR

— Determined Eligible- SR  
 Determined Not Eligible- SR

— Determine  
Need Data

— Need Data  
Contributes to eligible NR District

— Contributes to eligible NR District  
Noncontributing to eligible NR District

## I. IDENTIFICATION

1. Resource number: 5PT.113.35
2. Temporary resource number: 208.SMI
3. County: Pitkin
4. City: Aspen
5. Historic building name: Weinberg Block
6. Current building name: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Building address: 208 S. Mill Street Aspen, Colorado 81611
8. Owner name and address: Charles Hall 49% 230 S. Mill Street Aspen CO 81611  
Dexter Williams 51% 230 S. Mill Street Aspen CO 81611

## II. Geographic Information

9. P.M. 6 Township 10 South Range 84 West  
SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 7
10. UTM reference  
 Zone 1 3; 3 4 2 9 0 0 mE 4 3 3 9 1 5 0 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): A portion of Lots A,B,C,D, and E Block: 88  
 Addition: \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Addition: \_\_\_\_\_
13. Boundary Description and Justification: Site is comprised of a portion of Lots A,B,C,D, and E, Block 88 of the City and Townsite of Aspen. Assessors office Record Number 273707339014.  
 This description was chosen as the most specific and customary description of the site.

### III. Architectural Description

14. Building plan (footprint, shape): Rectangular Plan
15. Dimensions in feet: Length \_\_\_\_\_ x Width \_\_\_\_\_
16. Number of stories: 2
17. Primary external wall material(s) (enter no more than two): Brick
18. Roof configuration: (enter no more than one): Flat Roof
19. Primary external roof material (enter no more than one): Synthetic Roof
20. Special features (enter all that apply): Segmental arch windows, Decorative cornice, Finials

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21. General architectural description: Typical two story Victorian era commercial building. Large display windows on the ground floor, with double hung windows above. Second floor windows feature brick segmental arches with dentil detail. Elaborate wood and metal cornice with supporting brackets and ball finials. Gabled pediment frames stamped metal work. Centered entry, between two fixed windows with transoms and kickplates. Staircase on south side of building encroaches into alley and appears to be an original feature.

22. Architectural style/building type: Late Victorian

23. Landscaping or special setting features: None

24. Associated buildings, features, or objects: None

**IV. Architectural History**

25. Date of Construction: Estimate \_\_\_\_\_ Actual 1890

Source of information: Pitkin County Assessor

26. Architect: Unknown

Source of information: \_\_\_\_\_

27. Builder/Contractor: Unknown

Source of information: \_\_\_\_\_

28. Original owner: Louis Weinberg

Source of information: Pitkin County Assessor

29. Construction history (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions):  
Original storefront has been replaced. Brick is painted on west façade.

30. Original location ☒ Moved ☐ Date of move(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**V. Historical Associations**

31. Original use(s): Commerce and Trade, Grocery Store, Communications Facility

32. Intermediate use(s): \_\_\_\_\_

33. Current use(s): Commerce and Trade

34. Site type(s): Commercial District

35. Historical background: Built in 1890 for Louis Weinberg, one of Aspen's leading merchants and owner of a thriving clothing store. Crawley's Grocery Store maintained the first floor space for many years, providing groceries and supplies to Aspen residents. The Aspen Telephone Company occupied the second floor from 1890 to about 1940. Around 1936, Mike Magnifico, one of Aspen's ski pioneers and a founder of the Aspen Skiing Company, turned the first floor into a ski shop, one of the town's earliest. It operated until about 1952.

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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

**VI. Significance**

37. Local landmark designation: Yes ☒ No ☐ Date of designation: Ord. 57, 1981  
Designating authority: Aspen City Council
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 building is significant as a representation of the typical commercial structure built in Aspen as the town transitioned from a mining camp into a prosperous community.
43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance: Building is in excellent condition. The modification to the storefront detracts somewhat from the original character of the building in that the proportions of the new storefront are inaccurate. However, much of the original character and detailing of the building 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: R 7, F 30-31 Negatives filed at: Aspen/Pitkin Community Development Dept.
48. Report title: City of Aspen 2000 Update of Survey of Historic Sites and Structures

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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

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

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