

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

# Architectural Inventory Form

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**Parcel Number:** 368132405361  
**SHF Grant Number:** 2001-02-004

## I. IDENTIFICATION

1. **Resource Number:** 5CF406.113
2. **Temporary Resource Number:** 131
3. **County:** Chaffee
4. **City:** Salida
5. **Historic Building Name:** Chinese Laundry, Female Boarding
6. **Current Building Name:** The Plaza
7. **Building Address:** 117 W. Sackett Ave.
8. **Owner Name and Address:** Moore, Elliott Paul, P.O. Box 1908, Socorro, NM 87801

## II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M. N.M. Township 50N Range 9E  
1/4 1/4 SE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 32
10. **UTM Reference**  
Zone 13 Easting 413627 Northing 4265681
11. **USGS Quad Name:** Salida East, Colo.  
**Year:** 1994 **Map Scale:** 7.5' Attach photo copy of appropriate map section.
12. **Lot (s):** 5 **Block(s):** 5  
**Addition:** Salida Original Townsite **Year of Addition:** 1880
13. **Boundary Description and Justification:**  
Boundary includes the building and the urban parcel on which it is situated.

## III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

14. **Building Plan (footprint, shape):** Rectangular
15. **Dimensions in Feet: Length** 33 **X Width** 28
16. **Stories:** 2
17. **Primary External Wall Material(s) (enter no more than two):**  
Stucco
18. **Roof Configuration (enter no more than one):**  
Flat
19. **Primary External Roof Material (enter no more than one):** Asphalt
20. **Special Features (enter all that apply):**  
Segmental Arch Windows
21. **General Architectural Description:**  
Two-story rectangular dwelling with flat roof. Walls thickly clad with stucco, including cornice. Second story has four evenly spaced segmental arched 2/2-light double-hung sash windows with wood sills. First story has two central paneled and glazed doors flanked by 1/1-light double-hung sash windows. Nonhistoric lanterns above entrances. Brick steps with pipe railings.
22. **Architectural Style/Building Type:** No Style

**23. Landscaping or Special Setting Features:**

N/A

**24. Associated Buildings, Features, or Objects:**

None

**IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY****25. Date of Construction: Estimate** 1888-90 **Actual****Source of Information:** Sanborn ins. maps, 1888 & 1890**26. Architect:** Unknown**Source of Information:****27. Builder/Contractor:** Unknown**Source of Information:****28. Original Owner:** Unknown**Source of Information:****29. Construction History (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions):**

This building is not present on the 1888 Sanborn map, but is on the 1890 Sanborn map. The building is shown as a two-story rectangular building connected by a first story passage to the adjacent two-story building. A small rear projection was built between 1898 and 1904. The projection was later replaced by a small rear porch. After 1945 a staircase to the second story was erected at the back. The building received a heavy coat of stucco between the late 1930s and 1960. The passageway was covered up after 1945.

**30. Original Location:** Yes **Date of Moves****V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS****Original Use(s):** Commerce and Trade/Specialty Store**32. Intermediate Use(s)** Commerce and Trade/Business/Brothel**33. Current Use(s):** Domestic/Multiple Dwelling**34. Site Type(s):** Laundry, Brothel, Dwelling**35. Historical Background:**

This building is not shown on the 1888 Sanborn map, but does appear on the 1890 map, when it is indicated as a Chinese laundry and female boarding on the second story, connected by a passage on the first story to a female boarding house or bordello at 113 W. Sackett Ave. This block of West Sackett Avenue was Salida's Red Light district, and contained several houses of prostitution. Railroad workers, travelers disembarking from trains at the nearby station, and other visitors to the downtown area provided a large group of clients for the district. By 1893 this building was identified as "female boarding," like the adjacent buildings. This designation continued through the 1914 Sanborn map. The 1905-06 city directory listed two female boarders here: Emma Dean and Lucy Gaines. Mary Goodrich was indicated as the head of the household. By the time of the 1929 map, the building was identified as a dwelling.

**36. Sources of Information:**

Chaffee County Assessor records; Salida City Directories; Sanborn Insurance Maps; Cynthia Pasquale, One Hundred Years in the Heart of the Rockies (Salida: Arkansas Valley Publishing Co., 1980), 91-94; Eleanor Fry, Salida: The Early Years (Salida: Arkansas Valley Publishing Co., 2001), 220-21.

**VI. SIGNIFICANCE****37. Local Landmark Designation:** No **Date of Designation:****Designating Authority:****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 distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
  - D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important to history or prehistory.
- Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G (See Manual).

X Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria.

**39. Area(s) of Significance:**

**40. Period of Significance:**

**41. Level of Significance:**

**42. Statement of Significance:**

This building is associated with the history of prostitution in Salida and with the city's Red Light district along this block of West Sackett Avenue. The building's historic character is still apparent despite the stucco on the exterior.

**43. Assessment of Historic Physical Integrity Related to Significance:**

The building has undergone moderate alterations due to the stuccoing of the walls. The fenestration is unchanged and the original 2/2-light double-hung sash windows of the upper story are still present, as well as the two entrances on the first story.

**VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT**

**44. National Register Field Eligibility Assessment:** Not eligible

**45. Is there National Register district potential? Discuss.** N/A

This building is located within the Salida Downtown Historic District.

**If there is NRHP district potential, indicate contributing status:** N/A

**46. If the building is in an existing NRHP district, indicate contributing status:** Contributing

**.I. RECORDING INFORMATION**

**47. Photographic Reference(s):** 2: 34A, 36; 3: 22.

**Negatives Filed At:** City of Salida

**Photographer:** Roger Whitacre

**48. Report Title:** Downtown Salida Historic Buildings Survey, 2001-02

**49. Date(s):** September 2002

**50. Recorder(s):** R.L. Simmons/T.H. Simmons

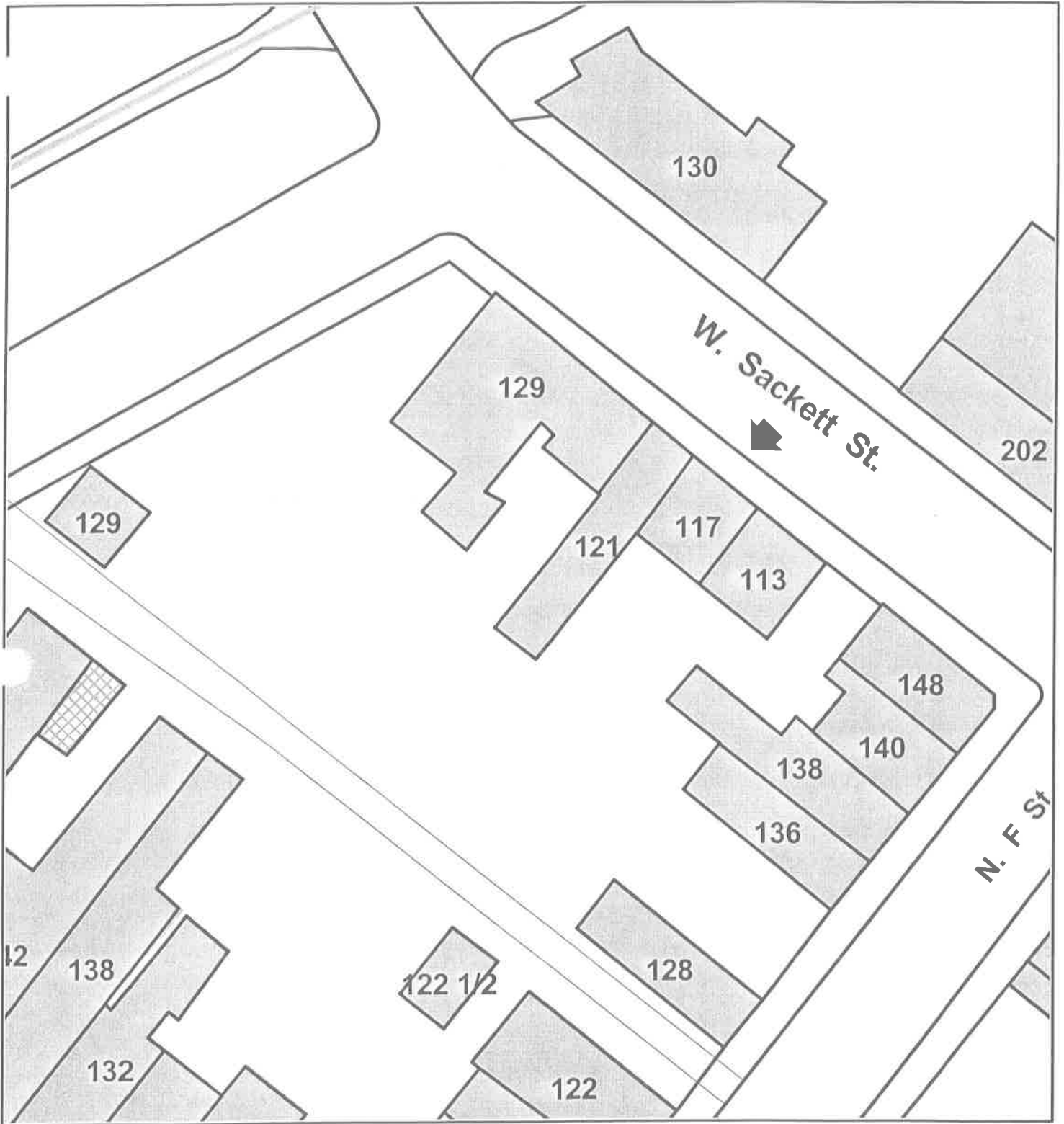
**51. Organization:** Front Range Research Associates, Inc.

**52. Address:** 3635 W. 46th Ave.

**53. Phone Number(s):** (303) 477-7597

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

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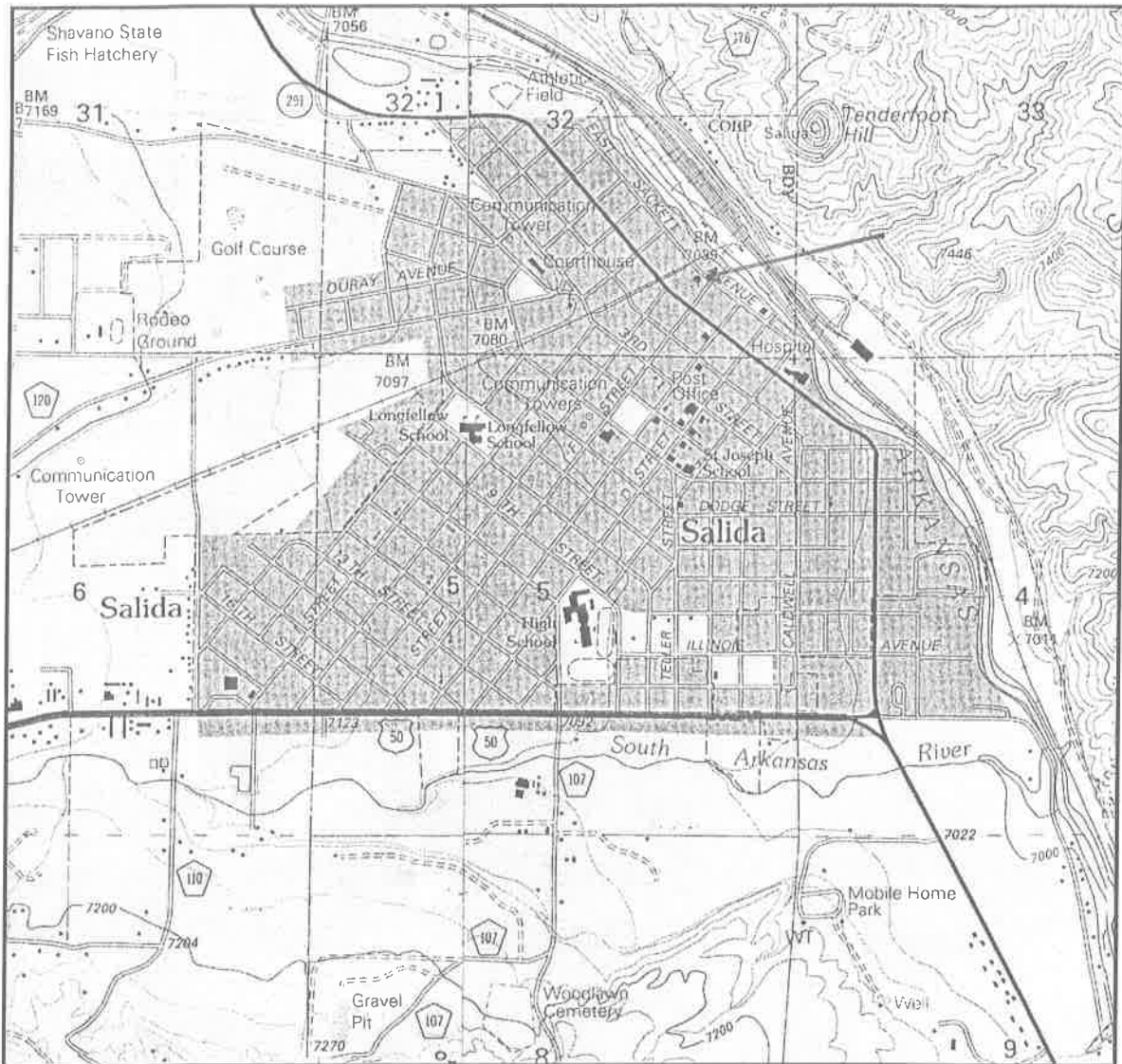


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**Downtown Salida Historic Buildings Survey, 2001-02**  
**USGS Location Map**

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