

HISTORIC SITE FORM -- HISTORIC SITE INVENTORY

PARK CITY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION (06-09)

1 IDENTIFICATION

Name of Property: Judge Mine Aerial Tramway

Address: Empire Canyon

AKA:

City, County: Park City, Summit County, Utah

Tax Number: PCA-S-98-PCMR

Current Owner Name: United Park City Mines Co.

Parent Parcel(s):

Current Owner Address: POB 1450, Park City, Utah 84060

Legal Description (include acreage): 2,538.33 acres; See Summit County Recorder for description.

2 STATUS/USE

Property Category

- building(s), main
- building(s), attached
- building(s), detached
- building(s), public
- building(s), accessory
- structure(s)

Evaluation*

- Landmark Site
- Significant Site
- Not Historic

Reconstruction

- Date:
- Permit #:
- Full
 - Partial

Use

- Original Use: Industrial
- Current Use: None

- *National Register of Historic Places: ineligible eligible
- listed (date:)

3 DOCUMENTATION

Photos: Dates

- tax photo:
- prints: 2009
- historic: c.

Drawings and Plans

- measured floor plans
- site sketch map
- Historic American Bldg. Survey
- original plans:
- other:

Research Sources (check all sources consulted, whether useful or not)

- abstract of title
- tax card
- original building permit
- sewer permit
- Sanborn Maps
- obituary index
- city directories/gazetteers
- census records
- biographical encyclopedias
- newspapers
- city/county histories
- personal interviews
- Utah Hist. Research Center
- USHS Preservation Files
- USHS Architects File
- LDS Family History Library
- Park City Hist. Soc/Museum
- university library(ies):
- other:

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4 ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION & INTEGRITY

Building Type and/or Style: Tram Towers

No. Stories: N/A

Additions: none minor major (describe below) Alterations: none minor major (describe below)

Number of associated outbuildings and/or structures: accessory building(s), # _____; structure(s), # _____.

General Condition of Exterior Materials:

Good (Well maintained with no serious problems apparent.)

Fair (Some problems are apparent. Describe the problems.): General deterioration.

Poor (Major problems are apparent and constitute an imminent threat. Describe the problems.):

Uninhabitable/Ruin

Materials (The physical elements that were combined or deposited during a particular period of time in a particular pattern or configuration. Describe the materials.):

Site: Towers are located on hillsides along lower part of Empire Canyon.

Foundation: Concrete.

Walls: n/a, but structures are made of steel.

Roof: n/a

Windows/Doors: n/a

Essential Historical Form: Retains Does Not Retain, due to:

Location: Original Location Moved (date _____) Original Location:

Design (The combination of physical elements that create the form, plan, space, structure, and style. Describe additions and/or alterations from the original design, including dates--known or estimated--when alterations were made): Built in 1925, the five remaining towers of the judge Mine Aerial Tramway are steel with concrete foundations. Several of the towers have sections of cable attached and more cables are found if you hike along the tramway from tower to tower.

Setting (The physical environment--natural or manmade--of a historic site. Describe the setting and how it has changed over time.): The setting is remote up in Empire Canyon and the towers themselves are placed along steep slopes with either exposed rock or densely wooded areas. The tramway used to connect the haulage tunnels to a large loading station lower in the canyon. The loading station was demolished in 1976.

Workmanship (The physical evidence of the crafts of a particular culture or people during a given period in history. Describe the distinctive elements.): The physical evidence of the mining era is the type of concrete and the steel truss structures. Also,

according to an account in the Salt Lake Mining Review, the tramway is a Trenton-type system that required some skill in designing and engineering due to the steeply sloped canyon walls.

Feeling (Describe the property's historic character.): Individually, these towers do little to suggest the full mining history of Park City, but taken as a group and in relation to the other mine buildings and structures located in Empire Canyon, they do provide a sense of the early twentieth century mining operation.

Association (Describe the link between the important historic era or person and the property.): The towers that make up the tramway are associated with the Judge Mine, later the Park Utah Consolidated Mine Company, and its principals, including John Judge, John Daly, and George Lambourne.

5 SIGNIFICANCE

Architect: Not Known Known: American Steel & Wire(source: SLC Mining Review)

Date of Construction: c. 1925

Builder: Not Known Known: (source:)

The site must represent an important part of the history or architecture of the community. A site need only be significant under one of the three areas listed below:

1. Historic Era:

- Settlement & Mining Boom Era (1868-1893)
- Mature Mining Era (1894-1930)
- Mining Decline & Emergence of Recreation Industry (1931-1962)

2. **Persons** (Describe how the site is associated with the lives of persons who were of historic importance to the community or those who were significant in the history of the state, region, or nation): Those associated with the Judge Mine - John Judge, John Daly, and George Lambourne, among others.

3. **Architecture** (Describe how the site exemplifies noteworthy methods of construction, materials or craftsmanship used during the historic period or is the work of a master craftsman or notable architect):

6 PHOTOS

Digital photographs are on file with the Planning Department, Park City Municipal Corp.

Photo No. 1: Towers 1 and 2. Camera facing south, 2009.

Photo No. 2: Tower 3. Camera facing northwest, 2009.

Photo No. 3: Tower 4. Camera facing east, 2009.

Photo No. 4: Tower 5. Camera facing northeast, 2009.



Tower 1 and Tower 2, 2009



Tower 3, 2009



Tower 4, 2009



Tower 5, 2009