



**HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY**  
**HISTORIC SITE FORM**  
 PARK CITY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION



**IDENTIFICATION**

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Property Name (if any): James Forsythe House

Address: 839 Woodside Avenue

Date of Construction: c. 1905

City, County: Park City, Summit County, Utah

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Tax Number: SA-127

Current Owner: Frederick S. and Annette Keller (trustees)

Legal Description (include acreage): LOTS 10 & 11 BLK 11 SNYDERS ADDITION TOPARK CITY UWD-240 XWD-358 RWD-595 M27-647 M199-629 401-115-422 628-785(574-514) 1136-677 1498-691 1499-56 1812-1466 1814-118; 0.086 AC

**STATUS / USE**

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Original Use: **Single dwelling**

Current Use: **Single dwelling**

Property Type:

National Register of Historic Places:

Evaluation:

Building

Eligible

Landmark Site

Structure

Ineligible

Significant Site

Site

Listed, Date:

Not Historic

**DOCUMENTATION**

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Photographs:

Research Sources:

Tax Photos

Sanborn Maps

City/ County Histories

Newspapers

Prints

Tax Card

Personal Interviews

Other:

Historic

Census Records

Park City Museum

## DESCRIPTION

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Architectural Style: **T/L cottage type / vernacular style**

No. Stories: **1.5**

Number of Associated Structures:  Accessory building(s). # **1**  Structure(s). # **0**

Condition:  Good  Fair  Poor  Uninhabitable/Ruin

Location:  Original location  Moved (Date: \_\_\_\_\_, original location: \_\_\_\_\_)

Materials: (Describe the visible materials)

Exterior Walls: **Drop-novelty wood siding**

Foundation: **concrete**

Roof: **Cross-wing roof form sheathed in standing seam metal material. Central brick chimney**

Windows/Doors: **Ribbons of narrow windows with center casements flanked by casements with three upperlights. Also a small double-hung nit in the gable end**

Additions:  Major  Minor  None

Alterations:  Major  Minor  None

Essential Historic Form:  Retains  Does Not Retain

## NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

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(Briefly describe the property and its setting. Include a verbal description of the location; a general description of the property including the overall shape, number of stories, architectural style, materials, shape of roof; identify and describe any associated structures; identify any known exterior additions and/or alterations.)

**839 Woodside is a T/L cottage that has undergone minor alterations. The T/L cottage, also known as a cross-wing, is one of the main three house types built during the historic Park City mining era. The most major change made to the house was the extension of the porch. The lower level garage was also added, but built by the drawing of the 1941 Sanborn map and may have been built much earlier in the historic period. The cross gable roof is sheathed with standing seam metal with a brick chimney at the peak of the stem wing. The walls are clad with drop-novelty wood siding and the concrete foundation can be seen where the house**

meets grade and in the garage area. The windows appear to be the same as is shown in the early tax photo, with a tall central pane flanked by casements with three upper lights placed together in both the front gable end and another in the porch area to the right of the door. There is a small one-over-one double hung sash window in the upper gable of the cross-wing, and may be original to the house, but this remains unverified due to that area being obscured in the early tax photo. The door is a wood frame and panel door with a multi-paned upper light. The porch has been rebuilt and is covered by a shed extension of the main roof which previously extended only to the edge of the cross-wing, and now extends beyond. The porch roof is supported by square wood posts with a simple railing between. A stair leads up from the sidewalk to the porch. A railroad tie retaining wall runs along the sidewalk until it meets the stair. The overall form and materiality of the building remains intact and the building retains its historic value.

## SIGNIFICANCE

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Historic Era:

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

Narrative Statement of Significance:

(Briefly describe those characteristics by which this property may be considered historically significant.)

This house was built while the property was under the ownership of the Park City Townsite Corporation, and may have been used to house workers up until the time of its purchase by James Forsythe in 1890.

James Forsythe was a stationery engineer who worked for a mine. He lived on Norfolk Avenue with his wife Katie, and their two children. It may be that he rented this house out at that time, but as no addresses were included on the census of that year, it is impossible to tell who lived there. He sold the house in 1907 to S.S. Lane.

Simon Lane was a miner who was born in Ohio. He lived in the house with his wife Mable and their son Ronald during the 1910 census. They sold the house in 1911 to Robert Johnson. There were several men by that name living in Park City at that time, and it is difficult to determine which of them owned the house. It was sold a short time later to Lillie Tretheway in 1913.

Lillia Tretheway was an English immigrant who came to the U.S. in 1907. She worked in Park City as a dressmaker, and lived in the house with her son William during the 1920 census. She sold the house in 1923 to Bessie Wyckoff.

Bessie Wyckoff lived at 919 Woodside Avenue, with her husband John and their four children, as noted on the 1930 census. John was an assayer for a mine. They rented out the property, and during the 1930 census, it was occupied by C. D. Waltman and his family. He and his wife were born in Tennessee and he worked as a pumpman for a mine. During the 1940 census the house was occupied by Floyd McAfee, his wife Almeda and their son. He worked as a lineman for the power company. The McAfee's purchased the home from Bessie Wyckoff in 1942, but then sold it to Virgil Street in 1945. They had moved away from Park City by 1946.

Virgil Street lived in Park City with his parents at the time of the 1940 census. He worked as a clerk at that time, and was in the navy during WWII. No other information could be found on him. The property has had several owners since that time and is currently owned by the 839 Woodside LLC.

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## PHOTOGRAPHS

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(Provide several clear historical and current photos of the property.)





Photo 1: 839 Woodside Avenue. East elevation. 2020



Photo 2: 839 Woodside Avenue. Southeast oblique. November 2013





Photo 3: 839 Woodside Avenue. East elevation. November 2013



Photo 4: 839 Woodside Avenue. Northeast oblique. November 2013



Photo 5: 839 Woodside Avenue. East elevation. 2006



Photo 6: 839 Woodside Avenue. in 1995





Photo 7: 839 Woodside Avenue in 1982 (Historic Architectural Survey, 1982)



Photo 8: 839 Woodside Avenue. c. 1941 (Tax Photos, Summit County)

## MAPS

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(Provide several clear historical and current maps indicating the location of the property in relation to streets or other widely recognized features.)

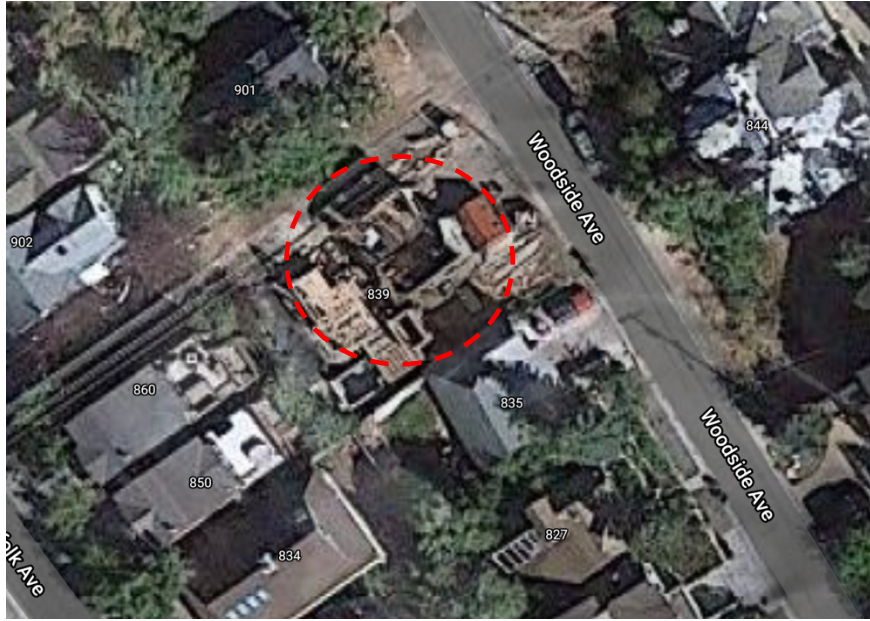
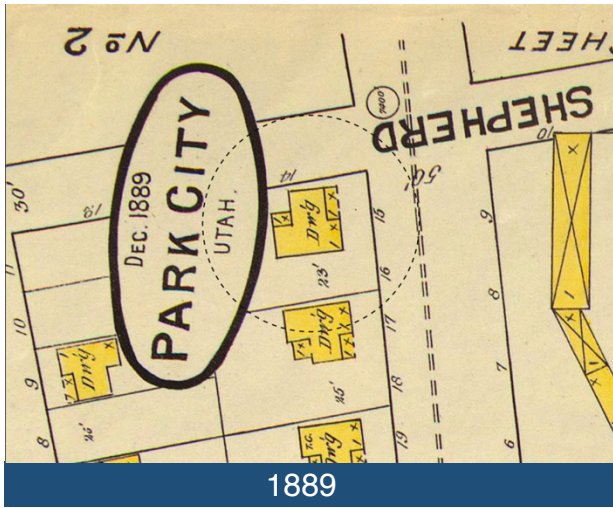


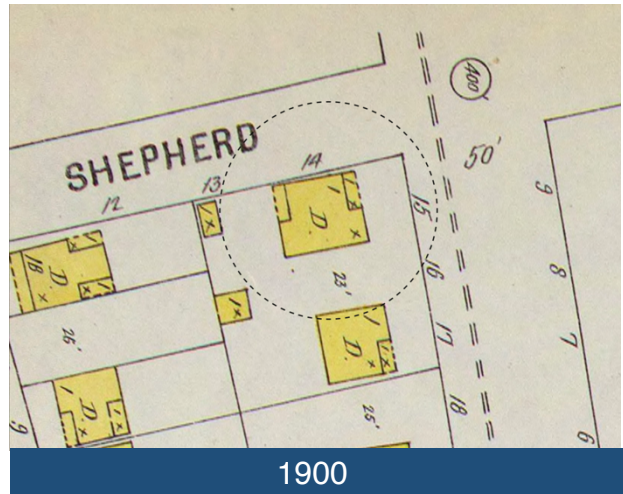
Figure 1: Aerial view showing the location of 839 Woodside Avenue. (ESRI 2020)



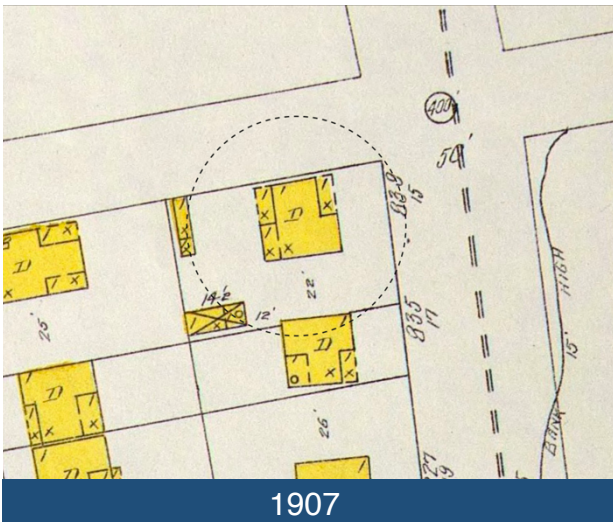
Sanborn Maps



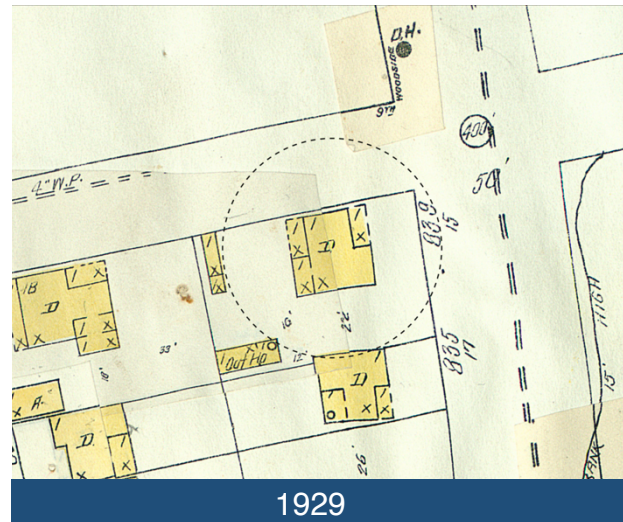
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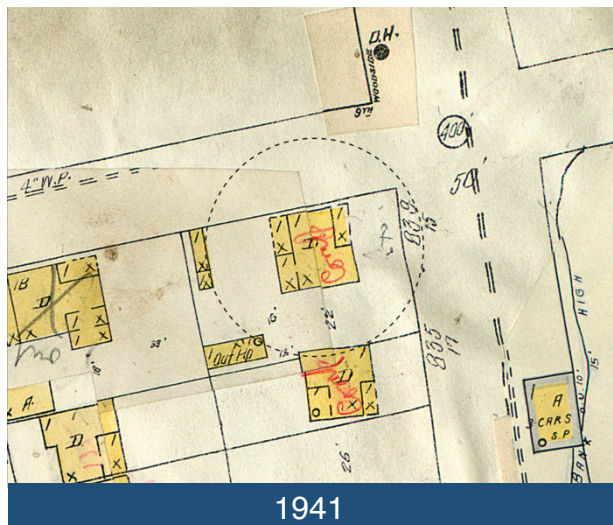
1900



1907



1929



1941

### TITLE SEARCH FORM

[Obtain information from title abstract books at County Recorder's Office]

Tax Number: SA-127

Legal Description (include acreage): SA BK11 L10 & L11 (see historic site form for complete legal description)

Address: 839 Woodside Avenue

City: Park City, UT

Current Owner: 839 Woodside LLC

Address: (see historic site form for address)

TRANSACTION DATES	GRANTOR (SELLER)	GRANTEE (BUYER)	TYPE OF TRANSACTION	DOLLAR AMOUNT	COMMENTS
11/14/1883	Geo. G. Snyder	David C. McLaughlin	W		[L4-19]
10/31/1890	D.C. McLaughlin	James Forsythe	W		"10,11"
5/22/1907	James Forsythe	S.S. Lane	W.D.		
2/23/1911	S.S. Lane & wife	Robert Johnson	W.D.		
10/20/1913	Robert B. Johnson	Lillie E. Trethewey	W.D.		
10/31/1923	Lillie E. Trethewey	Bessie E. Wyckoff	W.D.		
10/10/1942	Bessie E. Wyckoff	Floyd McAfee	W.D.		
12/6/1945	Floyd McAfee, et ux	Virgil Street, et ux	W.D.		
10/23/1951	Virgil Street, et ux	Clyde H. Street, et ux	W.D.		
6/17/1960	Clyde H. & Shirley R. Street	William Glenn Hewitson	W.D.		
9/3/1970	William G. & Darlene M. Hewitson	Hollister E. & Lucielle H. Strecker	W.D.		
9/30/1981	Hollister E. & Lucielle H. Strecker	Sigg Family Partnership	W.D.		
10/17/1991	Sigg Family Partnership	Kelly Ann Collin	W.D.		
4/16/1998	Kelly Ann Collin	Richard, Joan & Kelly Ann Collin	Q.C.D.		
9/9/2013	Richard, Joan & Kelly Ann Collin	Frederick S. & Annette Keller	W.D.		
4/1/2014	Frederick S. & Annette Keller	839 Woodside LLC	W.D.		

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