

# HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY HISTORIC SITE FORM

PARK CITY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION



### **IDENTIFICATION**

Property Name (if any): John Nelson House

Address: 561 Park Avenue

Date of Construction: c. 1885

Architect/Builder, if known: unknown

Current Owner: John Allen Browning

City, County: Park City, Summit County, Utah Tax Number: PC-81

Legal Description (include acreage): LOT 16 BLK 5 PARK CITY SURVEY SWD-615 M51-720 M106-412 M203-90 393-591 564-439 641-1 938-477 1790-1769 1878-1957 1879-294 2027-1273; 0.04 AC

## STATUS / USE

Original Use: single dwelling	Current Use: single d	welling			
Property Type:	National Register of	Historic Places:	Evaluation	ר:	
Building	Eligible		Landma	ark Site	
Structure	Ineligible		Signific	ant Site	
Site	Listed, Date:	Listed, Date:		Non Historic	
DOCUMENTATION					
Photographs:	Research Sources:				
Tax Photos	Sanborn Maps	City/ County Histor	ies	Newspapers	
Prints: 1995 & 2006	tax Card	Personal Interviews		Other:	
Historic	Census Records	Park City Museum			

#### DESCRIPTION

Architectural Style: Cross-wing type / Vernacular style								
No. Stories: 1.5								
Number of Asso	ciated Structures:	Accessory building	(s). #	Structure(s). #				
Condition:	Good	Fair	Poor	Uninhabitable/Ruin				
Location:	Original location	Moved (Date:	original locatio	on: )				
Materials: (Desc	ribe the visible mater	ials)						
Exterior Walls: T	he exterior walls are	clad in drop/novelty wo	oden siding.					
Foundation: The foundation is not visible in the available photographs and therefore its material or								
existence cannot be verified.								
Roof: The cross-	gabled and shed roo	fs are sheathed in com	position shingle	S.				
Windows/Doors:	The first floor window	ws on the façade are tw	vo one-over-one	e double-hung sash set in a				
single opening with a simple window hood. The attic level window is more square and single-paned. The								
entry door cannot be seen clearly in the 2006 photograph.								
Additions:	Major	Minor	None					
Alterations:	Major	Minor	None					
Describe Additic	ons/ Alterations (Date	s):						
Essential Historio	c Form: 🗖 Retains		Doe	es Not Retain				

### NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

(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.)

561 Park is a cross-wing type house that was renovated after 1995. The cross-wing, also known as a T/L cottage, is one of the main three house types built during the historic Park City mining era. The house was lifted and room was made for a basement level and garage and a large multi-story addition has been added to the rear of the house as well, sometime between 1995 and 2006. The cross gable roof has a shed roof projecting from the cross-wing; both are sheathed with composition shingles. The house is clad with wood drop-novelty siding. The windows are primarily one-over-one double hung sash type, with a paired set being present on the front end gable, and

several along the side of the house. However, there are also a few fixed panes, specifically one in the upper gable, and one on the basement level under the porch. The window in the gable was added sometime before 1995. The windows in the front gable end replaced the bay window shown in the 1995 photo, which had previously replaced the three pane window shown in the tax photo. The porch is uncovered, with a wood stair reaching it from the sidewalk. The foundation is noted as being concrete on the 1968 tax card, but it is not visible and was not verified. The cumulative formal and material changes have diminished its historic value.

## SIGNIFICANCE

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 can be seen on the 1889 Sanborn Insurance map, but was significantly added onto by the time of the 1900 map, and remained in that state for the rest of the historic period. The property was first owned by the Park City Townsite Corporation, and was purchased by John Nelson in 1879. John Nelson is recorded on the 1880 census for Park City, but it is unknown where he lived as there were no addresses or street names included on that census. He was a miner, but nothing else is known of him. He sold the house in 1883 to David Story.

No information could be found on David Story, nor the next few owners of the house, including Esther Cavanaugh, and Timothy Muldoon. The next owners were Richard and Nellie Campbell. They do not appear on any census for Park City, though it seems from the death notice of Richard Campbell that he was fairly well known in the town. He was a miner, and also spent much time with the Tintic mining company in Eureka, which may mean that he was only a semi-permanent resident of Park City. They sold the house in 1901 to William Mortensen.

William P. Mortensen appears on the 1900 census for Park City, at which time he was living on Woodside Avenue with his wife Agnes and their two children. He was a salesman in town, but nothing else is known of him. He sold the house in 1908 to Mrs. Charles Bannicott.

Nothing could be found on Mr. or Mrs. Charles Bannicott. The next owners of the house were William and Mary Westfield. They are recorded on the 1920 census as living in this house with their son Charles. William Westfield was a salesman in a shoe store. They owned the house until 1924, when it was sold to Douglas Jones.

Douglas Jones appears on the 1930 and 1940 censuses, living in this house with his wife Mave and their children. He worked as a truck driver during 1930 and as a mechanic for a mining company during 1940. Their owned the

house until 1945. Since then the house has changed hands many times, and is currently owned by John Allen Browning.

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#### PHOTOS

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









561 Park Avenue. Northeast oblique. November 2013.



561 Park Avenue. East elevation. November 2013.



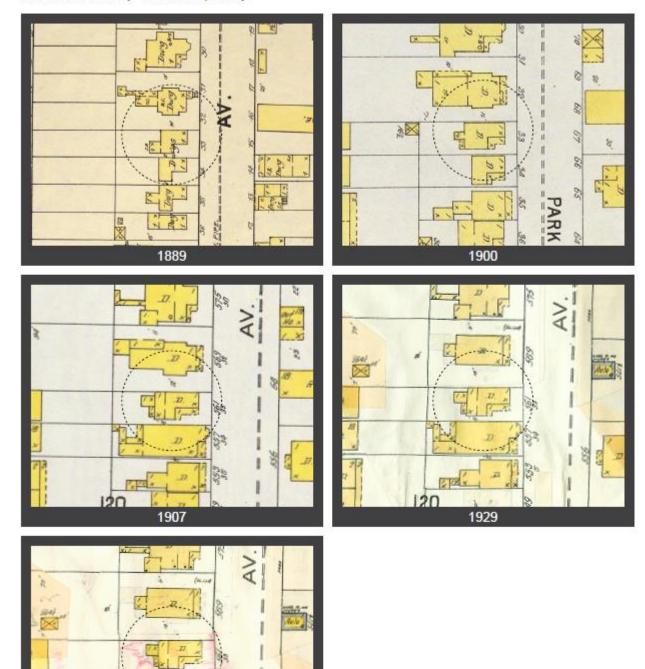
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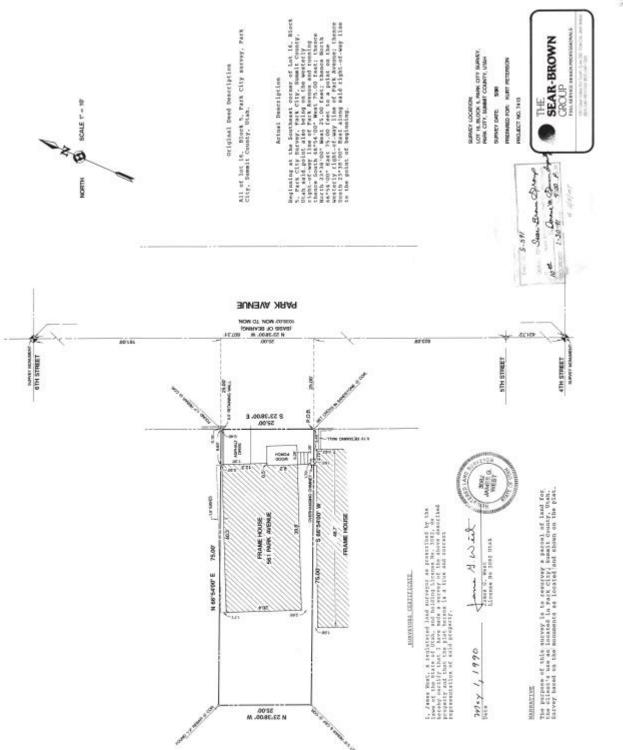
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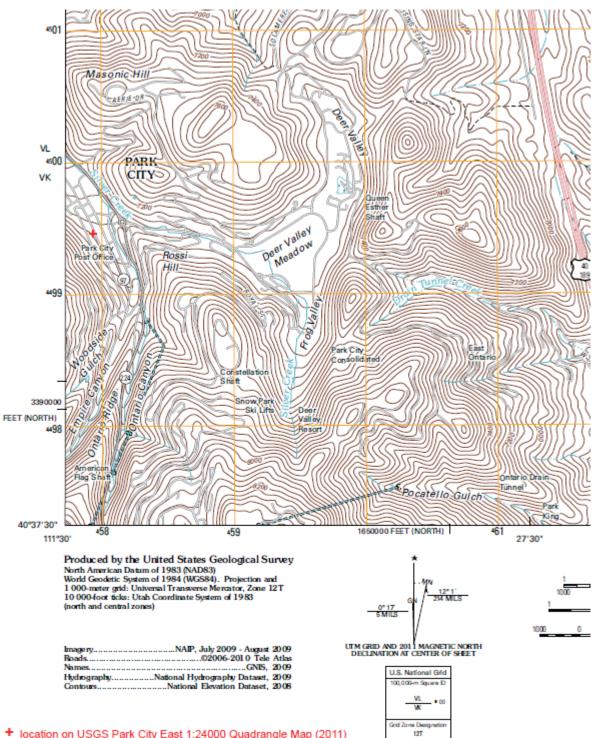


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#### 561 Park Avenue, Park City, Summit County, Utah

Intensive Level Survey-USGS Map



+ location on USGS Park City East 1:24000 Quadrangle Map (2011)

TITLE SEARCH FORM

[Obtain information from title abstract books at County Recorder's Office] Tax Number: PC-81 Legal Description (include acreage): PC BK5 L16 (see historic site form for complete legal

description)

City: Park City, U. Current Owner: John Allen Browning Address: 561 Park Avenue

TRANSACTION DATES	GRANTOR (SELLER)	GRANTEE (BUYER)	TYPE OF DOLLAR TRANSACTION AMOUNT	DOLLAR AMOUNT	COMMENTS
10/5/1878	Frederick A. Nims	John A. Nelson	M		[L14-L21]
4/9/1879	John A. Nelson	A.M. Smith	M		"16, 18"
9/27/1883	Alexander M. Smith	David Story	M		"16"
2/20/1891	Probate Court Summit Co	Esther Cavanaugh	Decree		"16, 31"
7/18/1891	Esther & James Cavanaugh	Timothy Muldoon	M		"16, 31, 32"
4/18/1892	Timothy Muldoon	Nellie Brennan [Campbell?]	M		"16" [rest of form]
4/16/1901	Richard Campbell & wife	Western Loan & Savings Co.	Mortgage	\$550.00	
5/10/1901	Nellie Campbell & husband	Wm. P. Mortensen	W.D.		
4/17/1908	Wm. P. Mortensen	Mrs. Chas. Barnicott	W.D.		
9/7/1910	Mrs. Chas. Barnicott & husband	Wm. P. Westfield & wife	W.D.		
6/12/1924	Wm. P. Westfield et ux	Douglas Jones	W.D.		
8/30/1945	Douglas Jones	John A. Lindsay	W.D.		
11/6/1973	John A. Lindsay	Paul M. & Lorraine S. Kofford	W.D.		
11/13/1981	Paul M. & Lorraine S. Kofford	R.D.L. Newmark	W.D.		
6/13/1986	R.D.L. Newmark	Paul M. & Lorraine S. Kofford	Q.C.D.		
7/28/1986	Paul M. & Lorraine S. Kofford	Joel R. Peters	W.D.		
Researcher: John Ewanowski,	Ewanowski, CRSA Architecture		Date: 4/12/2014		

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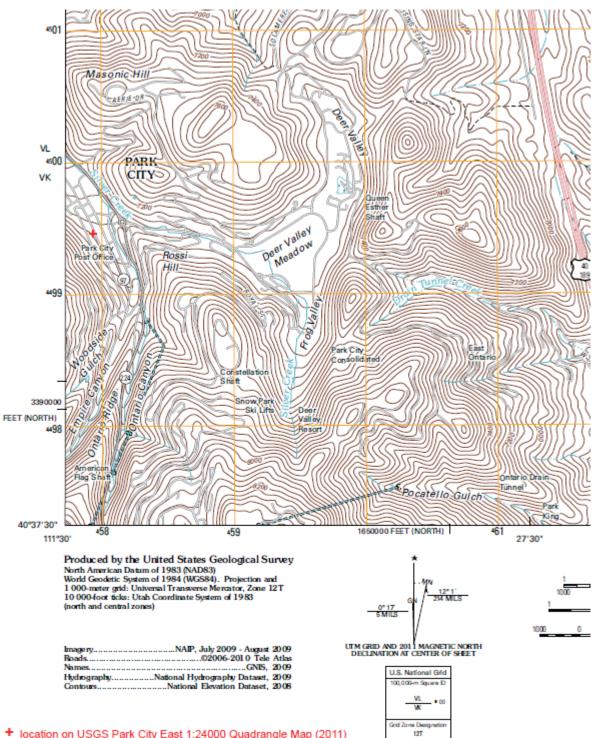
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01/16/1996	Christopher & Lori Erickson	John Plunkett & Barbara Kuhr	.d.W		
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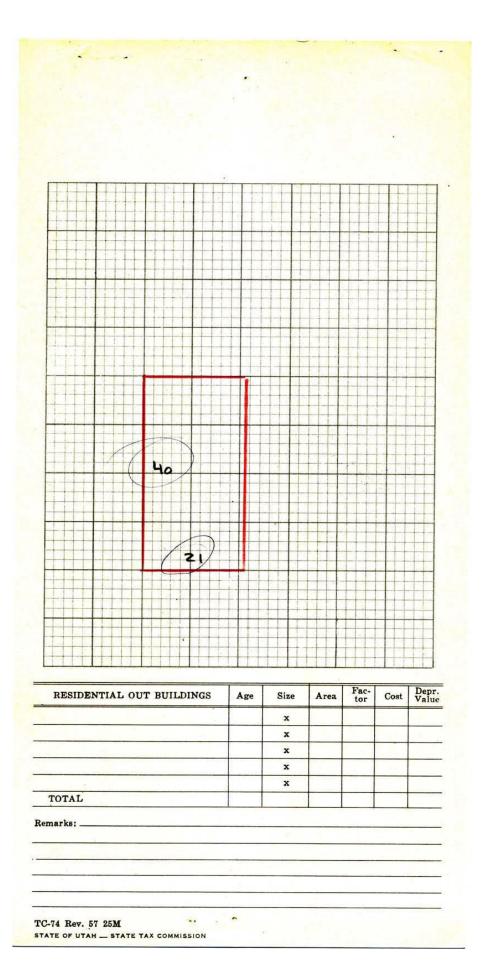
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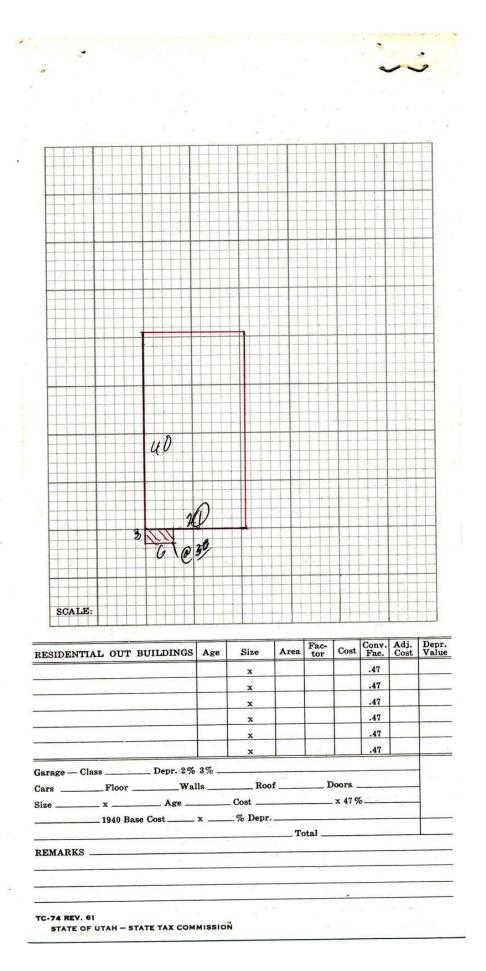
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# Utah State Historical Society Historic Preservation Research Office Structure/Site Information Form

IDENTIFICATION	Street Address: Name of Structure: Present Owner: Owner Address:	561 Park AVe. Paul M. and Lorraine P.O. Box, Park City,			Plat <sub>PC</sub> E T. R UTM: Tax #:	PC-	
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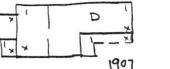
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5	Architect/Builder:	unknown			
Ű	Building Materials:		Building Type/Style:	residential	

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features: (Include additions, alterations, ancillary structures, and landscaping if applicable)

One-story frame home with a gable roof, and brown brick-tex siding. The front window is frame, and divided into three sections. The home appears as it did in a 1940's tax photo.

Sanborn Maps:



The plan appeared similar in 1900, but completely different in 1889.

Statement of Historical Significance: 6 □ Religion □ Communication □ Military Aboriginal Americans □ Science Mining □ Conservation HISTORY □ Agriculture □ Socio-Humanitarian □ Minority Groups □ Education □ Architecture □ Transportation □ Exploration/Settlement D Political □ The Arts □ Recreation □ Commerce □ Industry

This building is contributory to the Park City residential district.

In 1891 the property was decreed to Esther Cavanaugh, and sold to Timothy Hollowman, who in 1892 sold it to Nellie Brennan (who apparently became Nellie Campbell). In 1895 a deed of trust was granted to the Columbia Bank and Loan Association by the Campbell and mortgaged to Western Savings and Loan in 1901, on an eight-year mortgage. Sold in 1901 to William P. Mortensen, then to Mrs. Charles Bannicott (?) in 1908; William P. Westfield, 1910; and Doug Jones, 1924.

William P. Westfield was born in 1859 at Wilkes-Barre, PA. He came to Park City in 1895, and worked as a clerk in the shoe department of M.S. Aschiem Co. He also served as a Justice of the Paeace, acting Coroner, and a volunteer fireman in Park City. He died in 1940.