

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

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Date _____ Initials _____

- _____ Determined Eligible- NR
 _____ Determined Not Eligible- NR
 _____ Determined Eligible- SR
 _____ Determined Not Eligible- SR
 _____ Need Data
 _____ Contributes to eligible NR District
 _____ Noncontributing to eligible NR District

**I. IDENTIFICATION**

1. Resource number: **5LR.9998**
2. Temporary resource number: **City-19**
3. County: **Larimer**
4. City: **Fort Collins**
5. Historic building name: **First National Bank Computer Annex**
6. Current building name: **First National Bank Storage Facility**
7. Building address: **200 West Olive Street**
8. Owner name: **First National Bank**
- Owner organization:
- Owner address: **205 W. Oak Street**
Fort Collins, CO 80521

Parcel number: **97114-16-001**

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| 44. National Register eligibility field assessment: | <input type="checkbox"/> Individually eligible | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not eligible | <input type="checkbox"/> Needs data | <input type="checkbox"/> Previously listed |
| State Register eligibility field assessment: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individually eligible | <input type="checkbox"/> Not eligible | <input type="checkbox"/> Needs data | <input type="checkbox"/> Previously listed |
| Local landmark eligibility field assessment: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individually eligible | <input type="checkbox"/> Not eligible | <input type="checkbox"/> Needs data | <input type="checkbox"/> Previously listed |

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II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M.: **6th** Township: **7N** Range: **69W**
SW 1/4 NE 1/4 SE 1/4 SE 1/4 of section **11** Grid aligned on **northeast** corner of section.
10. UTM Reference Zone: **13**
Easting: **493321** Northing: **4492608**
11. USGS quad name: **Fort Collins** Scale: **7.5**
Year: **1984**
12. Lot(s): **Block 102**
Addition: **Fort Collins Original Town** Year of addition: **1873**
13. Boundary description and justification: **The boundary, as described above, contains but does not exceed the land historically associated with the property.**
- ☐ Metes and bounds exist

III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

14. Building Plan (footprint, shape): **Square Plan**
Other building plan descriptions:
15. Dimensions in feet: **Unknown**
16. Number of stories: **One**
17. Primary external wall material(s): **Concrete**
Stone
Other wall materials:
18. Roof configuration: **Flat Roof**
Other roof configuration:
19. Primary external roof material: **Synthetic Roof**
Other roof materials:
20. Special features: **None Applicable**
21. General architectural description:
This square, flat-roofed, single-story Modern Movements building rests on a concrete foundation. The building is constructed of concrete and three of the sides (all except the west) are faced in stone veneer. There are two similar entry doors, one facing south and the other facing north. Each is a frosted glass door with a fixed pane transom and a large, flanking fixed pane, full-height window. A minimal, projecting flat roof with a metal (or wooden) cornice protects each entry from the elements. On the south elevation, there is a long, narrow, horizontally oriented fixed pane aluminum window located just west of the entry. A window wall of mirrored glass comprises approximately two thirds of the east elevation, starting near the southeast corner of the building. A flat roofed projection, similar to those above the two entry doors, appears above the window wall and likely provides shade. Lighting fixtures, flush mounted in the underside of the overhanging flat roof, are visible on this side of the building. The north elevation is nearly identical in appearance to the south side of the building. The west elevation features a decorative pattern of slightly protruding rectangles arranged in pairs of vertical lines running from the roofline to the foundation. What appears to be a covered stairwell to the building's basement is located on the northwest half of this side of the building. Character-defining features of the Modern

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Movements style evident at 200 W. Olive Street include: the projecting flat roofs with wide cornices which give the building the appearance of floating, a window wall, and use of decorative patterned concrete.

22. Architectural style: **Modern Movements**

Other architectural style:

Building type:

23. Landscape or special setting features:

This building is located at the southeast corner of the First National Bank site at the intersection of S. Mason and W. Olive streets. There is a large parking lot, for the bank, on the north and west sides of this small building. There is a small strip of grass lawn with mature deciduous trees along each of the adjacent streets. There are narrow concrete-enclosed planters along the east and south sides of the building; the south one has some sparse bushes. There also is a juniper bush beside the door on the south elevation. The site is 4996 feet above mean sea level.

24. Associated building, features or objects:

None

IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of Construction: **1966**

☒ Actual ☐ Estimate

Source of Information: **Commercial Property Record Card (available at Fort Collins Local History Archive)**

26. Architect: **Unknown**

Source of Information:

27. Builder: **Unknown**

Source of Information:

28. Original Owner: **First National Bank**

Source of Information: **5LR.9998 - First National Bank Computer Annex - completed April 2001**

29. Construction history:

This building was constructed in 1966. An analysis of the style, building materials, and other historical records corroborate this date of construction.

30. Location: **Original Location** Date of move(s):

V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

31. Original use(s): **Commerce and Trade/Financial Institution**

32. Intermediate uses(s): **Commerce and Trade/Financial Institution**

33. Current uses(s): **Commerce and Trade/Financial Institution**

34. Site type(s): **Modern Movements computer building**

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35. Historical background:

First National Bank of Fort Collins, one of the city's older financial institutions, was established in 1881. Over its long history, this local bank continued to erect new buildings which allowed it to address the evolving nature of banking and to serve better their clients. For example, a 1908 brochure for their new facility at the southeast corner of Mountain and S. College avenues emphasized features such as the fireproof construction, well-lit lobby, the ladies waiting room and others all designed to improve customers' banking experience. In 1961, First National Bank was one of the first local businesses to erect a skyscraper office tower. The building at 200 W. Olive Street, when completed in 1966, represented the latest in financial technology. It was designed to hold the company's new main frame computer. H.S. Carroll was the Assistant Vice President and Manager of the Data Processing Department at First National Bank in 1966.

36. Sources of information:

Larimer County tax assessor property records (online).

Fort Collins City Directory. Fort Collins: Mauer & Mauer; Omaha: R.L. Polk & Co.; Colorado Springs and Loveland: Rocky Mountain Directory Co.; Loveland: Johnson Publishing Co.; and others, consulted 1966.

<http://history.fcgov.com/archive/bank/nationalbank1.php> [Accessed 6 April 2011].

5LR.9998- 200 W. Olive Street - completed April 2001.

VI. SIGNIFICANCE

37. Local landmark designation: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Designation authority:

Date of designation:

38. Applicable National Register criteria:

- ☐ A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns 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 that represent the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or that represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction.
- ☐ D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.
- ☐ Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G (see manual).
- ☐ Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria.

Applicable Colorado State Register criteria:

- ☐ A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to history.
- ☐ B. Connected with persons significant in history.
- ☒ C. Has distinctive characteristics of a type, period, method of construction or artisan.
- ☐ D. Is of geographic importance.
- ☐ E. Contains the possibility of important discoveries related to prehistory or history.
- ☐ Does not meet any of the above Colorado State Register criteria.

Applicable City of Fort Collins landmark criteria:

- ☐ 1. The property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of history; or
- ☐ 2. The property is associated with the lives of persons significant in history; or
- ☒ 3. The property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or that represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
- ☐ 4. The property has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

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39. Areas of significance: **Architecture**40. Period(s) of Significance: **1966**41. Level of Significance: ☐ National ☐ State ☒ Local ☐ Not Applicable

42. Statement of Significance:

Historically, this building illustrates the incorporation of computers into the banking industry; computers during the 1960s were large and required a great deal of space. First National Bank erected this separate building to hold the machinery necessary to introduce and maintain computerized banking for their customers. This building, architecturally, represents an example of mid-1960s Modern Movements architecture. Character-defining features include the flat roof, the projecting flat roofs with wide cornices which give the building the appearance of floating, window wall, and use of decorative patterned concrete. According to the Colorado Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation, this resource would qualify for individual listing in the National Register of Historic Places if it were fifty years old. Since research has not revealed exceptional significance to meet Criterion Consideration G, the building is eligible for listing in the Colorado State Register of Historic Properties (under Criterion C: Architecture) at this time. The site also qualifies for listing as a Fort Collins Landmark.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:

Constructed in 1966, this office building exhibits a high level of physical integrity relative to the seven aspects of integrity as defined by the National Park Service and the Colorado Historical Society: location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, association, and feeling. There have been no alterations and this building retains sufficient physical integrity to convey its historical and architectural significance for listing on the State Register and as a Fort Collins Landmark.

VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

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45. Is there National Register district potential: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Needs Data

Discuss: **This inventory was conducted as an intensive-level selective survey and, therefore, lacks the continuity of resource data necessary to recommend the creation of an historic district.**

If there is National Register district potential, is this building contributing: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

46. If the building is in existing National Register district, is it contributing: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

VIII. RECORDING INFORMATION

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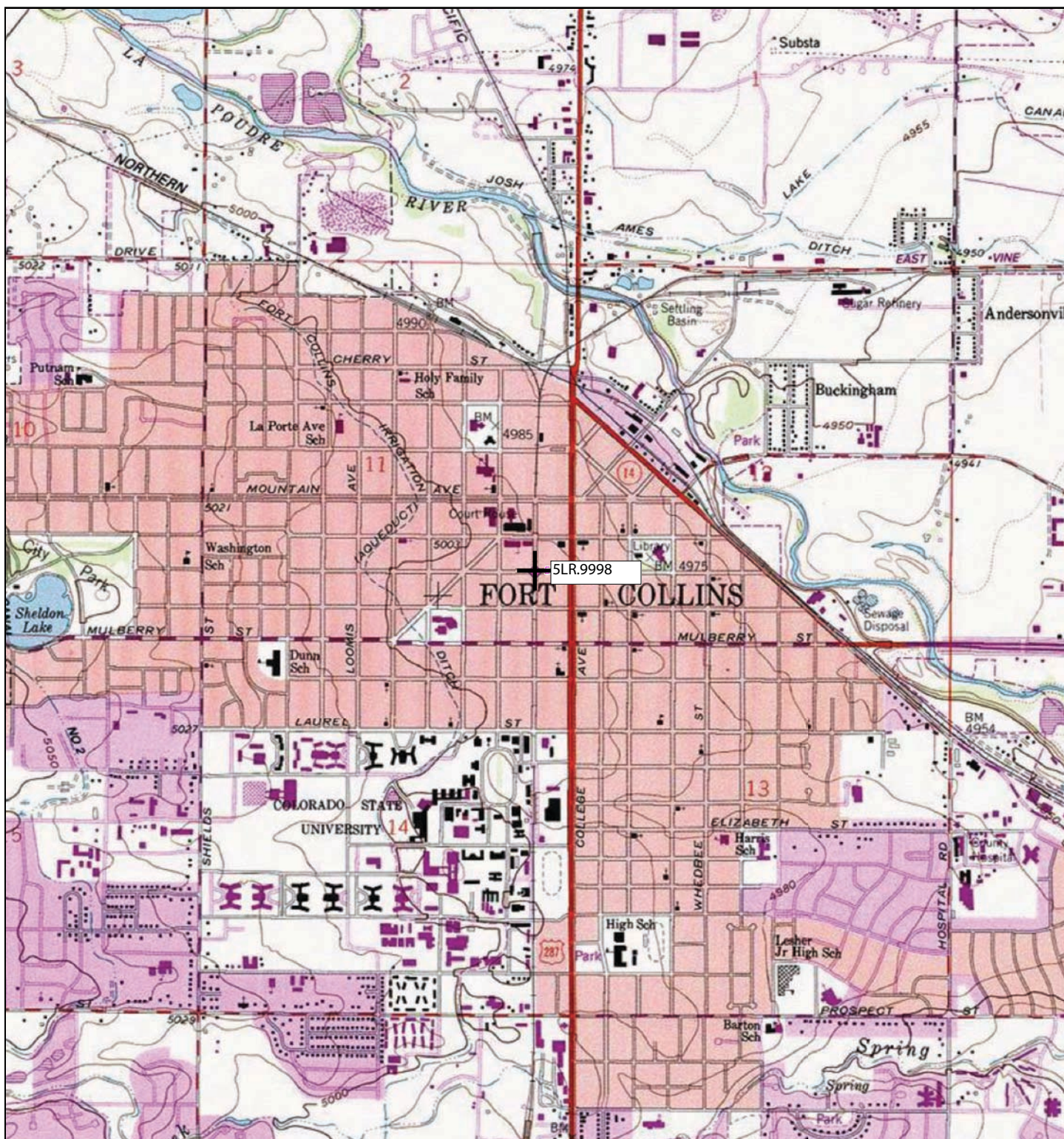
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LOCATION MAP



Source: U.S. Geological Survey 7.5' Fort Collins - 1984

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