Applicant Presentation to

Historic Preservation Commission April 17, 2024



Team

Property Owners: Kriss Spradley and Bill

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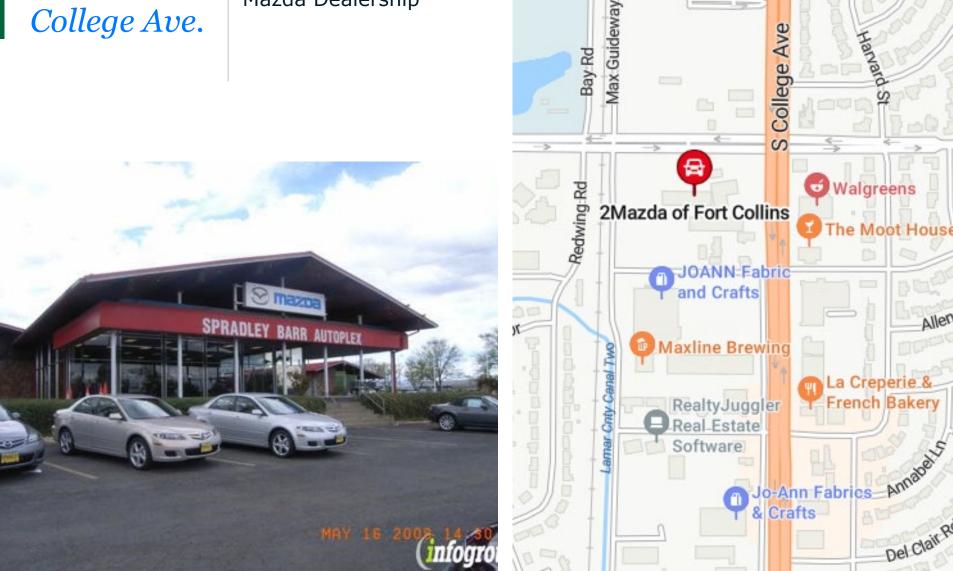
Built Environment Evolution: Natalie

Feinberg Lopez

Brownstein: Angela Hygh and Nina Sawaya

The Appeal

- The Property Owners are appealing the determination by City Staff that the Property is eligible for historic designation.
- De novo standard.
- City Council determined on April 3, 2018 that the property was NOT eligible for historic designation.
- City Council's determination expired on April 3, 2023.



Criteria for Historic Eligibility

For a resource to be eligible for designation as a landmark under the Code, it must possess both **significance** and **integrity**



Significance

"<u>Significance</u>" is "the importance of a site, structure, object, or district to the history, architecture, archeology, engineering or culture of our community, State or Nation." *City Code*, § 14-22. The criteria include:

- (1) events
- (2) persons/groups
- (3) design/construction
- (4) information potential

"Integrity" is "the ability of a site, structure, object, or district to be able to convey its significance." City Code, § 14-22. The criteria include:

- 1. Location
- 2. Design
- 3. Setting
- 4. Materials
- 5. Workmanship
- 6. Feeling
- 7. Association



Natalie Feinberg Lopez, APTI RP

- Consulting in technical preservation and conservation analysis for 25 years.
- Extensive Experience With Mid-Century Modern Structures
- Acted as Principal Planner for the Historic Preservation
 Department for the City of Aspen



BUILT ENVIRONMENT EVOLUTION
Preserving the Past Transforming Tomorrow

Events

- Recognizable contribution
- Two Types:
 - —Specific event
 - Pattern of events or a historic trend



Persons/Groups

Specific contributions to history that can be identified and documented.





Design/Construction

- Embody the identifiable characteristics of a type, period or method of construction;
- Distinguishable from others
- Possess high artistic values or design concepts;
- Recognizable and distinguishable group of resources.
- •1.5 out of 10





Design/Construction

 Comparison with excellent examples of modern architecture.



• International - excellent examples of modern architecture.







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 United States - excellent examples of modern architecture.







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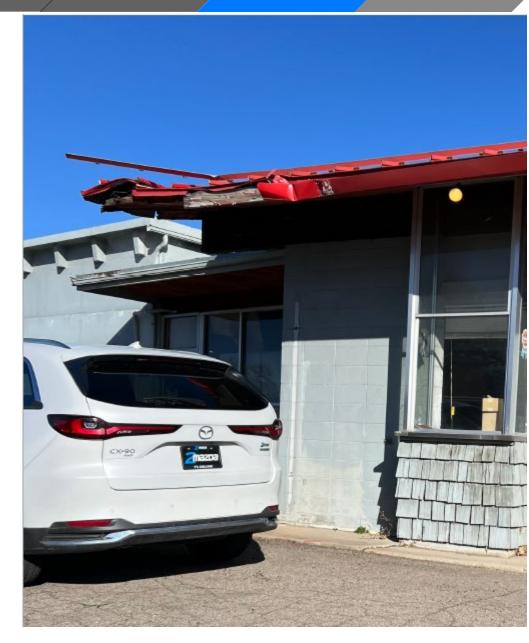




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Location & Setting









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• College Ave Auto Dealerships





Materials: Not Built to Last

Many elements show significant deterioration indicating the end-of-life cycle including:

- Original Materials were inexpensive and meant to be replaced often
- Deterioration of drainage
- Surfaces requiring removal of asphalt
- Repair of Foundations



Design and Workmanship

• On a scale of 1-10 for mid-century design value, 10 being the highest, this example is **1-1.5**.







Feeling and Association

 Does not retain the feeling and association of the Post-War era. None of these South College examples are eligible:









Other Considerations

- Top: Dwight Ghent's Home 1612 Sheely Drive
- Bottom: Frank Ghent's Home638 Whedbee





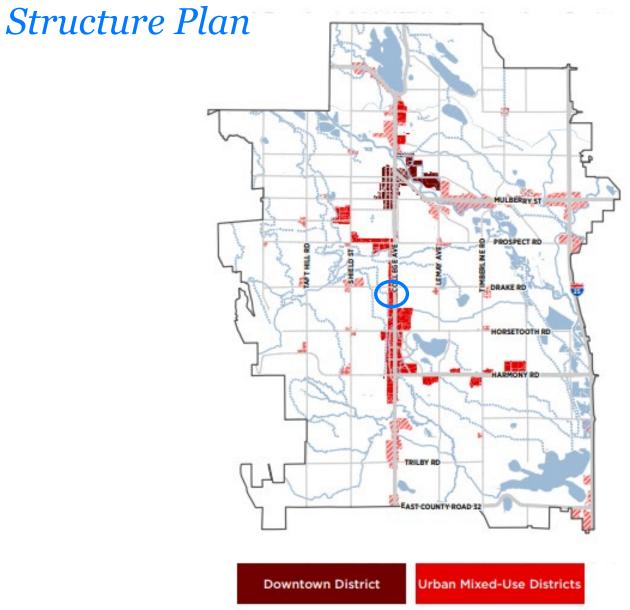
Things to Keep in Mind

 Being selective about what is eligible for historic designation preserves the designation process



Policies and Purposes – Section 14-1 and 14-2

- "stabilize or improve aesthetic and economic vitality and values of such sites, structures, objects, and districts
- "promote the use of important historical archaeological or architectural sites"
- "promote good urban design"



Midtown Plan



No Changes Since 2018

- No new discoveries about the property or the Ghents.
- No substantial changes to the criteria.

