


HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY RECORD

NOT FOR FIELD USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> Eligible	<input type="checkbox"/> Nominated
<input type="checkbox"/> Det. Not Eligible	<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Rehab.
Date _____	

PROJECT NAME: Littleton Historic Buildings Survey 1997 (#97-01-082)		COUNTY: Arapahoe	CITY: Littleton	STATE ID NO.: 5AH1338
CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Arapahoe County Administration Building		OWNER: ARAPAHOE, COUNTY OF 5334 S PRINCE ST LITTLETON CO 80120		
ADDRESS: 5334 S PRINCE ST Littleton, CO 80120		TOWNSHIP 5S RANGE 68W SECTION 16 SW 1/4 NW 1/4		
HISTORIC NAME: Arapahoe County Admin. Bldg.		U.S.G.S. QUAD NAME: Littleton, Colo. YEAR: 1965 (r. 1994) X 7.5' 15'		
DISTRICT NAME:		BLOCK: N/A	LOT(S): M&B	
FILM ROLL NO.: 97- 1 BY: Roger Whitacre		NEGATIVE NO.: 2	LOCATION OF NEGATIVES: Littleton Hist. Mus.	DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ESTIMATE: ACTUAL: 1977 SOURCE: Plaque on Building
		USE: PRESENT: Governmental Offices HISTORIC: Governmental Offices		
		CONDITION: EXCELLENT X GOOD FAIR DETERIORATING		
		EXTENT OF ALTERATIONS: X MINOR MODERATE MAJOR DESCRIBE:		
		CONTINUED YES X NO		
STYLE: Modern		STORIES: 3	ORIGINAL SITE X MOVED DATE(S) OF MOVE:	
MATERIALS: Concrete, Glass		SQ. FOOTAGE: 221650	NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY	
ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: Three-story governmental office building with east wall set into hill and west wall clad with panels of reflective glass facing the mountains. Flat roof with two superstructures; blue tube metal coping along roof. Building steps forward and down toward west. Building is cantilevered above first story on southwest, with concrete column supports; concrete stairs with metal railings; band of glazed metal frame doors. Inset curved concrete wall on southwest; also curved corner on southeast. Large parking lot in front of building. Radio tower at southeast corner. Cylinder-shaped concrete structure next to building on south.		INDIVIDUAL: YES X NO		
		CONTRIBUTING TO DISTRICT: YES NO		
		LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: No		
ADDITIONAL PAGES: YES X NO		NAME: DATE:		
		ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS? YES X NO TYPE:		
		IF INVENTORIED, LIST ID NOS.:		
		CONTINUED? YES X NO		

PLAN SHAPE: 	ARCHITECT: Richard Frank/Erik Lundquist	STATE ID NO.: 5AH1338
	SOURCE: Building Plaque	ORIGINAL OWNER: Arapahoe County
	BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Robert Fisher Co.	SOURCE: Building Plaque
	SOURCE: Denver Post, 1-15-77, 52.	THEME(S): Post World War II Era, 1945- Present

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (DESCRIPTION, NAMES, DATES, ETC., RELATING TO MAJOR ALTERATIONS TO ORIGINAL STRUCTURE):

CONTINUED YES X NO

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (DISCUSS IMPORTANT PERSONS AND EVENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS STRUCTURE):

This building was erected to house all county offices in Arapahoe County except for those of the judiciary, district attorney, and sheriff. Previously, county offices had been scattered along Littleton Boulevard and other areas of the city for several years. The building was designed by Richard J. Frank and Erik U. Lundquist. Ground was broken for construction in August 1975 and the building was completed by January 1977. County offices moved into the building in stages, with the final offices moved in by the end of June 1977. Architect Lundquist stated that he designed the building to emphasize light, incorporating a skylight which runs the length of the building and a western wall of reflective glass. A broad passageway was included through the length of the building to serve as a "Main Street" for the operations of the county. The main passageway was lined with trees, benches, and art work. All except for two offices in the building are located on the building's west side. The building cost \$3.5 million to erect and Lundquist asserted that the "county got a great building rather inexpensively."

CONTINUED YES X NO

SIGNIFICANCE (CHECK APPROPRIATE CATEGORIES AND BRIEFLY JUSTIFY BELOW):

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE: REPRESENTS THE WORK OF A MASTER POSSESSES HIGH ARTISTIC VALUES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPRESENTS A TYPE, PERIOD, OR METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION	HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE: ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT PERSONS ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OR PATTERNS CONTRIBUTES TO AN HISTORIC DISTRICT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

This building is representative of the Modern style buildings in its flat roof, reflective glass and exposed concrete, simple block shapes, horizontal emphasis, and cantilevered corner. The building is less than fifty years old and has not yet achieved historical significance.

CONTINUED YES X NO

REFERENCES (BE SPECIFIC):

Arapahoe County Assessor records; Denver Post, 15 Jan. 1977, 52; and 24 June 1977, 26; Denver Public Library clipping files.

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