COLORADO HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
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HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY RECORD

Plicible	NOT FOR FIELD USE
Eligible	Nominated
Det. Not	Eligible Certified Rehab. Date

PROJECT NAME: Littleton Historic Buildings	COUNTY:	CITY:	STATE ID NO.: 5AH1347
Survey 1997 (#97-01-082)	Arapahoe	Littleton	TEMPORARY NO.: 2077-16-2-17-004
CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Geneva Village-Units 1-4 ADDRESS: 5444 S PRINCE ST (#1-4)	OWNER: LITTLETON, CITY OF 2255 W BERRY AVE LITTLETON CO 80120		
Littleton, CO 80120	TOWNSHIP 5S RANGE 68W SECTION 16 SW 1/4 NW 1/4		
HISTORIC NAME: Geneva Village	U.S.G.S. QUAD NAME: Littleton, Colo. YEAR: 1965 (r. 1994) X 7.5' 15'		
DISTRICT NAME:	BLOCK: 1 LOT(S): 4 ADDITION: LITTLETON CENTER YR. OF ADDITION: 1976		
FILM ROLL NO.: 97- 2A NEGATIVE NO.: BY: Roger Whitacre 31A	LOCATION OF NE Littleton Hist		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ESTIMATE: ACTUAL: 1964 SOURCE:
			Denver Post, 4-29-1964
			USE: PRESENT: Residential
			HISTORIC: Residential
	CONDITION: EXCELLENT X GOOD FAIR DETERIORATING		
			EXTENT OF ALTERATIONS: X MINOR MODERATE MAJOR DESCRIBE:
			CONTINUED YES X NO
STYLE: Modern		STORIES:	ORIGINAL SITE X MOVED DATE(S) OF MOVE:
MATERIALS: Brick, Concrete	I .	SQ. FOOTAGE:	NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY
ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: Senior citizen apartment complex consisting of eight one-story multi-unit (two			INDIVIDUAL: YES X NO
to five units each) apartment buildings, including 10 efficiency, 10 one bedroom,			CONTRIBUTING TO DISTRICT: YES NO
and 8 two-bedroom apartments located in a park-like set	LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: No		
The buildings are situated in a basically rectangular plan extending from Berry St. on the south to W. Crestline Ave., with buildings facing each other across a central area with grass, trees, parking, pathways, and a clock tower, with			NAME: DATE:
Geneva Lodge to the east. The buildings are generally linear with recessed and			ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS? YES X NO
stepped sections; side gable composition shingle roofs with deep overhanging eaves that form porches with post supports. Each building composed of one			TYPE:
section with blond brick and another with red brick; co have large aluminum frame picture windows.	f units	IF INVENTORIED, LIST ID NOS.:	
ADDITIONAL PAGES: YES X NO			

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ARCHITECT:

Eugene Sternberg

SOURCE:

Denver Post, 4-3-1963

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR · R.W. Mier Construction Co.

Denver Post. 4-3-1963

International Geneva Association

SOURCE:

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ORIGINAL OWNER:

THEME (S):

Post World War II Era. 1945-

Present.

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

SOURCE .

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YES

Х NO

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (DISCUSS IMPORTANT PERSONS AND EVENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS STRUCTURE): Geneva Village Senior Citizen Housing complex traces its roots in Littleton to the establishment of the Geneva Home by the International Geneva Association, a fraternal and benevolent organization for men employed in the hotel and restaurant business, in 1927. The property had originally been part of a poultry farm and included 4.5 acres of land with a lake. The Geneva Home cared for the needy, old, sick, and incapacitated members of the Association, including many with tuberculosis. In 1964, architect Eugene Sternberg designed Geneva Village, eight buildings with 28 apartments for elderly hotel retirees and their wives. Denver Caterer Max Hummel was instrumental in helping plan the apartments. In 1975, the City of Littleton purchased the complex and the Littleton Housing Authority manages the facility, providing housing for senior citizens of Littleton. This building, near the west-central part of the complex, contained four onebedroom units numbered 1 through 4.

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YES

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SIGNIFICANCE (CHECK APPROPRIATE CATEGORIES AND BRIEFLY JUSTIFY BELOW):

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:

REPRESENTS THE WORK OF A MASTER POSSESSES HIGH ARTISTIC VALUES

X REPRESENTS A TYPE, PERIOD, OR METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT PERSONS

X ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OR PATTERNS CONTRIBUTES TO AN HISTORIC DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

This building is less than fifty years old and does not yet possess historical significance. When the building reaches fifty years of age, it may be considered part of a National Register eligible historic district if it maintains historic integrity and will be significant for its historical ties to the International Geneva Association and its development of the Geneva Village complex. The district will be significant for its representation of 1960s retirement home construction and as representative of the work of architect Eugene Sternberg.

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YES

X NO

REFERENCES (BE SPECIFIC):

Arapahoe County Assessor County records; Bemis Public Library Clipping files; Littleton Historical Museum files; Littleton Housing Authority, "Geneva Village Senior Citizen Housing;" Littleton Independent, 22 July 1927, 20 Aug. 1948, 26 June 1975, 3 July 1975, and 9 Mar. 1995; Rocky Mountain News, 13 Mar. 1995; Littleton Sentinel Independent, 21 Nov. 1986; Colorado Historical Society, Historic Building Inventory Form, 5AH729, August 1993.

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YES

X NO

SURVEYED BY: R.L. Simmons/T.H. Simmons

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