



**HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY**  
**HISTORIC SITE FORM**  
 PARK CITY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION



**IDENTIFICATION**

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Property Name (if any): **Leslie Stevens House**

Address: **1439 Woodside Avenue**

Date of Construction: **c. 1905**

City, County: **Park City, Summit County, Utah**

Architect/Builder: **Unknown**

Tax Number: **FRAND-A**

Current Owner: **James E. Shea, Jr.**

Legal Description (include acreage): **LOT A FRANDSEN SUBDIVISION; ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT ON FILE IN THE SUMMIT COUNTY RECORDERS OFFICE CONT 3471 SQ FT OR 0.08 AC 1632-1905-1915 1715-666-682 1778-1464**

**STATUS / USE**

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Original Use: **Single dwelling**

Current Use: **Single dwelling**

Property Type:

National Register of Historic Places:

Evaluation:

Building

Eligible

Landmark Site

Structure

Ineligible

Significant Site

Site

Listed, Date:

Not Historic

**DOCUMENTATION**

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Photographs:

Research Sources:

Tax Photos

Sanborn Maps

City/ County Histories

Newspapers

Prints

Tax Card

Personal Interviews

Other:

Historic

Census Records

Park City Museum

**DESCRIPTION**

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Architectural Style: **Other residential type**

No. Stories: 1

Number of Associated Structures:  Accessory building(s). # 0  Structure(s). # 0

Condition:  Good  Fair  Poor  Uninhabitable/Ruin

Location:  Original location  Moved (Date: , original location: )

Materials: (Describe the visible materials)

Exterior Walls: **Drop-novelty wood siding**

Foundation: **Concrete**

Roof: **Cross-wing**

Windows/Doors: **Double-hung sash type, multi-pane casement, and side sliders**

Additions:  Major  Minor  None

Alterations:  Major  Minor  None

Essential Historic Form:  Retains  Does Not Retain

**NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY**

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(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.)

1439 Woodside does not closely align with any of the house types commonly built during the historic Park City mining era, though it is thought to have been built in that time period. It has been significantly altered from its original condition, with changes being made to both the materials and the form. The front gabled section was built sometime after the drawing of the 1941 Sanborn map. An extension of the rear part of the house to the north has also been built, presumably at the same time. The side porch seen in the tax photo was enclosed sometime between c. 1940 and 1995. The side gable roof is sheathed with standing seam metal and a brick chimney sits in front of rear extension. The walls are clad with drop-novelty wood siding, which replaced the aluminum and lap siding shown in the tax photo. The lap siding may have been the original cladding material, but this remains uncertain. On each side of the front gabled section is a one-over-

one double hung sash window. A ribbon of small casement windows surrounds the enclosed south porch section, with two of these small casement windows in the side walls of the front section. The door is a wood frame and panel door that has two narrow upper lights. The foundation is concrete. The cumulative formal and material changes have diminished its historic value.

A small gable roofed structure that appears to be a garage is located to the rear of the house. It appears to be a shed or small garage, but it is not fully visible in available images. There was an addition made to the structure, indicated by a change in material. It has drop-novelty wood siding, but the roofing material is unknown. It is roofed with both composition shingles and corrugated metal. It is in a state of disrepair, especially where the wall of the addition is separating from the original structure. There is no record of when this structure was built.

**SIGNIFICANCE**

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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 was built sometime before 1907, as it appears on the 1907 Sanborn Insurance map, which was the earliest map for this area. It was owned by the Park City Townsite Corporation until 1928, and could have been used to house miners and other laborers. It was purchased by Leslie Stevens in 1928.

Leslie Stevens lived in the house with his wife Ella and their six children during the 1930 census. He worked as a miner, but nothing else is known of him or his family. He sold the house to William Kirshaw in 1930, shortly after the census was conducted.

William Kirshaw appears on the 1940 census, living in the house with his wife Sarah and their four children. He is listed as working for the Works Progress Administration, doing road labor at that time. No other information could be found on them. The property has changed hands several times since the historic period, and is currently owned by James Shea, Jr.

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## PHOTOGRAPHS

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(Provide several clear historical and current photos of the property.)



Photo 1: 1439 Woodside Avenue. East elevation. 2020



Photo 2: 1439 Woodside Avenue. Southeast oblique. November 2013



Photo 3: 1439 Woodside Avenue. East elevation. November 2013



Photo 4: 1439 Woodside Avenue. Northeast oblique. November 2013



Photo 5: 1439 Woodside Avenue. Northeast oblique. 2006



Photo 6: 1439 Woodside Avenue. in 1995



Photo 7: 1439 Woodside Avenue in 1981 (Historic Architectural Survey, 1982)

## MAPS

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



Figure 1: Aerial view showing the location of 1439 Woodside Avenue. (ESRI 2020)

# Sanborn Maps

Outside of 1889 Sanborn boundary

Outside of 1900 Sanborn boundary



