



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



**IDENTIFICATION**

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Property Name (if any): Robert Kimball House

Address: 1108 Park Avenue

Date of Construction: c. 1905

City, County: Park City, Summit County, Utah

Architect/Builder, if known: unknown

Tax Number: SA-361

Current Owner: Claudia N. Myres (trustee)

Legal Description (include acreage): ALL LOT 2 & S1/2 LOT 3 BLK 56 SNYDERS ADDITION ALSO BEG AT PT ON E'LY LN BLK 56 SNYDERS ADDITION TO PARK CITY, SD PT BEING S 35\*59' E 15.30 FT FR N MOST COR LOT 3 SD BLK TH N 54\*01' E 36 FT TO PT ON W'LY LN UNIMPROVED RD, TH S 22\*04'37" E ALG SD W'LY LN 37.45 FT; TH S 54\*01'W 27 FT TO PT ON E'LY LN BLK 56; TH N35\*59' W 36.35 FT TO BEG FQC347 M79-622M12-143 SWD387 M123-543-4 M218-394 1261-337CLAUDIA N MYRES TRUSTEE OF THE CLAUDIA NELL MYERS REVOCABLE TRUST; 0.09 AC

**STATUS / USE**

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Original Use: secondary structure      Current Use: single dwelling

Property Type:

- Building
- Structure
- Site

National Register of Historic Places:

- Eligible
- Ineligible
- Listed, Date:

Evaluation:

- Landmark Site
- Significant Site
- Non Historic

## DOCUMENTATION

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### Photographs:

Tax Photos

Prints:

Historic

### Research Sources:

Sanborn Maps

tax Card

Census Records

City/ County Histories

Personal Interviews

Park City Museum

Newspapers

Other:

## DESCRIPTION

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Architectural Style: Central block type

No. Stories: 1

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

Condition:  Good  Fair  Poor  Uninhabitable/Ruin

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

Materials: (Describe the visible materials)

Exterior Walls: Aluminum siding

Foundation: Cement

Roof: Unable to determine based on photos provided- likely asphalt shingle

Windows/Doors: Casement and sliding aluminum windows

Additions:  Major  Minor  None

Alterations:  Major  Minor  None

Describe Additions/ Alterations (Dates):

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.)

1108 Park is a central block type house that has undergone several material alterations. The central block, while not one of the main three house types built during the historic Park City mining era, was still common in that time

period. The gable roof is sheathed with composition shingles and a brick chimney is located near the peak on the middle of the roof. Aluminum siding clads the walls, which replaced the drop-novelty wood shown in the c. 1940 tax photo. The porch is inset on the south corner with a square post supporting the roof at the corner. The windows all appear to be aluminum, replacing the wood framed windows shown in the c. 1940. There is a large fixed pane window on the frontmost part of the house and a large slider in the porch area, both flanked with decorative shutters. The door is a simple wood door with ascending lights. A small gabled garage is present at the rear of the lot but there are no historical references to it, making it impossible to know when it was built. The concrete foundation is visible where the site slopes downward. The material changes have diminished the historic value of the house.

## 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 between 1900 and 1907, based off the Sanborn Insurance maps from those years. The house was expanded sometime between 1929 and 1941, as the house on the 1941 Sanborn map appears to have been widened. The first individual to own the property when the house existed was likely Robert T. Kimball.

Robert Kimball appears on the 1910 census, living in a house on Woodside Avenue with his wife Amanda and their five children. He was born in Salt Lake City in 1856, and owned a livery stable. He was very active in the social and fraternal organizations. He died in 1934, but the property stayed in his family. This house only appears on the 1940 census, indicating that it was unoccupied during both the 1920 and 1930 censuses. During 1940 the house was occupied by Robert T. Kimball's son, Robert W. Kimball.

Robert W. Kimball lived in the house with his wife Elizabeth and their three children. He worked on the school board, but nothing else is known of him or his family. He sold the house in 1945 to George Henry Skillicorn. The house stayed in the Skillicorn family until 1978, when it was sold to Brian and Claudia Myres, the current owners.

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## PHOTOS

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

*1108 Park Avenue, Park City, Summit County, Utah*

*Intensive Level Survey—Biographical and Historical Research Materials*



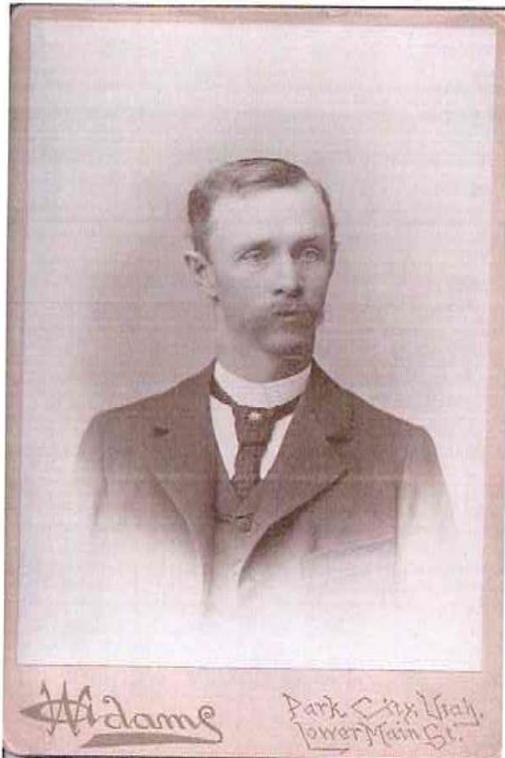
Tax photo c. 1940

1108 Park Avenue (garage), Park City, Utah (6/6)

Photo No. 5: Southwest oblique. Camera facing northwest. Tax photo, c. 1941. (Summit County)



Photo No. 6: Portrait of Robert T. Kimball. Date unknown. (ancestry.com)





1108 Park Avenue (garage), Park City, Utah (4/6)

Photo No. 1: Southeast oblique. Camera facing northwest. November 2014.



Photo No. 2: Southeast oblique. Camera facing northwest. November 2014.



1108 Park Avenue (garage), Park City, Utah (5/6)

Photo No. 3: Northeast oblique. Camera facing southwest. November 2014.



Photo No. 4: West elevation. Camera facing east. November 2014.







*1108 Park Avenue. Northwest oblique. November 2013.*



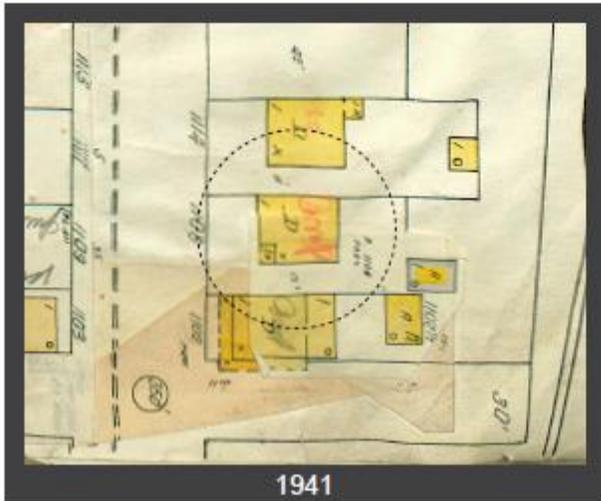
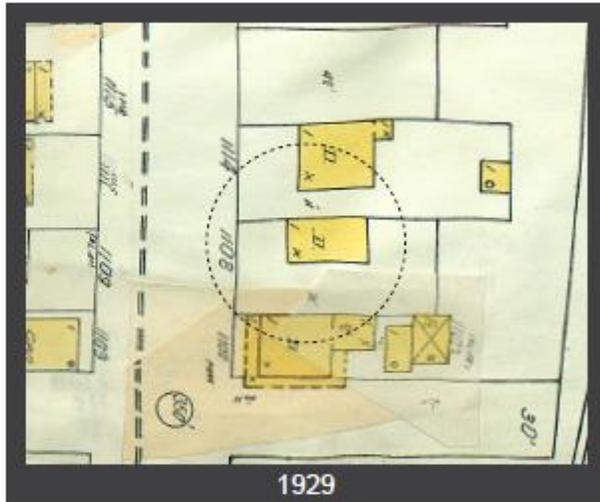
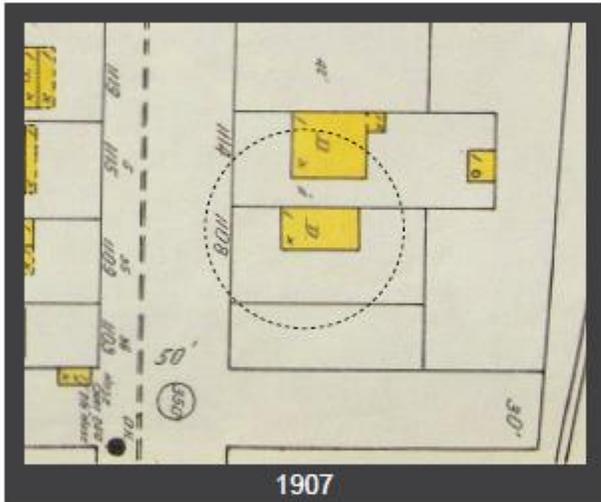
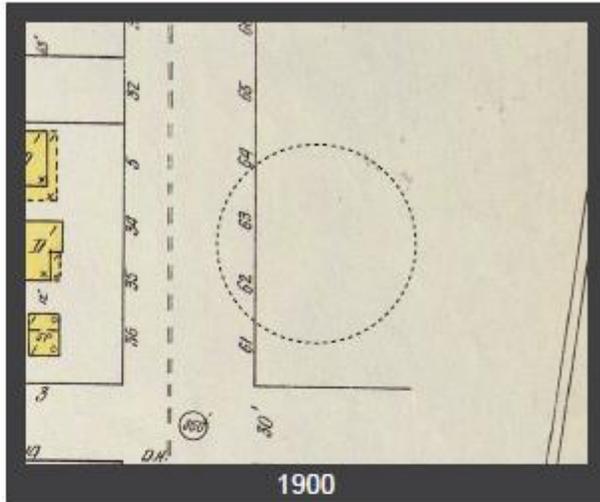
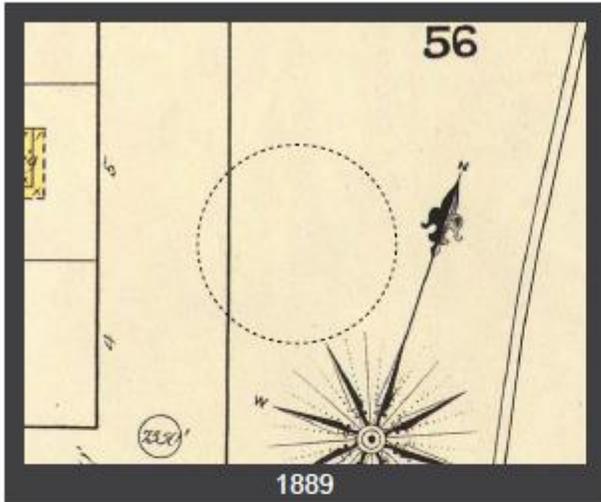
*1108 Park Avenue. West elevation. November 2013.*



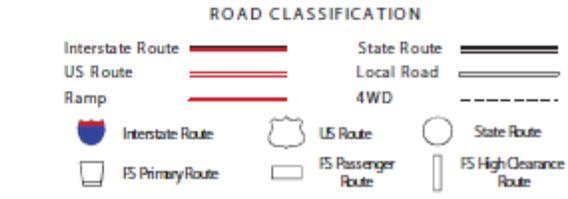
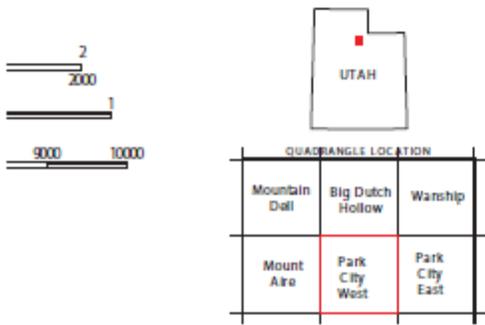
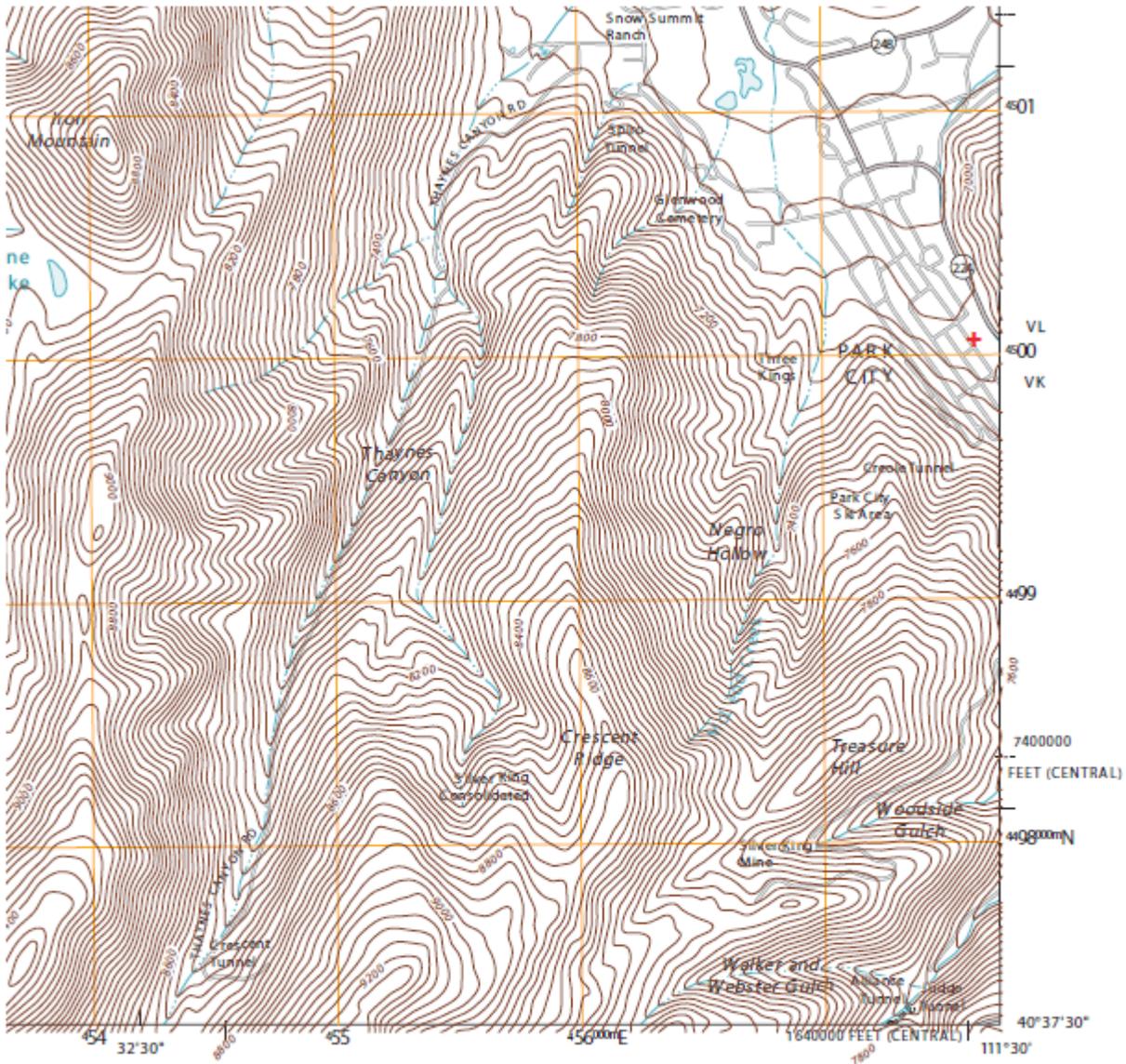
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# MAPS

1108 Park Avenue, Park City, Summit County, Utah  
Intensive Level Survey—Sanborn Map history



1108 Park Avenue, Park City, Summit County, Utah  
 Intensive Level Survey—USGS Map



Check with local Forest Service unit for current travel conditions and restrictions.

+ location on USGS Park City West 1:24000 Quadrangle Map (2011)

**TITLE SEARCH FORM**

[Obtain information from title abstract books at County Recorder's Office]

Address: 1108 Park Avenue

City: Park City, UT

Current Owner: Claudia N. Myres (trustee)

Address: (see historic site form for address)

Tax Number: SA-361

Legal Description (include acreage): SA BK56 L2, S1/2 L3 & E1/4 parcel (see historic site form for complete legal description)

TRANSACTION DATES	GRANTOR (SELLER)	GRANTEE (BUYER)	TYPE OF TRANSACTION	DOLLAR AMOUNT	COMMENTS
11/14/1883	Geo. G. Snyder	David C. McLaughlin	W		[L-1-16]
6/15/1905	3rd District Court	A.W. McEnery	Decree		[L-1-16]
6/12/1905	H. McEnery, Admin.	W.A. McEnery	Deed		[L-1-16]
6/22/1907	W.A. McEnery, et ux	R.T. Kimball	W.D.		"2, S1/2 3"
1/16/1909	Robt T. Kimball, et al	Kimball Bros. Con. Co.	W.D.		"2, S1/2 3"
5/18/1922	Kimball Bros.	Irinda Watson	Mtg.		"2, S1/2 3"
8/22/1923	Lawrence P. Kimball, et ux	Robert T. Kimball, et al	Deed		"2, S1/2 3"
8/16/1932	Robert T. Kimball, et ux	Robert W. Kimball	Q.C.D.		"2, S1/2 3"
9/9/1945	Robert W. Kimball	Geo. Henry Skillicom	W.D.		"2,3"
4/14/1976	Royal Street Land Company	Ada H. Skillicom	Sp. W.D.		[E1/4 parcel, see record for description]
6/12/1978	Ada Halverson Skillicom, widow	Ada H. & Richard C. Skillicom	Q.C.D.		[property as it is today, rest of form]
11/20/1978	Richard Charles Skillicom	Ada Halverson Skillicom	Q.C.D.		
11/21/1978	Ada Halverson Skillicom	Brian C. & Claudia N. Myres	W.D.		

Researcher: John Ewanowski, CRSA Architecture

Date: 4/22/2014

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### Robert Taylor Kimball Passes To Final Sleep

Thursday morning, the sad news quickly spread that Robert Kimball, Sr., father of Gilbert and Robert Kimball of this city, Mrs. Clara Huggins of Provo, Utah, and Mrs. Ada Carpenter of Independence, New York, had passed away at the home of his son, Robert W. Kimball, in Park City.

In closing this book of life another name has been added to that illustrious list of persons known to a race that is so closely allied with the history of Park City that it could easily be called its biography.

Robert Taylor Kimball was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, September 14, 1864, the son of Wm. H. and Melissa Gray Kimball. At the age of four years his parents moved to Parley's Park and became the Kimball family, which became famous as a busy square and slope the seat of the Transcontinental line. At the age of thirteen he brought a large herd of cattle from Evanston, Wyoming, to Parley's Park, for the Wells Fargo company. Mr. Kimball and brothers held a number of timber claims in this locality from which they hauled wood to Salt Lake City for fuel. They also sold some of these claims to mining interests who developed the American-Columbia mine, which for many years was the chief producer of this district. At the age of nineteen he went to work for the Ogden company and stayed with them for two years and during this time had been so thoroughly familiar with the city that he turned the life of a miner and became interested in transportation. In this capacity he became a part of the government through their many mail contracts here in Utah and Nevada. The Kimball name played an important part in the early history of Park City and for many years was the only mode of communication between Park City and Salt Lake. During this time of their company he was placed in charge of a consignment of gold dust from Sacramento to Salt Lake. This was accomplished on horseback and with much trouble. He became a definite figure in the early development of Park City through his purchase of the Ogden interests which included the Denver River rights which he developed into an institution that was well known throughout the international country.

Through his integrity and knowledge it was easy for him to secure most contracts in the Colorado district during the Nevada gold boom of 1865 and 1866. Before this his planning instincts saw the need of roadways in the West. Through his efforts and with the assistance of a local builder, a road was located across South Valley, which has since become part of the transcontinental highway.

Through their knowledge of the west the Kimball interests became varied and numerous. At one time they held the original location rights of the town of Glen, Arizona, which were sold to Columbia and realize their interests in Utah and especially Park City.

Five years after securing the Ogden interests he met and married Miss Amanda Evans. They began life together at the family residence on Westside Avenue, where six children were born, four of whom survive him. It was unfortunately the Kimball family, until a few years ago when he made his Park City home with his son, Robert.

In the political, civic and fraternal life of the city Mr. Kimball was very active. In the political life he was affiliated with the Republican party, and he would have served as city commissioner and for many years had responsibilities in the county. In the city and county organizations he was a familiar figure and never failed to be a representative in many years. The last honor of position of upon him was his nomination chosen as delegate to the last congressional convention in Salt Lake City, and a delegate to the last city convention. He was connected with the schools for many years and served as president of the Board for fifteen years.

In the fraternal life he was one of the original members of the first and largest lodge of the Good Templars, and was one of the founders of the Woodmen of the World, and a faithful member with the old A. O. U. W. His charitable life was inseparable from that of the hour, and as such never sleep with him.

Surviving him are Mrs. Amanda Kimball, his widow; Gilbert J. and Robert W. Kimball, Park City; Mrs. Ada Carpenter, Independence, New York, and Mrs. Clara Huggins, Provo, Utah, and Mrs. Sarah Huggins, New London, L. F. Kimball, of Beatty, Nevada; Lynn Kimball, of North Hollywood, California, and one sister, Mrs. Melissa Evans, Great Salt Lake, California.

In this long and useful life he has watched Park City grow from a backwoods country to a thriving and industrial state; Park City from a wild and lawless place to a well governed and orderly city; and transportation from the old stage to the system, and in the way that added materially in all its development.

He has marked the end of the trail. May his sleep be peaceful.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow, Saturday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, in the Kimball home, 1108 Park Avenue, the first since the presidency of the L. D. Church, Salt Lake, will officiate at the service. Interment will be in the city cemetery.

