

HISTORIC LANDMARKS SURVEY OF ALBUQUERQUE INVENTORY

Number 8

Name: Delfinia Gurule House

Location: 306 16th N.W.

Name and address of owner:

Ann and Terry Dunbar

1305 Tijeras N.W.

Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102

Present and Original Physical Appearance:

The Delfinia Gurule House is a T-shaped New Mexico Vernacular building. The front of the building (the cross of the T) is topped by a truncated hip roof of corrugated metal; the centered, gabled dormer is also metal-roofed, as is the long arm of the T, built back from this entry room.

In the front facade, a boxed cornice strengthens the relationship of this house to the Hipped Boxes built in other parts of town around 1905. A simple wood front porch sits under a separate shed roof with chamfered wood posts and a three-foot-high wood railing. The panelled entry door is centered with a tall 2/2 wood sash window to each side. While the front windows and doors are set in simple wood frames, the rear windows are treated in an older New Mexican fashion, set into the adobe walls under exposed wood lintels. The adobe is currently unplastered, but the house is well cared for and appears to be in sound condition.

Architectural Style: New Mexico Vernacular

Date of property: 1912

Significance of property:

The Delfinia Gurule House looks as though it belongs in one of the mountain villages of northern New Mexico; virtually intact and unaltered, it is a fine period piece. The property was purchased by Delfinia Gurule from Dolores Otero Burg, heiress of one of the developers of the Perea Addition, in 1912. Mrs. Gurule continued to live in the house until her death in early 1980. The house has now been purchased by the Dunbars, who plan a careful rehabilitation.

Condition: fair

Altered? no

Moved? no

Acreage: 1/5 acre

Boundary Description: Lots 7 & 8, Block 20 of the Perea Addition to the City of Albuquerque

UTM reference point: Z: 13 E: 348370 N: 3884350

Thematic classification (N.M. State Register) Architecture

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