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RESUBMISSION Kingman MRA

Anderson, R. L., House (703 E. Beale)
Mohave County
ARIZONA

This property was returned for substantive reasons. For item 8, the building is primarily significant for its historical association with the Lovin and Withers Development Company with a subsidiary area of significance to Kingman architecture as the only example of a bungalow constructed of brick. The reviewer stated that the significance of the building is unclear. However, while both architecture and historical association are indicated as areas of significance on the back of the inventory form, the form clearly emphasizes the building's historic association with Lovin and Withers. The reviewer took issue with the characterization of the building as architecturally significant but did not address its historical significance. A second problem was noted for number 13 on the return sheet, that the photograph sent does not clearly show the form and principal facade of the building.

The building still appears eligible within the context of the Kingman MRA. New photos are enclosed as attachments to this resubmission to the National Register. These photos clearly show the form, principal facade, and elevations of the building.

This building is nominated to the National Register under criterion b, for its historical association with the individuals of Henry Lovin and Samuel Withers and their development firm of Lovin and Withers. The firm of Lovin and Withers was the principal development partnership in Kingman during the teens and early 1920's. Other partnerships included the Tarr and McComb Company and Chenour and Metcalf (see MRA text item 8, p. 12). These individuals built housing for rent and sale, capitalizing on the need for lodging in Kingman during the mining boom years. In addition to 703 E. Beale, other buildings constructed by Lovin and Withers include 631 E. Beale (determined eligible 5-14-86), 722 E. Beale (NR listed 5-14-86), and the Lovin and Withers Investment Cottages (NR listed 5-14-86).

A subsidiary area of significance for 703 E. Beale is its importance to Kingman architecture as the only brick bungalow in the MRA. Although a simple vernacular treatment, the building does contain design elements that make it a good typical example of bungalow form. These design elements include a low-pitched hipped roof with a wide open soffit, exposed roof rafters, decorative (false) beams under the porch gable, and a partial-width gabled porch with roof supported by square columns. This typical bungalow example is distinguished by its brick material of construction, an uncommon material at the time in Kingman for use in residential construction.

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I concur with the statements as presented in this resubmission:

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