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Site No.	

Structure/Site Information Form

Street Address:

97 East 100 South, Ephraim, Utah

E: 448770 UTM: N: 4356525

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Name of Structure: Rasmus, Jensen, House

Present Owner:

T. R. S.

Freda Rasmussen

Plat A Block 16 Lot 1

Owner Address:

97 East 100 South, Ephraim, Utah

ALPEAGE: LESS THAN ONE

Year Built (Tax Record):

Effective Age:

181 Tax#:

□ USU Library

☐ SLC Library

□ Other

Legal Description

Kind of Building:

Beg. SE cor Lot 1 Blk 16 North 1.75 ch; W 146 ft; S 1.75 ch; E 146 ft to beg.

	Original Owner: Rasmus Jensen			Construction Date: c. 1870 Demolition Date:			
	Original Use: dwelling Building Condition: Integrity:		Present Use: dwelling				
			Preliminary Evaluation:		Final Register Status:		
	Excellent Good Deteriorated	☐ Site ☐ Ruins	☐ Unaltered Minor Alterations Major Alterations	Significant ☐ Contributory ☐ Not Contributory	☐ Not ['] of the Historic Period	☐ National Landmark ☐ National Register ☐ State Register	☐ District☐ Multi-Resource☐ Thematic
	Photography: Date of Slides:		Slide No.:	Date of Photographs:		Photo No.:	
	Views: ☐ Front ☐ Side ☐ Rear ☐ Other		Views: ☐ Front ☐ Side ☐ Rear ☐ Other				
	Research Sou	rces:					
Abstract of Title Sanborn Maps		□ Newspapers		☐ U of U Library			
	Plat Records / Ma	ıp ☐ City 🛭	Directories	☐ Utah State Hist	orical Society	☐ BYU Library	

□ Personal Interviews

LDS Church Archives

□ LDS Genealogical Society

Bibliographical References (books, articles, records, interviews, old photographs and maps, etc.):

□ Biographical Encyclopedias

□ County & City Histories

□ Obiturary Index

Sanpete County Records

□ Tax Card & Photo

☐ Building Permit □ Sewer Permit

W.H. Lever, History of Sanpete and Emery Counties, Ogden: W.H. Lever, 1898, p. 319.

Date:

Architect/Builder: UNKNOWN

Building Materials: 5 To NE

Building Type/Style: PAIR HOUSE TYPE IT / VERNALULAR

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features: (Include additions, alterations, ancillary structures, and landscaping if applicable)

The Rasmus Jensen house is a TYPE II vernacular pair-house. The house is built of oolite limestone with coursed ashlar walls and raised mortar joints. The house is 1-1/2 stories high and has gable-end stove chimneys. The five opening facade exhibits the three-bay clustering which is common on TYPE II houses. There is a one story frame "T" extension to the rear which was built in the early 20th century. Alterations to the house include the removal of the original windows and the placing of a shed dormer window in the east facade.

Statement of Historical Significance:

Construction Date:

The Rasmus Jensen house in Ephraim is significant as an example of Scandinavian vernacular architecture in Utah. The house contributes historically to the thematic nomination, "The Scandinavian-American Pair-house in Utah."

Rasmus Jensen was born in Denmark in 1842. Converting to the LDS Church, Jensen emigrated to Utah in 1863 and located in Ephraim. Jensen was a prosperous blacksmith and also engaged in farming, ranching, and freighting. The stone house was probably constructed in the early 1870s to be finished in time for Jensen's wedding in 1876.