

1. Survey No. CL-AS-010-015		2. Survey name: Mineral Water Resources of Excelsior Springs	
3. County: CL		4. Address (Street No.) 215	Street (name) E. Broadway Avenue
5. City: Excelsior Springs	Vicinity: <input type="checkbox"/>	6. UTM: 15S/ 394703.32E/ 4355444.66N	7. Township/Range/Section: T: 52N R: 30W S:1
8. Historic name (if known): Excelsior Spring; Ettenson Block (building)		9. Present/other name (if known):	
10. Ownership: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Public		11a. Historic use (if known): HEALTH CARE/resort facility; COMMERCE/business; specialty store	11b. Current use: VACANT/not in use

**HISTORICAL INFORMATION**

12. Construction date: Ca. 1890 (spring); ca. 1905 (building)	15. Architect:	18. Previously surveyed? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cite survey name in box 22 cont. (page 3)
13. Significant date/period: Ca. 1890-1900s	16. Builder/contractor:	19. On National Register? <input type="checkbox"/> individual <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district Cite nomination name in box 22 cont. (page 3)
14. Area(s) of significance: HEALTH/MEDICINE; COMMERCE	17. Original or significant owner: Henry Ettenson (building)	20. National Register eligible? <input type="checkbox"/> individually eligible <input type="checkbox"/> district potential ( <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> NC ) <input type="checkbox"/> not eligible <input type="checkbox"/> not determined
21. History and significance on continuation page. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		22. Sources of information on continuation page. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION**

23. Category of property: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s) <input type="checkbox"/> site <input type="checkbox"/> structure <input type="checkbox"/> object	30. Roof material: unknown	37. Windows: <input type="checkbox"/> historic <input type="checkbox"/> replacement Pane arrangement: 1/1 sash; fixed
24. Vernacular or property type: Two-part commercial block masonry building	31. Chimney placement: N/A	38. Acreage (rural): Visible from public road? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
25. Architectural Style:	32. Structural system: masonry	39. Changes (describe in box 41 cont.): <input type="checkbox"/> Addition(s) Date(s): <input type="checkbox"/> Altered Date(s): <input type="checkbox"/> Moved Date(s): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Date(s): Endangered by:
26. Plan shape: rectangular	33. Exterior wall cladding: brick	
27. No. of stories: 2	34. Foundation material: limestone	
28. No. of bays (1 <sup>st</sup> floor): 7	35. Basement type: full	40. No. of outbuildings (describe in box 40 cont.): N/A
29. Roof type: flat	36. Front porch type/placement: N/A	41. Further description of building features and associated resources on continuation page. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**OTHER**

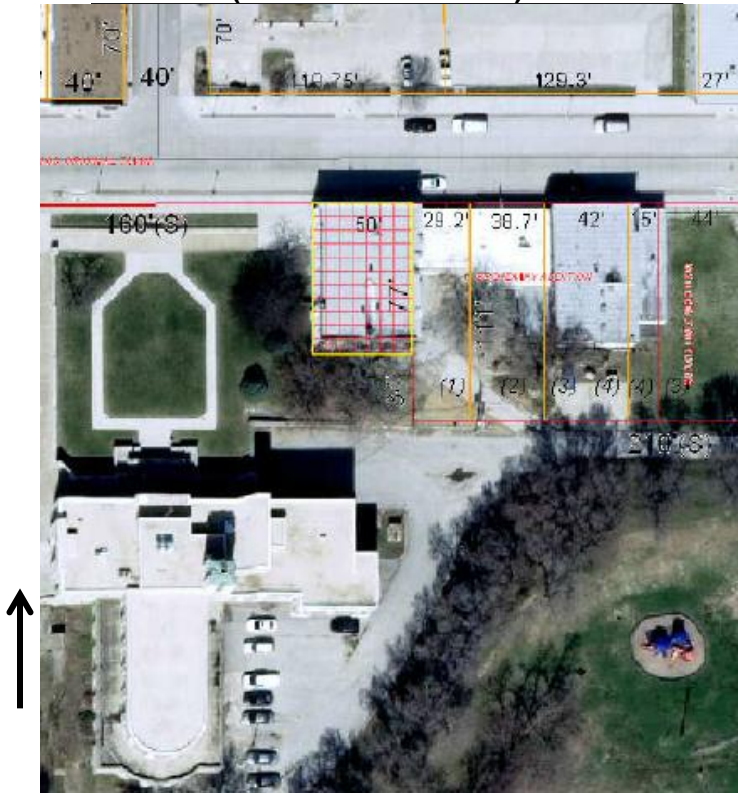
42. Current owner/address: Freeburg, Randy & Margaret 14196 Cuddy Loop Apt 102 Woodbridge Va 22193-5923	43. Form prepared by (name and org.): Deon Wolfenbarger Three Gables Preservation 320 Pine Glade Road, Nederland, CO Deon@threegables.net	44. Survey date: 2012
		45. Date of revisions:

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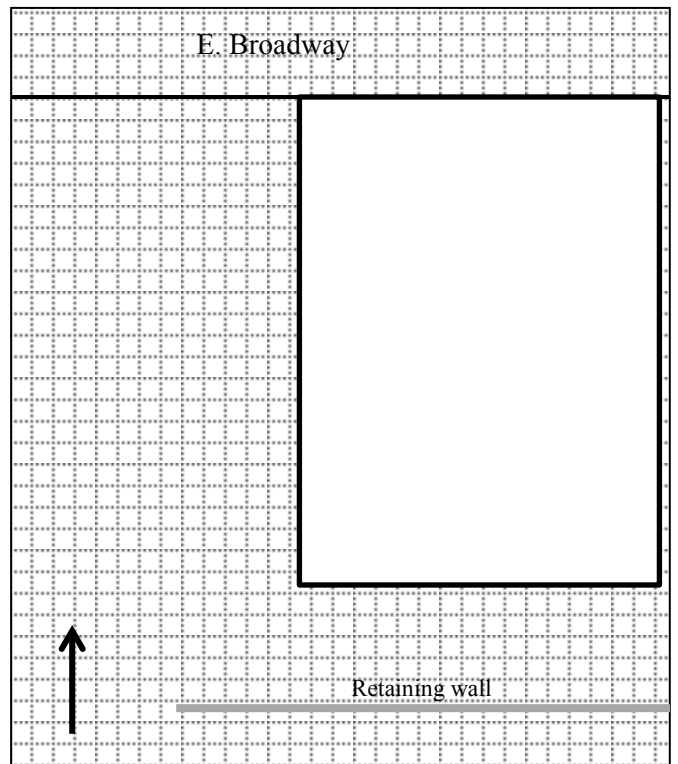
Date entered in inventory:	Level of survey <input type="checkbox"/> reconnaissance <input type="checkbox"/> intensive	Additional research needed? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
National Register Status: <input type="checkbox"/> listed <input type="checkbox"/> in listed district Name: <input type="checkbox"/> pending listing <input type="checkbox"/> eligible (individually) <input type="checkbox"/> eligible (district) <input type="checkbox"/> not eligible <input type="checkbox"/> not determined	Other:	



**LOCATION MAP (include north arrow)**



**SITE MAP/PLAN (include north arrow)**

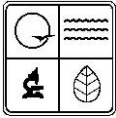


**PHOTOGRAPH**

Photographer: Deon Wolfenbarger	Date: 7/28/2011	Description: (left) Looking south onto north/front façade; (right) looking northwest onto south/rear & east elevations
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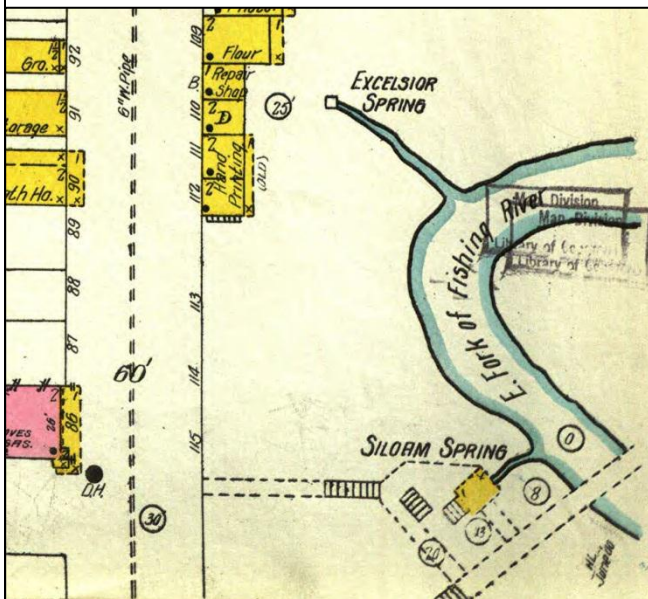




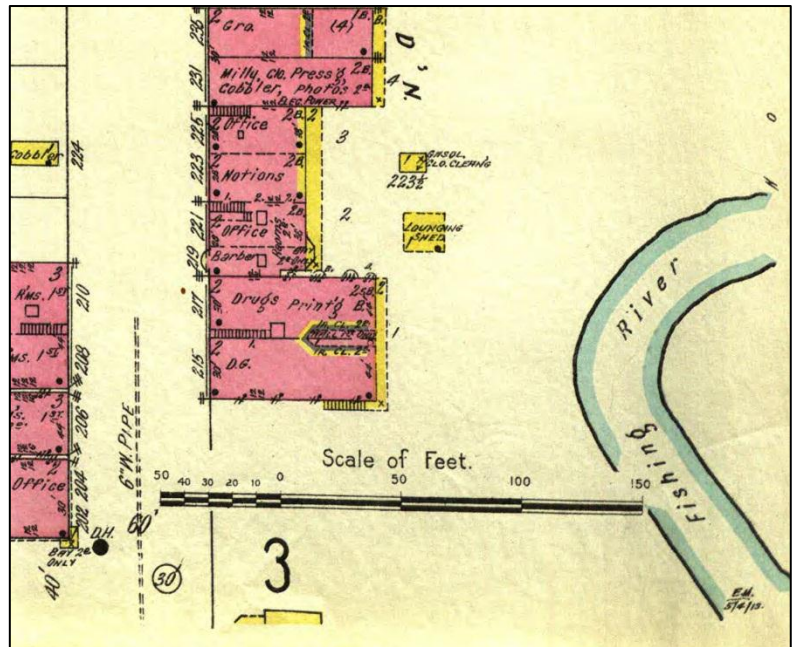


**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

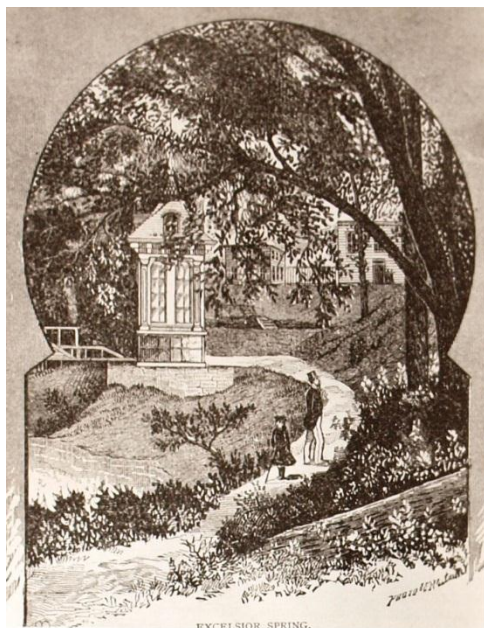
21. (cont.) History and significance. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages.  
 The location of the Excelsior Spring requires further investigation. The Excelsior Spring was located approximately 150 feet east of the original Siloam Spring. Its waters were in the *iron manganese* group. It is shown in the 1894 and 1900 Sanborn Maps as approximately 60 feet south of the south side of Broadway, behind frame commercial buildings. A 1903 brochure still advertised the spring, but by the 1905 Sanborn map, the spring was gone, and the frame buildings were replaced by brick commercial buildings (223-225 E. Broadway); additionally, a "lounging shed" was near the former spring site. The 1903 advertising stated that "It was the second spring opened and the analysis showed such similarity to the Siloam that it was neglected until four years ago, and since then it has been used, by the city's guests, except a few months when the erection of the new buildings near by prevented the public from getting to it. It is now available and a walk has been made between it and the Siloam and visitors are at liberty to use all they want without money and without price." By 1913, a "gasoline & clothing cleaning" shed was also near the former spring site. On the 1942 Sanborn, the buildings at 223-225 E. Broadway were demolished. However, *The Waters of Excelsior Springs* and local tradition states that the Excelsior Spring was located at 219 E. Broadway (now 215-217) after the pavilion was demolished. The well is purportedly in the sub-basement, and crystals made from this water were sold here.



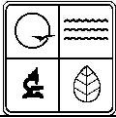
1900 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map



1913 Sanborn map



Historic etching of Excelsior Spring



22. (cont.) Sources of information. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages.

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*The Waters of Excelsior Springs: Valley of Vitality*

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps

Excelsior Springs Museum & Archives, "Excelsior Spring" folder V1.200.118

"Hall of Waters & Central Place District," Historic Resources Survey II, 1993.

"Excelsior Springs Hall of Waters Commercial East Historic District," National Register of Historic Places, 1999 (contributing)

40. (cont.) Description of environment and outbuildings. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages.

Located on the south side of E. Broadway and immediately east of the Hall of Waters property, it is in a row of commercial buildings.

41. (cont.) Further description of important architectural features. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages.

The lot slopes down to the south, and the rear of the property (owned by the City) has a stone and concrete retaining wall with a small concrete block shed building (unknown if this structure is well-related). The main building on the parcel (described in previous survey) is a two-part commercial block masonry building with flat roof. Due to the change in elevation at the rear, the basement level is exposed as a full floor and features two "storefront" arrangements: one entry door for each half of the building flanked by display windows with transoms above. There are slender cast iron columns on the storefront door frames, and a I-bar serving as the sill divider between the basement and the first floor. An entry door leading to the second story is between the two storefronts. The upper story windows have radiating arch brick voussoirs, and the elaborate cornice at the top features decorative brick work forming faux brackets, beneath a double row of extended, alternating brick headers.