

1. Survey No. CL-AS-010-021		2. Survey name: Mineral Water Resources of Excelsior Springs	
3. County: CL		4. Address (Street No.) 201	Street (name) E. Broadway Avenue
5. City: Excelsior Springs	Vicinity: <input type="checkbox"/>	6. UTM: 15 S/ 394651.27E/ 4355242.13N	7. Township/Range/Section: T: 52N R: 30W S:1
8. Historic name (if known): Park Lithia Spring; Lithia No. 2 Spring		9. Present/other name (if known): Siloam Park; Fishing River Linear Park	
10. Ownership: <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public		11a. Historic use (if known): HEALTH CARE/resort facility	11b. Current use: RECREATION & CULTURE/monument

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

12. Construction date: Ca. 1930s	15. Architect:	18. Previously surveyed? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cite survey name in box 22 cont. (page 3)
13. Significant date/period: Ca. 1930s	16. Builder/contractor:	19. On National Register? <input type="checkbox"/> individual <input type="checkbox"/> district Cite nomination name in box 22 cont. (page 3)
14. Area(s) of significance: HEALTH/MEDICINE	17. Original or significant owner: City of Excelsior Springs	20. National Register eligible? <input type="checkbox"/> individually eligible <input type="checkbox"/> district potential (<input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> NC) <input checked="" 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

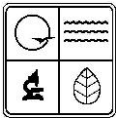
23. Category of property: <input type="checkbox"/> building(s) <input type="checkbox"/> site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> structure <input type="checkbox"/> object	30. Roof material: N/A	37. Windows: <input type="checkbox"/> historic <input type="checkbox"/> replacement Pane arrangement:
24. Vernacular or property type:	31. Chimney placement: N/A	38. Acreage (rural): Visible from public road? <input type="checkbox"/>
25. Architectural Style:	32. Structural system: N/A	39. Changes (describe in box 41 cont.): <input type="checkbox"/> Addition(s) Date(s): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered Date(s): <input type="checkbox"/> Moved Date(s): <input type="checkbox"/> Other Date(s): Endangered by:
26. Plan shape: Polygonal	33. Exterior wall cladding: N/A	
27. No. of stories: N/A	34. Foundation material: Concrete	
28. No. of bays (1 st floor): N/A	35. Basement type: N/A	40. No. of outbuildings (describe in box 40 cont.):
29. Roof type: N/A	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: City of Excelsior Springs 201 E. Broadway Excelsior Springs, MO 64024-2564	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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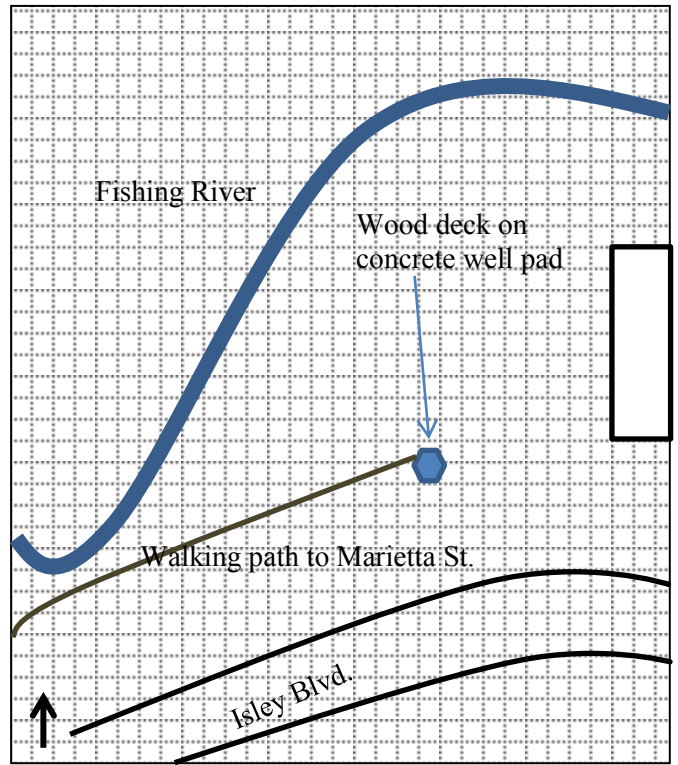
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National Register Status: <input type="checkbox"/> listed <input type="checkbox"/> in listed district Name: <input type="checkbox"/> pending listing <input type="checkbox"/> eligible (individually) <input type="checkbox"/> eligible (district) <input type="checkbox"/> not eligible <input type="checkbox"/> not determined	Other:	



LOCATION MAP (include north arrow)



SITE MAP/PLAN (include north arrow)



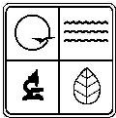
PHOTOGRAPH

Photographer:
Deon Wolfenbarger

Date:
7/29/2011

Description:
(left) Looking northwest across gazebo towards Fishing River; (right) looking south across well pad towards Isley Blvd.





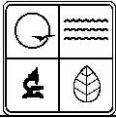
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

21. (cont.) History and significance. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages.

Park Lithia Spring (sometimes called Lithia No. 2 spring) is located in Siloam Park. Its waters are in the *calcium bicarbonate (lithia)* group, although a few historic photographs note it as a “soda” well (mineral analysis below). A historic brochure noted “Because of its eliminative properties, Park Lithia was used for cases where uric acid conditions were responsible for ailments like rheumatism and kidney and bladder trouble.” The City of Excelsior Springs was the only owner of record, and historic photographs (below) of the pavilion indicate that it was constructed after the park, and possibly at the time of the Hall of Waters. It was one of the wells that was owned by the city when the Hall of Waters was built, and was the lithia water that was dispensed at the water bar. A swinging bridge over the Fishing River provided access to the pavilion from the Hall of Waters. Over the years, floods have damaged the pavilion. A gazebo was reconstructed over the well site in recent years, but torn down after vandals significantly damaged the structure. A re-evaluation of the eligibility of the park may result in this resource being contributing to a potential district, although it is likely not individually eligible since the shape of the well pad is not original.



Park Lithia Spring Analysis	Salts in Solution in Grains Per Gallon
Calcium Bicarbonate	534.0
Calcium Sulphate	153.1
Ferrous Bicarbonate	6.4
Magnesium Chloride	28.6
Magnesium Sulphate	36.5
Potassium Chloride	4.4
Sodium Chloride	21.9
Total Mineral Matter	784.9



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

Clay County Assessor's Office

The Waters of Excelsior Springs: Valley of Vitality

Excelsior Springs Museum & Archives; "Park Springs," folder V1.200.300

"Excelsior Springs Park & Driveway System: Landscape Architectural Historic Survey," 1994

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

On a 14.2 acre site containing the Hall of Waters (building is individually listed on National Register, as well as in the N.R. district, but the boundaries do not extend to include this resource) and part of Fishing River Linear Park. An asphalt path leads from the south end of S. Marietta Street along the south side of the river to the well site. Concrete steps lead south up the slope to Isley Boulevard. Clay County parcel ID: 12-311-00-23-021.00.

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

The octagon shaped wood gazebo deck is set on a concrete foundation [the original pavilion was square-shaped). There are planting beds with perennial hostas around the deck edges.