

PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION

Although applicants and/or their agent(s) are expected to attend a public hearing, you are not required to attend. However, if you do attend, you have the opportunity to speak FOR or AGAINST the proposed development or change. You may also contact a neighborhood or environmental organization that has expressed an interest in an application affecting your neighborhood.

During a public hearing, the board or commission may postpone or continue an application's hearing to a later date, or recommend approval or denial of the application. If the board or commission announces a specific date and time for a postponement or continuation that is not later than 60 days from the announcement, no further notice is required.

A board or commission's decision may be appealed by a person with standing to appeal, or an interested party that is identified as a person who can appeal the decision. The body holding a public hearing on an appeal will determine whether a person has standing to appeal the decision.

An interested party is defined as a person who is the applicant or record owner of the subject property, or who communicates an interest to a board or commission by:

- delivering a written statement to the board or commission before or during the public hearing that generally identifies the issues of concern (it may be delivered to the contact person listed on a notice); or
- appearing and speaking for the record at the public hearing; and:
- occupies a primary residence that is within 500 feet of the subject property or proposed development;
- is the record owner of property within 500 feet of the subject property or proposed development; or
- is an officer of an environmental or neighborhood organization that has an interest in or whose declared boundaries are within 500 feet of the subject property or proposed development.

A notice of appeal must be filed with the director of the responsible department no later than 10 days after the decision. An appeal form may be available from the responsible department.

For additional information on the City of Austin's land development process, visit our web site: www.ci.austin.tx.us/development.

I am sending this in case the matter is still open.

Written comments must be submitted to the board or commission (or the contact person listed on the notice) before or at a public hearing. Your comments should include the name of the board or commission, or Council; the scheduled date of the public hearing; the Case Number; and the contact person listed on the notice.

Case Number: C15-2011-0104 - 609 Oakland Avenue
Contact: Susan Walker, 512-974-2202
Public Hearing: Board of Adjustment, October 10th, 2011.

Elizabeth Anne Morris
Your Name (please print)

I am in favor
 I am object

607 Oakland Ave. Austin TX 78703
Your address(es) affected by this application

Anne Morris
Signature
10/12/2011
Date

Daytime Telephone: 284-7936

Comments: *The attached "letter" was delivered to my family members who still live at 607 Oakland, next door to 609 Oakland, by someone apparently hired by Bartley to get tenants to agree with the variance. My son delivered it to me. It's dated 10/10, same day as the hearing. Bartley has used the small "Storage Space" but back as a month for many years. Parking on Oakland's difficult enough on week days because of people.*

If you use this form to comment, it may be returned to:
City of Austin-Planning & Development-Review Department/ 1st Floor

Susan Walker
P. O. Box 1088
Austin, TX 78767-1088
Sparking there who work nearby on/around W.6th. Bartley is not a good neighbor and does not deserve special favors from the City. I will be happy to talk to anyone about this, but not interested in a lawsuit. Do NOT want Bartley to contact us. → (over)

October 10, 2011

To City of Austin,

I own/live at the property at 607 Oakland Ave, which is adjacent to 609 Oakland Avenue, the multi-family property, owned by John Barkley. I have been a neighbor to Mr. Barkley for as long time. I am writing this statement to inform you that I am familiar with the two rental structures on the property. I know that the rear structure serves as an affordable efficiency studio and I appreciate that Austin has affordable housing options for renters wanting to live and work in the downtown areas. In addition, his property is similar to many other properties in our unique character Clarksville neighborhood.

I have no issues with the existing non conforming structures continuing there as they have been for decades, prior to City of Austin ever changing ordinances, and I further offer my support to Mr. Barkley's efforts to request the City of Austin allow him to continue his rental business to offer affordable housing options and /or studio space to citizens of Austin. I also applaud Mr. Barkley's efforts to work with City to bring the multi-family property into near compliance while allowing the rental units to continue. I've been witnessing his renovations and improvements over past few months while working with City Planners and Inspectors to address all their code regulation concerns to improve the living conditions of the front structure.

In summary, I fully support the existing rental units at 609 Oakland Avenue and I am requesting the City of Austin Board of Adjustments grant Mr. Barkley's variances so he may continue to offer affordable housing options so desperately needed in Austin and especially the downtown area.

Sincerely,

Clarksville Resident

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