

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
DECEMBER 12, 2011
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2011-0547
4306 SINCLAIR AVENUE**

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1936 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story irregular-plan, cross-gabled frame dwelling with a partial-width inset porch and single and paired 1:1 fenestration.

RESEARCH

The first owners and occupants of the house were William A. and Theo Butler, who moved here from 2906 Rio Grande Street. William A. Butler was an engineer for the Austin Ice Company and later for Capital Ice and Cold Storage. The Butlers lived here until around 1942. The next owners and occupants were Roy and Bertha Wray. Roy Wray was a carpenter, who served as the superintendent of construction on Bass Concert Hall at the University of Texas. Roy and Bertha Wray lived in the house until very recently. Roy Wray passed away July 3, 2011; Bertha Wray survives.

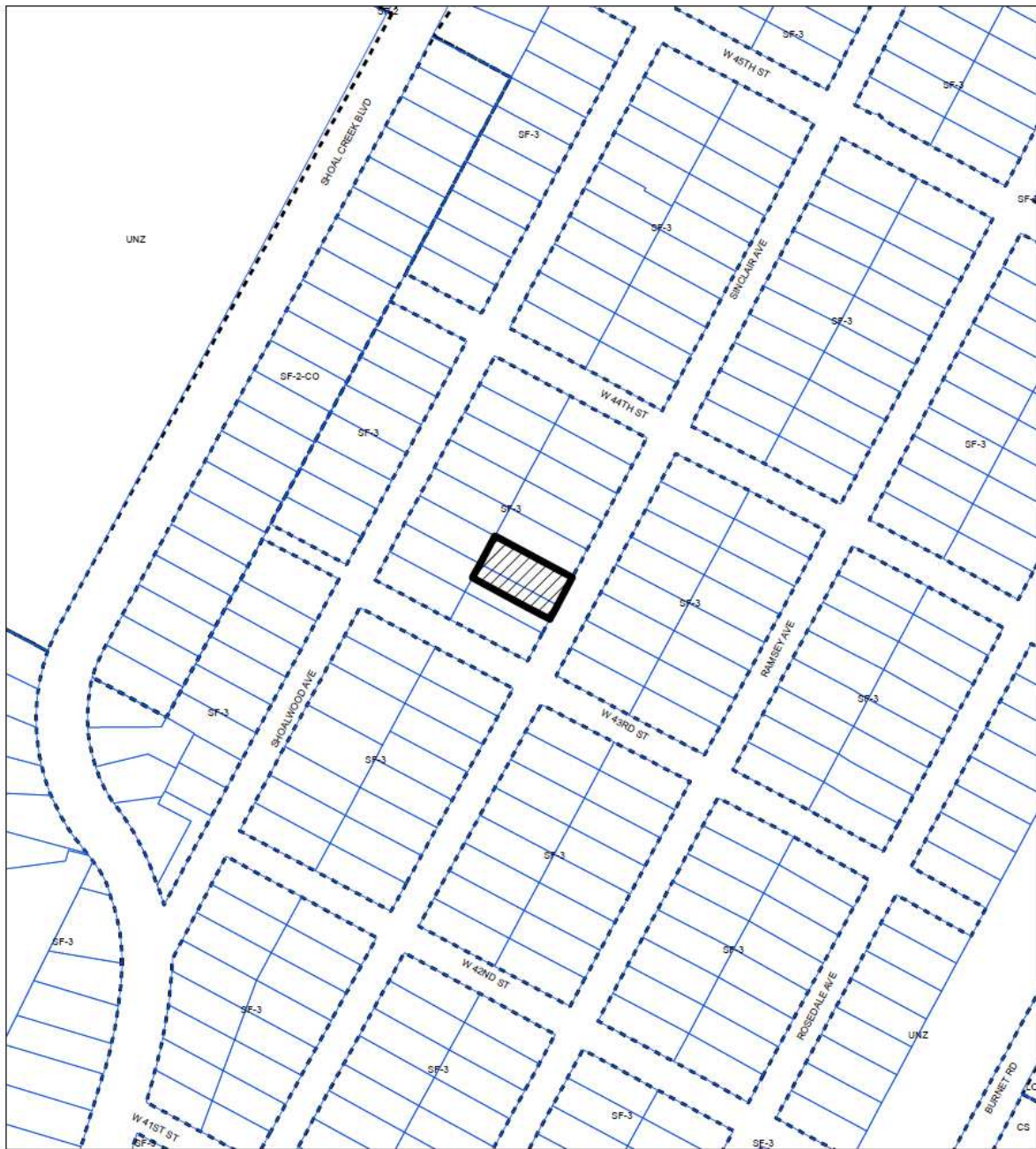
STAFF COMMENTS

The house is beyond the bounds of the Comprehensive Cultural Resources Survey (1984).

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Release the demolition permit. The house has neither the architectural nor the historical significance to warrant individual designation as a historic landmark.

LOCATION MAP



SUBJECT TRACT



ZONING BOUNDARY

HISTORIC DEMOLITION PERMIT

CASE#: HDP-2011-0547



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4306 Sinclair Avenue
ca. 1936



OCCUPANCY HISTORY

4306 Sinclair Avenue

City Directory Research, Austin History Center
By City Historic Preservation Office
November, 2011

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| 1992 | Roy E. and Bertha R. Wray, owners Retired |
| 1985-86 | Roy E. and Bertha R. Wray, owners Retired |
| 1981 | Roy E. and Bertha R. Wray, owners Retired |
| 1977 | Roy E. and Bertha R. Wray, owners Carpenter |
| 1972 | Roy E. and Bertha R. Wray, owners Supervisor, International Construction (not listed in the directory). |
| 1969 | Roy E. and Bertha R. Wray, owners Carpenter |
| 1963 | Roy E. and Bertha R. Wray, owners Carpenter |

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| 1958 | Roy E. and Bertha R. Wray, owners Carpenter |
| 1955 | Roy E. and Bertha R. Wray, owners Carpenter |
| 1952 | Roy E. and Bertha R. Wray, owners Carpenter |
| 1949 | Roy E. and Bertha R. Wray, owners Carpenter |
| 1947 | Roy E. and Bertha R. Wray, owners Carpenter |
| 1944-45 | Roy E. and Bertha R. Wray, owners U.S. Navy |
| 1941 | William A. and Theo P. Butler, owners Engineer NOTE: Roy E. and Bertha R. Wray are not listed in the directory. |
| 1939 | William A. and Theo P. Butler, owners Engineer, Capital Ice and Cold Storage, 301-11 Colorado Street. |
| 1937 | William A. and Theo P. Butler, owners Engineer, Austin Ice Company, 2817 Guadalupe Street. |
| 1935 | The street is not listed in the directory. NOTE: William A. and Theo Butler are listed as living at 2906 Rio Grande Street; he was an engineer for the Austin Ice Company, 2817 Guadalupe Street. |

Unless the Plumbing is done in strict accordance with City Ordinances, do not turn on the water.

PERMIT FOR WATER SERVICE

AUSTIN, TEXAS No. 4386

M. H. G. Bryant Address 4306 Sinclair

Plumber Plumb Size of Tap 1/2" Date 8-12-36

Foreman's Report

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| Date of Connection | <u>8/12/36</u> | No. Fittings 1 Curb Cock 1 Elbow 1 St. Elbow 1 Bushing 1 Reducer 1 Tee 1 Joint Comp. 1 Nipple 1 Union 1 Plug 1 Tee 1 Stop 1 Box 1 Lid 1 Valve Req. No. |
| Size of Tap Made | <u>3/4"</u> | |
| Size Service Made | <u>3/4"</u> | |
| Size Main Tapped | <u>6"</u> | |
| From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock | <u>5' 6"</u> | |
| From <u>1/4"</u> Prop. Line to Curb Cock | <u>2' 6"</u> | |
| Location of Meter | <u>at curb</u> | |
| Type of Box | <u>cast</u> | |
| Depth of Main in <u>8' 6"</u> | <u>2' 6"</u> | |
| Depth of Service Line | <u>12"</u> | |
| From Curb Cock to Tap on Main | <u>2'</u> | |
| Checked by Engr. Dept. <u>9-2-36</u> | | |

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Foreman's Signature BETSON

Water service permit to H.G. Bryant (1936)

OWNER R. E. Wray ADDRESS 4306 Sinclair Avenue

PLAT 187 LOT 3 & North 1/2 of 2 BLK 15

SUBDIVISION Rosedale Playroom

OCCUPANCY Playroom

BLD PERMIT # 102565 DATE 2-27-67 OWNERS ESTIMATE 1,000.

CONTRACTOR owner NO. OF FIXTURES none

WATER TAP REC # _____ SEWER TAP REC # _____

Frame Addition to Residence

425 sq. ft.

Building permit to Roy E. Wray for the construction of a playroom (1967)



Roy Edward Wray Roy Edward Wray passed away July 3, 2011, at The Pointe at Cedar Park. He was born August 10, 1916 in Liberty Hill, Texas. Roy Edward was born and raised a Texan and was proud of it. He lived 94 blessed years. Roy Edward is survived by his beloved wife of 72 years, Bertha Ruth Wuertele Wray. They had just celebrated their 72nd anniversary on June 17, 2011. Their home was in Austin for 71 of those years until recently when they moved to Cedar Park to be near their daughter. Roy Edward is also survived by two daughters, Carole Schieffer and husband, Larry, of Cedar Park and Becky Morris and husband, Jerry, of Harrisonburg, Virginia. He is also survived by four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. He was very much loved by all and will be greatly missed. In [WWII](#), Roy Edward proudly served in the [United States Navy](#). His "sailor" picture was our favorite one. His great-grandson, Derek Read will follow in his footsteps, serving in the U.S. Navy. Roy Edward provided for his family by being a skilled carpenter and was a member of the Carpenter's Union of Austin. His building accomplishments included being superintendent on the construction of The Bass Concert Hall in Austin. At home and on property he owned, Roy was a creative builder, building many unique structures. Roy Edward was a member of St. Martin's Lutheran Church in Austin and was Confirmed and Baptized as a young father. He recently spoke boldly of his belief and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ and looked forward to going to Heaven. In the past 9 months, Roy Edward brought much humor and laughter to the wonderful Caregivers at The Pointe at Cedar Park and Odyssey Hospice. He was liked and loved by all. Much gratitude and many thanks go to these Caregivers for the tender and loving care they gave him. His family will forever be grateful. Visitation services will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 6, 2011 at Cook-Walden Chapel of the Hills Funeral Home in Austin, Texas. Funeral services will follow at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 6, 2011. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Martin's Lutheran Church Building Fund in Austin or to Odyssey Hospice.

Obituary of Roy E. Wray
Austin [American-Statesman](#), July 5, 2011